

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church



November 23, 2025

Christ the King/Reign of Christ Sunday

November 23, 2025

10:30 A.M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

"We Gather Together"
"Be still and know that I am God."
(Please see the insert for words to meditate on before worship.)

Kremser/Raney
Psalm 46:10

WORDS OF WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

PASSING THE PEACE

"...I was a stranger and you welcomed me."
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
(The people may greet each other in the spirit of Christ.)

Matthew 25:35b

And also with you.

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist

Around the world this day, the universal church celebrates "*The Reign of Christ.*"
Christ Jesus, friend of the poor, the meek, and the merciful, has been enthroned
above all authority and power in this world and in the world to come.

**Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth, serve the Lord with gladness,
come into God's presence with singing.**

God has placed everything under Christ's wounded feet, appointed the one who
wore a crown of thorns as the supreme head of his body, the church.

**Enter God's gates with thanksgiving, come into God's courts with praise.
Give thanks and praise to God's loving name!**

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN 267

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"
(One of Susan Eldred's favorite hymns.)

MADRID

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

We are all prone to error. When we are entrusted with power, we make mistakes. When
we are given freedom in Christ, we lack faith. Let us make our confession together as a
way of holding ourselves accountable to God and each other. Let us pray:

**Living God, in the stillness of your presence, we know ourselves in new ways.
We see more clearly where we have chosen the way of the world rather than
the way of Christ. We have compromised when we should have stood firm and
judged others by standards we rarely hold ourselves to. We have been quick to
anger and slow to love. We have not lived as people who know the kingdom of
God is among them. Forgive us and show us the way of Christ, that we might
more nearly be like him. Amen.**

Silent Confession

*KYRIE (Sung once through.)

**You are the Lord, giver of mercy.
You are the Christ, giver of mercy.
You are the Lord, giver of mercy.**

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is God's steadfast love; as far as the east is from the west, so far does God remove our transgressions from us.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Praise to our King! Amen.

*RESPONSE – Hymn 750

"Goodness Is Stronger Than Evil"

GOODNESS IS STRONGER

(Sung once through.)

**Goodness is stronger than evil; love is stronger than hate;
Light is stronger than darkness; life is stronger than death.
Victory is ours; victory is ours through God who loves us.
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THE WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)

(Page 35, *Glory to God Hymnal*)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Liturgist

THE EPISTLE READING: Colossians 1:11-20

These words are trustworthy and true.

Thanks be to God.

CHORAL ANTHEM

"We Shall Be Thankful"

THE GOSPEL READING: Luke 23:33-43

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

"The Image of the Invisible God"

THE RESPONSE

*HYMN 367

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

ST GEORGE'S WINDSOR

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from Philippians 2:5-11)

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 581)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

- OFFERTORY "With Grateful Heart I Thank You Lord"
*THE DOXOLOGY/Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow (606)
*PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

THE SENDING

- *HYMN 336 "We Gather Together" KREMSER
(One of Gloria Boyd's favorite hymns.)

- *BENEDICTION (Unison)
**Go out into the world in peace, have courage, hold on to what is good.
Return to no person evil for evil, strengthen the fainthearted,
support the weak, help the suffering. Honor all persons.
Love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

- *BENEDICTION HYMN 70 (Sung twice through.)
Leader: What does the Lord require of you?
What does the Lord require of you?
**Congregation: To seek justice, and love kindness,
and walk humbly with your God.**

- POSTLUDE "Come Ye Thankful People Come" Elves



PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP
The Rev. Dr. Anne Hébert, Pastor
Dennis Keeney, Liturgist
Scott and Ellen Gravelie, Ushers
Barb and John Lund, Jane Elzerman, Greeters
Diane Pharr, Online Digital Greeter
Michael Beery, Music Director
Polly Mauer, Pianist

Words for Meditation

With Grateful Heart I Thank You, Lord

I thank you, Lord, for each new day,
for meadows white with dew,
for the sun's warm hand upon the earth,
for skies of endless blue.
for fruit and flower, for lamb and leaf,
for every bird that sings.
With grateful heart I thank you, Lord,
for all these simple things.


