

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

Welcome to worship at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, where everybody belongs!

We are so glad you're here.

This service is live streamed on our YouTube channel.

Children of all ages are welcome in worship. We also have childcare available in our fellowship hall for children under 4 years old. Feel free to ask a greeter for help and directions.

Children in PreK through 2nd grade are invited to join our volunteers for **Children's Church downstairs** after the Word with Children and can be picked up after the conclusion of the service.

All are invited to gather in Fellowship Hall after the service for coffee hour and snacks.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lenten Series – "Tell Me Something Good" | At the heart of Jesus' teachings, we find liberation, love, mercy, and grace—all of which are meant to be very good news for us all. The good news should bring us back to our roots. Emulating Jesus and embodying his teachings should ground us in who God created us to be. Can we be "good news" people in a world too often burdened by bad news? This Lent, let us remember that the good news really is good news. It is joyful—like fine wine saved for celebration. It grows like a mustard seed and smells like perfume poured from an alabaster jar. It tastes like bread passed endlessly through a hungry crowd. It sounds like laughter and feels like mercy. The good news is alive in the world. During worship and small groups, we will focus on the series "Tell Me Something Good" by Sanctified Art. Join us in worship on Sundays at 10am.

Rise Against Hunger Meal Packing Event | Join us on **Saturday, March 14 at 10am** to pack meals that will be shipped to hungry nations around the world. Use the QR code below to find the link to sign up and/or donate!

Save the Date for VBS - July 6-10th | We will be transported to Snowball Mountain in the middle of summer as we set off on a VBS adventure together! VBS will be from 5:30-8:00pm with dinner included.

CALENDAR

March 8	9:00 a	Dads with Donuts (6th-12th Grade)
	10:00 a	Worship
	10:15 a	Children's Church (Prek-2nd) + Minis (3-5th)
March 14	10-12:00 p	Rise Against Hunger Meal Packing Event
March 15	9:00 a	Dads with Donuts (6th-12th Grade)
	10:00 a	Worship
	10:15 a	Children's Church (Prek-2nd)
	6-8:00 p	Youth Group (MS + HS)



Scan the QR code to access our LinkTree.

Here you'll find the link to give financially to St. Andrew. You will also find all the information you need as you engage with our community, including volunteer opportunities and links to sign up for our e-news and monthly newsletter.

"TELL ME SOMETHING GOOD" WORDS FOR WORSHIP WRITTEN BY REV. SARAH A. SPEED | A SANCTIFIED ART LLC | SANCTIFIEDART.ORG
ART | "FUERA ICE15" BY NICOLETTE FAISON (SANCTIFIED ART)

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THE GOOD NEWS IS...

MARCH 8, 2026

PROTECTION AND CARE FOR THE VULNERABLE

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

Festive Intrada No. 4

ST. ANDREW RINGERS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LISA MASSEY

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God loves the field mouse.

All: God loves the crows that take flight when church bells ring.

One: God loves the baby, cooing in the back pew.

All: God loves the child who rocks and claps.

One: God loves the one with wrinkled hands and soft eyes.

All: God loves the bumblebees and the tabby cats.

One: God loves those who walk, crawl, and roll.

All: God loves the giant oaks and the evergreens, standing strong over all of us.

One: God loves the young, the impressionable, and the earnest.

All: There is no bit of creation that God does not love.

One: So let us worship this good-news God!

*HYMN 307

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

INVITATION TO THE CONFESSION

MARIE CAHOON

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God said, "When a foreigner resides among you in your land, do not mistreat them."

Holy God, we confess, we have mistreated the immigrants in our land.

Jesus said, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."

We confess, we have clung to guns and war more than we have pursued peace.

God said, "When you gather the grapes of your vineyard, do not glean what is left; it shall be for the alien, the orphan, and the widow."

We confess, we have hoarded our resources and failed to care for our neighbors.

Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not stop them."

We confess, we have gatekept the good news in unfair ways.

Fortunately for all of us, God also said, "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are mine."

By God's grace, despite our sin and shortcomings, we are redeemed, claimed, forgiven, and loved.

May this good news change our lives!

Amen.

KYRIE - HYMN 579

Lord, Have Mercy

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

One: By God's grace, despite our sin and shortcomings, we are redeemed, claimed, forgiven, and loved.

All: May this good news change our lives!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

HEARING THE WORD

THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

LISA MASSEY

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MARIE CAHOON

SPECIAL MUSIC

CHOIR

FIRST LESSON

Matthew 19:13-15

SECOND LESSON

Deuteronomy 24:17-22

One: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, and for the Word of God within us...

All: We give thanks to God.

SERMON

The Weight

LISA MASSEY

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN 753

Make Me A Channel of Your Peace

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

MARIE CAHOON

**I believe in the good news of Jesus Christ.
It sounds like welcome
and feels like home.
It sounds like laughter
and feels like mercy.
It sounds like love
and feels like a seat at the table,
so I believe in the good news of Jesus Christ.
I have seen it alive in the world.
And even when my heart aches,
even when wars rage,**

**even when mercy feels out of reach,
I remember the one who
welcomed the children
and led with nonviolence.
I remember the one who
cared for the vulnerable
and inspired those around him.
I remember that the good news really is good
news,
for I have seen it alive in the world.
Thanks be to God! Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OURSELVES, OUR TIME, AND OUR TALENTS

OFFERTORY

"Pie Jesu"
St. Andrew Ringers

WEBBER

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN 547

Go, My Children with My Blessing

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CHARGE AND BLESSING

REV. AMANDA KEMERY

POSTLUDE

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**FUERA ICE
BY NICOLETTE FAISON
INSPIRED BY DEUTERONOMY 24:17-22**