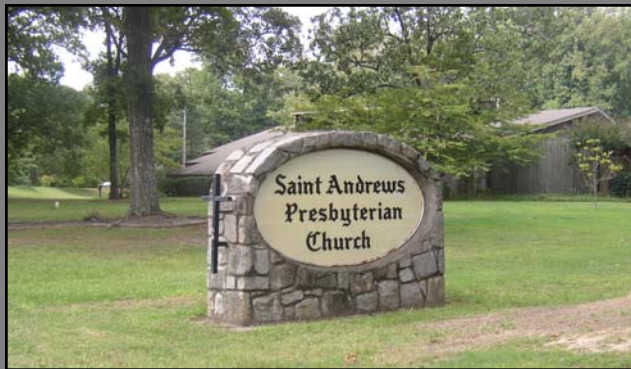


How to be a part of the fellowship and mission of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church



St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Inquirers Class

Who?

- What brings you to St. Andrews
- What shapes your faith – what shapes our faith



Beliefs

- Basic Christian theology
 - Jesus as Lord and Savior
 - God in Three Persons –the Trinity
 - Salvation by Grace through Faith
 - The Authority of Scripture
- Protestant and Reformed faith
 - The Sovereignty of God
 - Election for Service
 - Recognition of Human Sinfulness
 - Sanctification
 - The Covenant Life of the Church



Presbyterian Beliefs

- Our Creator made the world with love
- Jesus' life, death and resurrection reconciles the world to God
- The Holy Spirit is among us when we gather in God's name
- Scripture is our primary witness to God's history in this world
- The church is the Body of Christ
- God's people are chosen for service as much as for salvation
- We are faithful stewards of God's creation



Where did Presbyterians originate?

- Trace our history to the 16th century Protestant Reformation, the writings of John Calvin and the Reformed movement
- American Presbyterians came from Scotland and Ireland

