

St. Andrew @ the Movies 7



9:30 a.m. | Aug. 23, 2026

Today's Worship Participants

The Rev. Jordan Warntjes, *pastor*
Scott Fisher, *worship leader*
Becky Benson and Beth Dowd, *vocalists*
Ellie Roetlin, *cello*; Lori Roetlin, *violin*
Julia Van Den Top, *organist & accompanist*
Wendy Lindberg, *time for young disciples*
Amy Schmidt-Rundell, *connecting hearts, renewing lives*

Bulletin Cover & Sermon Series

Two images are being used in today's worship service focusing on *Barbie*, the final film for our **St. Andrew @ the Movies** sermon series. The bulletin cover is a digitally altered photograph of St. Andrew members Christina Charis-Donelson and Jeff Charis-Carlson dressed as Barbie and Ken for St. Andrew's 2023 Trunk-or-Treat. The second image, by an unknown photographer, shows the iconic "I love you so much" mural in Austin, Texas, after the words "Barbie" and "Ken" were added shortly before the film's release in 2023.

Next week, Pastor Jordan Warntjes begins a six-week sermon series looking closely at The Lord's Prayer.

- August 30: "Our Father"
- September 6: "Whose Will Be Done?"
- September 13: "Our Daily Bread"
- September 20: "Forgive ... As We Forgive"
- September 27: "And Lead Us"
- October 4: "For Thine Is"

We're also looking for images to help us see those familiar words in new ways. If you have artwork, photographs, or ideas to share for any week in the series, contact the Church Office at office@saintandrew-ic.org.

Flowers on the Chancel

- Today's flowers are given by Cindy and Jim Seyfer in celebration of the start of a new school year and in appreciation of teachers.

Hymns + Songs | Pages are listed for the printed bulletin

Numbers (#) are listed for music in the *Lift Up Your Hearts* (red) hymnal

Bold Print | Speak or sing together in unison.

✠ | Please rise in body or in spirit.



Finish the Race
Owe Nothing But Love



STEWARDSHIP 2026



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9:30 a.m. | August 23, 2026

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church | Iowa City, Iowa

Welcome & Announcements

Connecting Hearts, Renewing Lives | St. Andrew Ministry Fair

Prelude | *For the Troubles and the Sufferings*

✠ **Call to Gather** | *adapted from Black Liturgies, by Cole Arthur Riley*

Steady God, we gather as shape-shifters, drifting in and out of counterfeit selves.

Turn us toward the parts of us that are true, and reveal what is more mask than flesh.

Travel with us into the places where we have hesitated to go.

Keep us from demonizing our false selves, knowing every mask was born of a wound.

God of Change, protect us from being dragged into a plastic perfection
or an old selfhood that no longer feels true for us.

We are tired of playing a role.

Help us to walk in our present selves—

honoring who we have been without staying trapped in who we were.

In this messy, sacred community, we stop performing.

We listen for the sound of our own names, spoken by the One who knows us by heart.

There is holy beauty here, right on the edge of our becoming.

Let us worship our Steady God of Change!

✠ **Gathering Hymn** | “I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say,” pg. 6

Call to Confession & Promise of Ever Present Grace

Close your eyes if you're comfortable, or rest your gaze on the floor.

Picture the mask you wore when you walked through the doors today.

The version of you that says, “Everything's fine. I've got it under control. I'm doing great.” *Pause*

Now, in the quiet of this room, let that mask slip off.

Where are you feeling flat-footed today?

Where are you tired of performing for your boss, your family, your friends, or even your church? *Pause*

Bring to mind the mess you've been trying to sweep under the rug.

The sharp words spoken this week.

The silent resentment.

The ways you've judged others to feel better about yourself.

The self-loathing you carry when you don't measure up to the world's impossible standards. *Pause*

Tell God the raw truth about it now. God isn't looking for a polished prayer. God just wants *you*.

Time for Silent Confession

In that movie scene, Barbie looks at that weathered, imperfect, beautiful human sitting beside her, and with tears in her eyes, she speaks the truth. She says, "*You're so beautiful.*"

And without a shred of shame or hesitation, the woman smiles back and says, "*I know it!*"

Listen to me: God looks at you right now in all your mess, in all your brokenness, with all your scars and your flat feet and your complicated stories—
and God does not look at you with disappointment.

God looks at you and says, "You are so beautiful."

Hear this good news: You don't have to vanish into a plastic ideal to be loved.

Jesus stepped into our chaotic, messy, painful world
so that we could be set free from the prison of perfection.

In Jesus, the Christ, your sins are forgiven. Your performance is over.

You are accepted ... you are loved ... and you are made whole.

Thanks be to God.

✠ **Musical Response** | "Blessed Assurance"

✠ **Sharing of Christ's Peace & Compassion**

And now, as a visible sign of what it means to live together
in the care and context of Christ's community,
let us extend Christ's peace and compassion to those around us!
The peace of Christ be with you all! **And also with you!**

Old Testament Reading | Genesis 1:26-31 (NRSVUE)

The word of the prophets for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

✠ After the Time for Young Disciples, children in Kindergarten and younger are invited to head to the Lower Level Children's Area for children's programming.

