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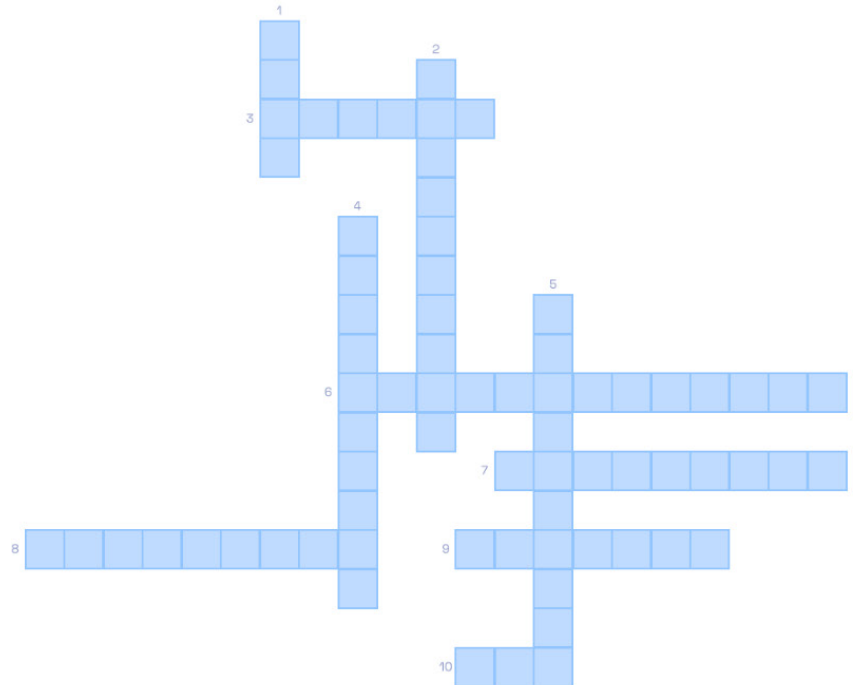
A PUBLICATION OF ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JUNE 2026

## COMING UP... JUNE

- 1-2 Children's Place: Extended Day Only
- 1 Connecting Threads
- 3-5 Children's Place: Closed for In-service
- 3 Chess
- 3 Bridge
- 4 Building Blocks: 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation
- 5 Children's Place: Ice Cream Social/  
Meet the Teacher
- 7 Grief Recovery
- 7 VBS Rehearsal
- 8 Children's Place: First Day of Summer
- 10 Chess
- 10 Bridge
- 10 Sewing Ministry
- 15 Connecting Threads
- 17 Chess
- 17 Bridge
- 21 Father's Day
- 22-26 Houston Mission Week
- 22-26 Children's Place: VBS- Tropical Trek
- 24 Chess
- 24 Bridge
- 24 Sewing Ministry
- 27 Intercessory Prayer
- 28 New Member Sunday
- 28 Reconnect
- 29 Connecting Threads
- 30 Young Family Social

## ST. ANDREW'S CROSSWORD



### Across

- 3. The warmest season of the year
- 6. Honoring the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
- 7. The birthday of the Church
- 8. Summer contemporary worship night at St. Andrew's
- 9. Helping others in God's name
- 10. Happiness that comes from God

### Down

- 1. Peaceful time to relax
- 2. Friendship shared in church
- 4. A day celebrating freedom
- 5. A day to honor dads

\*answers are on the last page

MISSING GODS:

# RECONNECT

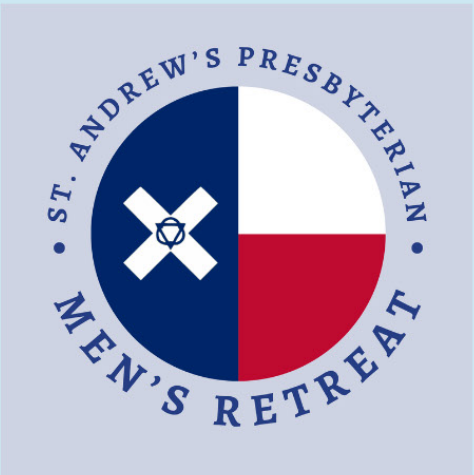
A SUMMER SERIES

\*SUNDAY NIGHTS

@6:30 PM

WHERE WORSHIP  
DEEPENS  
&  
PRAYER BECOMES  
PRACTICE

5/31  
6/28  
7/26



### SURVEY: Men's Retreat 2027 Date Preference!

*Any of you men who might like to attend the Men's Retreat in 2027, we'd love to get your feedback on your preferred dates for our planning team's consideration.*

