

. . . things that we have heard and known,
that our fathers have told us.
We will . . . tell to the coming generation --
the glorious deeds of the Lord . . . which he commanded
our fathers to teach to their children,
that the next generation might know them,
the children yet unborn,
and arise and tell them to their children,
PSALM 78

God's salvation is a covenant mercy; his bond in blood, sovereignly administered. God saves us, not because we are good enough or powerful enough or because we can claim some merit in ourselves to deserve it. God's saving grace comes because his covenant oath sworn by himself is fully secured by the finished work of Christ upon the cross. The sacraments are the signs and seals of that everlasting covenant. They remind us that he will extend his kingdom across continents and across generations. These signs are for us, our children, those that are far off and to as many as the Lord shall call to himself.

Bill Douglas , Pastor

WELCOME VISITORS

We are glad to have you as our guest!

As we seek to bring glory to our Father together, we welcome you to join any or all of the events and ministry activities at St. Andrews.

- ⇒ We invite you to worship God with us, to find us as a place for encouragement and fellowship, and to become a part of this church.
- ⇒ We invite you to tell us who you are and let us get to know you, as you get to know and become more familiar with us.



The back of the program has the office phone number and email addresses for the staff.

God has moved you to come to worship him.

We are honored that you are here.

February 25, 2018

Preaching: Bill Douglas

Leading Worship: Duncan Cantrell

Songs of Ascent

Jesus What a Friend for Sinners

Jesus, what a Friend for sinners! Jesus, Lover of my Soul;
Friends may fail me, foes assail me, he, my Savior, makes me whole.

Jesus, what a Strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in Him.
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, he, my Strength, my victory wins.

Chorus:

Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah, what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end. Oh Jesus, what a Friend!

Jesus, what a Help in sorrow! While the billows over me roll,
Even when my heart is breaking, he, my Comfort, helps my soul.

Jesus, what a Guide and Keeper! While the tempest still is high,
Storms about me, night o'ertakes me, He, my Pilot, hears my cry.

(Chorus)

Jesus! I do now receive Him, more than all in Him I find.
He hath granted me forgiveness, I am His, and He is mine.

(Chorus)

Oh Jesus, what a Friend! Oh Jesus, what a Friend!
Oh Jesus, what a Friend!

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ, the Head and Cornerstone,
Chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one;
Holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone.

To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of hosts today;
With thy wonted loving-kindness hear thy people as they pray;
And thy fullest benediction shed within its walls always.

Chorus:

Praise and honor to the Father, praise and honor to the Son,
Praise and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One, and ever One.

Here vouchsafe to all thy servants what they ask of thee to gain;
What they gain from thee forever with the blessed to retain,
And hereafter in thy glory evermore with thee to reign.

(Chorus)

Ever three and ever One, ever three and ever One, ever three One, and ever One.

I Will Glory In My Redeemer

I will glory in my Redeemer, whose priceless blood has ransomed me.
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails, and hung Him on that judgment tree.

I will glory in my Redeemer, who crushed the power of sin and death.
My only Savior before the holy Judge: the Lamb who is my righteousness,
The Lamb who is my righteousness.

I will glory in my Redeemer. My life He bought, my love He owns.
I have no longings for another, I'm satisfied in Him alone.

I will glory in my Redeemer, His faithfulness my standing place.
Though foes are mighty and rush upon me, my feet are firm, held by His grace,
My feet are firm, held by His grace.

I will glory in my Redeemer, who carries me on eagles' wings.
He crowns my life with lovingkindness, his triumph song I'll ever sing.

I will glory in my Redeemer, who waits for me at gates of gold.
And when He calls me, it will be paradise,
His face forever to behold,
His face forever to behold.

Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me.

My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart.
I know that while in heaven He stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me there depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there, who made an end to all my sin.

Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free;
For God the just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me,
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM, The King of glory and of grace!

One with Himself I cannot die, my soul is purchased by His blood!
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God,
With Christ my Savior and my God!

Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free; for God the just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me, *to look on Him and pardon me.*

Call to Worship *(from Revelation 7)*

After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb." All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying: "Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!" For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; he will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Prayers of Invocation

O Lord God Almighty, you who are holy, holy, holy. We pray to you the exalted King who was, and is, and is to come. Set your Name among us today and give us power to worship you. Give us faith to believe your word. Give us bright hope as we sing hymns to your praise. Give us growing love as we receive your love for us in Christ Jesus. You are worthy to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being. We join with all saints and say "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!" Amen

Global Hymn Sing

29% of the world's population live in places where they have little or no access to a Bible, a church or a believer. That's over 2 billion individuals, or 6,900 people groups that are considered unreached and in need of someone sent from outside their community to share Jesus with them. Today, on February 25, our church is joining thousands across the globe from many nations to lift voices together and sing this setting of Psalm 72, proclaiming in faith that one day:

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

As of February 21, 814,601 people, 4,046 churches, representing 70 different countries will be singing this hymn alongside us today.