Time for Young Disciples | The Blessing of the Backpacks

Gospel Reading | Matthew 11:28-30 (NRSVUE)

The word of the prophets for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

The Message | “What Was I Made For?”

✕ **Hymn of Response** | “For the Troubles and the Sufferings,” pg. 7

first time, vocalists only | second time, all

Offering Our Time, Talents, and Treasure

Offertory | “What Was I Made For?”, by Billie Eilish and Finneas O’Connell (arr. by Sam Collingwood)

Response to Our Offering | “O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!”

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
your mercies, how tender, how firm to be the end,
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

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.

✕ **Sending Hymn** | “Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters,” pg. 8 (*hymnal*, #802)

✕ **Benediction**

Postlude | *His Name So Sweet (I’ve Just Come From the Fountain)*, by Richard Billingham

You are invited to remain seated through the postlude, allowing this final offering to complete our worship.

182 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;
 2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
 3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;

lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."
 the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."
 look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."

I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad; I
 I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream; my
 I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun; and

found in him a rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.
 thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
 in that light of life I'll walk till trav - eling days are done.

Each stanza here pairs an invitation from Jesus with a response from the narrator. These three invitations recall how Jesus welcomed those who were heavy laden (Matthew 11:28), offered living water (John 4:10–14), and identified himself as the light of the world (John 8:12, 9:5).

764 For the Troubles and the Sufferings

Pelas dores deste mundo

1 For the trou- bles and the suf- fer- ings of the world,
2 Lend an ear to the ris - ing cry for help

1 *Pe - las do - res des - te mun - do, ó Se - nhor,*
2 *Teus ou - vi - dos se in - cli - nem ao cla - mor*



God, we call up - on your mer - cy: the
from op - pressed and hope - less peo - ple: Come!
im - plo - ra - mos pi - e - da - de. A
des - sa gen - te o - pri - mi - da. A -



whole cre - a - tion's la - bor - ing in pain!
Has - ten your sal - va - tion, heal - ing love!
um só tem - po ge - me a cri - a - ção.
pres - sa - te com tu - a sal - va - ção.



We pray for peace, the bless - ed peace that
We pray for power, the power that will sus -
A tu - a pax, ben - di - ta e jr - ma -
O teu po - der sus - ten - te o tes - te -



comes from mak - ing jus - tice, to cov - er and em -
tain your peo - ple's wit - ness: un - til your King - dom
na - da co'a jus - ti - ça a - bra - ce o mun - do in -
mu - nho do teu po - vo. Teu Rei - no ve - nha a



brace us. Have mer - cy, Lord! come, *Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son!*
tei - ro. Tem com - pai - xão! nos! Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son!

PELAS DORES DESTE MUNDO
Irregular

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802 Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters

F Gm/F F Dm F B^b

1 Wash, O God, our sons and daugh - ters, where your cleans-ing
 2 We who bring them long for nur - ture; by your milk may
 3 Oh, how deep your ho - ly wis - dom! Un - im - ag - ined,

F Gm/F F Dm F

wa - ters flow. Num - ber them a - mong your peo - ple; bless as
 we be fed. Let us join your feast, par - tak - ing cup of
 all your ways! To your name be glo - ry, hon - or! With our

B^b F C

Christ blessed long a - go. Weave them gar - ments bright and
 bless - ing, liv - ing bread. God, re - new us, guide our
 lives we wor - ship, praise! We your peo - ple stand be -

Dm Am F B^b C

spark - ling; com - pass them with love and light. Fill, a -
 foot - steps, free from sin and all its snares, one with
 fore you, wa - ter - washed and Spir - it - born. By your

Dm B^b F Gm7 Am Gm7 F

noint them; send your Spir - it, ho - ly dove and heart's de - light.
 Christ in liv - ing, dy - ing, by your Spir - it, chil - dren, heirs.
 grace, our lives we of - fer. Re - cre - ate us: God, trans - form!

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Class of 2027: Becky Benson, Scott Fisher, Chloe Goers, Austin Kannegieter, Emily Neddermeyer, and Munir Tanas

2028: Helen Bryce, Don Burch, Paula McCue, Judy Swafford, and Jon Swearingen

2029: Margaret Heidger, John Linder, Josh Schilling, Jessica Steele, and Adam Wolf

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2027: Jordan Barrett, Eli Benson, Kathy & Dave Duys, Lynne Ginsberg, Cody Neddermeyer, and Jenni Stacy-Adams

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Personnel Team (at large)

2027: Kent Short | **2028:** Ernie Found and Mindy Egeland | **2029:** Twila Finkelstein

Nominating Team (at large)

2027: Pat Cone-Fisher, Paul Heidger, Marissa Moore, and Jeremy Penn

Next Week: Ministry Fair

This year, the calendar is playing tricks on us. With Labor Day arriving unusually late, we're kicking off the fall season a little earlier than usual.

