



# Buildings & Grounds

**Happy are they who dwell in your house!  
they will always be praising you.**

- Psalm 84

Our congregation has gathered for worship here in Ann Arbor for nearly two hundred years. Starting in 1827, we worshiped in parishioner's homes, taverns, and other public buildings. In 1836, we built a wooden church at the north end of our property. In 1868, we laid the corner stone for our current sanctuary. Over the decades, we added to that building, culminating in 1951 with the building of Lewis Hall which houses our Parish Hall where we have served breakfast daily for forty-two years and counting, our Sunday School classrooms where our young people have learned about our faith for over seventy years, and our chapel where we worship throughout the week.

The members of our congregation today are the beneficiaries of the vision, generosity, and hard work of the generations who came before us. We worship in our gorgeous historic sanctuary, learn and share our faith in beautiful classrooms, and do the good work God has given us to do in these buildings that are gift from those who came before us.

## Time to Grow 2025 ANNUAL GIVING

**Our Annual Giving Campaign is well underway!**

**95 families have committed \$570,754 representing a 12.9% increase in their giving over 2024.**

**We hope you will help us as these families have and do your best to support our mission and ministry in the year ahead.**

## Caring for St. Andrew's Buildings & Grounds



Matt Marsh



Jeff Sharp

Maintaining our 40,000 ft<sup>2</sup> of historic buildings is an enormous task. Our sexton, Matt Marsh, brings eighteen years of experience and expertise in keeping our physical plant humming and functioning well. This is no small feat: in buildings of this age, something is always breaking down, in need of repair, or well past its prime. Matt is a marvel at fixing and maintaining our infrastructure and keeping everything in good working order. He also mows the lawn during the warmer months, salts and plows the sidewalk at all hours of the day and night during the winter, and organizes the contractors we hire to tend to bigger projects. Our housekeeper, Jeff Sharp, works tirelessly to clean our sanctuary and chapel, twelve classrooms

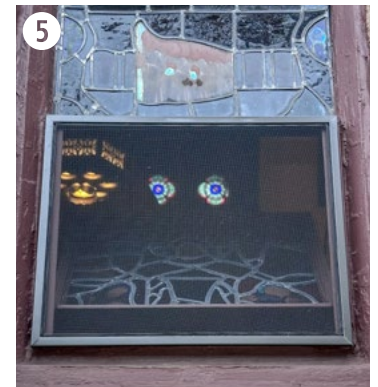
and meeting spaces, eleven bathrooms, and hallways and entryways to make our spaces welcoming and inviting.

We also have a small army of volunteers working to care for our buildings and grounds. Once a month, our Breakfast Program director Sue Nishi organizes a crew of volunteers to deep clean the downstairs kitchen, sweeping and scrubbing and polishing that well-used space. Throughout the spring, summer, and fall, Julie Ritter and our faithful, hard-working gardeners tend to our grounds, planting, weeding, watering, and planning new beds, adding a bit of beauty to our neighborhood. Last summer, Rodger Piehl organized a group of parishioners to clean out the undercroft, filling a dumpster with junk and many carloads of items donated to local organizations.

# Projects in 2024

In addition to everyday maintenance, we completed several additional projects this year, some planned and some unexpected:

- 1 Illuminated the East Window over the altar in the sanctuary, making the angel glow for evening services
- 2 Re-paved, sealed, and striped the Catherine Street parking lot
- 3 Repaired corroded pipes in the bathroom on the Parish Hall level
- 4 Trimmed the historic trees on the front lawn to keep them healthy and safe
- 5 Installed screens on the lower panel openings of the stained glass windows in the sanctuary to enable better ventilation throughout the week
- 6 Removed poison ivy and Virginia creeper vine that had taken over the Cloister Garden and prepared it for replanting next spring
- 7 Contracted to have our exterior walls, pathways, and stone work re-pointed to keep them maintained and safe



Caring for our buildings and grounds honors the generations who came before us and provides welcoming and safe space for our members and visitors. The pledges of our faithful new and longtime members support the mission and ministry here at St. Andrew's, enabling us to do the good work God has given us to do. We hope you will prayerfully consider how you can best support our congregation's ministry.



**Please know: The wardens, vestry, rector, and staff are grateful for every pledge of support, no matter the size.** And, if your financial situation is such that you cannot pledge this year, please know that we are grateful that you are here, grateful for the many ways you support St. Andrew's, and grateful for your prayers.

**The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**  
November 10, 2024

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Hymns are found in the blue *Hymnal 1982* in your pew.  
The 'S' numbers are located at the front of the hymnal.

The service begins in quiet and prayer.

**Prelude:** *A Joyful Flourish* André Campra (c.1660–1744), arr. John Leavitt (b. 1956)  
The St. Dunstan Handbell Choir

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**Processional Hymn 430:** *Come, O Come*

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*People* **Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Gloria, Hymn S-278:** *Glory to God* (10:00 am only)

*People* **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray. O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**The First Lesson:** *1 Kings 17:8-16*

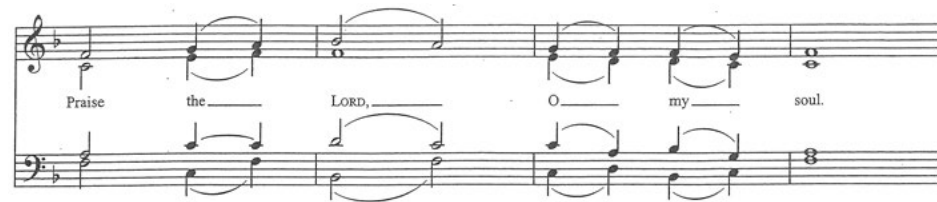
The word of the Lord came to Elijah, saying, "Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I

may drink." As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." But she said, "As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth." She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 146**



**Antiphon: Praise the Lord, O my soul.**

Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD, O my soul! \*

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, \*

for there is no help in them.

