

# Welcome to St Andrews Presbyterian Church

We are glad to have you worship with us today!

If you haven't already connected to one of the sources for watching our Livestream, you can do so here: [sapc.net/current-sermons](http://sapc.net/current-sermons).



**THE LORD'S DAY**  
**SEPTEMBER 29, 2024**

*"For just as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the great fish, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth." —Matthew 12:40*

## **Welcome to St. Andrews Presbyterian Church**

*We are glad to have you worship with us today.*

**Visiting For The First Time?** We are so glad you joined us today for worship. Be sure to take a visitor bag with you on your way out!

**All Those in Attendance Today** are asked to complete the tear-off card on the back of this worship guide. The cards may be placed in an offering basket.

**For Your Convenience: Elevators** are located outside the double doors on both sides of the front of the sanctuary. **Restrooms** may be found at the back of the sanctuary or out the double doors at the front right of the sanctuary. **Envelopes** for cash gifts are available in the Sanctuary Lobby.

### **Parents:**

- **Nursery:** A nursery for children 3 and younger is available on the first floor during the service.
- **Children's Church Check-in:** If your K4 or K5 child will be attending Children's Church, please be sure to check-in at the Children's Desk (on the first floor) prior to the service. Our ushers will be happy to assist you.
- **Changing Stations** are available in the men's and women's restrooms in the sanctuary lobby, as well as in our Children's Ministry Hallway (first floor).
- **A Nursing Room is Available** in room 104 (first floor).
- **Children's Worship Bags:** Age-appropriate children's bulletins are available at [sapc.net](http://sapc.net) and on the rack in the sanctuary lobby. Please return bags to the rack after the service.

**Prayer Updates and Announcements** are sent out during the week by email. If you are not receiving these updates and would like to, please supply your email address on the response card on the back page and indicate "Engage" (the name of the communication).

**The Church Offices** are open Monday—Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**For Emergency Pastoral Care** during non-office hours, call (803) 422-6697.

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Lord's Day, September 29, 2024, 10:30 a.m.

## PREPARATION

### PRELUDE

*A Joyful Peal*

*Hurlbutt*

### WELCOME

Rev. Rattray

## PRAISE

### \*\* CALL TO WORSHIP

*Psalm 149:1-4*

Leader: Hallelujah! Praise the LORD!

**People: Sing to the LORD a new song, His praise  
in the assembly of the godly!**

Leader: Let Israel be glad in his Maker; let the  
children of Zion rejoice in their King!

**People: Let them praise His name with  
dancing, making melody to Him with  
tambourine and lyre!**

Leader: For the LORD takes pleasure in His people;  
He adorns the humble with salvation.

**People: Hallelujah! Praise the LORD!**

### \*\* HYMN OF WORSHIP #143

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

Mrs. Reynolds  
*arr. Raney*

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### LEADING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Marc Rattray, Senior Pastor  
Mrs. Amy Reynolds, Director of Music & Arts  
Rev. Andrew Davis, Assistant Pastor  
Mr. Ron Fuoto, Scripture Reader

Mrs. Sharon Rattray, Organ  
Mrs. Kristin Patterson, Piano  
Choir  
Mr. Robert Cutter, Drums  
Handbells

### DEACONS OF THE WEEK:

Mr. Bucky Brown (803-348-7690), Mr. Ryan Klemmer (772-209-2770)

**\*\* Those who are able, please stand.**

**\*\* INVOCATION 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.**

**RENEWAL**

**MISSIONS MOMENT**

***Fall Festival***

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND INTERCESSION**

**CHORAL CONFESSION**

***Wordless Prayer***

My words lie still and lifeless  
As dust upon the sand;  
I can no longer voice  
One request or one demand.  
My cup of tears is empty;  
I can no longer cry,  
My lips have fallen silent;  
My prayer is but a sigh.

*Courtney*

Spirit, come and rest Your ear upon my heart,  
O come and hear my wordless prayer, my silent plea,  
And take them far away from me.  
Take them from this heart of mine  
To the Father's heart divine,  
Speak in tones unknown to man  
That God may hear and understand.

My voice is weak from calling  
To You both night and day.  
How long will You be silent?  
Why do You turn away?

**\*\* HYMN OF CONFESSION #56**

***Grace Greater Than Our Sin***

## COMMITMENT

### \*\* RESPONSE

#### **Gloria Patri**

*Children in K4 & K5 may be excused for Children's Church.*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly  
Ghost; as it was in the be-gin-ning is now, and ever shall be,  
world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The second staff starts with a measure rest for 6 measures. The third staff starts with a measure rest for 11 measures. The piece ends with a double bar line.

