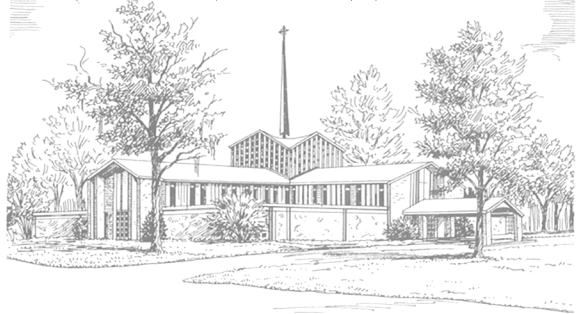


# ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
24th Sunday after Pentecost  
November 15, 2020 10:30 a.m.

## WE GATHER AS A FAITH COMMUNITY

### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Resurrecting God, you offer us a life beyond all imagining, an eternal reality in which we begin to participate today. By your grace our narrow vision is shattered. In its place we experience your promised hope and peace. By your love all things are made possible; what once appeared to be a mere dream is made true. As we worship today, give us courage to embrace your vision and live its truth, through the grace of Jesus Christ and through the sanctifying work of your Holy Spirit.

### PRELUDE

### LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

## TO PRAISE THE LIVING GOD

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Come! Share the joy of the Lord!

**Delight in God's goodness!**

Praise God who gives each person a special gift to be nurtured and shared.

**Lord, we thank you for these gifts!**

Come, let us worship God who entrusts us with so much.

**Lord, make us worthy of your love and trust in us. Amen!**

### HYMN 643

### *Now Thank We All Our God*

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;  
who from our mothers' arms, has blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;  
and keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed  
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,  
to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:  
the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,  
the God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.

### PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CALL TO CONFESSION

*Please join in  
reading aloud  
those parts of the  
service printed in  
bold.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord of mercy and justice, you have given us so many talents and gifts to be used in your world. You have given us these gifts because you trust us to use them well — and you will be with us in all our work. But we disappoint you when we belittle the value of talents or become so fearful of failure that we don't believe that we are capable of helping in this world. Lord, forgive us. Help us to trust in the gifts you have given us and to trust in your guidance in using them. Forgive us when we are fearful, stubborn, apathetic, and indifferent to the needs around us. Give us hearts to serve you all our days. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

*(Silence for personal confession)*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

**Thanks be to God!**

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ, be with you all.

**And also, with you.**

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

ISAIAH 55:6-9

The Word of God for the people of God!

**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

*My Lord, What a Mornin'*

Austin Dykes, Bass Soloist

BURLEIGH

My Lord, what a mornin', My Lord, what a mornin',  
Oh My Lord, what a mornin',  
When the stars begin to fall, When the stars begin to fall.

Done quit all my worldly ways, join that heavenly band.  
My Lord, what a mornin', My Lord, what a mornin',  
Oh My Lord, what a mornin',

When the stars begin to fall, When the stars begin to fall.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 CORINTHIANS 13:8-13  
GOOD NEWS BIBLE, TEV

God always blesses the reading and hearing of The Word!

**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

*The Mystery of Life*

REV. JOHN ALEXANDER

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (APOSTLE'S CREED)

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead,  
and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN 721

*Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore*

Lord you have come to the lakeshore looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones;  
you only asked me to follow humbly.

Refrain: O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me,  
and while smiling have spoken my name;  
now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me.  
By your side I will seek other seas.

You know so well my possessions; my boat carries no gold and no weapons;  
you will find there my nets and labor.

Refrain

You need my hands, full of caring, through my labors to give others rest  
and constant love that keeps on loving.

Refrain

You, who have fished other oceans, ever longed for by souls who are waiting,  
my loving friend, as thus you call me:

Refrain

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CALL TO OFFERING

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION HYMN 39

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see.  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

POSTLUDE

**WELCOME!** God's house is a house of hospitality where all are welcome and visitors are a blessing from the Lord. Please return often. We are a church that ministers to the world in many ways, calling all to faith in Jesus Christ as Lord, and freely sharing his love and forgiveness. We pray for the life and needs of all visitors. Please join us again next Sunday!