Jesus Shall Reign

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does his successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till suns shall rise and set no more.

Blessings abound where'er He reigns; the prisoner leaps to lose his chains;
The weary find eternal rest, and all the sons of want are blessed.

Chorus:

To our King be highest praise
Rising through eternal days
Just and faithful - He shall reign.

Jesus shall reign

People and realms of every tongue dwell on His love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on His Name.

(Chorus)

Let every creature rise and bring blessing and honour to our King;
Angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen!

(Chorus)

Testimonies of God's Grace

Ministry Minute – Men's Ministry T4G

Offering

(At this time, the Pre K4 and Kindergarten children are invited to meet their leaders at the back of the sanctuary for Children's Church.)

Scripture Lesson *Matthew 2:16-18 Hebrews 2:5-10*

16 Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, became furious, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had ascertained from the wise men. 17 Then was fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet Jeremiah:

18 "A voice was heard in Ramah, weeping and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be comforted, because they are no more."

5 For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. 6 It has been testified somewhere,

"What is man, that you are mindful of him,
or the son of man, that you care for him?"

7 You made him for a little while lower than the angels;
you have crowned him with glory and honor,

8 putting everything in subjection under his feet."

Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. 9 But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

10 For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering.

Sermon

Prayers of Confession

Hymn #646

Jesus Thou Joy of Loving Hearts

Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts, thou fount of life, thou light of men,
From the best bliss that earth imparts we turn unfilled to thee again.

Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood; thou savest those that on thee call;
To them that seek thee thou art good, to them that find thee all in all.

We taste thee, O thou living bread, and long to feast upon thee still;
We drink of thee, the fountainhead, and thirst our souls from thee to fill.

Our restless spirits yearn for thee, where're our changeful lot is cast;
Glad when thy gracious smile we see, blest when our faith can hold thee fast.

O Jesus, ever with us stay, make all our moments calm and bright;
Chase they dark night of sin away, shed o'er the world thy holy light.

Sacrament of The Lord's Supper

Down At The Cross

Down at the cross where my Savior died, down where for cleansing from sin I cried,
There to my heart was the blood applied; singing Glory, Glory, Glory to His Name!

I am so wondrously saved from sin, Jesus so sweetly abides within;
There at the cross where He took me in; singing Glory, Glory, Glory to His Name!

Chorus:

There to my heart was the blood applied; singing Glory, Glory, Glory to His Name!
There to my heart was the blood applied; singing Glory, Glory, Glory to His Name!

Come to this fountain so rich and sweet, cast thy poor soul at the Savior's feet;
Plunge in today, and be made complete; singing Glory, Glory, Glory to His Name!

(Chorus)

Benediction

Nunc Dimittis

Hymn #170

Fairest Lord Jesus

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Thee will I cherish,
Thee will I honor,
Thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Matthew 2:16-18 & Hebrews 2:5-10

The Bible does not ignore but is honest about the sorrows of the fallen world.

The reality of great evil and injustice because of sin.

The reality the dust of death because of sin.

“But we do see Jesus.” God answers the dark brokenness in the world by sending the light of his Son.

“A man of sorrows, acquainted with grief.” “Come to earth to taste our sadness.”

Forgiveness of sin and the dawn of the kingdom. “I am come to seek and save the lost.”

The certain promise of hope – everything in subjection under his feet. Jesus shall reign.

The return of Jesus is an event of such power that all injustice and all sorrows are fully redeemed.

The living daily hope that guards and empowers those who are delivered by his death.

The body of Christ living out the purposes of Christ among those in need.

Weeping with those who weep and giving cool water to those in need.

Prayers for the coming of God’s kingdom.

A N N O U N C E M E N T S

Time Change Breakfast

Don't forget to set your clocks forward on **March 11th!** In lieu of Sunday School, please join us for a fellowship breakfast at 9:45 in the Narthex.

Inquirer's Class

New to St. Andrews? Inquirer's Class begins March 18! You are invited to learn about the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA); what we believe and why. It will run for 4 consecutive Sundays, **March 18 & 25, and April 1 & 8**, 9:30-10:30 in the small group room (directly behind the restrooms). It will be led by Pastor Bill Douglas and the elders. This class is a requirement for church membership.

T4G

“**Together for the Gospel**” is a **3 day conference in Kentucky**, where men from around the nation and from different denominations come together to worship a Holy God as one Church and study the Word of God.

This years theme is “*Distinct from the world.*”

Speakers include: John Piper, John MacArthur, Thabiti Anyabwile, Albert Mohler, and Kevin DeYoung, to name a few.