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### \*\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

#### **OFFERTORY**

***It Is Well***



arr. Raney

### \*\* HYMN OF PREPARATION #114

***Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery***

### \*\* SCRIPTURE READING

***Matthew 12:38-50*** (*pew Bible page 817*)

Mr. Fuoto

### \*\* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**Reader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

### SERMON

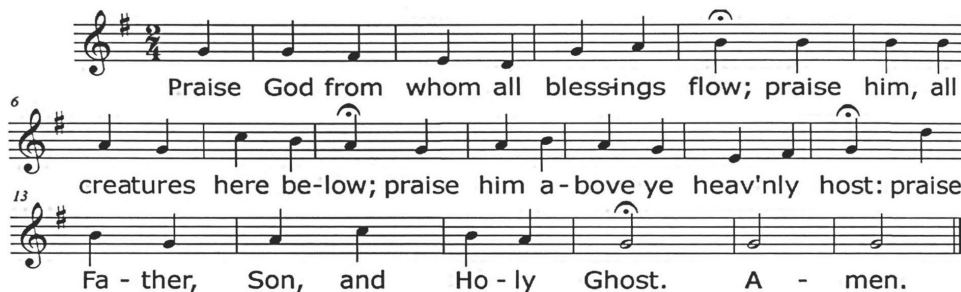
**FOLLOWING THE KING #36**  
***Signs of Genuine Faith***  
*(outline may be found on page 7)*

Rev. Rattray

**\*\* HYMN OF RESPONSE #105**  
*I Will Sing the Wondrous Story*

**\*\* BENEDICTION**

**\*\* DOXOLOGY**



Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all  
creatures here be-low; praise him a-bove ye heav'nly host: praise  
Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

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**POSTLUDE**

**FOLLOWING THE KING #36**  
***Signs of Genuine Faith***  
*Matthew 12:38-50*

Introduction

I. Believing the Resurrection

II. Receiving the Gospel

III. Indwelling of the Spirit

IV. Embracing the Family

Conclusion



## THIS WEEK, FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS

### CONSIDER...

1. What stood out to you in today's message?
2. What do you think God was communicating to the original hearers of today's passage?
3. How do the principles of this passage apply to the Church today?
4. What is one way that you can apply this truth to your life now?
5. In what ways does the passage help us in seeing the gospel needs in our community and world?

### PRAY...

1. **Pursuing Christ:** For God to answer our request of 20 more individuals/families giving toward the work here at SAPC.
2. **Loving Our Neighbor:** For the upcoming Quarterly Missions Focus events (October 2 & 6) to renew and focus our love for the gospel going to those around us.
3. **Equipping the Church Family:** For the ongoing search for our next youth pastor.

## THIS WEEK'S MISSIONS FOCUS: ACROSS THE WORLD

### Mission to North America (MTW)

*Franklin & Beth*

Franklin & Beth are video specialist missionaries who serve their Mission to the World colleagues and national partners around the world by telling encouraging stories of what God is doing through MTW church planting.

During their first term in the Middle East, Franklin & Beth helped establish a business-as-mission video production ministry that created video content for Christian satellite TV and internet ministries broadcasting the gospel into the heart of the Arab world. In 2016, the Beavers relocated to London, where they built on their experience in the Middle East by providing professional media services to their fellow workers in the U.K. and Europe.

In 2023, after serving a decade on the field, Franklin and Beth accepted an invitation from MTW to join their Marketing and Communications video team. They are excited to extend their ministry reach by helping even more colleagues around the world tell unique harvest-field stories, raise awareness and support for church planting efforts in strategic locations, and mobilize more workers for promising mission fields.

Their summer activities have taken them to Trinity Church in Aberdeen, Scotland, to film the transformation of a magnificent but run-down granite church building in the heart of Aberdeen. They also traveled to International Presbyterian Church's Ealing church to film the 2024 Catalyst theological training conference there. Then, they returned to Edinburg, Scotland, to film Keith Knowlton (Regional Director for MTW – UK) telling the story of church planting in Scotland.

