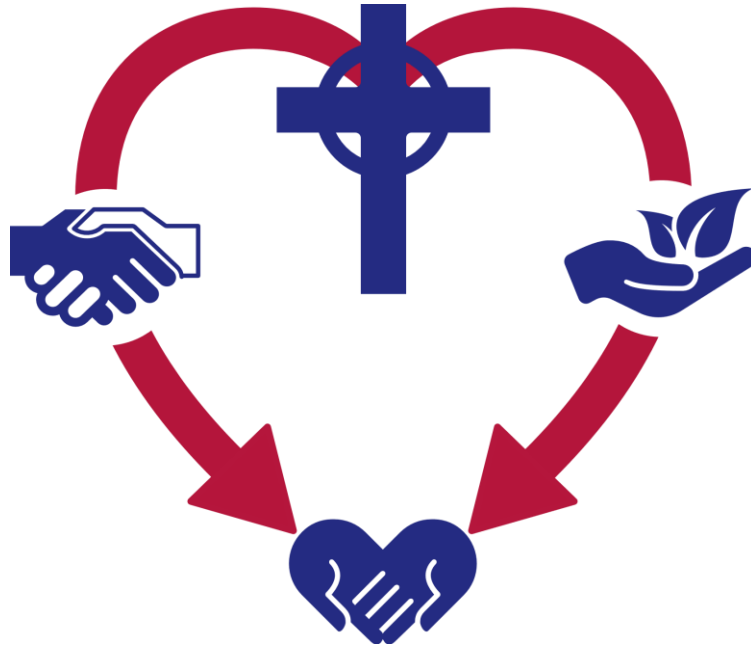
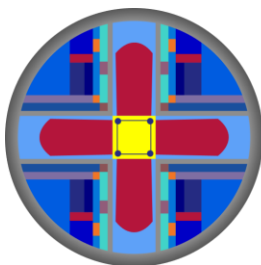


**We are imperfect believers, passionate
about sharing the love of Christ:
by **Connecting**, **Growing**, and **Serving**.**



**A Service of Worship for the Lord's Day
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 12, 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

Introit

Call to Worship (1 Samuel 2 CEB)

Leader: The LORD! [God] brings death, gives life

Takes down to the grave, and raises up!

People: My strength rises up to the LORD!

Brings low, but also lifts up high!

Leader: God raises the poor from the dust,

Lifts up the needy from the garbage pile.

People: God sits them with officials,

Gives them the seat of honor! Amen.

Invocation

*Opening Hymn #725

“O Jesus, I Have Promised”

We Acknowledge Our Brokenness and Seek Reconciliation with God

Preparing Our Hearts for Confession - “Confession”

Words/Music by Kenneth Jones

(front cover of hymnal)

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)

God who speaks. You speak to us in many ways, but we do not always listen to your call. You speak to us in the beauty of creation, but we ignore it and use it for our own benefit. You speak to us through the wisdom of other people, but we disregard your words from their mouths. You speak to us in the stirring of our heart, mind, and gut; but we have been told to ignore the messages of our bodies. You call us by name, but we think it is someone else calling. Speak LORD, for your servants are listening. Help us to hear your voice, and respond. Amen.

Time of Silent Reflection and Personal Prayer of Confession

Leader: And all the people of Christ say,

People: Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon (John 10)**

Leader: My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel, in Jesus 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 #659**

"Know That God Is Good"

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

Chancel Choir

"When In Our Music God Is Glorified"

arr. Harriet Ziegenhals

Scripture Reading

1 Samuel 3:1-21

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

"Speak LORD, for Your Servant is Listening"

Responding to God's Word

***Affirmation of Our Faith (Scots Confession - Unison)**

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by [God's] inscrutable providence for such end as [God's] eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of [God's] own glory.

***Responsive Hymn #69**

"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

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

Dana Tate

Respond: Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sending Out Into the World

***Sending Hymn #69**

"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

***Charge and Blessing**

***Congregational Benediction #745**

"Now Go in Joy"

***Postlude**

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
Shannon Bryan, Accompanist
Andy Croston, Lay Leader