*Scan QR code to fill out the survey*



*Contact Bryan Gowen at b2bgow@sbcglobal.net*



## HomeGroups

Life in a world of existence

St. Andrew's is committed to deepening discipleship through meeting in small groups, or what we call HomeGroups. We would love for you to consider joining a HomeGroup if you are not yet involved in one.

We believe it is important to walk in faith together, and the commitment to meet weekly or bi-monthly creates opportunities to read the Word and to share life in smaller groups. We are called to be disciples of Jesus and become the body of Christ. HomeGroup participation is one great way to take the next step!

Contact: Amy Smith at amy@sa-houston.com

ages 2+

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# SUMMER FUN SUNDAYS

STARTING JUNE 7

NO GODLY PLAY OR LF356... BUT DON'T WORRY WE ARE STILL LEARNING ABOUT JESUS DURING WORSHIP SERVICE STARTING AT 10 AM!

GAMES + ART + FUN  
POPCORN + VEGGIE TALES  
WFC DURING WORSHIP  
PICK-UP AT 11:00 AM IN WFC

SAME SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS YOU LOVE

QUESTIONS? EMAIL MS.ISIS @ ISIS@SAHOUSTON

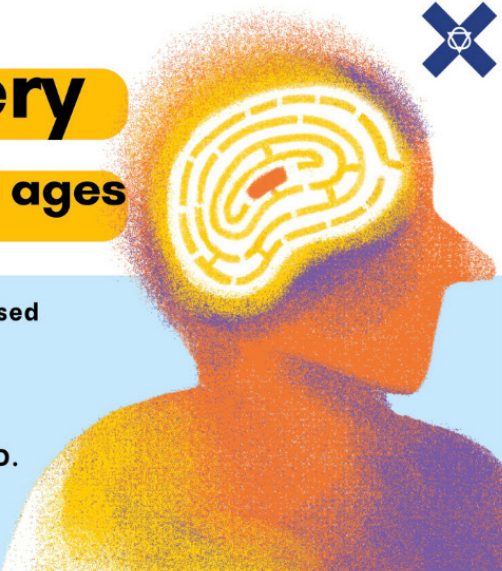
## Grief Recovery

A conversation for all ages

Navigating Grief with Body and Mind Based Practices

Join us for a skills and tools-based discussion on processing grief with St. Andrew's member, Lindsay Carr, Ph.D.

June 7 at 11:15 AM - WFC  
Childcare Provided





## VBS REHEARSAL NIGHT

All volunteers serving at Children's Place during Houston Mission Week are invited to join us Sunday, June 7, from 4:00-5:30 p.m.! We'll practice the fun dance moves we'll be teaching the children, walk through what the mornings will look like, and learn more about how we'll serve together. We can't wait to see y'all there!

Contact: Amy Smith at [amy@sahouston.com](mailto:amy@sahouston.com)

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**MONDAY - JUNE  
1, 15, 29  
ROOM 211 - 11 AM**

Contact: Kelly Lewis at [kelly@sahouston.com](mailto:kelly@sahouston.com)

Love to stitch or want to learn? Join us for Connecting Threads, St. Andrew's needlepoint ministry! We meet upstairs in Room 214. Beginners will get simple prints to start with, and experienced stitchers can bring a project they're working on. Bring your lunch, enjoy great company, and help us create fun projects for the church!



## ST. ANDREW'S CHESS CLUB

EVERY  
WEDNESDAY  
NOON - RM 129

Come be part of something new, fun, and engaging!

Whether you are a beginner, intermediate player, or a grandmaster, there is a place for you at the board. All ages and skill levels are welcome!

