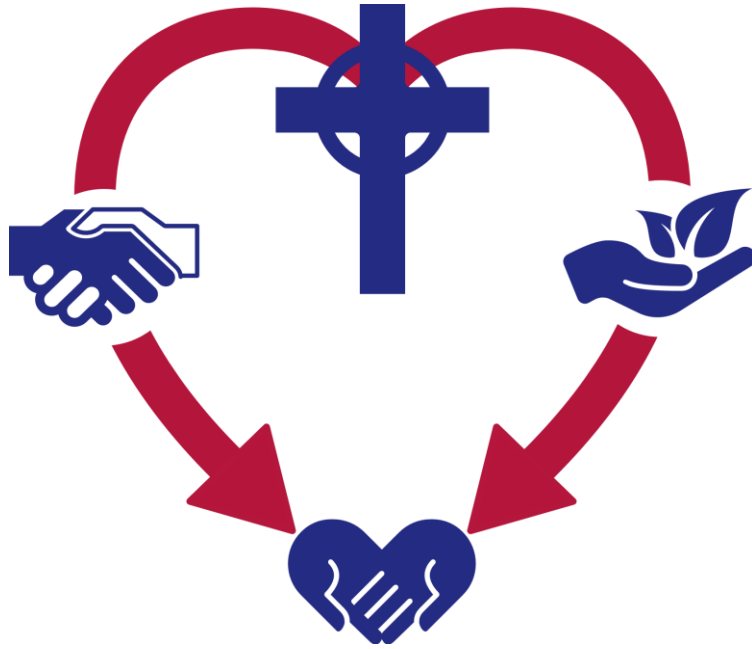
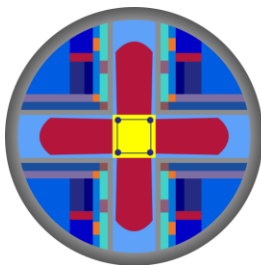


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about sharing the love of Christ:
by **Connecting**, **Growing**, and **Serving**.**



**A Service of Worship for the Lord's Day
Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
November 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

Introit

Call to Worship (Amos 5 CEB)

Leader: Seek good and not evil, that you may live;

People: and so the LORD, the God of heavenly forces, will be with you just as you have said.

Leader: Hate evil, love good, and establish justice at the city gate.

People: Perhaps the LORD God of heavenly forces will be gracious to what is left of Joseph.

Amen.

Invocation

*Opening Hymn #342

“Judge Eternal, Robed in Splendor”

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) (Amos 2, 5, 6, 9)

The LORD proclaims, for three crimes of the United States, and for four, I will not revoke the punishment. Because they have rejected the instructions of the LORD and have not kept God’s statutes, but have been led astray by the same lies after which their ancestors walked. Because they sell the righteous for silver, and the needy for a pair of sandals - they who trample the heads of the poor into the dust of the earth, and push the afflicted out of the way. They hate the one who reproves at the gate, and abhor the one who speaks truth. Therefore because you trample on the poor, and take from them levies of grain; you have built houses of hewn stone, but will not live in them. For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins- you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy at the gate. Woe to those who are at ease in Columbia, and for those who are secure in Washington. Woe to those who lie in comfort while their people starve. Let justice roll down like rivers, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. Amen.

Time of Silent Reflection and Personal Prayer of Confession

Leader: And all the people of Christ say,

People: Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon (Amos 9:13-15)**

Leader: The time is surely coming, says the LORD, when the one who plows shall catch up with the one who reaps and the treader of grapes with the one who sows the seed; the mountains shall drip sweet wine, and all the hills shall flow with it. I will restore the fortunes of my people, and they shall rebuild the ruined cities and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and drink their wine, and they shall make gardens and eat their fruit. I will plant them upon their land, and they shall never again be plucked up out of the land that I have given them, says the LORD your God.

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 #669**

"Let's Sing Unto the Lord"

We Respond to God's Faithfulness in Our Life

Pledge Campaign Message

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)

Special Music

Chancel Choir

"Be My Church"

Lyrics by Pamela Stewart, music arranged by David Lantz III

Scripture Reading

Amos 1:1-2; 2:6-8; 5:14-15, 21-24

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

"Shepherders and Solidarity"

Responding to God's Word

***Affirmation of Our Faith (Confession of Belhar – Unison)**

We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells; that the credibility of this message is seriously affected and its beneficial work obstructed when it is proclaimed in a land which professes to be Christian, but in which the enforced separation of people on a racial basis promotes and perpetuates alienation, hatred and enmity; Therefore, we reject any doctrine which, in such a situation, sanctions in the name of the gospel or of the will of God the forced separation of people on the grounds of race and color and thereby in advance obstructs and weakens the ministry and experience of reconciliation in Christ.

***Responsive Hymn #346**

“For the Healing of the Nations”

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

Shelby Wood

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 #757**

“Today We Are Called to Be Disciples”

***Charge and Blessing**

***Congregational Benediction #747**

“The Lord Now Sends Us Forth”

***Postlude**

Sanctuary Flowers – the flowers were placed in the sanctuary by Dana Tate in honor of Joey Tate's birthday on November 14th.

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
Louise Ochart and Youth, Lay Leaders

