ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH





September 26, 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.

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Please note all text in **bold** is spoken in unison. † Worshipers are asked to stand in body or spirit as you prefer.

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

Lord God Almighty, You have stood with us. You have stood by us. You have stood up for us! Thanks be to You, our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. Accept our sacrifice of praise this day and then send us out to declare Your goodness, even in the midst of all the chaos which surrounds us. Amen.

PRELUDE

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. All: **Life could be much more challenging, but the LORD is on our side!** One: The prayer of faith will save us, and God will lift us up. All: **Let's give thanks to God in our worship this day!**

† Нүмл 483

Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

MIT FREUDEN ZART

Sing praise to God, who reigns above, The God of all creation, The God of power, the God of love, The God of our salvation; With healing balm my soul is filled, And every faithless murmur stilled: To God all praise and glory!

What God's almighty power hath made, God's gracious mercy keepeth; By morning glow or evening shade God's watchful eye ne'er sleepeth; Within the kingdom of God's might, Lo! all is just and all is right: To God all praise and glory!

The Lord is never far away, But through all grief distressing, An ever present help and stay, Our peace, and joy, and blessing; As with a mother's tender hand, God gently leads the chosen band: To God all praise and glory!

Thus all my gladsome way along, I sing aloud Thy praises That all may hear the grateful song My voice unwearied raises. Be joyful in the Lord, my heart, Both soul and body take your part: To God all praise and glory! **† INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, You call us to be salt of the earth and light of the world. We confess that our witness is often bland and gloomy. Forgive us when we fail to be an influence for good, and when we condone or do what is wrong in Your sight. Help us to flavor the earth with righteousness and to reflect the light of Your love in a dark world through Jesus Christ, the Light of the world.

† ASSURANCE OF **F**ORGIVENESS

| In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! |
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| Alleluia! Amen! |

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

TIME FOR CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM READING

Psalm 124

Pew Bible OT Pg. 572

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

ANTHEM

The Prayer of Faith

Megan Morgan

O Thou that hears the prayer of faith Will Thou not save a soul from death That casts itself on Thee I have no refuge of my own But fly to what my Lord has done And suffered once for me

Slain in the Guilty sinner's stead His spotless righteousness I plead and His atoning blood Thy righteousness my robe shall be Thy merit shall atone for me And bring me near to God

Then save me from eternal death The spirit of adoption breathe His consolation send By Him some word of life impart and sweetly whisper to my heart Thy maker is thy friend

SCRIPTURE LESSON

James 5:13-20

Pew Bible NT Pg. 231-232

Sermon

Prayer is the Answer

† НумN STF 2200

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

JACQUES BERTHIER

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

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.

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

† Нуми 403

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!What a privilege to carry Everything to God in prayer!O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, All because we do not carry Everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged: Take it to the Lord in prayer! Can we find a friend so faithful, Who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness; Take it to the Lord in prayer!

Are we weak and heavy laden, Cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge— Take it to the Lord in prayer! Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer! In His arms He'll take and shield thee, Thou wilt find a solace there.

† BENEDICTION

† SENDING SONG

Living for Jesus

T.O. CHISOLM

Living for Jesus a life that is true, Striving to please Him in all that I do, Yielding allegiance, glad hearted and free, This is the pathway of blessing for me

POSTLUDE

In light of the rising number of COVID cases, the Session believes the best approach to assuring everyone's continued well-being is to encourage face masks on entering, exiting, and moving about. When seated face masks are optional so long as physical distancing is practiced. **THANKS** to each of you for your cooperation.

The following are our current safety guidelines for group gatherings.

- During the Passing of the Peace, remain in place and greet those around you.
- Kitchen: 6 to 8 people at a time. Masks and gloves to be worn. Disinfect all surfaces before leaving. Use disposable cups, plates, and utensils.
- Fellowship Hall: Maximum 12 tables with 6 chairs. Servers to wear gloves. Stage area 3 tables with 6 chairs if needed. Overflow in the breezeway areas.
- Parlor: Maximum 4 tables with 6 chairs.
- Outside food and drink: No buffet or family style. Individual servings or served by gloved volunteers.
- Overall: Hand sanitizer must be provided for all gatherings.

CONVERSE

Please use the **CONNECT** cards in the pews to communicate with us about areas of interest, prayer requests, and volunteer opportunities. If you are a **VISITOR**, please include your address, telephone number, email address and other information that will help us to get to know you better. Completed cards can be placed in the offering baskets.

The **CHANCEL FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the wedding of Pat Buehrle and Howard Caywood.

New **2022 God's CREATION CALENDARS** are now available in the church office. The cost is \$7.

The next **SAFE SANCTUARY TRAINING** will be on Sunday, October 10 at 4pm in the Youth Center.

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

The **MISSION COMMITTEE** is collecting donated items for Hurricane Ida relief. For a list of items, please see our website.

We offer **SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES** for all ages.

Discovery Class is for adults. They meet in the Library and are studying *Seeing Gray: Where Faith & Politics Meet.*

Pew Sisters is for adult women. They meet in room 2 and are studying *Cast of Characters*.

Fellowship Class is for adults. They meet in room 3 and are studying *How Happiness Happens*.

Grace & Men's Class is for adults. They meet in the Study and are studying *The Present Word*.

Youth Class is for 6th-12th grades. They meet in the Youth Center and are studying Echo the Story.

Children's Class is for PreK-5th grades. They meet in Journey Room 304 and are studying *Dig In: Bible in One Year*.

MONDAY MORNING GROUP is studying War Stories: A Look at Joshua & Judges. Join us tomorrow at 10am in the Parlor.

Members: Esmee Foster, Ruth Jurik, Bill McIlrath, Murray Anderson, Kay Sutton, Barbara & Dalton Abel, Bob Fisher, Mackia & Katrina.

Friends and Family: Melony Roffler, Darrell Lowe, Marty DeHaven & Family, Della & Mark Phillips, Karen Butler, Gary Dry, George Brown, Erin Lenhart, Mary Kennedy, Billie & Brett Taylor, Rev. Wayne Rhodes, Janie Verderame, Rachel Lawerence, Jill Botkin, Cindy Woodland.

St. Andrew's Calendar

Sunday, Sept 26, 2021

9:00AM Choir Rehearsal 9:15AM Sunday School 10:30AM Worship 12:00PM Buehrle/Caywood Wedding 5:00PM Youth Group Monday, Sept 27, 2021 10:00AM Monday Morning Group 5:30PM Strings After School 6:00PM Nominating Committee 6:30PM There's A Solution/AA 6:30PM La Hacienda Alumni

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 1350 N. 23rd Street ☆ Beaumont, TX 77706 Ph: (409) 892-8611 ☆ www.saintandy.org Tuesday, Sept 28, 202110:00AMPW Bible Study5:30PMStrings After SchoolWednesday, Sept 29, 20219:30AMDay School Chapel5:00PMHandbell RehearsalThursday, Sept 30, 20218:30AMMOW Cooks10:00AMMOW Delivers10:00AMPrayer Team

Senior Pastor......Tara R. Thompson Office Administrator.....Melissa Hoyt Office Assistant.....Katina Aucoin Office Hours are Monday - Thursday

Friday, Oct 1, 2021

~ OFFICE CLOSED ~
6:30PM There's A Solution/AA
Sunday, Oct 3, 2021
~ WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY ~
9:15AM Sunday School
10:30AM Worship
11:45AM Choir Rehearsal
5:00PM Youth Group

Day School Director.....Deanna Weitzel Music Director.....Thomas Furlow Accompanist/Pianist.....Rachel Clark 8:30AM to 4:30PM