Come learn, play, and grow together in a friendly and encouraging environment.

Have questions or want more information? Please email Jacks Kelly for any questions or inquiries.  
[jacks@sahouston.com](mailto:jacks@sahouston.com)

Join us for strategy, fellowship, and a little friendly competition. We would love to have you!



Contact: Carolyn Blakley at [ssb2143@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ssb2143@sbcglobal.net)

## WEDNESDAYS 1:30 PM SESSION ROOM

Join us every Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. for a fun, friendly game of Bridge! All skill levels are welcome—whether you're a seasoned player or just learning. It's a great chance to relax, share some laughs, and make new friends in a warm, welcoming environment.



## WEDNESDAY JUNE 10 & 24 10 AM ROOM 138

The Sewing Ministry is a dedicated group within our church that creates meaningful items for our congregation, including baptismal quilts, graduating senior laundry bags, and gift satchels for our Golden Members. If you love to sew or want to learn, we welcome you to join us in this heartfelt ministry to serve others and spread joy through the items we make.

Contact: Florine Carr at [ffcarr30@gmail.com](mailto:ffcarr30@gmail.com)



**SATURDAY - JUNE 27 - 9 AM**

Plan to join us at 9am on this Saturday, in the Gathering Area to pray for our community and the world. We welcome all to join us to pray.

Contact: Amy at [amy@sahouston.com](mailto:amy@sahouston.com)



Join us as we celebrate and welcome the newest members of St. Andrew's! We are grateful to grow together in faith and community!

Contact: Amy at [amy@sahouston.com](mailto:amy@sahouston.com)

**Young Family Social**



**TUESDAY - JUNE 30 - 6 PM**

Join us for a fun Tuesday night of food, fellowship, and community! Bring a favorite dish to share and gather with other kids and families in the Family Center for a relaxed evening of eating, connecting, and enjoying time together. We'd love to see you there!

Contact: Amy at [amy@sahouston.com](mailto:amy@sahouston.com)

**CHURCH**

# MISSIONS



## FAMILY SERVICE DAY

Serve together as a family! Family groups will learn about the impact of CCSC's work and participate in a kid-friendly service project. Activities are geared to children in kindergarten through 6th grade.

- ✓ 1-hour shifts 12-3:00 p.m.
- ✓ Sign up each family member
- ✓ Price: 1 bag of nonperishable food

Sign up at [bit.ly/familyservice26](http://bit.ly/familyservice26)



CCSC

## FAITH + PROJECT

Join us on June 20 as we serve children at Pecan Place Apartments from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at 2001 Jenkins Rd., Pasadena, TX 77506, by the playground. Children can enjoy snow cones, games, crafts, and more while we grow together in faith and community.

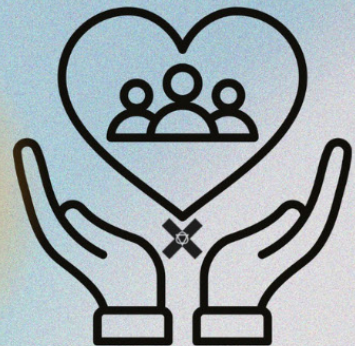
Our summer focus will be The Lord's Prayer, and our tentative verse for June 20 is Matthew 6:10: "Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

For questions, contact Pastor Nick at (702) 789-9597 or by email at [nickloll07@gmail.com](mailto:nickloll07@gmail.com)

## HOUSTON MISSION WEEK

JOIN US FOR ONE OR ALL, EVERY MOMENT MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

ALL ARE WELCOME!