For more information contact Chris Schuster— 706-718-8632

CLUBTIME

CLUBTIME meets **THIS Sunday, February 25** from 5:30-7:30 PM.

If you have a student in 1st-6th Grade and are interested in more information about this Scripture memory club, please contact Bess at kids.SAPC@gmail.com.

Bethany Christian Services Event

Bethany Christian Services is holding an event at St. Andrews. Thursday, **March 1st, from 6:30pm-8:30pm**. Join us as we learn more about Bethany and the services they offer.

Monthly Calendar For St. Andrews

FEBRUARY

25, Sun— Sunday School (9:30)
Communion Sunday
Middle School Boys Small Group (4:30)
CLUBTIME (530)
Youth (5:30)

26, Mon— Moms in Prayer (9:00)

27, Tues— Women's Bible Study, Romans Review (10:00)

MARCH

1, Thurs— Bethany

2, Fri— Women's Early Morning Study, “Calm My Anxious Heart” (6:30)

4, Sun— Sunday School (9:30)
Middle School Boys Small Group (4:30)
Youth (5:30)

5, Mon— Moms in Prayer (9:00)

9, Fri— Women's Early Morning Study, “Calm My Anxious Heart” (6:30)

11, Sun— *Time Change: Set your clocks forward!*

Time Change Fellowship (9:45)
Middle School Boys Small Group (4:30)
CLUBTIME (530)
Youth (5:30)

12, Mon— Moms in Prayer (9:00)

16, Fri— Women's Early Morning Study, “Calm My Anxious Heart” (6:30)

If you have questions regarding any event,
please contact the church office. **706-327-7750**

Calendar of the Month

Ushers: Lois Cain, Brett Horne, Parker Bennett, Rodney Milner
Deacons: DR McNew, Bill Shirley

Greeters:

February 25: Todd & Rachel Sheppard
March 4: Chris & Betty Schuster

Children's Church:

February 25: Alison Ross & Blake Schoonover
March 4: Bryce & Kristin Ciancio

Nursery Volunteers:

February 25: Samantha Depue
March 4: Jacque Leersen

COVENANT FAMILY NEEDS

- Expectant Mothers — Mary Lou Cantrell, Danelle McNew, Elise Jones, Heather Cannon, Sarah Steed
- Foster Care Families — Matt & Katherine Maxey, Andrew & Amanda Harry
- St. Andrews Missionaries — RUF: University of GA (Justin and Elizabeth Clement)
- St Andrews Ministries— Children's Ministry Team
- Please pray for those in our church family who are recovering from surgeries, accidents, cancer treatments, and other illnesses:
Cheryl Smith — Dorothy Bryant — Jackson Family — Libby Dahlin — Sam Killeffer
- Please pray for the O'Neals, as Alicia is recovering from hip surgery.
- Pray for Susan Jackson who is recovering from surgery on a torn tendon in her ankle and will have restricted mobility for 4-8 weeks.
- Please pray for service members and families from our church family who are deployed or moving to new duty stations in the coming days and weeks.

**MISSIONARIES AND MINISTRIES
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Bethany Christian Services (Columbus, GA)
Covenant Theological Seminary (St. Louis, Missouri)
House of Mercy (Columbus, GA)
International Friendship Ministries (Columbus, GA)
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship — Paul and Margaret Tokunaga
Mission to North America (MNA) — Chaplain Ministries
Chaplain Dr. Mike Stewart (Medical Center, Columbus, GA)
Mission to the World (MTW)
 David and Erin Pervis (Ukraine)
 Johan and Stephanie van der Westhuizen (Chile)
 Gary and Tammy Elliott (Bulgaria)
 Pete & Ruth Mitchell (France)
Pioneers
 Tom and Iris Lowder
Reformed University Fellowship (RUF)
 Auburn University (Wes and Nancy Simmons)
 Mercer University (Elliott and Carrie Everitt)
 University of GA (Justin and Elizabeth Clement)
 University of South Alabama (Jacob and Leigh Zoller)
Valley Rescue Mission (Columbus, GA)
Young Life
 Greater Columbus, GA
 Slate and Lindsay Fluker

Elders of St. Andrews 2018

Andy Dickens
Dimon Kendrick-Holmes
AJ Morris
2019
Bill Brouwer
Matt Maxey
2020
Chris Schuster
Greg Johnston
John Mitchell

Deacons of St. Andrews 2018

David Clickner
Dan Gwaltney
Dale Pope
2019
DR McNew
Josh Schuster
Allen Whitley
2020
Morgan Kimball
Bill Shirley
Ben Wallace

The Purpose of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church:

We exist to glorify and enjoy God as His called-out people:

Who are called together to worship God,

To be instructed in the Scriptures,

To be conformed to God's truth,

To reach out into our world with the news of the gospel.



