



**St. Andrew
Presbyterian Church
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Worship Bulletin for November 2, 2025

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Welcome and Announcements

Stewardship Moment

Stan Cowan

***Call to Worship (responsive)**

We gather for worship today to celebrate our gifts.

We are celebrating the gifts we give to this church, the pledges we are making for the upcoming year.

We gather for worship today to celebrate our community.

We are celebrating the love and support that we give to one another; the constant quest that we are on to be united by God's grace.

We gather for worship today to celebrate our future.

We are celebrating a future full of outreach, a future full of service, a future full of worship and a future full of growth. We are celebrating a future with hope.

We gather for worship today to celebrate our visions.

We are celebrating the visions of those who have come before us, the visions that brought us to where we are today and the visions that we see today for the future.

Let us gather in celebration!

Let us worship God!

***Hymn**

God of the Sparrow

GtG # 22

God of the sparrow, God of the whale

God of the swirling stars, how does the creature say Awe

How does the creature say Praise

God of the earthquake, God of the storm

God of the trumpet blast, how does the creature cry Woe

How does the creature cry Save

God of the rainbow, God of the cross
God of the empty grave, how does the creature say Grace
How does the creature say Thanks

God of the hungry, God of the sick
God of the prodigal, how does the creature say Care
How does the creature say Life

God of the neighbor, God of the foe
God of the pruning hook, how does the creature say Love
How does the creature say Peace

God of the ages, God near at hand
God of the loving heart, how do your children say Joy
How do your children say Home

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Holy and gracious God, you are the author of every good thing. Forgive us for the ways we fall short of the beautiful story you invite us to step into. You ask us to look to the margins and care for the lost; we center ourselves. You ask us to give away; we grab for more. You ask us to love one another; we cannot see beyond our divisions. The world is full of ugliness, from the macro to the micro. Forgive us. Help us. We call on you, our beloved, our help, our God, our hope. Hear our silent confessions now.

Time for silent reflection.

Assurance of Grace

Beloved, God hears us when we cry out. God knows our hearts, despite our failures, and treasures the beings that we are. You are forgiven. We are forgiven. You are loved. We are loved. Let us live in this peace and find the courage to try again to bring God's kingdom into being, knowing that we will fail again but we are transformed by our small acts of trying.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

Anthem	<i>Around You, O Lord Jesus</i>	Choir
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Passing the Peace

Prayers of the People

(Those with prayer requests worshipping online, please text Anne the day before so your request can be lifted-831345-6324)

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Song of prayer	<i>"Come and Fill"</i>	(pew song sheet)
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Prayers lifted to God and 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.

***Hymn**

We Come as Guests Invited

GtG # 504

We come as guests invited when Jesus bids us dine,
his friends on earth united to share the bread and wine;
The bread of life is broken; the wine is freely poured
for us, in solemn token of Christ our dying Lord.

We eat and drink, receiving from Christ the grace we need,
and in our hearts believing on him by faith we feed;
With wonder and thanksgiving for love that knows no end,
we find in Jesus living our ever-present friend.

One bread is ours for sharing, one single fruitful vine,
our fellowship declaring renewed in bread and wine:
Renewed, sustained, and given by token, sign, and word,
the pledge and seal of heaven, the love of Christ our Lord.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, may the words of my mouth and the meditation of all of our hearts be pleasing and acceptable to you, O Lord, our rock and our foundation. Amen.

First Lesson:

Colossians 3:15-17

NT page #201

And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Second Lesson:

Luke 19:1-10

NT page #82

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor,

and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.” Then Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because he, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.”

Sermon

Eating with Jesus Makes Me Want to....

The Rev. Anne McAnelly

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

Offering

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.

Offering Prayer (unison)

Holy God, you are the source of all love, power and justice. Our world is broken, in need of your love, your light. So today we pledge our commitment to you, we share our generous intentions. Take these offerings and multiply them so they may bless others. Bless those who give and those who receive, that they may know you better.

