



ST. ANDREW EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

~ TO KNOW JESUS CHRIST AND TO MAKE HIM KNOWN ~

Fourth Sunday of Easter



April 21, 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 21, 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

APRIL OUTREACH – Kingdom Kidz - Kingdom Kidz is a ministry that began in the fall of 2000 at St. Andrew's United Methodist Church in Milton, PA. Their mission is to present Quality Programs through Excellent Puppetry in order to encourage others to make a difference and help show people they matter. Your donations help ensure that those who cannot afford to view their programs will have that opportunity.

APRIL CARE CARDS - Our April care cards will be going to Jim Stahl. 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!

2024 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - VBS is scheduled for June 10th-14th. Consider joining the "Hometown Nazareth" team to experience the children discovering the town where Jesus grew up and how God's Word draws them closer to Him. For questions, please contact Kathy Heilman (570-546-2126 or kiheilman@comcast.net) or the church office (570-546-3591, office@standrewlutheranmuncy.org)

WEST BRANCH CHORALE - "The West Branch Chorale will present its Spring concert "What a Wonderful World" Sunday, April 21, at Pleasant View Wesleyan Church in Muncy and Sunday, April 28, at Pine Street United Methodist Church in Williamsport. The concerts begin at 3:00 PM on both dates; admission is free with donations being gratefully accepted. As you may know, four members of our congregation are members of the Chorale and they will welcome your support."

PARSONAGE 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!

SAVE THESE DATES: MAY 23RD, 2024: RONALD McDONALD OUTREACH

THE PRELUDE

WELCOME - Announcements

** (Indicates The Congregation To Stand)*

* INVOCATION

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* A CALL TO WORSHIP

P: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

C: Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

P: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

All: For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

C: We humbly confess that we have failed to follow your ways. We have not loved others as ourselves. We have not obeyed Your Word but have followed the leading of our own sinful hearts. In humility, we ask for Your forgiveness, Your cleansing, and Your renewing power. Fill us with Your Spirit, so that we may live and glorify Your Name. Amen

PRAISE AND PRAYER

* Opening Hymns

“Lord, I Lift Your Name On High”

SEE INSERT

“He Is Exalted”

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you show those in error the light of your truth, that they may return into the way of righteousness. Grant to all that are admitted into fellowship with Christ the power to avoid all things that are contrary to the faith and to follow you according to the will of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON - ACTS 4:1-12

As Peter and John were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand. On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, “By what power or by what name did you do this?” Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead — by him this man is standing before you well. This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

Anthem

“Do Lord, Remember Me”

Chancel Choir

& Celebration Choir

THE PSALMODY - PSALM 23

L: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

C: He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

L: He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways for his name's sake.

C: Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

L: You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

C: Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

SECOND LESSON - 1 JOHN 3:16-24

By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth. By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

L: Here ends the reading.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 7th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

THE GOSPEL - MATTHEW 7:1-6

"Judge not, that you be not judged. For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and with the measure you use it will be measured to you. Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? Or

how can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when there is the log in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye. "Do not give dogs what is holy, and do not throw your pearls before pigs, lest they trample them underfoot and turn to attack you.

P: This is God's Word.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn

"Savior Like a Shepherd, Lead Us"

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THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Ben Lander

THE SERMON

"Are All Christians Hypocrites?"

Pastor Ben Lander

Apostles Creed

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The Offertory Response

SCREEN

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 LORD'S PRAYER**

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GO IN PEACE, SERVE THE LORD

*** BENEDICTION**

*** CLOSING HYMN**

"He Lives"

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Postlude

“LORD, I LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH”

SING TWICE

ccli# 1294747

Lord I lift Your name on high
Lord I love to sing Your praises
I'm so glad You're in my life
I'm so glad You came to save us
You came from heaven to earth to show the way
From the earth to the cross my debt to pay
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high
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You came from heaven to earth to show the way
From the earth to the cross my debt to pay
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From the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high

“HE IS EXALTED”

SING TWICE

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He is exalted the King is exalted On high;
I will praise Him.
He is exalted forever exalted
And I will praise His name!
He is the Lord,
Forever His truth shall reign;
Heaven and earth
Rejoice in His Holy name.
He is exalted, The King is exalted on high.
He is exalted the King is exalted On high;
I will praise Him.
He is exalted forever exalted
And I will praise His name!
He is the Lord, Forever His truth shall reign;
Heaven and earth
Rejoice in His Holy name.
He is exalted,
The King is exalted on high.

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

By: Rudy & Linda Moyer

STEWARDSHIP ON APRIL 14, 2024

Gifts to the Lord	\$3678.00
Attendance	92
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, April 21	Worship Service	9:15 a.m.
		Downstairs Room
After Service	Children's Sunday School	
After Service	Confirmation Class	Youth Room
After Service	Adult Sunday School w/Kathy H.	Upstairs Chapel
Sunday, April 21	West Branch Chorale Spring Concert	3:00 p.m.
	@ Pleasant View United Methodist Church	Muncy, PA
Wednesday, April 24	Choir Rehearsal	7:00pm
Thursday, April 25	Chapel Prayer Group	1:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 28	Worship Service	9:15 a.m.
GREETER	Joe & Sharon Cardinale	
LECTOR	Larry Barnard	
ACOLYTE	Addison Detweiler	
VIDEO SOUND	John Dougherty Jerry Watson	
FLOWER DELIVERY	Sue Sarginger	

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Our Organist/Pianist is Mrs. Joy Barto.

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