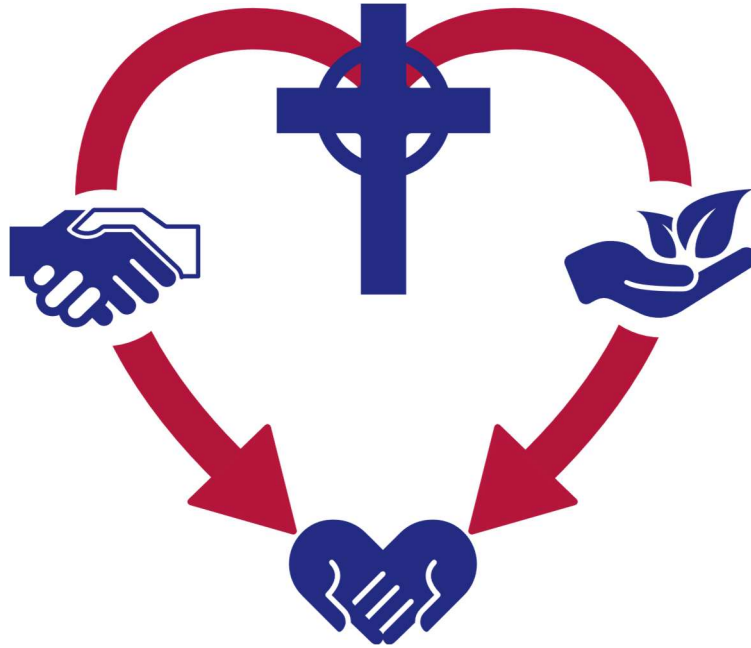
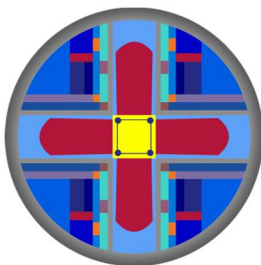


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about sharing the love of Christ:
by **Connecting**, **Growing**, and **Serving**.



**A Service of Worship for the Lord's Day
Scout Sunday and Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday
February 9, 2025**

Welcome! If you are visiting, please use the QR code on the visitor card found in the pew rack to share your information online or fill out the back of the card and drop it in the offering plate. Prayer cards, with the same options, are also available and we invite you to share your concerns and allow us to pray with you.



St. Andrews
Presbyterian Church

We Gather to Worship God

*Congregation stands as noted

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Scout Oath and Scout Law

Introit

Call to Worship (from Psalm 30)

Leader: I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up,

People: O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.

Leader: You have turned my mourning into dancing;

People: You have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,

Leader: so that my soul may praise you and not be silent.

People: O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever. Amen.

Invocation and Lord's Prayer

*Opening Hymn #343

"Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"

We Acknowledge Our Brokenness and Seek Reconciliation with God

Preparing Our Hearts for Confession - "Confession"
(front cover of hymnal)

Words/Music by Kenneth Jones

Lord, I come before you, asking your forgiveness. I am broken, I have faltered. I have turned from you.

Create in me a new heart. Fill me with your love. Grant that I receive your grace, I pray.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

SCOUT?

Leader: Let us confess our sin to God using this Prayer of Confession adapted from the National Association of Presbyterian Scouters.

All: Because we have failed in the trust others placed in us, we pray for forgiveness and for renewal to be trustworthy. For strength to be loyal to our calling in baptism as disciples in the world. For forgiveness when we saw the need to help and passed that need by, when we failed to ask if we could be helpful to a friend or a stranger. For the spirit to be friendly to all people and even to those who are unfriendly to us. For a heart that rejoices in being kind to people, to animals, and to earth on which we live. For the courage not to be afraid of doing what is right and to be brave in working for justice. Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all the people and all the needs we bring before you in our prayers, trusting in your mercy, through our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Time of Silent Reflection and Personal Prayer of Confession

Leader: And all the people of Christ say,

People: Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon (Luke 15)**

Leader: Quickly, bring out a robe- the best one- and put it on, put a ring on our finger and sandals on our feet. Let us eat and celebrate; for these children of mine were dead and are alive again, we were lost and now we are found! Friends, believe the good news of the gospel, in Jesus the Christ we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God!

***Thanks for God's Forgiveness (#647; no repeats)**

Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One; give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son. And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!" Give Thanks! Give Thanks!

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: Grace to you, and peace from God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

***Transition Hymn #831**

"I Depend Upon Your Faithfulness"

We Respond to God's Faithfulness in Our Life

Offering Our Lives to Jesus through Our Time, Gifts, and Resources

(see the 'Giving' card in the pew rack for information about options for digital giving)

***Doxology (#606)**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

God's Word Is Read and Proclaimed

Time for Young Disciples

(Children are dismissed at this time for Children's Church and Bible Builds)

Special Music

"Bring Me To Life"

AJ Ochart

words and music by Amy Lee and Ben Moody

Scripture Reading

Luke 7:1-17

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Proclamation of God's Word

Rev. AJ Ochart

"Transgressive Healing"

Responding to God's Word

***Affirmation of Our Faith (Apostle's Creed – Unison)**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic (universal) church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

*Responsive Hymn #317

"In Christ There Is No East or West"

Time of Meditation, Reflection

Luke 6:27-36

Preparing Our Hearts for Prayer (#471)

"O Lord, Hear My Prayer"

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

Prayers for the People and Lord's Prayer

Jennifer Massey

Sending Out Into the World

*Sending Hymn #759

"O God, We Bear the Imprint"

*Charge and Blessing

*Congregational Benediction #531

"May the Love of the Lord"

*Postlude

Sanctuary Flowers – The flowers were placed in the sanctuary by Sue Oakes, "with much love always and forever for Sam on his 75th birthday, and for Bogie and Ducky on what would have been their 4th and 13th birthdays respectively."

Thank you for choosing to worship with us today. We hope you were blessed so you can go and be a witness to Christ's love in the world. May your spirits be renewed for the days ahead.



Rev. AJ Ochart, Pastor
Kenneth Jones, Director of Music
Scouts, Lay Leader