### \*June 22-26: (Morning and Afternoon Projects)

Monday: AM: Children's Place VBS, PM: Kid's Meals

Tuesday: AM: Children's Place VBS, PM: Agape Ministries

Wednesday: AM: Children's Place VBS, PM: The Summer Institute

Thursday: AM; Children's Place VBS, PM: Hospitality Apartments

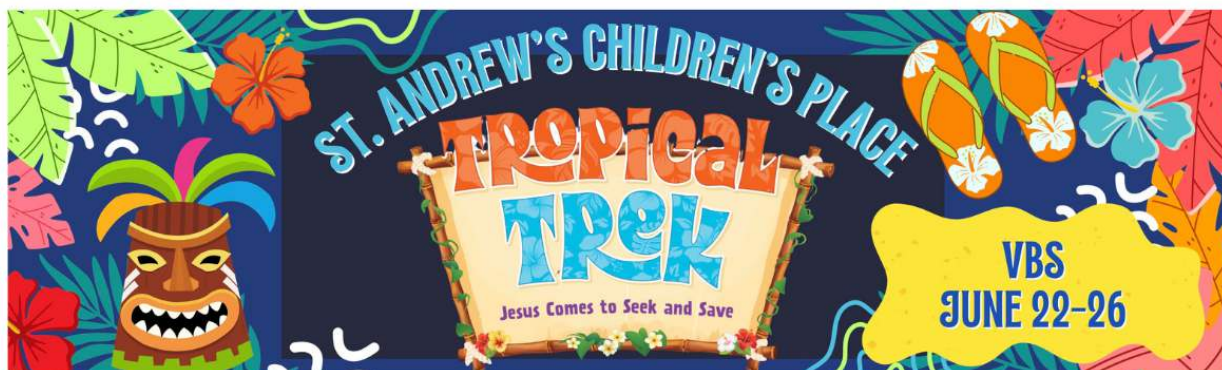
Friday: AM: Children's Place VBS, PM: Building Blocks Field Trip

RVSP:  
[AMY@SAHOUSTON.COM](mailto:AMY@SAHOUSTON.COM)



Join us for a sweet end to Meet the Teacher at St. Andrew's Children's Place! Following Meet the Teacher, our church family will be hosting a fun Ice Cream Social for our school community. We invite all St. Andrew's families to come enjoy a relaxed afternoon of ice cream, fellowship, and fun as children meet new classmates, families mingle, and everyone celebrates the beginning of a wonderful new school year together. We look forward to welcoming both new and returning families for this special time of connection and community!

Contact Claire - [claire@sahouston.com](mailto:claire@sahouston.com) with any questions



Aloha from St. Andrew's Children's Place!

In June, the Children's Place students will be enjoying a fun-filled week of VBS: Tropical Trek – a special time of celebrating God with a festive luau flair! Throughout the week, children will enjoy engaging Bible stories, music, crafts, games, and tropical-themed activities as we learn about God's love together.

**We are also excited to share that we still have limited part-time spaces available for community families interested in joining us in our 1-3 year old age groups!**

We would love to welcome new friends to our St. Andrew's family for this exciting summer adventure!



# WEEKLY STEM SUMMER CAMPS!

Rising PreK4-6th grade

- STEM
- Literacy
- Enrichment
- Weekly Fine Arts Experiences with SOFA
- Sports and Group Games
- Social Emotional Learning
- Spiritual Development
- Friday Field Trips!

Reg. Fee  
**\$150**

Extended Day  
**7:00am-6:00pm**  
**\$400/week**

Day Camp  
**7:00am-2:30pm**  
**\$350/week**



It's not too late to enroll your elementary and middle school students in our weekly STEM Summer Camps! Each week is intentionally and creativity developed to maximize learning in fun and engaging ways. Contact the Director below or snapthe QR code if you are interested in learning more.



### What to expect each week:

- Hands on STEM lessons + activities
- Weekly Experiments
- Engaging Enrichment activities (art, cooking, dance, music, group games, etc.)
- Social Emotional Learning lessons + games
- Leadership Development lessons + games
- Reliable, energetic, passionate and kid-loving camp counselors
- On campus (every week) and off campus (occasional) Friday Field Trips and more!

Contact: [rachele@sahouston.com](mailto:rachele@sahouston.com)



If you are interested in learning more about Building Blocks' 2026-2027 After School Program, please email the director at [rachele@sahouston.com](mailto:rachele@sahouston.com).

