



ST. ANDREW EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

~ TO KNOW JESUS CHRIST AND TO MAKE HIM KNOWN ~

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost



October 11, 2026

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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. 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

OCTOBER OUTREACH – WGRC Radio - A non-profit ministry which began broadcasting in 1988. Now operating on 8 frequencies in Central & 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 Judy Van Buskirk. 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!

WARM CLOTHING COLLECTION - The Parish Life Committee will be collecting warm clothing during the month of October to be donated to the Son Light House. Please consider donating gently used items! Thank you!

FALL BIBLE STUDY - The Muncy Ministerium will be leading another Fall Bible Study. We will be meeting at Muncy Baptist Church on Wednesdays from October 7th– November 11th. Refreshments will begin at 6:45p.m. and our study time will begin at 7:00p.m. More information to come!

Fall Hymn Sing - Join us at Old Immanuel Lutheran Church October 11th at 2:30pm with Mr. Stuart Hague; Certified Lay Pastor in the Presbyterian Church. The theme of this year's service will be "God's Grace". Light refreshments to follow on the lawn.

Fall Rummage Sale - Our bi-annual Rummage Sale will take place October 16th from 8am-3pm & 17th from 8am-11am. All donations are welcome. Please try to place items on appropriate tables.

Rise & Dine Breakfast - Oct. 25th @ 8:00am - Please consider joining us for this time of food and fellowship before our Sunday service. If interested in attending, please sign-up in the narthex or contact the church office. We hope to see you there.

Trunk or Treat - Join us on October 31st from 6-8pm (set up at 5:30pm) in costume or not for our annual Trunk or Treat! If interested in decorating a trunk, please sign-up in the Narthex or contact the office. All donations of individually wrapped candy or snacks will be appreciated. Donations may be placed in the library no later than October 27th. (nothing outdated please)

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes - Shoeboxes and information will be available beginning October 11th. Collection date is November 15th. Information will be provided for gift ideas and guidelines. Do not include soap! You may make a donation to cover shipping costs and can do so either online or by mailing a check using a pre-addressed envelope (see office for envelope). Do not put the \$10 in the shoebox.

THE PRELUDE

WELCOME - Announcements

** (Indicates The Congregation To Stand)*

*** INVOCATION** **LBW PAGE 56**

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

PRAISE AND PRAYER

*** Opening Hymn** "Praise and Thanksgiving" **WHM Page 395**

*** 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 Lord, sustain your Church with your perpetual mercy. Without you, in our weakness we will surely fail. Therefore, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through 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 - ISAIAH 25:6-9

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death forever; and the LORD God will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice

in his salvation."

Anthem "Grace Us, O Lord" **Chancel 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.

THE SECOND LESSON - PHILIPPIANS 4:4-13

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me — practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you. I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

L: Here ends the reading.

*** THE RESPONSE** (Alleluia) **LBW PAGE 62**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 22nd chapter.

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

THE GOSPEL - Matthew 22:1-14

Again Jesus spoke to the chief priests and the Pharisees in parables, saying, “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, “See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.”’ But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.’ And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. And he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Hymn “Let Us Break Bread Together” WHM PAGE 424

THE CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Pastor Ben Lander

CHILDREN ARE DISMISSED FOR SHINE TIME

THE SERMON “Dressed to Impress” Pastor Ben Lander

* The Nicene Creed LBW PAGE 64

The Offertory Response SCREEN

The 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 SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING LBW PAGE 68

* THE PROPER PREFACE LBW PAGE 68

* THE SANCTUS LBW PAGE 69

* THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION (#33) LBW PAGE 70

* THE LORD’S PRAYER LBW PAGE 71

* AGNUS DEI LBW PAGE 72

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

* POST COMMUNION BLESSING LBW PAGE 72

* POST COMMUNION CANTICLE “Thank the Lord...” LBW PAGE 72

* THE PRAYER LBW PAGE 74

GO IN PEACE AND SERVE THE LORD

* BENEDICTION

* CLOSING HYMN “Go Now and Pass It On” LBW PAGE 492

Postlude

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

MEMBERS	FAMILY & FRIENDS OF ST. ANDREW	
Bill Ritter	Norman Magaro	Olive Gillen
Pretta Hose	Sandi Graham	Melinda Ritch
Martha Miller	Teresa Edwartowski	Pastor Lee Harder
Arlene Kiess	Jane Baker	Paul Cohen
Jim & Jonnie Stahl	Brenda Miller	Duane Mills
Frances Worthington	Jeremy Hauch	Pat Hess
Naomi Wertman	Pastor Carol Butler	Bruce & Nella Storm
Ziva Moore		
Judy VanBuskirk		

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God

& in memory of my Mother!

By: Becky Hibsichman

STEWARDSHIP ON OCTOBER 4, 2026	
Attendance	55
Gifts to the Lord	\$2,763.00
Weekly Budget Amount Needed	\$3,511.00
Year to Date Giving	\$136,980.37
Year to Date Needed	\$140,440.00
<i>(Does not include L.C.M.C., Local Benevolence, Outreach, Sponsor, or Capital Categories)</i>	

ACTIVITIES OF ST. ANDREW		
Sunday, October 11	Worship Service	9:15 a.m.
After Service	Adult Sunday School w/ Kathy H.	Chapel
After Service	Youth Sunday School	Downstairs Youth Room
Wednesday, October 14	Fall Bible Study	6:45 p.m.
	@ Muncy Baptist Church	
Wednesday, October 14	Chancel Choir	7:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 15	Chapel Prayer Group	1:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 15	Small Group Bible Study	2:30 p.m.
Sunday, October 18	Worship Service	9:15 a.m.
GREETER	Larry & Sharon Barnard	
LECTOR	Erik Houser	
ACOLYTE	Gina Styer	
COMMUNION ASSISTANT	Julie Souter	
SHINE TEACHERS	Terri Stermole & Sue Sarginger	
VIDEO SOUND	John Dougherty Jerry Watson	
FLOWER DELIVERY	Cindy McArdle & Luanne Libbey	
The Bulletin is sponsored by Leonard & Sheila Morehart		
Our Organist/Pianist is Mrs. Joy Barto.		



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