Communion

Invitation

Prayer (unison)

Loving God, through your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. May we know your presence in the sharing of this bread, so that we may know your touch in all bread, all matter. We celebrate the life that Jesus has shared among his community through the centuries, and shares with us now. Made one in Christ, and one with each other, we offer these gifts and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice. Amen.

May the God of generosity be with you!

And also with you!

People of God, open your hearts to the One who has blessed you beyond imagination.

We open our very being to the God who always surprises us with blessings.

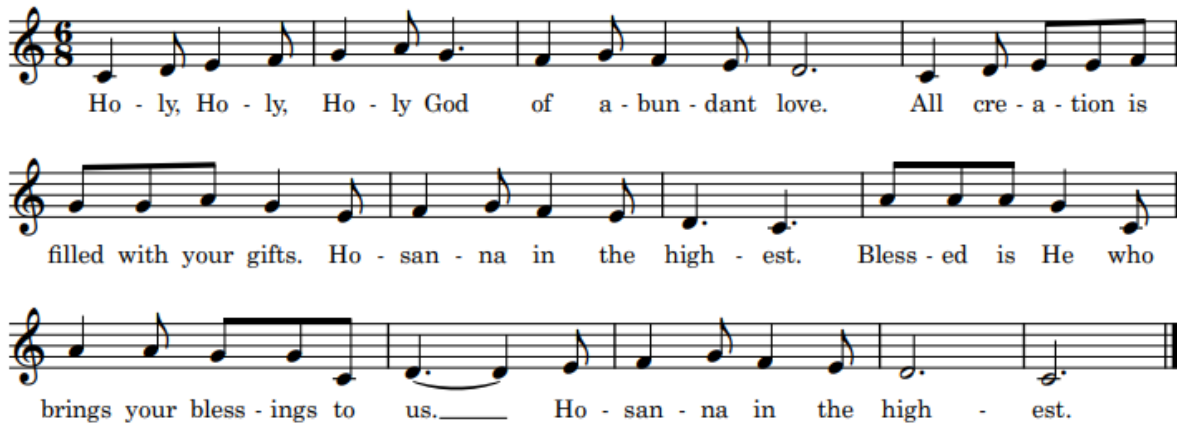
Children of the abundant God, let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

....So, with those who have received your blessings in every age and place, with those who seek to be stewards here and now, we join our voices in praise to you:

Sanctus

Don Adkins



WE LIVE TO SERVE

*Hymn *For the Life That You Have Given (2x)* GtG # 717 (Alt. Tune Abbott Leigh)

For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known,
with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own:
Here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength
we bring; give us grace to love and serve you,
living what we pray and sing.

Benediction

The service of worship ends, the service of neighbor and world begins!

TODAY'S SERVERS

LITURGIST: Pam Arnsberger

GREETER: Pam Arnsberger

COFFEE HOST: Michele Pomroy

OFFERING COUNTER: Jan Maack

COMMUNION: Myles Billheimer, Jan Maack, Pat Arnsberger, Michele Pomroy

Unity Candle: This week we pray for San Martin Presbyterian Church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday, November 3rd, Bell Choir at 2:15PM, Thomas Lounge

Tuesday, November 4th, Nurture Meeting at 10AM, Zoom

Tuesday, November 4th, Book Study at 1PM, Zoom ~ please read Ch. 24 thru Ch. 25

Tuesday, November 4th, Enrichment Meeting at 2PM, Zoom

Thursday, November 6th, Choir Practice at 2PM

Upcoming Events

Sunday, November 9th, Cluster 2 meets

Sunday, November 16th, St. Andrew Day. Remember to wear your plaid.

Sunday, November 23rd, Congregational Meeting following worship. We'll elect church officers, approve the Pastor's Housing Allowance, and elect the Corporate officers of the church. Nominations for elders and deacons can come from the floor, but you need to have spoken with the person prior to placing their name into nomination.

Sunday, November 23rd, Stocking Stuffing lead by the Outreach Committee