THOSE LEADING IN WORSHIP TODAY:

*SOUND* MARK CHAMPION

*LIVE STREAM*

JOHN BUEHRLE

*ACOLYTE* LAUREN PEMBER

*MUSIC DIRECTOR*

LEVI DUNCAN

*LITURGIST* CHARLOTTE SCHWARZLOSE

*ORGANIST*

THOMAS FURLOW

*PASTOR* REV. JOHN ALEXANDER

**JUNE 14TH WAS OUR FIRST SUNDAY BACK - LIVE:** It has been such a blessing to be in worship as church family and friends. Thanks to each of you for following our safety guidelines below. God is our audience! All Glory to God!

- Masks are required on entering, exiting, and moving about in the sanctuary. When seated, masks are optional.
- The congregation is to remain seated during the service even during the singing.
- All songs are printed in the bulletin. A music score is available upon request.
- Passing of the Peace: stand or sit in place and wave SILENTLY, yet ENTHUSIASTICALLY!
- Instruction will be given for the Offering at the appropriate time.

**PYCC YOUTH RALLY** is happening Via Zoom TODAY from 9am until 12pm. Please RSVP with Aaron Seay at aseay@pbyofnewcovenant.org if you will be attending.

**BLOOD DRIVE:** We will host a blood drive with Lifeshare on November 18, 2020 from 4pm to 7pm in the Fellowship Hall. Lifeshare really needs to meet a goal of 12 donations. Blood donation appointments can be made online at [https://donor.lifeshare.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/206381](https://donor.lifeshare.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/206381). The community blood supply would not be possible without volunteer blood drives!

**THANKSGIVING MEAL UPDATE:** We have much to be thankful for and still want to have a fellowship lunch, but catered. Wearing a mask in & out, while moving about and sitting 6ft apart ensures your safety. It'll be a great time to reconnect with your sisters and brothers in Christ and you won't even have to cook anything. Please call Pat Buehrle (409) 658-2275 or Suzy Buehrle (409) 363-1753 by November 17 to let them know you would like to participate. We MUST have a reservation.

**SESSION MEMBERS** have been praying for you and the church. Please see the newsletter for their prayers.

**NOVEMBER CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** have been sent out. Please check to be sure your gifts have been posted correctly. We have also sent out Stewardship Letters and have asked that these be turned in by tomorrow in order to prepare the budget. If you have not received a stewardship packet, we have extras throughout the sanctuary. Also, if you have a question or concern regarding your contributions, please feel free to call Melissa in the office at (409) 892-8611.

**PRAISES & PRAYER LIST**

**Members:** Family of Eloise Evans, Marthy Pate, Bill Roe, Ralph Lunsford, Wallace Bryan, Kay Sutton, Pat Buehrle, Dorothy Schwarzlose, Bill McIlrath, Bob Fisher, Baby JD Dillard, Martha Pate, Rev. Wayne Rhodes, Mac'kia & Katrina, Mary Collier, Elmer Long, Dean Lovejoy, Gary Sitton, Thomas Fisher and Bryan Rao.

**Friends and Family:** Family of Pam Smith, Mary Weitzel, Diane Goetschius, Lucie K., Family of Marie Broussard, Shauntaryle & Zach, Family of Bill Hollins, Family of Jessie Mae Jackson, Erin Lenhart, Mary Kennedy, Eric, Diane P., Billie & Brett Taylor, Terri Arrington, Katie B., Jean & Ron Williamson, Sam Moore, Jim Darchuk, Courtney Glover, Mike & Ellie Cole, Weston Sitton, Gary Graham, Janie Verderame, Rachel Lawrence, Eric Booker, Baby Madeline Johnson (Caywood), 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, November 15, 2020**  
 10:30 AM Worship  
 Rev. John Alexander

**Monday, November 16, 2020**  
 5:30 PM Pastor Search Team Mtg.  
 6:15 PM There's A Solution/AA  
 6:30 PM La Hacienda Alumni

**Tuesday, November 17, 2020**  
 9:30 AM Staff Meeting  
 6:30 PM Session Meeting

**Wednesday, November 18, 2020**  
 4:00 PM Blood Drive  
 5:30 PM Board of Trustees Mtg.

**Friday, November 20, 2020**  
 ~ OFFICE CLOSED ~  
 6:15 PM There's A Solution/AA

**Sunday, November 22, 2020**  
 10:30 AM Worship  
 Rev. Margaret Desmond

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**Pastoral Associate**.....Julie Odle, CRE  
**Day School Director**.....Deanna Weitzel  
**Associate for Youth & Their Families**.....TBA

**Director of Music Ministry**.....Levi Duncan  
**Organist/Pianist**.....Thomas Furlow  
**Office Administrator**.....Melissa Hoyt