Next Sunday (Aug. 30), all of St. Andrew's ministries will gather in one place for our annual Ministry Fair after worship. Every Sunday, dozens of ministries quietly make St.

Andrew what it is. The Ministry Fair is your chance to meet the people behind those ministries, discover something new, ask questions, and explore where your own gifts and passions might connect with the life of our church.

We'll also be looking ahead to a full fall season, with Sunday School and Learning Academy classes beginning Sept. 14. Whether you're returning after the summer or discovering something new, the weeks ahead are full of opportunities to learn, serve, and grow together. (And, if you're hungry, there will be breakfast burritos and ice cream sandwiches.)

Whether you're new to St. Andrew or have been here for decades, we hope you'll stay after worship, enjoy the festivities, and see where God may be inviting you to join the adventure.

— Amy Schmidt-Rundell



Upcoming Events

- **Food Market** | Wednesday
- **Ministry Fair** | Next Sunday
- **Food Ministry Gathering** | Sept. 1
- **Free Lunch** | Sept. 2
- **At the Table** | Sept. 3
- **Big Table** | Sept. 4
- **Office Closed (Labor Day)** | Sept. 7
- **Sunday School Kickoff** | Sept. 13
- **Celebrating All Abilities Sunday** | Sept. 13
- **Senior Moments** | Sept. 15
- **Food Market** | Sept. 23
- **At the Table** | Oct. 1
- **Big Table** | Oct. 2
- **World Communion Sunday** | Oct. 4
- **Free Lunch** | Oct. 7
- **Dane Farm Hay Ride** | Oct. 10
- **Fields of Faith Harvest** | Oct. 10
- **Senior Moments** | Oct. 20
- **Trunk-or-Treat** | Oct. 25
- **Food Market** | Oct. 28
- **All Saints Sunday** | Nov. 1
- **Free Lunch** | Nov. 4
- **At the Table** | Nov. 5
- **Craft Fair & Minds Matter** | Nov. 7



Deacons' Fund

tinyurl.com/sapc-deacons-fund



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St. Andrew Food Market

tinyurl.com/august-2026-food



CELEBRATING ALL ABILITIES SUNDAY

SEPT. 13, 2026

ART EXHIBIT THEME:
 Our Daily Bread



Here's the Scoop! * We Love our Volunteers!



All St. Andrew Food Ministry Volunteers are invited to a build-your-own sundae party.

7 p.m. | Sept. 1 | The Atrium

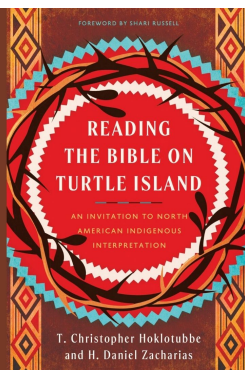


Learn More about What's Happening @ St. Andrew ...

READING THE BIBLE ON TURTLE ISLAND

with author Chris Hoklotubbe & Bobby Outtersen-Murphy

a learning academy class
 Oct. 18 & 25, 2026 | The Hub



The Anxious Generation: Parenting in Today's World

Sept. 13 & 20

a Learning Academy Class
 with Matt and Marissa Moore



Questions about Worship?

- **Welcome!** Whether you are joining us in person or online, we are *delighted* to worship together.
- St. Andrew is an open, affirming, and inclusive congregation. That means we welcome saints and sinners, skeptics and believers, families of *all* shapes and sizes, and people from every point along life's journey. So, whoever you are this morning, whatever you believe — whether you believe anything at all: *You are welcome here!*
- If you are here for the first time, we encourage you to stop by our Welcome Table or Information Kiosk near the main entrance in the Atrium. There you will find some good people who would love to answer any questions you might have about our faith community.
- If you can't stop at the Info Kiosk today, you can learn more about St. Andrew by emailing office@saintandrew-ic.org or filling out this short form: <https://tinyurl.com/sapc-guest>.
- Our worship services begin **in-person and online at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings**, followed by Sunday School and Adult Christian Education offerings from September to April and a variety of After Worship activities from May to August.
- **Nursery care** (up to age 2) is provided in the Lower Level throughout the morning. Programming for children (through Kindergarten age) begins in the Lower Level after the **Time for Young Disciples**.
- Unless otherwise designated, gifts given to the **weekly offering** support the church budget, including staff salaries, utilities, mission outreach, and all aspects of ministry.
- To log into the **St. Andrew Connect**, either download the **St. Andrew App** through the **App Store** or visit <https://saintandrew.ccbchurch.com>. (*We are fixing our connection to the Google Play Store.*)
- There are wheelchairs available for use as needed in the lower level entrance foyer and by the coat racks near the upper level entrance.
- There is an AED near the Coffee Kitchen should a medical emergency arise.
- Permission to livestream the music in this service is from CCLI (#617801) and One License (A-711114).

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