*As always, we are so very grateful for your powerful, effective prayers on our behalf, and your generous financial support that makes this ministry possible. Thank you!*

## SAPC Financial Summary

### Ministry Operations (July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025):

Budgeted ..... \$1,732,004  
Expenses to Date ..... 341,089  
Received to Date ..... 278,036

### Faith Mission Giving (April 1, 2024-March 31, 2025):

Pledged ..... \$205,987  
Received ..... 95,154

### Mortgage (January 1, 2024-December 31, 2024):

Current Balance ..... \$368,728  
Principal Reduction Funds to Date ..... 47,614

### SCHEDULED IN THE NURSERY

#### Today

Desk Monitor: HELP NEEDED  
Infants: *J&D Schmidt*  
Toddlers/2s, & 3s: *C. Johnson, M. Pendlebury*  
CC: *C. Marchman, S. Case*

#### Next Sunday

Desk Monitor: *M. Jordan*  
Infants: *V. Fincannon, R. King*  
Toddlers/2s: *G. Cutter*, HELP NEEDED  
3s: *S. Martin, S. Lynch*  
CC: *J & R Simpson*

*If unable to serve, please switch with someone and contact Jeanette Simpson (jeanette@sapc.net).*

## This Week's Scripture Reading Challenge & Prayer Prompts from This Week's Mission Focus

### Pray for...

- Sunday, September 29** ..... **Psalm 149**  
> *Franklin & Beth, as they use their video and graphics skills to expand the Kingdom*
- Monday, September 30** ..... **1 Chronicles 1 & Revelation 17**  
> *The Spirit to use the Beavers' ministries to call, encourage, and bless all who participate*
- Tuesday, October 1** ..... **1 Chronicles 2 & Revelation 18**  
> *Fruitful videos that communicate the wonderful work of the Spirit in the UK*
- Wednesday, October 2** ..... **1 Chronicles 3 & Revelation 19**  
> *Trinity Church Aberdeen and the fruitfulness of this important gospel work in Scotland*
- Thursday, October 3** ..... **1 Chronicles 4 & Revelation 20**  
> *Safe travel, good health, and joy in their labors*
- Friday, October 4** ..... **1 Chronicles 5 & Revelation 21**  
> *Franklin and Beth's daughter, Anna, and grandson, Robert*
- Saturday, October 5** ..... **1 Chronicles 6 & Revelation 22**  
> *Franklin's full recovery from recent surgery*
- Sunday, October 6** ..... **Psalm 150**  
> *God to grow people's hearts for missions work*

## MINISTRY NEWS

### —SERVE—

[sapc.net/SERVE](http://sapc.net/SERVE)

*A disciple seeks to use his/her gifts and abilities to serve God and others as an application of genuine faith.*

**THANK YOU** to everyone who helped with the Okra Strut yesterday! Thanks for helping make Christ known in Irmo!

**FALL FESTIVAL** is just around the corner, and SERVE opportunities are available! Trunks, set up help, game monitors, dessert makers, registration table helpers, and more... Please consider how you can serve! Find the opportunities at [sapc.net/serve](http://sapc.net/serve) Questions? Reach out to Jeanette Simpson ([jeanette@sapc.net](mailto:jeanette@sapc.net)).

**SEEKING READERS** On Wednesdays from 5-5:20 the Children's Library hosts "Campfire Time", a cozy 20 minutes of adults reading out loud to our covenant children. If you would help you doing this, please sign up. We will help you find books, or you can bring your childhood favorites! Sign up on the sign-up sheet outside the Children's Library (Room 105). For questions or to sign up, reach out to Jeanette ([jeanette@sapc.net](mailto:jeanette@sapc.net)) or Lizzie ([lizzie@sapc.net](mailto:lizzie@sapc.net)).

**SEEKING—YOUR ARTWORK** for our 2025 Hymn of the Month Calendar (&/or HOTM notecards)! Artists of all ages are encouraged to participate and any form of art is welcome. Please submit a digital photo of your artwork to Amy Reynolds ([amy@sapc.net](mailto:amy@sapc.net)) no later than last Sunday of October (10/27). Our calendar will be released on December 1, at this year's Hanging of the Green service. To see the 2025 Hymns of the Month, visit [go.sapc.net/HOTM](http://go.sapc.net/HOTM).

### —CONNECT—

[sapc.net/CONNECT](http://sapc.net/CONNECT)

*A disciple connects with other believers for fellowship, prayer, friendship, and support.*

**VIEWING PARTY** Next Sunday, October 6, join us in the sanctuary for a showing of the Heather Sorenson concert our NYC team took part in at Carnegie Hall earlier this year. The event will start at 6:15 p.m. and run for about 30 minutes.

