

Eugene Peterson reminds us to notice “the ways that Jesus uses to lead us as we walk in this God-created, God saved, God-ruled, God blessed world. Jesus is an alternative to the dominant ways of this world, not a supplement to them.”

People who do not know God and his Son the risen Jesus of Nazareth, can only be expected to walk the way of the world – of self importance, self promotion, self satisfaction and self seeking. But the Jesus way is the opposite direction and against the flow of the crowd. Those who follow Him are on a life-long pilgrimage and the only certainties are 1) His presence with us and 2) how the journey ends.

The Jesus way is the way of faith – not the way of sight.

The Jesus way is the way of God’s word – not the way of the voices of men.

The Jesus way is the way of service – not the way of being served.

The Jesus way is the way of joy – not always the way of happiness.

The Jesus way is the way of life – and the only way to life that there is.

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.

August 19. 2018
Preaching: Bill Douglas

Songs of Ascent

Come Christians Join to Sing

Come, Christians, join to sing loud praise to Christ our King.
Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice. Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high. Let praises fill the sky.
He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend. Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again. Life shall not end the strain.
On heaven's blissful shore, His goodness we'll adore.
Alleluia! Amen! Alleluia! Amen!

Across the Lands

You're the Word of God the Father from before the world began;
Ev'ry star and ev'ry planet has been fashioned by Your hand.
All creation holds together by the power of Your voice,
Let the skies declare Your glory; let the land and seas rejoice.

*Chorus: You're the Author of creation;
You're the Lord of ev'ry man;
And Your cry of love rings out across the lands.*

Yet You left the gaze of angels, came to seek and save the lost,
And exchanged the joy of heaven for the anguish of a cross.
With a prayer You fed the hungry, with a word You calmed the sea;
Yet how silently You suffered, that the guilty may go free! (*Chorus*)

With a shout You rose victorious, wresting vict'ry from the grave,
And ascended into heaven, leading captives in Your way.
Now You stand before the Father, interceding for Your own;
From each tribe and tongue and nation You are leading sinners home!
(*Chorus*)

Jesus Paid it All

I hear the Savior say, “Thy strength indeed is small;
Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in Me thine all in all.”

*Chorus: Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain,
He washed it white as snow.*

For nothing good have I whereby Thy grace to claim;
I’ll wash my garments white in the blood of Calv’ry’s Lamb. (*Chorus*)

Lord, now indeed I find Thy pow’r, and Thine alone,
Can change the leper’s spots and melt the heart of stone. (*Chorus*)

And when before the throne I stand in Him complete,
“Jesus died, my soul to save!” my lips shall still repeat. (*Chorus*)

Call to Worship

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment.

Come behold the Wondrous Mystery

Come behold the wondrous mystery, in the dawning of the King—
He the theme of heaven's praises robed in frail humanity.
In our longing, in our darkness, now the light of life has come;
Look to Christ, who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us.

Come behold the wondrous mystery, He the perfect Son of Man—
In His living, in His suffering, never trace nor stain of sin.
See the true and better Adam come to save the hell-bound man:
Christ the great and sure fulfillment of the law; in Him we stand.

Come behold the wondrous mystery, Christ the Lord upon the tree.
In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory.
See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold,
Bringing many sons to glory, grace unmeasured, love untold

Come behold the wondrous mystery, slain by death the God of life.
But no grave could e'er restrain Him, praise the Lord; He is alive!
What a foretaste of deliverance, how unwavering our hope—
Christ in power resurrected as we will be when he comes!
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Christ in power resurrected as we will be when he comes!

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Prayers of Invocation

O Lord you who are both perfectly holy and completely gracious draw near to us, bless us and fill us that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations. Open our minds and give us a Spirit of wisdom and of revelation to know the glory of our eternal Father. Enlighten our hearts to our calling, the riches of our glorious inheritance with all the saints. Pour upon us that power displayed in raising Jesus Christ from the dead. We worship and adore him who is now seated on high far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named. Hear our songs of praise, our prayers and our confession of you the one true God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. It is in your great name that we make our prayers. Amen

Hymn # 580

Lead On O King Eternal

Lead on, O King eternal, the day of march has come;
Henceforth in fields of conquest thy tents shall be our home:
Through days of preparation thy grace has made us strong,
And now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
And holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace;
For not with swords loud clashing, nor rolling stirring drums,
But deeds of love and mercy, the heav'nly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King eternal: we follow, not with fears;
For gladness breaks like morning where-e'er thy face appears;
Thy cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light:
The crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might.

Prayers of Confession

Promise of Pardoning Grace

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.)

May God grant that we contemplate the mysteries of his heavenly grace to us with truly increasing devotion, to his glory and our being built up. Amen

Scripture Lesson I John 5:11-13

11 And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. 12 Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. 13 I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life.

I John 5:11-13

Among the list of things John gives us “to know” – this is greatest : Eternal Life.

Eternal Life is not a thing we earn or level we achieve but is the gift of God.