I thank you, Lord, for wind and rain
and for the silver moon,
for every daisy's lifted face,
for every lovely tune,
for winter's white, for autumn's gold,
for harvest and for home.
With grateful heart I thank you, Lord,
for each good gift I own.

I thank you, Lord, for hand and heart
to offer up your praise.
I thank you, Lord, for tongue to speak
of all your loving ways.
For health and strength, for work and play,
for loved ones far and near.
With grateful heart I thank you, Lord,
for all that I hold dear.

Mary Kay Beall

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

<p>Today 9:00 Adult Ed Bible Study 10:30 Worship 11:30 Coffee Hour 4:00 A.A./Al-Anon Serenity Group 4:00 Trunk or Treat</p> <p>Monday, November 24 2:00 Grief Group 3:30 Adult Ed Mtg</p>	<p>Wednesday, November 26 12:30 Centering Prayer Group NO Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>Thursday, November 27 Thanksgiving</p> <div style="text-align: right; margin-right: 50px;">  </div> <p>Sunday, November 30 9:00 Advent Bible Study 10:30 Worship—1st Sunday of Advent 11:30 Coffee Hour 4:00 A.A./Al-Anon Serenity Group</p>
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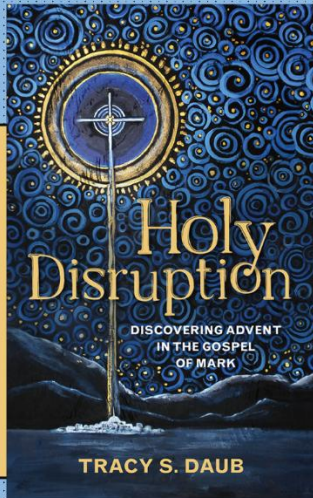
PRAYER LIST

<p>MILITARY: All of our US Military deployed and their families.</p> <p>INTERNATIONAL PEACEMAKERS : Rev. Jerome Bizimana & the people of Rwanda Rev. Butros Zaour & family & Majd Lahham, Damascus, Syria</p> <p>MISSION CO-WORKERS: Mark Adams & Miriam Maldonado Escobar, & their children: Cindy Yessenia, Anna Flor & Nathan—Frontera de Cristo; Douglas AZ Efi Latsoudi & Lesvos Solidarity, Greece</p>	<p>MEMBERS AND FRIENDS</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top; padding-right: 20px;"> Bob Nelson Tim Bergstrom Britta Baarstad Joel Hough John Warren Robey Kristin Lehoullier Joan Wathern Suzie Anderson Tamara Cas Paul Olin Pete Brager Cathy Lane </td> <td style="vertical-align: top;"> The Navin Family Tim, Sarah, Tilly and Family Linda Koch Evelyn Sengelaub Laura and Bryan Sheffield Martha Campbell Gwen Baarstad Dottie Patterson Andrew Heglin Bobbie Edwards </td> </tr> </table>	Bob Nelson Tim Bergstrom Britta Baarstad Joel Hough John Warren Robey Kristin Lehoullier Joan Wathern Suzie Anderson Tamara Cas Paul Olin Pete Brager Cathy Lane	The Navin Family Tim, Sarah, Tilly and Family Linda Koch Evelyn Sengelaub Laura and Bryan Sheffield Martha Campbell Gwen Baarstad Dottie Patterson Andrew Heglin Bobbie Edwards
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Holy Disruption

DISCOVERING ADVENT IN THE GOSPEL OF MARK

by Tracy S. Daub



Join us at **9AM** on **Sundays during Advent**

(Nov. 30, Dec. 7, Dec. 14, Dec. 21)

Watch for sign-up information!

Books \$10 with Adult Ed paying remaining cost.



It's that time of year again!!

Hanging of the Greens:

December 6

9:30am –Noon

Please give to the Flower Fund and have a Poinsettia given in honor of a loved one.

