

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



LIVING THE GOOD LIFE

A Good Practice

Job 2:1-10

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

*Please note that all text in **bold** is spoken in unison.*

† Worshipers are asked to stand in body or spirit.

August 30, 2026

10:30AM

WELCOME! What a delight that you are here! We hope you will experience the love of Jesus and the joy of community in this time of worship. If we can be of help to you, please let us know. We would love to assist you in finding ways to get involved and grow in your faith.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION (*You are invited to pray this prayer in silence.*)

Holy God, quiet our hearts and steady our spirits. In this time together, help us trust Your goodness, receive Your grace, and hear Your Word with faith and hope. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, amen.

PRELUDE

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

arr. Lloyd Larson

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come, let us worship the God who holds us in grace.

Many: We come trusting God's goodness, even when life is hard.

One: Come with your questions, your grief, and your hope.

Many: We come believing God is faithful in every season.

All: Come, let us worship with honest hearts and open spirits.

† HYMN INSERT

How Can I Keep from Singing

by Tomlin, Cash, Redman

Verse 1: There is an endless song, Echoes in my soul,
I hear the music ring, And though the storms may come,
I am holding on, To the rock I cling.

Chorus: How can I keep from singing Your praise,
How can I ever say enough, How amazing is Your love,
How can I keep from shouting Your name. I know I am loved by the King,
And it makes my heart (want to sing).

Verse 2: I will lift my eyes, In the darkest night,
For I know my Savior lives, And I will walk with You,
Knowing You'll see me through, And sing the songs You give.

Bridge: I can sing in the troubled times, Sing when I win.
I can sing when I lose my step, And fall down again.

I can sing 'cause You pick me up, Sing 'cause You're there,
I can sing 'cause You hear me Lord, When I call to You in prayer,
I can sing with my last breath, Sing for I know,
That I'll sing with the angels, And the saints around the throne.

Ending: I am loved by the King, And it makes my heart,
I am loved by the King, And it makes my heart want to sing. Yeah I can sing.

† INVITATION TO CONFESSION

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, when suffering comes, we struggle to trust Your goodness. We confess that we are quick to question, slow to hope, and tempted to speak from our pain instead of our faith. Forgive us when we assume that hardship means You have left us. Teach us to bring our grief honestly before You, to trust You in what we do not understand, and to remain faithful in every season. By Your mercy, renew our hearts and lead us back to Your peace.

† ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

† HYMN 579

Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Children are invited to meet at the courtyard doors for Children's Church in Room 304.

ANTHEM

Thy Will

arr. Richard Kingsmore

I'm so confused. I know I heard You loud and clear, So, I followed through. Somehow I ended up here.
I don't wanna think, I may never understand, that my broken heart is a part of Your plan.
When I try to pray, all I got is hurt and these four words: Thy will be done. Thy will be done. Thy will be done.

I know You're good, But this don't feel good right now,
And I know You think the things I could never think about.

It's hard to count it all joy, Distracted by the noise, Just trying to make sense of all Your promises.
Sometimes I gotta stop, Remember that You're God And I am not.

So, Thy will be done. Thy will be done. Thy will be done.
Like a child on my knees, All that comes to me is: Thy will be done. Thy will be done. Thy will be done.

I know You see me. I know You hear me, Lord. Your plans are for me. Goodness You have in store.
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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Job 2:1-10

Pew Bible p. 433-434
Large Print p. 715-716

SERMON

A Good Practice

† HYMN 280

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

AMAZING GRACE

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed!
Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.
When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first begun.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

[GIVE ONLINE](#)

† HYMN 592

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

† HYMN INSERT

It Is Well with My Soul

VILLE DU HAVRE

When peace like a river attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.

Refrain: It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

Tho' Satan should buffet, tho' trials should come, Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate, And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

My sin, O, the bliss of this glorious tho't, My sin, not in part, but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend, Even so, it is well with my soul.

† BENEDICTION

† SENDING SONG

God Is So Good

PROVIDENCE

God is so good, God is so good,
God is so good, God's so good to me.

You are encouraged to sit and enjoy the postlude after the sending song.

POSTLUDE

Goodness of God

arr. Mary McDonald

The chancel flowers today were given to the glory of God and
in loving memory of his wife, Susie Champion, by Mark Champion.

We thank Alyssa Millner for sharing her gift of music with us today.

Please use the **C O N N E C T** cards in the pews to let us know about prayer requests or areas of interest. If you are a visitor, please also include your contact information and help us get to know you better! You can place completed cards in the offering baskets.

The **NURSERY** is located near the sanctuary and is available for children ages 0-4. Children's activity bulletins and **LARGE PRINT** bulletins, Bibles, and hymnals are available on the sanctuary tables.

ST. ANDREW'S HANDBELLS resumes on Wednesday, September 2 5:30-6:30 PM in the sanctuary. Contact Martha Giarratano or the church office for more information.

BOOK CLUB will meet on Thursday, September 3 at 1PM in the church parlor to discuss our reader's choice books.

MEN'S BREAKFAST will meet on Friday, September 4 at 7AM in the fellowship hall for food, fellowship and a short devotional.

The **CHURCH OFFICE** will be closed on Monday, September 7, in observance of Labor Day.

We will collect the **PW THANK OFFERING** on Sunday, September 13 in worship. This offering supports missions in the United States and abroad.

Save the Date! **HYMN FEST** is Sunday, September 13.

St. Andrew's Prayer List

MEMBERS: Bob Fisher, James Wright, Stan Ruth, Barbara Abel, Pat Richard, Bobbie Wied

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Family of Maribel Daugherty, Joyce Stillwell, Family of Harold Onwiler, Elizabeth Everett Baird, Pam Martin, Ava Postlewait, Marcia Denton, Jean and Ron Williamson, George Busceme, Charlie and Judy Monaghan, Janet Dexter, Kathy Isabell, Bruce Williams, John Florio, Haywood Walker, Alison Berry Low, Jacob Walton, Madeline Johnson, Erika Russell, Mary Kennedy, Jack Dillard, Erin Lenhart, Janie N. Verderame

St. Andrew's Calendar

Sunday, August 30, 2026

- 9:00AM Choir Rehearsal
- 9:15AM Sunday School
- 10:30AM Worship
- 11:45AM Choir Rehearsal
- 3:00PM Boy Scouts
- 4:30PM Youth Group

Monday, August 31, 2026

- 6:00PM GT Square Dancers

Tuesday, September 1, 2026

- 10:00AM PW Coordinating Team
- 5:00PM Day School Board
- 5:30PM Fellowship Team
- 6:30PM Christian Ed Team

Wednesday, September 2, 2026

- 8:15AM Soup Kitchen
- 9:30AM Day School Chapel
- 4:30PM Mission & Evangelism
- 5:30PM AA Group
- 5:30PM Handbell Rehearsal

Thursday, September 3, 2026

- 8:30AM MOW Cooks
- 10:00AM MOW Delivers
- 1:00PM Book Club
- 6:00PM AA Group

Friday, September 4, 2026

- 7:00AM Men's Breakfast

Sunday, September 6, 2026

- 9:00AM Choir Rehearsal
- 9:15AM Sunday School
- 10:30AM Worship
- 11:45AM Choir Rehearsal
- 3:00PM Boy Scouts

CHURCH STAFF

Tara Thompson, Pastor
Thomas Furlow, Music Director
Tori Armstrong, Day School Director
Jessica Meitzen, Admin Assistant
Katrina Strong, Custodian
Patricia Williamson, Accompanist

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