When they breathe their last, they return to earth, \*

and in that day their thoughts perish. [ANT.]

Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! \*

whose hope is in the LORD their God;

Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; \*

who keeps his promise for ever;

Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, \*

and food to those who hunger. [ANT.]

The LORD sets the prisoners free;

the LORD opens the eyes of the blind; \*

the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;

The LORD loves the righteous;

the LORD cares for the stranger; \*

he sustains the orphan and widow,

but frustrates the way of the wicked.

The LORD shall reign for ever, \*

your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.

Hallelujah! [ANT.]

**The Second Lesson:** *Hebrews 9:24-28*

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn 593:** *Lord make us Servants*

*Reader* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Gospel:** *Mark 12:38-44*

As Jesus taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

*Reader* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon** (8:00 am only)

**A History of Our Church in Four Scenes** (10:00 am only)

Scene 1, April, 1834 *Early Meeting Places*

Scene 2, 1840 *The Mortgage is Called*

Scene 3, 1930's/1946 *Women in the Church*

Scene 4, 1868 *Laying of the Cornerstone*

**The Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## The Prayers of the People

*Please stand or kneel*

God of life, we praise you for your abiding presence, strengthening us for lives of service, and empowering us to witness to your glory. Hear the prayers we offer on behalf of your creation. *A brief silence.* Almighty God, whose loving hand has given us all that we possess: Crack open our hearts that we might welcome you more fully into our lives. Grant us grace that we may honor you with our whole being and be faithful stewards of your bounty.

*People*     **God of love, hear our prayer.**

Make us mindful of the abundant blessings we have been given. Help us to be generous in supporting the good work done in your name, here at St. Andrew’s and elsewhere in our community and the world. **God of love, hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who have been newly elected to positions of leadership in government, that with steadfast purpose they may faithfully serve in their offices to ensure the well-being of all people. **God of love, hear our prayer.**

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace.

**God of love, hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, we commend to your care all Veterans. We remember those who fought and died and all veterans still living who bear physical, emotional, or spiritual wounds. We ask your blessing upon them and pray that the day will come when the earth will be without war. Help us to be a people who pray for peace, work for peace, and seek to be peacemakers in this world. **God of love, hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who are ill, including those on our prayer list, those whose suffering is known to you alone, and those we name in our hearts. *Pause* Give strength and wisdom to their caregivers and sustain them with your love. **God of love, hear our prayer.**

In a moment of silence, let us pray for those who are dear to each of us. *Silence* Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours. Grant that we may serve Christ in them and love one another as he loves us. **God of love, hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy those we love but see no longer, remembering especially W. Paul Lang, in whose memory the flowers are given this week. We ask that you bless them and keep them, make your face to shine upon them, and grant them peace. **God of love, hear our prayer.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. *Silence*

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## The Peace

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*     **And also with you.**

**Offertory Anthem:** *Bless to Me This Day* Cecelia McDowall (b. 1951)  
Women of the St. Andrew’s Adult Choir

*God, bless to me this day, God, bless me to this night; bless, O bless, thou God of grace, each day and hour of my life. God, bless the pathway on which I go, God bless the earth that is beneath my sole; bless, O God, and give to me thy love, and bless, O God of gods, my repose.*

**Children’s Entrance Hymn 656:** *Blest are the Pure in Heart*

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Eucharistic Prayer A

*Celebrant*     *People*  
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
*Celebrant*     *People*  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
*Celebrant*  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People*  
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*The Celebrant offers our thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available to us in Christ.*

**Sanctus S-128:** *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*

*The people stand or kneel as the Celebrant gives thanks for the reconciling work of Christ through his passion and resurrection and prays over the bread and wine.*

*Celebrant* Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

*People*     **Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic prayer.*

*Celebrant* By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit of all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,  
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

**Fraction Anthem S-165:** *Jesus, Lamb of God*

*Please come forward and stand or kneel at the rail. The priest will place the bread in your outstretched palm (Consecrated rice wafers are available for those with wheat allergies - simply ask the priest). You may dip (intinct) the bread in the wine in the small cup held by the Eucharistic minister. Alternatively, you may indicate your desire to drink from the common chalice by consuming the bread and remaining at the rail after the Eucharistic minister passes; another Eucharistic minister will bring the large chalice over for you to drink from directly. Please know that Christ is fully present in both the bread and the wine - there is no requirement to receive both. If you do not wish to receive communion, you may come forward, cross your hands over your chest, and receive a blessing.*

**Communion Voluntary:** *Let all Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* Julie Turner  
The St. Dunstan Handbell Choir

**Communion Hymn 341:** *For the Bread*

*When Lay Eucharistic Visitors are taking Holy Communion to those unable to be with us in person, we say the following*

*Celebrant* In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ’s body and blood.

*People*     **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

**Post-Communion Thanksgiving**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People*     **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**The Blessing**

**Closing Hymn 594:** *God of Grace*

**Dismissal**

*The young people are invited to come forward during the hymn to participate in the dismissal.*

*Young people* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People*     **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude:** *Recessional Toccata* Alfred Fedak (b. 1953)