

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
MARCH 9, 2025
10:00 AM

Lay Leader - Charlotte Walker

Prelude

Welcome

~ GATHERED IN CHRIST ~

Call to Worship (Adapted from Psalm 91)

Lay Leader

ONE: You, who live in the shelter of the Most High, will call out to the Lord.

ALL: My refuge, and my fortress. My God, in whom I trust.

ONE: Because you have made the Lord your refuge, the Most High your dwelling place, no evil shall befall you.

All: God will command the angels. My Lord will guard me in all my ways.

ONE: Those angels will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.

All: Those who love God will be delivered. God will protect those who call on the name of the Lord.

*Praise Songs

Opening Prayer

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Sometimes, God, the gift of our own free will feels burdensome. It would be so much easier if you would just steer us like cars, or program us like robots. Yet, something in your design says we must each find our own path. You have made us with both the desire to serve you, and the desire to serve ourselves. We confess that our own interests often win out over your calling. We acknowledge that we do what pleases us, even when it might not please you. Forgive us when we choose paths that clearly lead us away from you. Have mercy on the darkness of our separation from you. Set your Spirit upon us, that we may find our way home again.

Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri

*Passing of the Peace

~ FED BY CHRIST ~

Prayer for Illumination

From rough words, God, make something useful. To stubborn ears, bring truth. To tired eyes, bring light. Reveal yourself to your seeking people. We ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

Scripture Reading: Romans 10:8b-13

Anthem

Gospel Reading: Luke 4:1-13

Sermon - "The Devil Made Me Do It the First Time" Rev. Matt Waters

*Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles Creed

*Hymn - GTG #166 - Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days

Our Offering

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

~ SENT BY CHRIST ~

*Song of Sending - GTG #621 - I Will Call Upon the Lord

*Charge and Blessing

*Sung Response

*Those who are able may stand

PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

JOYS

- Happy Birthday: Myron Hardesty (11th), Winnie Wagner (12th)
- Happy Anniversary: Scott & Leah Kuykendall (9th), Jane & Wayne Wright (15th)

CONCERNS

- Prayers for Cathy Byrnes & family on the passing of her husband Jim. Cathy is the Quilts for Comfort coordinator.
- Please continue to pray for Sal Favazza as he continues to struggle with his declining health from stage 4 brain cancer.
- The memorial service for Nancy Weeden was held privately on February 24th. Please continue to pray for Jan, Gale, and the rest of Nancy's family as they heal from their loss.
- Continued prayers for Kylar Kelly who was diagnosed with stage 4 inoperable, incurable EHE at just 21 years old.

CONTINUED PRAYER CONCERNS

Carol Wilson, Mary Lou McDowell, Lynn Hughey, Klair Family, Patrick Lewis, Larry Parker, Cindy Reph, Sparks Family, Kristine, Cross Family, Robert Umholtz, Nancy Mitchell, Jeffrey Annand

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW

- During our worship services busy bags offer youngsters a variety of puzzles, Bible-based coloring books and digital drawing pads. Six busy bags will be available in the narthex prior to every service. Pick one up for your little one, and return it to the narthex after the service. Give your kids a chance for quiet creative play while you focus on the Lord.
- The deacons need your help replenishing the food pantry. We were able to help 17 families with Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets but it left us pretty wiped out. Each week we will focus on different items

needed to build our stock back up in time to fill those baskets for Easter dinners. **This week we are asking for: gravy, rice, boxed or canned potatoes and canned chicken.** Please place your donations in the designated basket in the Narthex. Thank you for your continued support!

CONTINUED

- The Deacons will be collecting “Care Wear” for the Sunday Breakfast Mission during the month of March. **We will be collecting underwear, T-shirts, bras and shower shoes for men and women (most needed). We will also take boys and girls items as well.** We will NOT be collecting socks as there is an abundance of them. Please place your donations in the designated basket in the Narthex. Thank you for your continued support!
- Brookside Lions Club is having an all you can eat Italian Feast at St. Andrew’s on March 22nd from 4pm-7pm. \$20 includes main dishes, salad, bread, drink, and dessert, eat in or take out. See Cliff or Linda for tickets. Deadline for reservation by March 16.

CALENDAR

9	Sunday	Worship Service	10:00am
		Deacon’s Meeting	11:15am
		Session Meeting	11:15am
12	Wednesday	Bible Study	7:00pm
13	Thursday	Praise Band	6:30pm
		Choir	7:00pm
16	Sunday	Worship Service <i>*Italian Feast Reservation Deadline</i>	10:00am

STAFF

Temp. Supply Pastor: Rev. Matt Waters
Office Manager: Courtney Lyons
Co-Treasurers: Darrell DiStefano & Winnie Wagner

Organist: Carol Stiltz
Choir Director: Gene Stiltz

SESSION MEMBERS

2025 - (Ends 12/31/25)

Darrell DiStefano (term 1)
Cliff Wood (term 1)

2026 - (Ends 12/31/26)

Myron Hardesty (term 1)
Winnie Wagner (term 2)

2027 - (Ends 12/31/27)

Heather Favazza (term 2)
Dave Trevino (term 2)

BOARD OF DEACONS

2025 - (Ends 12/31/25)

Kay DiStefano (term 2)
Matt Kupelian (term 2)
Brenda Saulsbury (term 2)

2026 - (Ends 12/31/26)

Diane Bart (term 1)
Sue Staudt (term 1)
Danielle Wood (term 1)

2027 - (Ends 12/31/27)

Julie Guns (term 2)
Linda DiMartine (term 1)

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, a congregation of believers in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior, pledges to share the love of GOD within our church family, the local community, and the world. To this end, we shall...

- Worship GOD through preaching of the Word, celebration of the Sacraments, prayer, and music.
- Project our Christian love by nurturing one another.
- Witness the love of Christ to all the world.

VISION STATEMENT

To be a church that boldly proclaims the Good News of Jesus Christ; depends on the Holy Spirit, reflects the composition of the community, and reaches out in partnership through ministries of love, caring, music and teaching to make and prepare disciples to love and serve the Lord.

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