**ADULTS 55+ MOUNTAIN TRIP** We would love for you to join our Adults 55+ group on Thursday, October 10, for a day trip to the mountains for apples and fellowship. We'll carpool, taking I-26 to NC Welcome Center for lunch (BYO), then continue on I-26 and take exit 49 (Hwy 64) towards Bat Cave. "Granddad's" will be on

your left. For more information, please call Patsy Stump (803-381-3472).

**MEN'S FALL CLASSIC & SKEET SHOOT** Register now at [sapc.net/featured-events](http://sapc.net/featured-events) for the Men's Fall Classic on Friday, October 11! You may register for either or both parts of this event:

- Golfing (\$40/person) will take place at Oak Hills Golf Club and will be Captain's Choice, with scheduled tee times 9:00-10:30 a.m. Space is limited.
- A skeet shoot and brisket dinner (\$20/adult; \$5/13 and under) will start at 4:30 p.m. at the home of Jim & Renée Craig. Ammo and clays will be provided, along with the use of a 12-gauge shotgun, if needed. We'll also hear from Noah Despinasse, a church planter and pastoral resident at Columbia Presbyterian.

### —GROW—

[sapc.net/GROW](http://sapc.net/GROW)

*A disciple is committed to continue to grow, to be a lifelong learner of the things of God.*

**DON'T MISS OUR MISSIONS FOCUS: GO BOLDLY!** this Wednesday, October 2, and next Sunday, October 6! Join us for dinner on Wednesday evening at 5:30 (regular fees apply). At 6:15 Pastor Marc and Andy the Owl will give a report from the recent Mission Journey to visit our partners in England. We'll also hear about the upcoming trip to Spain and an exciting new journey planned for the spring. Kids will stay in to hear from Andy and then go to their own missions program on the children's hallway. Then join together in the Great Hall Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. for refreshments followed at 9:15 a.m. with a report from some visiting ministry partners, the kick-off of Operation Christmas Child, and a brief report on what God is doing through your support of missions at SAPC.

**TODAY'S FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God by Ted & Jane Gantt in thankfulness for the many blessings He has bestowed on our lives.

**PLEASE LET US KNOW YOU WERE HERE** by providing your name (along with any family in attendance) on the Response Card on page 12. Visiting? We invite you to also provide family/contact information.

#### **Sunday Morning Growth Classes**

- Infant-6<sup>th</sup> Grade, Children's Area
- 7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> Grades, Youth Area
- Young Adults Class, #307
- Acts, #204
- Come, Let Us Worship, #301
- Foundations of the Faith, #302
- James, #205
- Romans, #303
- Minor Prophets (Women), #304
- New Wine Fellowship, #201

## **ACTIVITIES**

### **Sunday, September 29**

- 8:45 AM Weekly Corporate Prayer, #208
- 9:00 AM Children's Worship Time
- 9:15 AM Sunday Morning Growth Classes
- 10:00 AM Fellowship Time, Gathering Place (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
- 10:30 AM Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary  
Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 12:15 PM Meet the Pastor Lunch, Great Hall
- 4:00 PM Brass & Percussion Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 5:00 PM Youth Praise Team Rehearsal, Youth Worship Room
- 5:30 PM Community Groups
- 6:00 PM Youth Choir & Games, Youth Area

### **Monday, September 30**

- 10:00 AM Women's Monday Morning Study, #301
- 6:00 PM Adult Worship Band, Sanctuary

### **Tuesday, October 1**

- 6:30 AM Men's Tuesday Study: *1 Corinthians*
- 9:00 AM Staff Meeting, Conference Room
- 5:30 PM Handbell Choir 1 Rehearsal, #206
- 6:00 PM Handbell Choir 2 Rehearsal, #206
- 7:00 PM Women's Tuesday Evening Study, Offsite

### **Wednesday, October 2**

- 5:00 PM Children's Library Campfire Time, #105
- 5:30 PM Wednesday Night Dinner, Great Hall  
*Fried Chicken, Macaroni & Cheese, Green Beans,  
Rolls, Salad Bar, Brownies*
- 6:00 PM Children's Handbells (3<sup>rd</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> Grades), #206
- 6:15 PM Combined Wednesday Night: Quarterly Missions  
Focus, Great Hall (all ages)
- 6:30 PM Nursery (2 & under), #106  
PB&J (2s & 3s), #107  
Children's Missions Focus (K4-6<sup>th</sup> Grade), CH Hall  
Choir Rehearsal, #220
- 7:20 PM

