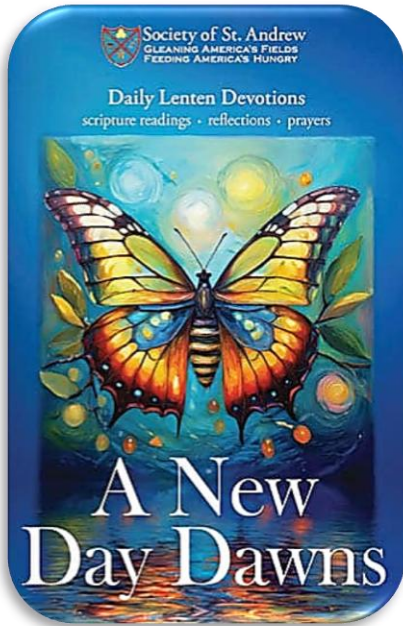


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March 9, 2025



## Lesson from a Loom

**Scripture:**  
**2 Corinthians**  
**4:7-18**

Many years ago my grandmother gave me a very old, blue and white blanket. It had belonged to her mother and was hand-woven on a loom in the 1800s.

It was too delicate to be used, so I put it in a cedar chest to keep it safe, checking on it from time to time to make sure it was okay. Recently, I opened the cedar chest and discovered, to my sadness, that the blanket had become dry and brittle, almost crumbling at my touch. Nothing could be done to save it.

There's a lot in life that crumbles us. Hardships, sorrows, illnesses, and age all take their toll on the earthly vessels we now call home. Just like the blanket, our bodies cannot last. But we know this isn't the end. There will be a new beginning for us in heaven. "And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body." (Phil 3: 20-21). Christ is with us giving us courage, faith, and hope every day until that day when we will be rewoven by Him in heaven.

Prayer: Father, we know you are the master weaver. You created us. You sustain us, and you will make us new again in Heaven. Thank you. Amen. [Lent | The Society of St. Andrew, Inc.](#)

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### Service Attendance ~ March 2, 2025

In Person: 63      Live Online: 36  
Social Media Hits: 81

### Sunday, March 9 ~ Service Information

Luke 4:1-13

*"For forty days he was tempted by the devil."*

### Giving in Review

As of January 31, 2025

Income Received YTD	\$36,717.19
Actual Expenses YTD	\$26,200.56
Budgeted Expenses YTD	\$29,537.46



A Congregational Meeting is called for Sunday March 9, 2025, following the 11am service. The purpose of

this meeting will be to discuss and vote on the flooring project on the first floor of our building. The existing flooring was installed during the remodel in the late 1990s. The general wear on this flooring and additional wear due to the boiler removal prompted our Council to look into options for the replacement of this flooring. The Decorating Committee sought bids for this project and submitted an estimate from Decorative Dimensions for consideration by the Council. The amount of the bid exceeds 5% of our Operating Budget, and therefore must be approved by the Congregation, as per our Bylaws.

The flooring replacement project includes removal of all carpeting on the first floor and replacement with vinyl tiles. The areas included are the 5th Street entry and the carpeted hallways leading to Fellowship Hall, the Chapel, Wee Care and the East Entrance. Asbestos was found in some of these areas and must be removed as the flooring is replaced. This project does not include replacement of any existing tile or hardwood in the Fellowship Hall, Hallways or Chapel. The cost to complete this project is \$32,477.21, with the stipulation that there may be some additional cost if more asbestos is found. A deposit of \$16,771.39 is required before materials can be ordered. Work will commence when all necessary materials have been received.

The detailed estimate can be reviewed at the Church Offices.

Any questions will be addressed and a vote taken in the Congregational Meeting on March 9, 2025.

If you are not able to join us in person, an online voting option will be available at [www.fccponcacity.com/member-area](http://www.fccponcacity.com/member-area). This site is password protected. Contact the Church Office if you do not have the password.

Karen Adams

