

# St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

September 29, 2024 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

~ Our Values ~ Christ First - Inviting - Joyful - Open-Minded

~ Our Mission Statement ~ Inspired by the love of Christ, we are building a community that invites our neighbors into a relationship with God and each other.

*Welcome to St. Andrews*—we're glad to have you worship with us.

Visitors, please fill out a blue "Welcome" card – we'd love to get to know you!

You will find yellow prayer cards in the pews if you have a request or a celebration you would like to share...an usher will come by to collect them.

Please sign the friendship register (on the center aisle) to record your attendance with us.

Children's  
Bulletin  
Pictures

## Gathering Around the WORD

Prelude

*Rondo*

Henry Purcell



Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship

God of the past, who has created and nurtured us,  
**we are here to thank you.**

God of the future, who is always ahead of us,  
**we are here to thank you.**

God of the present, who is here in the midst of us,  
**we are here to thank you.**

God of life, who is beyond us and within us,  
**we rejoice in your glorious love.**

\*Hymn 488

*The God of Abraham Praise*

\*Prayer of Confession

**Holy God,**

**We are able to turn to you, because you turn towards us.**

**You draw near to us, and when convenient we draw near to you.**

**Forgive us Lord, for the times we are reluctant,**

**the times we are hesitant,**

**the times we forget you are there,**

**and the times we turn away, fearing you will ask too much.**

Silent Prayers

\*Assurance of Pardon

\*Passing of the Peace

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**



## Proclaiming the WORD

Coming to Christ as a Child

Rob Cochran

Prayer for Illumination

Lorna Everhart



**Holy Spirit, pour out upon us wisdom and understanding, that, being taught by you in Holy Scripture, our hearts and minds may be opened to receive all that leads to life and holiness. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Genesis 12:1-9



\*Song

*The Same Love*

#6180933



Genesis 15:1-6



Meditation

*Starting Again*

Pastor Robin



## Responding to the WORD

\*Hymn 4

*Creator of the Stars of Night*



\*Affirmation of Faith      Brief Statement of Faith (lines 27-51)      Lorna Everhart

**We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba Father.**

**In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally  
In God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one  
community.**

**But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's  
commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies  
as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted  
to our care. We deserve God's condemnation.**

**Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting  
love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families  
of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the  
house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the  
covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father  
who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.**

\*Song

*He Knows My Name*

#2151368



Presenting Our Offerings

Lorna Everhart



Prayer of Dedication

**Blessed are you, O Lord our God, maker of all things.**

**Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts.**

**With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us—Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Anthem

*Promise After Promise*

arr. Jesse Bullard



**Bearing the WORD into the World**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer



**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.**

\*Song

*God of Brilliant Lights*

#6579025



\*Charge and Benediction

\*Sending Song



**Ways to support the ministries of the church:**

1. Mail a check. If you have offering envelopes, they're self-addressed & just need a stamp.
2. Online giving. <https://onrealm.org/standrewslebanon/-/give/now>
3. Text a gift: *SAPC* \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to 73256

*All services are in the sanctuary and streamed @ [www.standrewslebanon.org/watchlive](http://www.standrewslebanon.org/watchlive)*

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## THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREWS

- Sun. Sep 29** 9AM Sunday School / 10AM Worship  
11AM Adult Sunday School  
3:30PM Youth Ring & Sing  
4-6PM EPYC/Trailblazers Youth Groups
- Tue. Oct 1** 9AM Sew & Sew  
1:30PM Band Together  
1:30PM Staff Meeting
- Wed. Oct 2** 6PM Praise Team Rehearsal  
6:45PM Handbell Rehearsal  
7PM WEBS Bible Study  
7:30PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- Thu. Oct 3** 2PM Follow-Ship Group
- Fri. Oct 4** 9:15AM Fellowship Walking Group @ S. Hills Park
- Sun. Oct 6** 9AM Sunday School for all / 10AM Worship /  
11AM Adult Sunday School  
3:30PM Youth Ring & Sing  
4-6PM EPYC/Trailblazers Youth Groups

**The Chancel Flowers** are given by Helen Leaman in memory of loved ones.

**Where is God calling you to Know, Walk or Serve?** Info & Signup Wall in the Gathering Area. Read, ponder, pick out a group, class, activity, etc. to be a part of. The New Era Group Activities / Bible in a Year / Bible Trivia / Follow-Ship Groups Liturgists / Nursery Volunteers / Youth Volunteers / Youth Dinner Makers or Sponsors Sunday School Helpers / Men's Group

**October 6** -World Communion Sunday. Also, Peace & Global Witness Offering Sunday. Sowing the seeds of peace in every interaction and decision we make. The Peace & Global Witness Offering provides the tools and resources for us as we join together, connected as active peacemakers.

**October 26** – Corn Maze

**October 27** – Save the date: St. Andrews Sunday / Congregational Meeting / Baked Potato Lunch / Pumpkin Carving 2-4pm

**Candy needed** – for Trunk or Treat! Please deliver to Rob!