### **Thursday, October 3**

- 10:30 AM Adults 55+ Study, #205 (Fellowship begins @10AM)  
Followed by Lunch, Great Hall
- 12:00 PM Creative Communications Team, Conference Room
- 6:30 PM Perception Ministries (SWAT), #120, #122

### **Friday, October 4**

*Palmetto PresWm Fall Retreat Begins*

- 6:37 AM Perception Min. 1st Friday Men's Breakfast, Grt Hall

### **Sunday, October 6**

- 8:45 AM Weekly Corporate Prayer, #208
  - 9:00 AM Children's Worship Time
  - 9:15 AM Combined Growth Hour: Quarterly Missions Focus,  
grade 5<sup>th</sup> & up, Great Hall
  - 10:00 AM Fellowship Time, Gathering Place (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)
  - 10:30 AM Worship Service, Sanctuary
  - 12:00 PM Missions Team Lunch & Meeting, Great Hall
  - 3:00 PM HOTG Vocal Ensemble Rehearsal, #220
  - 4:00 PM \*Children's Ministry Team, #102  
\*Fellowship Team, #204  
\*Spiritual Growth Team, #304  
\*Youth Ministry Team, #120
  - 5:00 PM \*Building & Grounds Team, #204  
\*Men's Ministry Team, #122  
\*Outreach Team, #303  
\*Women's Ministry Team, #304  
\*Worship Team, #301  
Youth Praise Team Rehearsal, Youth Worship Room  
NYC Carnegie Concert Viewing Party, Sanctuary
  - 6:15 PM
  - 7:00 PM Youth First Night Fellowship, Youth Area
- \*First Night

## **Response Card**

*September 29, 2024*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### **WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER RSVP**

***Deadline is TODAY for 10/2***

# Adults & Youth: \_\_\_\_\_

# Children 10 & under: \_\_\_\_\_

Cost: Adults \$9, children \$4 (0-10),  
\$30 max (parents + children 18/under)

Payment will be received by cash or check at  
the door (exact change appreciated).



### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

*(shared with our pastors)*

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***Please place this completed  
(see reverse) Response Card  
in the offering basket.***

## **OUR MINISTRY TEAMS**

### **OUTREACH**

**Missions:** To oversee and promote missions across the street, across the country, and across the world.

Deacon & Staff: *David Schmidt, Marc Rattray*

**Outreach:** To equip members to engage our community with the gospel and provide opportunities to build relationships outside the church.

Elder, Deacon, & Staff: *Brian Bowen, Mike Michaelis, Andrew Davis*

### **TEACHING**

**Spiritual Growth:** To coordinate the growth and connection opportunities of the church toward becoming enfolded disciples of Jesus.

Elder & Staff: *Mark Jordan, Andrew Davis*

**Men's Ministry:** To connect and encourage men on their journey of faith.

Elder & Deacon: *David Layman, John Crane*

**Women's Ministry:** To connect and encourage women to seek what is good on their journey of faith.

Elder, Deacon, & Staff: *Daniel Threadgill, Grier Mangum, Lizzie Goodwin*

**Youth Ministry:** To oversee and assist in ministries to 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students with the aim of making disciples.

Elder, Deacon, & Staff: *Burk Suits, Dillon Layman, Rebecca Marchman*

**Children's Ministry:** To oversee and assist in the discipling of children from birth to 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

Elder, Deacon, & Staff: *Scott Downs, Marion Sadler, Jeanette Simpson*

### **WORSHIP**

**Worship:** To plan, coordinate, and carry out the worship ministry of St Andrews.

Elder, Deacon, & Staff: *Larry Mack, Casey Melia, Amy Reynolds*

### **ADMINISTRATIVE TEAMS**

**Administrative Support:** To address day-to-day operational, personnel and administrative issues.

Elders & Staff: *Burk Suits, Ted Gantt, Larry Mack, David Layman, Bryan Clifton, Marc Rattray*

**Fellowship:** To be involved in meals, receptions, and other events which provide opportunities for fellowship.

Elder, Deacon, & Staff: *Ted Gantt, Mike McHenry, Paul Reynolds*

**Building & Grounds:** To assure stewardship of our facilities and property.

Elder, Deacon, & Staff: *Bryan Clifton, John Rockholz, Paul Reynolds*