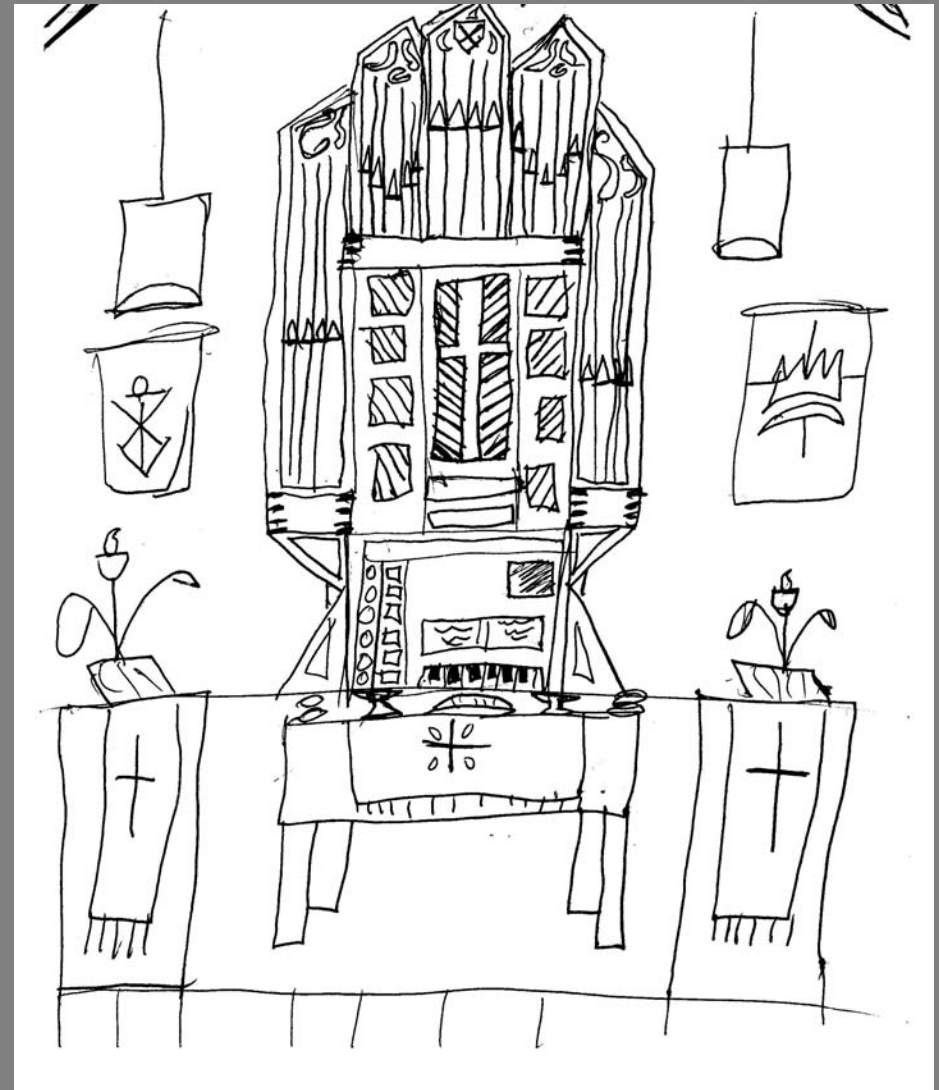
LARGER CHURCH

- St. Andrews Presbyterian Church is part of the Presbyterian Church (USA), a connectional church. We are one of 110 churches in the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta (www.presbyteryofgreateratl.org) which is one of 16 presbyteries in the Synod of South Atlantic (www.synodofsouthatlantic.org). Sixteen Synods, 173 Presbyteries, and 11,019 churches make up the PC(USA). Together, we are Christ's body.



How We Worship

- Two Sunday morning worship services: 8:45 a.m. and 11 a.m. from Labor Day through Memorial Day
 - Summer months: one service at 10:00 a.m.
- Follow the church calendar
- Order of worship services
- Previous experiences



The Sacraments

- Presbyterians celebrate two sacraments:
 - Baptism: Infants and Adults says “you belong.”
 - Communion – all who trust in Christ are welcome to the table



Education at St. Andrews

- **Children & Youth:** Each Sunday at 10:00, children age two through fifth grade study Bible stories using drama, art, songs, games, and outreach. Middle School and Senior High youth meet at the same time for breakfast, fellowship, study and conversation.



Education at St. Andrews

- **Logos:** On Wednesdays from 4-7, children 1st grade through 8th grade meet for recreation, worship, Bible Study and Supper. On Sundays from 5-8, Senior Highs do the same.



Education at St. Andrews

- **Adults:** Adult classes are offered on Sundays and throughout the week. Check the worship bulletin for listings.



So What?

- The St. Andrews mission
 - Why are we here
- Highlights
 - Adult Mission Trip to Katrina-ravaged portion of Mississippi
 - Youth Mission Trip with Border-Links to New Mexico
 - Mission Luncheon with presentation by Adult/Youth Mission teams
 - Support of the Druid Hill's Night Shelter
 - Strengthened communication with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance through SAPC member, David Barnhart
 - Mission component (10%) of Capital Campaign Fund for local/international charitable support under consideration
 - Ongoing support of Six Star Refugee program accepting new families with hands-on preparations of homes
 - Change for Children supporting Zambian orphans



Mission Trips

- Middle School and Senior Highs



Expectations and Opportunities

- What do you expect from a church?
- What does St. Andrew expect of members?
 - Worship regularly
 - Serve eagerly
 - Grow spiritually
 - Give generously
 - Live worthily
- Endless opportunities



Get to know us

- As a welcoming, serving congregation, we seek to share God's grace through education, fellowship, music, and inclusive, embracing outreach ministries to those in physical and spiritual need. Our worship focuses on the challenges of contemporary life and faith as we seek to know and follow God.
- It is our hope that you will come to know us as a loving and welcoming congregation that is dedicated both to speaking the truth about God and to doing God's work in the world.



You'll Be Glad You Did



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