Eternal Life is a gift from God not through a variety of ways but only in his Son.

Eternal Life, the eternal Son and two humanities

That you may know: All the blessings that follow assurance of Eternal Life.

Those who are called to the “cure of souls” in the church must be stewards of this knowledge.

Sermon

Ordination and Installation of Officers

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 Fountain-head, and thirst our souls from Thee to fill.

Our restless spirits yearn for Thee where'er our changeful lot is cast;
glad, when Thy gracious smile we see, blest, when our faith can hold Thee fast.

Benediction

Nunc Dimittis

Hymn # 646

Jesus Thou Joy Of Loving Hearts

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

Vows of Office in the PCA

- 1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inerrant Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?**
- 2. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the Confession of Faith and the Catechisms of this Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; and do you further promise that if at any time you find yourself out of accord with any of the fundamentals of this system of doctrine, you will, on your own initiative, make known to your Session the change which has taken place in your views since the assumption of this ordination vow?**
- 3. Do you approve of the form of government and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in America, in conformity with the general principles of biblical polity?**
- 4. Do you accept the office of ruling elder (or deacon, as the case may be) in this church, and promise faithfully to perform all the duties thereof, and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your life, and to set a worthy example before the Church of which God has made you an officer?**
- 5. Do you promise subjection to your brethren in the Lord?**
- 6. Do you promise to strive for the purity, peace, unity and edification of the Church?**

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

NURSING MOTHERS

Room 103 is now equipped to hear the sermon during the service for mothers of young children. Thank you for being patient with us as we renovated!

CHILDREN

Sunday School- New Fall Sunday School classes begin TODAY.

We will be learning about the Early Church and studying the book of Acts this year in Children's Sunday School.

Hope you can join us at 9:30 AM in the John Knox Room.

WOMEN

Women's Bible study continues Tuesday, **9:30-11:00am** at SAPC.

There is nothing to read or study beforehand, jump in as you can!

Nursery is provided for children 4 and under.

All women at St. Andrews are invited to attend

“A Night of Encouragement”

Thursday, August 23 from 7-9 PM

at the home of Diane McGowan, 384 Rocky Shoals Drive, Midland GA

31820. We will take time to *fellowship and enjoy dessert* as we discuss events geared toward the women in our congregation.

Come find out about bible studies, prayer opportunities, and other events.

SONG NIGHT

Please join us for a SONG NIGHT on Sunday, September 9th, at 6:30pm at St. Andrews as we kick off a new year of Small Groups!

Bethany IMPACT Training Class

Bethany Christian Services will be hosting an IMPACT training class at St. Andrews *lasting 6 weeks*, starting **Monday, October 1st, from 6-10:00pm**. This class is for those interested respite care, foster care, and adoption. Please contact the church office if you have any question. More information to follow.

Monthly Calendar at St. Andrews

AUGUST

- 19, Sun— Officer Installation
Sunday School (9:30a)
Youth Group (5:30p)
- 20, Mon— Moms in Prayer (9:00a)
- 21, Tues— Women's Study "Faith" (9:30a)
- 23, Thurs- Women's Ministry Kick Off! (7:00p)
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- 26, Sun— Communion Sunday
Sunday School (9:30a)
Youth Group (5:30p)
- 27, Mon— Moms in Prayer (9:00a)
- 28, Tues— Women's Study "Faith" (9:30a)
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SEPTEMBER

- 2, Sun— Sunday School (9:30a)
Youth Group (5:30p)
- 4, Mon— Moms in Prayer (9:00a)
- 5, Tues— Final Women's Study "Faith" (9:30a)

If you have questions regarding any event,
please contact the church office.

706-327-7750

Calendar of the Month

Ushers: Lois Cain, Brett Horne, Chris Schoonover, Rodney Milner
Deacons: Bill Shirley, DR McNew

Greeters:

August 19th: Ted & Elizabeth Thorne
August 26th: Annie Simpson & Katie Van Aalst
September 2nd: Tyler & Linda Bennett

Children's Church:

August 19th: Brett and Jackie Horne, Bethany Adams
August 26: David and Cheryl Smith and Blake Schoonover
September 2: Bess Kendrick-Holmes, Jack Phillips and helper

Nursery Volunteers:

August 19th: Cheryl Smith
August 26th: Mary Lou Cantrell
September 2nd: Betty Schuster

COVENANT FAMILY NEEDS

- Expectant Mothers — Sarah Steed, Jennifer Corcoran, Traci Howell
- Foster Care Families — Matt & Katherine Maxey, Andrew & Amanda Harry
- St. Andrews Missionaries — Chaplain Dr. Mike Stewart
- St Andrews Ministries— Children's Ministry
- Please pray for those in our church family who are recovering from surgeries, accidents, cancer treatments, and other illnesses:

Sam Killeffer— Elise Jones

- 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
SUPPORTED BY ST. ANDREWS**

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)

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

Atlanta, (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.



