



ST. ANDREW EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

~ TO KNOW JESUS CHRIST AND TO MAKE HIM KNOWN ~

Sixth Sunday of Easter



May 05, 2024

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 05, 2024

WELCOME TO ST. ANDREW!

God is serious about his Word in both law and gospel. It is addressed to us both collectively and individually. This Sunday it is well summed up in the pertinent question: Where are you? In the liturgy of confession may we answer honestly! In the absolution and the gospel may we hear God's response! For faith begins and ends with confession and absolution; They are its constants that are never to be taken for granted.

Please sign our guest registry in the narthex, and fill out a guest info card located in your pew or the narthex, we would love to connect with you. If you could also, take time to introduce yourself to the Greeters and Pastor Ben. An volunteer staffed nursery is available, and is located behind the Penn St. entrance. Restrooms are also located there and in the lower level of the church. The greeters will be glad to assist you with any need you may have. May God bless your worship with us this morning.

ST. ANDREW ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAY OUTREACH – Expectations Women's Center - This center empowers women with fact and evidence based education so they can make informed decisions about relationships, pregnancy, abortion, adoption and parenting. All services are free of charge. Lewisburg: 570-523-8240, Williamsport: 570-321-8240

MAY CARE CARDS - Our May care cards will be going to Stan Lecatsas. We have cards available in the Narthex or you can bring your own. Please sign them with an encouraging note or thoughtful message and give them to the office and we will mail them out for you! Thank you!

MOTHER'S DAY MEN'S CHOIR - Attention all guys, young and not so young! Come out and sing for our ladies on May 12th. A rehearsal will be held at 9a.m. before the service. Let's fill the choir loft!

OPEN HOUSE - Pastor Ben and Katie would like to invite you to an open house at the Parsonage to share a time of food, fellowship and see the new renovations completed last fall! Please join us on Sunday, May 19th any time between 10:30a.m.-1:00p.m. We are so excited to share these changes with you!

MONTHLY BIBLE STUDY - Please join us for our monthly bibles studies with breakfast! The women meet on the first Saturday of the month and the men meet on the second Saturday of the month in the Chapel!

OLD IMMANUEL WORSHIP SERVICE - The Annual Old Immanuel Worship Service will take place on June 2nd at 2:30p.m. Pastor Ben and Joy Barto will be helping lead the service. Please come out and join us for the service and light refreshments!

SAVE THESE DATES:

MAY 23RD: RONALD McDONALD OUTREACH

MAY 27TH: MEMORIAL DAY HOT DOG GIVEAWAY

JUNE 10TH-14TH: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

THE PRELUDE

WELCOME - Announcements

** (Indicates The Congregation To Stand)*

*** INVOCATION**

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*** THE CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SINS** (YOU ARE WELCOME TO KNEEL IF ABLE)

PRAISE AND PRAYER

*** Opening Hymn**

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

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*** The Apostolic Greeting and Response**

SCREEN

*** The Kyrie**

*** The Hymn of Praise**

SCREEN

*** PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us join together in the Prayer of the Day

O God, all good things can come from you alone; generously consider then our humble prayers. Inspire us to consider what is true, and direct us to accomplish what is right; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON - ACTS 10:34-48

Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all that he did both

in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.” While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, “Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

Anthem

“Fall Like Rain”

Chancel Choir

THE PSALMODY - PSALM 98

L: Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things.

C: With his right hand and his holy arm has he won for himself the victory.

L: The LORD has made known his victory; his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

C: He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

L: Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

C: Sing to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.

L: With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the king, the LORD.

C: Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, the lands and those who dwell therein.

L: Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, when he comes to judge the earth.

C: In righteousness shall he judge the world and the peoples with equity.

THE SECOND LESSON - 1 JOHN 5: 1-8

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world — our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is he who came by water and blood — Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. For there are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

L: Here ends the reading.

* **THE RESPONSE** (Alleluia)

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P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 15th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

THE GOSPEL - John 15: 9-17

Jesus said, "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. These things I command you, so that you will love one another."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

Hymn

"Blessed Assurance"

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THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Ben Lander

THE SERMON

"Your Spiritual Shelf Life"

Pastor Ben Lander

* **The Nicene Creed**

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The Offertory Response

SCREEN

The Offertory Prayer

OFFERING: *There's an online giving option available on our website. One way the members of St Andrew show their love for their Savior is by sharing with him a generous portion of the blessings they have received. However, our guests should not feel obligated to give. We want everyone to give out of love for Jesus and what he has done for us, and not "reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7).*

* **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

* **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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* **THE PROPER PREFACE**

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* **THE SANCTUS**

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* **THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION (#33)**

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* **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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* **AGNUS DEI**

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THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

* **POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

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* **POST COMMUNION CANTICLE** "Thank the Lord..."

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* **THE PRAYER**

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GO IN PEACE, SERVE THE LORD

* **BENEDICTION**

* **CLOSING HYMN**

"Go Now and Pass It On"

Postlude

ST. ANDREW PRAYER LIST

NAMES WILL BE KEPT ON PRAYER LIST FOR FOUR WEEKS UNLESS OFFICE IS OTHERWISE NOTIFIED.

MEMBERS

Carol Pittenger
 Ken Snyder
 Jim Muffly
 William Ritter
 Pretta Hose
 Bruce Miller
 Arlene Kiess
 Mary Lou Houseknecht
 Frances Worthington
 Pete Waldron
 Karen Myers

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF ST. ANDREW

Mary Doyle	Yvonne Worthington
Mary Slater	Sharon Shutt
Steve Krum	Carla Storming
Jamie Fox	Pam Hill
Steve Waltman	Nathan Witmer
Allen Fanelli	Terry Bair
Dave Doran	Jayce Crebs
Chris Blass	Keith Styer
Bill Keller	

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God

& in memory of my Mom!

By: Shirley Watson

STEWARDSHIP ON APRIL 28, 2024

Gifts to the Lord	\$3295.00
Attendance	79
Weekly Budget Amount Needed	\$3280.00

(Does not include L.C.M.C., Local Benevolence, Outreach, Sponsor, or Capital Categories)

ACTIVITIES OF ST. ANDREW

Sunday, May 05	Worship Service	9:15 a.m.
After Service	Children's Sunday School	Downstairs Room
After Service	Confirmation Class	Youth Room
After Service	Adult Sunday School w/Kathy H.	Upstairs Chapel
Wednesday, May 08	Choir Rehearsal	7:00pm
Thursday, May 09	Chapel Prayer Group	1:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 11	Monthly Men's Bible Study	8:00 a.m.
Sunday, May 12	Worship Service	9:15 a.m.
GREETER	Larry & Sharon Barnard	
LECTOR	Shiela Morehart	
ACOLYTE	Sam Haddon	
COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Walt Gross	
VIDEO SOUND	John Dougherty Jerry Watson	
FLOWER DELIVERY	Joy Barto	

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