



ST. ANDREW EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

~ TO KNOW JESUS CHRIST AND TO MAKE HIM KNOWN ~

Sixth Sunday of Easter



May 10, 2026

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 10, 2026

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. A 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 of their services are free of charge. Lewisburg: 570-523-8240
Williamsport: 570-32-8240

MAY CARE CARDS - Our May care cards will be going to Frances Worthington. 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!

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE - During the Muncy Memorial Day Parade, Parish Life will be on church grounds providing a hot dog and drink to those interested.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL - The adult Sunday school class is beginning a study of the Gospel of Matthew. All adults are welcome!

2026 GRADUATES - Please let our office know if you have a 2026 high school or college graduate! We are having a graduate recognition on June 7th and would love to have them here with us! Please provide the office with their name, school graduating from and the next step in their journey by May 24th. Thank you!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - VBS is always an exciting time at St. Andrew and is scheduled for July 13-17 this year! Volunteers are needed. If you would love to join in the fun, please contact Kathy Heilman (kiheilman@comcast.net or 570-546-2126)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND SAVE THESE DATES: Friday, July 10th : Outdoor Family Movie Night,
Sunday, August 9th : Church Picnic at Keiss Park

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

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 17:16-31

Now while Paul was waiting for Silas and Timothy at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, “What does this babblers wish to say?” Others said, “He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities” — because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. And they took him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, “May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean.” Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new. So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription: ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship

you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, for ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we are indeed his offspring.’ Being then God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

Anthem

“Christ Arose”

Chancel Choir

THE PSALMODY - PSALM 66:7-18

L: Bless our God, you peoples; make the voice of his praise to be heard;

C: Who holds our souls in life, and will not allow our feet to slip.

L: For you, O God, have proved us; you have tried us just as silver is tried.

C: You brought us into the snare; you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.

L: You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

C: I will enter your house with burnt offerings and will pay you my vows, which I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.

L: I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of rams; I will give you oxen and goats.

C: Come and listen, all you who fear God, and I will tell you what he has done for me.

L: I called out to him with my mouth, and his praise was on my tongue.

C: If I had found evil in my heart, the LORD would not have heard me;

L: But in truth God has heard me; he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

BAPTISM

Stephen Bradley Houser

CONGREGATIONAL BAPTISM RESPONSES

SECOND LESSON - 1 PETER 3:13-22

Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil. For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

L: Here ends the reading.

* **THE RESPONSE (Alleluia)**

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P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 14th chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

THE GOSPEL - JOHN 14:15-21

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ!**

Hymn

"Blessed Be Your Name"

SEE INSERT

SONG OF PRAISE

"Honor Roll Mom"

CELEBRATION CHOIR

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Ben Lander

CHILDREN ARE DISMISSED FOR SHINE TIME

THE SERMON

"Heirloom Faith"

Pastor Ben Lander

* **Apostles Creed**

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GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The Offertory Response

SCREEN

Offertory Prayer

OFFERING: *Offering plates are located at the entrances to the church for you to leave your gift. There's also 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**

"I Love to Tell the Story"

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Postlude

ST. ANDREW PRAYER LIST

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

MEMBERS

Bill Ritter
 Pretta Hose
 Martha Miller
 Arlene Kiess
 Jim & Jonnie Stahl
 Frances Worthington
 Naomi Wertman
 Doris Poust

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF ST. ANDREW

Norman Magaro	Olive Gillen
Sandi Graham	Melinda Ritch
Susan Myers	Pastor Lee Harder
Teresa Edwartowski	Paul Cohen
Jane Baker	
Brenda Miller	
Jeremy Hauch	
Pastor Carol Butler	

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God

& in memory of our mothers!

By: John & Janet Dougherty

STEWARDSHIP ON MAY 03, 2026

Attendance	75
Gifts to the Lord	\$3238.00
Weekly Budget Amount Needed	\$3,511.00
Year to Date Giving	\$64,033.73
Year to Date Needed	\$63,198.00

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

ACTIVITIES OF ST. ANDREW

Sunday, May 10	Worship Service	9:15 a.m.
After Service	Adult Sunday School w/ Kathy H.	Upstairs Chapel
After Service	Youth Sunday School	Downstairs Youth Room
Wednesday, May 13	Chancel Choir	7:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 14	Chapel Prayer Group	1:00 p.m.
Sunday, May 17	Worship Service	9:15 a.m.
GREETER	Larry & Sharon Barnard	
LECTOR	Terri & Penny Stermole	
ACOLYTE	Gina Styer	
SHINE TEACHERS	Joy Barto & Sharon Cardinale	
VIDEO SOUND	John Dougherty Jerry Watson	
FLOWER DELIVERY	Joy Barto	

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