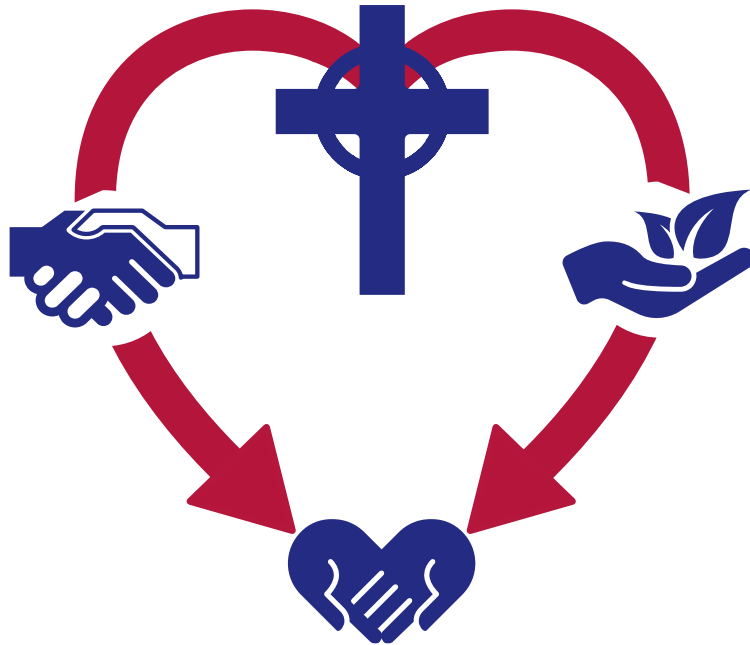
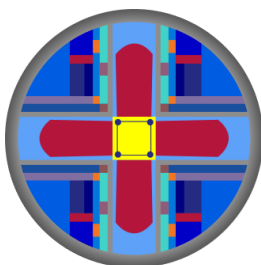


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by **Connecting**, **Growing**, and **Serving**.



**A Service of Worship for the Lord's Day**  
**Third Sunday after Easter**  
**April 19, 2026**

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 Corinthians 15)**

Leader: For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures and that he was buried and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve.

**People: Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died.**

Leader: Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles.

**People: Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. Amen.**

**Invocation**

\*Opening Hymn #610

“O for a Thousand Tongues To Sing”

## 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)**

God of grace, we have been led astray by our ambitions and pride, we have zealously pursued our own ways and do not consider the casualties in our wake. We do not realize how in persecuting our own designs, we are actually persecuting you. We hear your call, but it seems too hard, too dangerous, too much like exactly what we don't want to do. Make us blind so that we can see more fully your plan and call for us. Help us to love our neighbor, especially when they are our enemies. Use us as your instruments, and give us grace when we play the wrong notes. Amen.

**Time of Silent Reflection and Personal Prayer of Confession**

Leader: And all the people of Christ say,

**People: Amen.**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Siblings, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit. Friends believe the good news of the gospel, in Jesus the Christ you 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 #240 (v.2)**

**"Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"**

**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**

**"I Know that My Redeemer Lives"**

By Craig Courtney

**Scripture Reading**

**Acts 9:1-25**

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**

**"Making Up for Past Mistakes"**

## Responding to God's Word

\*Hymn of Preparation for Baptism #476

"Crashing Waters at Creation"

Remembrance of Baptism

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kin(g)dom 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 kin(g)dom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## Sending Out Into the World

\*Sending Hymn #726

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

\*Charge and Blessing

\*Congregational Benediction #246 (v.1)

"Christ Is Alive!"

\*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  
Rita Batman, Lay Leader