### Schools we pick up from:

- Condit
- \*Horn (will add if there is enough interest)\*
- Mark Twain
- Poe
- Roberts
- West University
- Lanier Middle School

### Time:

**2:45-6pm Monday-Friday**  
**Occasional Day Camps offered when HISD is out.**

# BUILDING BLOCKS

# SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS

## Summer Early Childhood Music Classes

Baby and Toddler Musikgarten: Family Music

Best fit for Infants to 3 ½ years

Level 1 Musikgarten: Cycle of Seasons

Best fit for children around 3 ½ to 4 years

Combined Musikgarten Levels 2 & 3 (Pre-Piano): Music

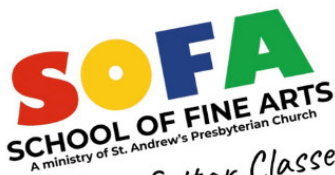
Makers at Home and in the World

Best fit for children around 4 ½ to 6 years

Location (Rm 131)

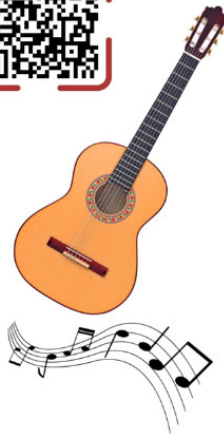
Contact person Ms. Lea or Ms. Emily

[sofa@sahouston.com](mailto:sofa@sahouston.com)



Summer Guitar Classes  
on Mondays  
for Ages 11+ and Adults  
6pm - Beginner Class  
7pm - Intermediate Class

Sign up using the QR code or  
Contact [SOFA@sahouston.com](mailto:SOFA@sahouston.com) for  
more information on how to join



**SUMMER 2026**

# SOFA

**SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS**

## Early Childhood MUSIC

**BABIES & TODDLERS:**  
BEST FIT FOR INFANTS TO 3 ½ YEARS OLD  
**Wed\*: 2:45-3:15pm**  
or **6:00-6:30pm**  
**Thurs: 5:15-5:45pm**  
**Sat: 10:00-10:30am**

**LEVEL 1:**  
BEST FIT FOR CHILDREN AROUND 3 ½ TO 4 YEARS OLD  
**Thursdays: 2:45-3:30pm**

**COMBINED LEVELS 2 & 3 (PRE-PIANO):**  
BEST FIT FOR CHILDREN AROUND 4 ½ TO 6 YEARS OLD  
**Thursdays: 4:30-5:30pm**

SCAN HERE FOR DATES  
PICK 6 OF 8 CLASSES  
TUITION COVERS ANY 6 SESSIONS.  
ADDITIONAL SESSIONS MAY BE ATTENDED FOR A DONATION.

**JOIN OUR PRESCHOOL CREATIVE ARTS CAMP**

## PETER AND THE WOLF

MUSIC

ART

DRAMA

9am to 3pm Ages 3 ½ to 6 ½

**JULY 13-17, 2026**

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church | 5308 Buffalo Speedway



# WANT TO RESERVE A SPACE

If you would like to reserve a room for a meeting or event, please contact our Administrative Assistant, Melinda Garza, at [melinda@sahouston.com](mailto:melinda@sahouston.com). Melinda will follow up with you to assist in scheduling your space and confirming the details.



## ST. ANDREW'S STAFF



# LEADERS IN OUR CHURCH

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January 1, 2026

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Assistant Treasurer – TBD

**TRUSTEES** -- [2024] Rick Bott, Joyce Ramsey-Coleman  
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**Planned giving** • Maria S. Ibarra, [maria@sahouston.com](mailto:maria@sahouston.com)

**Add a name to the prayer list** • Amy Smith, [amy@sahouston.com](mailto:amy@sahouston.com)

**Notify us of a death or illness** • Amy Smith, [amy@sahouston.com](mailto:amy@sahouston.com)

**Request a bulletin announcement** • Isis Pinon, [isis@sahouston.com](mailto:isis@sahouston.com)

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**Update contact information in our database** • Maria S. Ibarra, [maria@sahouston.com](mailto:maria@sahouston.com)

Across

Down

3. Summer  
6. Trinity Sunday  
7. Pentecost  
8. Reconnect  
9. Mission  
10. Joy

1. Rest  
2. Fellowship  
4. Juneteenth  
5. Fathers day