



# ST. ANDREW EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

~ TO KNOW JESUS CHRIST AND TO MAKE HIM KNOWN ~

## Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost



October 06, 2024

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### 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

**October Outreach** – WGRC Contemporary Christian Radio is a non-profit ministry which began broadcasting in 1988. Now operating on 8 frequencies in Central and Eastern Pennsylvania (known as Pennsylvania's "Heartland") Our mission is to engage in daily worship of Jesus Christ, fostering growth in God's grace for those reached with radio programming that connects with the family and community We invite you to tune in and enjoy!

**October Care Cards** - Our October Care cards will be going to Martha Miller. We have cards available in the Narthex or you can use your own. Please sign an encouraging note or thoughtful message and give them to the office and we will mail them out for you. Thank you!

**Chancel Choir** - It's Christmas Cantata Time! The Chancel Choir will be presenting our annual Christmas Cantata, "Swaddling Clothes" by Harland/Rowsey, on December 15<sup>th</sup>. Rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30pm. All interested singers are welcome to join us! Any questions, see Joy.

**Life Chain** - The 33<sup>rd</sup> Lycoming Life Chain will take place today, October 6<sup>th</sup> from 2:30-3:30p.m. on the Golden Strip in Williamsport. For more details, or if you would like to participate, please see Larry and Sharon Barnard.

**Fall Rummage Sale** - Our annual fall rummage sale will take place October 18<sup>th</sup> (8am-3pm) and October 19<sup>th</sup> (8am-11am). All donations are welcome. Please try and place your item on the appropriate table.

**Fall Bible Study** - Pastor Ben will be leading a Fall Bible Study from October 16<sup>th</sup> until November 6<sup>th</sup> on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. & 6 p.m. in the Chapel. The study is called, "We Still Believe". We would love to have you join us.

**The Parish Life Committee** will meet on October 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall.

**Warm Clothing Collection** - The Parish Life Committee will be collecting warm clothing during the month of October. The collected items will be donated to the Son-Light for distribution.

**Trunk or Treat** - Thursday, October 31 from 6-8pm. Set up at 5:30pm. Come join us in costume or not. Decorate your trunk or not. All donations of candy or individually wrapped snacks will be appreciated. Donations may be placed in the library no later than October 27<sup>th</sup>. (Nothing outdated, please.)

**Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes** - Shoeboxes and information will be available beginning Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. If you prefer using a plastic box, you may purchase a plain plastic shoebox. Operation Christmas Child plastic boxes are available at Hobby Lobby. You may make a \$10 donation to help cover shipping and processing costs, if you wish. However, this must either be done online or by check payable to and mailed to Samaritan's Purse, PO Box 3000, Boone, NC 28607-9956 with Operation Christmas Child on memo line. DO NOT place the \$10 in the shoebox. If you would like to contribute a shoebox but are unable to do the shopping, you may make a monetary donation to someone on the parish life committee by October 27<sup>th</sup>, specify what age group, boy or girl, and a committee member will purchase the items.

## 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

“Take My Life and Let It Be ”

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\* The Apostolic Greeting and Response

SCREEN

\* The Kyrie

\* The Hymn of Praise

SCREEN

\* PRAYER OF THE DAY

Generously pardon and give peace to your faithful people, O Lord, that being cleansed from every sin, we may be free and glad to serve; through Jesus Christ, your Son, 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 - GENESIS 2:18-25

The LORD God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him.” Now out of the ground the LORD God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, “This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.” Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become

one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

Anthem

“Jesus, Name Above All Names”

Chancel Choir

### THE PSALMODY - PSALM 128

L: Happy are they all who fear the LORD, and who follow in his ways!

**C: You shall eat the fruit of your labor; happiness and prosperity shall be yours.**

L: Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine within your house, your children like olive shoots round about your table.

**C: The man who fears the LORD shall thus indeed be blessed.**

L: The LORD bless you from Zion, and may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.

**C: May you live to see your children’s children; may peace be upon Israel.**

### SECOND LESSON - HEBREWS 2:1-18

Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable, and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will. For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. It has been testified somewhere, “What is man, that you are mindful of him, or the son of man, that you care for him? You made him for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned him with glory and honor, putting everything in subjection under his feet.” Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering. For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one source. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers,

saying, "I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise." And again, "I will put my trust in him." And again, "Behold, I and the children God has given me." [Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.]

**L:** Here ends the reading.

**\* THE RESPONSE (Alleluia)**

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**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.

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

**THE GOSPEL - MARK 1:1-15**

The beginning of the good news about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God, as it is written in Isaiah the prophet: "I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way" "a voice of one calling in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.'" And so John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River. John wore clothing made of camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. And this was his message: "After me comes the one more powerful than I, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with<sup>h</sup> the Holy Spirit." At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. Just as Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased." At once the Spirit sent him out into the wilderness, and he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. He was with the wild animals, and angels attended him. After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!"

**P:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Hymn**

"We Have A Story to Tell the Nations"

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**THE SERMON**

"Breaking News"

**Reverend Dr. Don Edwards**

**\* 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**

"Great is Thy Faithfulness "

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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

Carol Pittenger  
 Ken Snyder  
 Jim Muffly  
 William Ritter  
 Pretta Hose  
 Bruce Miller  
 Martha Miller  
 Arlene Kiess  
 Mary Lou Houseknecht  
 Frances Worthington  
 Karen Myers  
 Ziva Moore  
 Courtney Johnson

### FAMILY & FRIENDS OF ST. ANDREW

Mary Slater	Yvonne Worthington
Steve Krum	Pam Hill
Jamie Fox	Nathan Witmer
Steve Waltman	Terry Bair
Allen Fanelli	Jayce Crebs
Dave Doran	Keith Styer
Chris Blass	Laura Hummer
Bill Keller	Judy Yagel
Lily Zimmers	Emma Morehart
Sharon Shutt	

*The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God*

&

*In honor and memory of*

*all those affected by Hurricane Helene*

### STEWARDSHIP ON SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

Gifts to the Lord	\$2307.00
Attendance	65
<b>Weekly Budget Amount Needed</b>	<b>\$3280.00</b>

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

## ACTIVITIES OF ST. ANDREW

<b>Sunday, Oct. 06</b>	Worship Service	9:15 a.m.
<b>After Service</b>	Adult Sunday School w/Kathy H.	Upstairs Chapel
<b>After Service</b>	Children's Sunday School	Parish Hall Classroom
<b>Sunday, Oct. 06</b>	Life Chain Event (Williamsport)	2:30 p.m.
<b>Wednesday, Oct. 09</b>	Choir	7:00 p.m.
<b>Thursday, Oct. 10</b>	Chapel Prayer Group	1:00 p.m.
<b>Saturday, Oct. 12</b>	Men's Monthly Bible Study	8:00 a.m.
<b>Sunday, Oct. 13</b>	Worship Service	9:15 a.m.
<b>GREETER</b>	Larry & Sharon Barnard	
<b>LECTOR</b>	Shiela Morehart	
<b>ACOLYTE</b>	Lila Styer	
<b>VIDEO   SOUND</b>	John Dougherty   Jerry Watson	
<b>FLOWER DELIVERY</b>	Cindy McArdle & Luanne Libbey	

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*Our Organist/Pianist is Mrs. Joy Barto.*

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