

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

Coming in January: Inspired | This winter we're beginning a new sermon series exploring the stories, questions, and surprising beauty of the Bible through Rachel Held Evans' book *Inspired*. Together, we'll look at Scripture with fresh eyes-- engaging our doubts, our hopes, and our imagination as we seek a faith that is honest, courageous, and life-giving. Whether church is a weekly rhythm or an occasional visit, you're invited. There's a place for your questions, your curiosity, and your story. **Join us January 11 - February 15.**

Holiday Hours | The church office staff will be working flexible and remote hours from December 22nd to January 2nd. Time-sensitive requests should be emailed to Pastor Amanda (amanda@standrew-pres.org)

Save the Date - Congregational Meeting and Chili Cookoff | On **Feb 1st** we will be hosting a congregational meeting after worship, which will include approving the 2026 budget and voting on a new church logo. The meeting will be followed by our annual chili cookoff! Are you interested in becoming a member of SAPC so you can vote on these important topics? Email Amanda for more information - amanda@standrew-pres.org

CALENDAR

December 28 **10:00 am** Coffee & Carols Worship Service

January 1 **CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**

January 4 **10:00 am** Worship

10:15 am Children's Church (Minis)



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.

THIS WORSHIP SERVICE WAS CURATED BY REV. AMANDA KEMERY WITH LITURGIES ADAPATED FROM ILLUSTRATED MINISTRIES "THE WILL TO DREAM" ADVENT RESOURCES

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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 28, 2025

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

"What Child is This?"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LYNN KREPICH

CALL TO WORSHIP

GEORGE MACDONALD

One: We gather together in this place:

All: prophets and dreamers, singers and poets,

One: we who dare to imagine a world renewed;

All: we who dare to dream God's dream.

One: We witness with Anna.

All: Jesus is our hope!

One: We hold fast to our faith,

All: trusting God's promises.

One: Young and old, declare it together:

All: love is born and salvation is here!

One: Come and worship, all you who dream and imagine.

All: We have come to wonder and praise.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

SUSAN YANTIS

*HYMN 145

What Child Is This?

GREENSLEEVES

PASSING OF THE PEACE

GEORGE MACDONALD

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

HEARING THE WORD

THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

*HYMN 132

Good Christian Friends Rejoice

IN DULCE JUBILO

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

LYNN KREPICH

* PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR IN SPIRIT

GOSPEL READING

Luke 2:22-40

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.

HYMN 121

O Little Town of Bethlehem

ST. LOUIS

REFLECTION

Believing What We See

SUSAN YANTIS

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

HYMN 128

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

W ZLOBIE LEZY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER

LYNN KREPICH

One: Holy One,

All: we pray in gratitude for deep faith, courageous wisdom, and enduring hope.

OFFERING OURSELVES, OUR TIME, AND OUR TALENTS

ANTHEM

“O Holy Night”

George Macdonald, Soloist

*DOXOLOGY

Sung to the tune of “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise Christ, all people here below,

Praise Holy Spirit evermore,

Creator God, whom we adore.

Rejoice, Rejoice, Emmanuel shall come to you O Israel.

Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN 119

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

MENDELSSOHN

CHARGE AND BLESSING

SUSAN YANTIS

POSTLUDE

