

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP 6th Sunday of Easter



May 9, 2021

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.

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

WE GATHER AS A FAITH COMMUNITY

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

Almighty God, surround us with Your faithfulness and steadfast love revealed in the risen Christ. Fill us with generosity and courage so that we may be called Your friends and go forth to befriend Your world, we pray. Amen.

PRELUDE

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

TO PRAISE THE LIVING GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Spirit is coming to bless us all with a new song:

People: Let our joy be complete!

Leader: Gifts for the good of all, poured out on all to teach us a new song:

People: Let us love one another!

Leader: Strangers and neighbors, foreigners, and family will join in the new song:

People We are no longer servants but friends!

Leader: Come, let our worship make a joyful noise,

All: Rejoicing in the friendship of God.

HYMN 76

My Song Is Love Unknown

LOVE UNKNOWN

My song is love unknown, My Savior's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown That they might lovely be.
O who am I That for my sake My Lord should take Frail flesh, and die?

Christ came from heaven's throne Salvation to bestow,
But people scorned and none The longed-for Christ would know.
But O my Friend, My Friend indeed, Who at my need His life did spend!

Sometimes they strew His way, And His sweet praises sing,
Resounding all the way Hosannas to their King.
Then "Crucify!" Is all their breath, And for His death They thirst and cry.

They rise, and needs will have My dear Lord made away;
A murderer they save, The Prince of life they slay.
Yet steadfast He To suffering goes, That He His foes From thence might free.

Here might I stay and sing, No story so divine:
Never was love, dear King, Never was grief like Thine.
This is my Friend, In whose sweet praise I all my days Could gladly spend.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

There are many times we think we love You well, O God. But upon hearing Your call to love You with our whole being, we confess that our love for You is a diluted love, marked by a divided heart. We have served our own self-interest instead of serving only You and Your people. We have not loved our neighbor as You have commanded, nor have we rightly loved ourselves. Forgive us, gracious God, and help us to abide in Your love each and every day.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

God's faithfulness is sure!
Thanks be to God!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

TIME FOR CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM READING

PSALM 25:4-15

Pew Bible OT Pg. 502

This is the Word of God for the people of God!
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Never Let Us Go
Chancel Choir

SCHRAM

God's love will never let us go.
It reaches down from heaven to everyone below.
God's love will never let us go.

God's love is deeper than the sea.
Through Jesus' sacrifice,
We're forgiven, you and me.
God's love is deeper than the sea.

God's love will never let us go.
Eternal, pure, and strong, it holds on and on and on.
God's love will never let us go.

GOSPEL READING

JOHN 15:9-17

Pew Bible NT Pg. 109-110

SERMON

Friend Request

Rev. Tara R. Thompson

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 (offering baskets are located at sanctuary entrances)

[GIVE ONLINE](#)

HYMN 592

Doxology

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 423

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

DUKE STREET

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does its successive journeys run,
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To Him shall endless prayer be made,
And praises throng to crown His head;
His name, like sweet perfume, shall rise
With every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song,
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His name.

Blessings abound where'er He reigns;
The prisoners leap to lose their chains,
The weary find eternal rest,
And all who suffer want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring
Honors peculiar to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud Amen!

GO OUT INTO THE WORLD TO GLORIFY GOD IN OUR DAILY LIVES

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG

How Great Thou Art

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee:
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
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How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

POSTLUDE

The Session voted to continue with our current safety guidelines at this time. **THANKS** to each of you for your cooperation.

- Masks are required on entering, exiting, and moving about. When seated, masks are optional.
- The congregation is to remain seated during the service, even during the singing.
- During the Passing of the Peace, stand or sit in place and wave silently, yet **ENTHUSIASTICALLY!**
- The kitchen remains closed except for Meals on Wheels.

CHILDREN'S BULLETINS are available at the sanctuary entrance tables.

KINDNESS KITS are placed throughout the church campus. Please feel free to pick one up.

HOSPITAL TODAY EMAIL is now handled by Martha Giarratano. Please email mgiar2@hotmail.com or call/text (409) 347-0940 between 8:30 am and 9:30 pm with your request. If she does not answer, please leave a message and she will get back to you as soon as she can.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to occasionally assist in Sunday school the hour before church service. If you enjoy helping children learn, please prayerfully consider this ministry and contact Karen Spivey at (409) 656-8744.

MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY is back. Come join us on Monday mornings at 10am in the Parlor.

PRAISES & PRAYER LIST

Members: Murray Anderson and family (death of his great grandson), Glenda Buckley, Ralph Lunsford, Tammy Markum, Kay Sutton, Dalton Abel, Bill McIlrath, Bob Fisher, Rev. Wayne Rhodes, Mackia & Katrina, Mary Collier, Dean Lovejoy, Gary Sitton, Thomas Fisher and Bryan Rao.

Friends and Family: Juanita Dear, Karen Butler, Laura, Lunsford, Cheryl Bryan, Malim Sue Spivey, Gary Dry, Bill Taylor, George Brown, Buzz Bailey, Tiffany, Glenn Helterbran, Lucie K., Shauntaryle & Zach, Erin Lenhart, Mary Kennedy, Diane P., Billie & Brett Taylor, Katie B., Jean Williamson, Bob Vasil, Bob Higgins, Courtney Glover, Weston Sitton, Janie Verderame, Rachel Lawerence, Evan Johnson, Jill Botkin, Phil Storms, Shawn Kennedy & Lorry, Bill McKeon, Cheryl Bryan, Jennifer Patton, Cindy Woodland, Bob Janecek and Canyon Cassidy.

St. Andrew's Calendar

Sunday, May 9, 2021

~ MOTHER'S DAY ~
10:30AM Worship
12:00PM Choir Rehearsal

Monday, May 10, 2021

10:00AM Monday Morning
Bible Study
6:30PM There's A Solution/AA
6:30PM La Hacienda Alumni

Tuesday, May 11, 2021

10:00AM Staff
10:00AM PW Mission Work Day
5:00PM Finance Team

Wednesday, May 12, 2021

9:30AM Day School Chapel
6:30PM Worship Team

Thursday, May 13, 2021

8:30AM MOW Cooks
10:00AM MOW Delivers
10:00AM Prayer Team

Friday, May 14, 2021

~ OFFICE CLOSED ~
6:30PM There's A Solution/AA

Sunday, May 16, 2021

~ GRADUATE SUNDAY ~
10:30AM Worship
12:00PM Choir Rehearsal

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Day School Director.....Deanna Weitzel

Director of Music Ministry.....Levi Duncan

Organist/Pianist.....Thomas Furlow

8:30AM to 4:30PM