

WELCOME!

We are a friendly, active congregation, and you will find many ways to serve and grow here.

Please sign the register found in your seat so that we may have a record of your presence.

If you would like the church to contact you, please let a greeter know, or fill out a guest card in the pew and drop it in the offering plate.

SERVICE NOTES

Parents: To comply with our Safe Sanctuaries Policies, we ask that you accompany your children if they need to leave the Sanctuary for any reason.

A safe, loving, and fully staffed nursery for children age 3 and under is available in the Family Life Center, Room 1.

After the Children's Message, children age 4 through 2nd grade are invited to Children's Church located in the Family Life Center, Room 5. One of our capable volunteers will meet you at the back of the Sanctuary to walk with you, and the children will return to us before the end of our service.

Large print hymnals are available for your convenience.

Assistive listening devices are available at the sound booth.

Please ask an usher or greeter for any needed assistance.

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We are all ministers of the Gospel!

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The Gift of Love

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**Enter to Worship.
Depart to Serve.**

Sunday, February 2, 2025
11:00 a.m. Worship

4th Sunday of Epiphany

ORDER OF WORSHIP

* = You are invited to stand. **Bold** = All voices.

PRELUDE #96

Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*BRINGING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO OUR MIDST

*HYMN #73, verse 1

O, Worship the King

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come! Hear the call of God saying speak of me to my people.

But we are just ordinary folks. Who will listen?

God will give you the words. The Lord will always be with you as you speak words of truth and justice and love.

We gather here to worship and praise God's loving presence, and to be strengthened for the calling given us.

*OPENING PRAYER

O God, in the midst of the cacophony of voices that crush our spirit and deny our calling, (voices that say: "Who do you think you are?"), we come to hear your voice of affirmation. We come to hear your voice calling us to be and do what you have called us to be and do. Let this time of worship quiet our fears, soothe our bruised souls, and energize us for ministry in and with your beloved world. Let faith abide. Let hope abide. Let love abide, here in this sanctuary, here in our community, here in our world, but most of all, here in us. Amen.

*HYMN #408

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYERFUL SHARING AND PRAYING TOGETHER

SCRIPTURE

Luke 4:21-30

NRSVue

ANTHEM

We Gather Together

Verse 3: We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant, and pray that thou still our defender wilt be. Let thy congregation escape tribulation; thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

NRSVue

SERMON

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INVITATION, CONFESSION, PARDON #12

*PASSING THE PEACE

*HYMN #578

God of Love and God of Power

CELEBRATING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY #164

Come, My Way, My Truth

*DOXOLOGY #95

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

*OFFERING PRAYER

Compassionate God, who sees beyond our boundaries and loves without limit, we bring these offerings with grateful hearts. Use them to proclaim your good news, heal the broken, and extend your love to all, especially those we struggle to accept. Transform our gifts into a beacon of hope and inclusion that reflects the boundless love of Christ in every corner of our community. In his holy name, we pray. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING #13

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

HOLY COMMUNION

HYMN #430

O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee

HYMN #620

One Bread, One Body

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN #384

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

*BLESSING

*CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

*BENEDICTION HYMN

A Closing Prayer

The time has come, O Lord, for us to leave this place; guide us and protect us and lead us in thy Grace. Wherever life may take us as we go our separate ways, help us share with others the things we've shared today. May the peace of God, the Father, and the love of Christ, His Son, guide us in the days ahead and strengthen us each one. May the blessing of the Spirit fill us from within; God bless us and return us to this fellowship once again. Amen.

*POSTLUDE #568

Christ for the World We Sing

February 2, 2025

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SUPPORTING THE CHURCH

When we join the church, we are asked: Will you be loyal to The United Methodist Church, and uphold it by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness? Here's how we are doing that!

By our prayers

Don Aldridge	Karin Garner	Ron Morrow	Rebecca Sandell
Frances Austin	Linda Garrison	Tom O'Quinn	Ed Sheffield
Addy Bader	Eric Grush	Rev. Clay Parker	Jackie Sheffield
Mary Ellen Creech	Ed Kezar	Ed Reid	Corothy Sims
Ann Deese	Charles Long	Debra Rigsbee	Mose Stocks
Bob Deese	Dennis Marlowe	Estes Rigsbee	LaRena Thornton
David Felts	Mary Marlowe	Sandy Rutledge	Linda Wiggs
Melinda Felts	Linda Morrow	Anne Safrit	

Prayer requests remain on the list for 30 days unless an update has been provided.

By our presence Sunday, Jan. 26 Total Worship Attendance 133

By our gifts Your gifts may be placed in the offering plates, mailed, brought to the church office, or at: <https://abundant.co/saintandrewsumc/give>

By our service and witness

TODAY

Activity/Meeting	Time	Location
Worship Service	9:00am	FLC Great Room
Sunday School Classes	9:45am	Various Classrooms
Worship Service	11:00am	Sanctuary
Children's Worship	11:15am	Meeting Center
Youth	5:00pm	The Balcony

UPCOMING MEETINGS & CLASSES

Date	Activity/Meeting	Time	Location
Feb. 3	Wesleyan Well Wishers	10:00am	Meeting Center
Feb. 6	Lunch & Learn	12:00pm	Meeting Center
Feb. 6	Sewing Classes	7:00pm	Sewing Room
Feb. 10	United Women in Faith	10:00am	Meeting Center
Feb. 12	Wednesday Night Supper	5:30pm	FLC Hallway

ONGOING GATHERINGS

Group	Meeting Date	Time	Location
Women's Basketball	Mondays	6:30-8:00pm	FLC Great Room
Pickleball and Walking	Tuesdays	7-8:30pm	FLC Great Room
Walking in Grace	Wednesdays	9:30am	Path or CC Room
Stretch Classes	Wednesdays	9:30am/10:45am	FLC Great Room
Choir Practice	Wednesdays	7-8pm	Sanctuary
Praise Team Practice	Thursdays	6:30pm	FLC Great Room

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

3	Kevin Wise	8	Dennis Harrell	16	Charles Long
4	Gloria English	11	Manvel Ngong	22	Beth Wise
5	Lisa Gorman	11	Rhonda Gile	24	Mose Stocks
7	Mary Green	13	Claude Jenkins	26	Amanda Driscoll

Is your birthday missing? Contact the church office to add your special day!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Souper Bowl Sunday – Forms Due Today

United Women in Faith are selling homemade soup for Super Bowl Sunday (Feb. 9th). Order forms are available and are due today. All proceeds will be used for missions supporting women & children.

United Women in Faith Meeting – Monday, Feb. 10, 10am

Starting this month, UWIF is now meeting on the second Monday of each month at 10am. We welcome anyone who is interested in supporting missions that benefit women and children!

Wednesday Night Supper – Feb. 12, 5:30pm

Menu for February: BBQ Chicken and sides. The cost is \$5.00 per person (additional donations are always appreciated). Please join us for good food and better fellowship!

Missions Dinner – Saturday, Feb. 15, 6:30pm

Missions/Outreach is offering a steak or chicken dinner with baked potato, salad, dessert and drink for \$25 per person. Reservation cards and drop box are available outside of each service, please drop your reservation form and money in the box. Funds will benefit community missions. **There are only 8 spots lefts!**

GARNER AREA MINISTRIES FOOD BANK

Boxed Pasta & Canned Meat (chicken, tuna, chili, etc.)

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR TODAY

Jeremiah 1:4-10, Psalm 71:1-6, 1 Corinthians 13:1-13, Luke 4:21-30