

St. Andrew's Net - April 2026 Newsletter

St. Andrew Evangelical
Lutheran Church

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Sunday Mornings

Worship Service

9:15 a.m.

with Children's Program

Sunday School

10:30 a.m.

Adult & Youth

Communion:

First Sunday of the month

&

Special Sundays throughout
the year



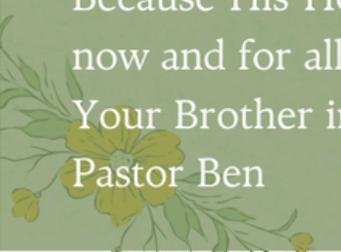


From the Pastor's Desk

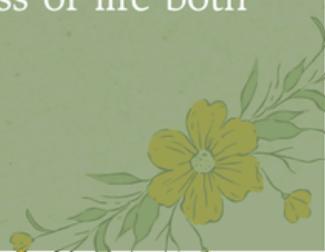
"The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, He will give life to your mortal bodies because of His Spirit who lives in you."

- Romans 8:11 (NLT)

As we enter into another Easter season, we are reminded again of the awesome resurrection power of the Holy Spirit. The Scripture above from Romans 8:11 tells us an amazing truth that we so often forget: that the same Holy Spirit which raised Jesus from the grave also lives within us! In light of this truth, we are instructed to "walk by the Spirit so that you will not gratify the desires of the flesh" (Galatians 5:16). If we claim to have the Holy Spirit residing within us, then our daily conduct should reflect that. Walking by the Spirit means yielding to Him. The Spirit's effectiveness in our lives is directly proportional to the degree to which we are willing to yield our desires to His. To yield means "to surrender" or "to open yourself to receive." So, what do we surrender to the Holy Spirit and what do we receive from Him? We surrender our will to Him, and we receive His guidance and strength. This means choosing sometimes NOT to surrender to our own feelings. If we are led by the Spirit, that means we will not be led by our flesh because the two are contrary to one another (Galatians 5:17). The more we yield to the Spirit's prompting, the less we will be led by our impulses. How can we know the difference? The Holy Spirit's prompting will never contradict God's Word. The Spirit's prompting may require immediate action to be taken, but it is not impulsive. Impulse is reactive; prompting is proactive. The prompting of the Holy Spirit guides us into all truth (John 16:13). It is a response to a perpetual acknowledgement of His presence in our lives. Our relationship with God is not based on feelings and impulse - praise God! Rather, our relationship with God is based on the immutable truth of what Jesus Christ has done for us on the cross. He bore our sins in His flesh so that we could be free from the impulses of our flesh. In Him we have forgiveness of sins, peace with God and life everlasting. Because His Holy Spirit lives within us, we will be raised to newness of life both now and for all eternity. Hallelujah, what a savior!



Your Brother in Christ,
Pastor Ben



April Outreach - Spiritual Orphans Network

SON works in former communist countries where Christianity was outlawed and punishable by imprisonment, exile or death. In many cases the persecution lasted for several generations. Once the ideologies of communism took hold they undermined both, family values and the belief in any power other than the government. Over time, Christianity was all but eradicated, leaving no older generation (parents and grandparents) to share their Faith with subsequent generations

April Care Cards - Jim Stahl

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 mail them or give them to the office and we can mail them out for you. Thank you!



Sonshine Committee

The newly formed Sonshine Committee will be starting soon! Our goal is to spread cheer to our members as the hands and feet of Christ by; providing a meal, visitation, rides to appointments or other needs as they arise. You would be a blessing to our church family if you are able to help us serve our congregation when they are in need. Please do not hesitate to let us know if you or another member could use an extra hand. We worship together, let's do life together. Please contact the office or Darlene Waldron:

(570)-971-1498 or cwal416@gmail.com

Monthly Bible Studies

Our Men's and Women's Monthly Bible Studies will be taking a break in April due to the busy Easter season and we will resume back in May.

Women will meet May 2nd at 8am

Men will meet May 9th at 8am



HELLO
April



While in the dark cave of...
 it has comforted me to remember that
 Jesus body spent time in a dark cave, too.
 He did not remain there, however.
 At the appointed time. God called Jesus out
 of the cave, back to life and light.
 God hasn't forgotten those of us
 who are languishing in dark caves.
 He's calling us to life and light, too.
 Author Unknown

**APRIL
 FOOL'S
 DAY!**

April 1, 2026



Happy Easter

April 5, 2026

April Birthdays

- April 1st: Lou Ann Shoup
- April 4th: John Libbey
- April 8th : Phil Myers
- April 13th : Levi Lander
- April 19th : Linda Moyer
- April 22nd : Sheila Morehart
- April 22nd : Teagan Brinser
- April 25th : Emma Hogan
- April 28th : Hiliary Haddon
- April 28th : Kay Myers

Small Group Bible Study

Meets in Parish Hall Classroom

SGBS resumes on April 16 and April 30 at 2:30pm. April 16 will be lesson #9 of the Romans study book. We will study Romans 6:15 -7:6, a very appropriate passage for the week after Easter! Paul argues that grace is not a license to sin, but a call to freedom from sin's mastery. If you are interested, please contact the church office or Sharon Barnard. We still have a study book for you!

**HELLO
 SPRING**



THE WAGES OF SIN IS DEATH,
 BUT THE GIFT OF GOD IS
 ETERNAL LIFE IN CHRIST
JESUS OUR LORD

ROMANS 6:15-7:6

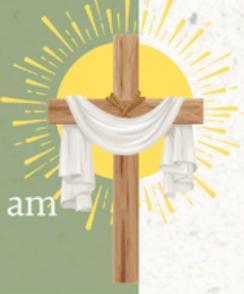
ROMANS
 NOTHING CAN SEPARATE

2026 Holy Week Schedule

 Palm Sunday : March 29th
Worship Service @ 9:15 am
Trunk Hop @ 3:00 pm

 Good Friday: April 3rd
Community Service @ 1:00 pm
Tenebrae Service @ 7:00 pm

 Maundy Thursday: April 2nd
Worship Service @ 7:00 pm

 Easter Sunday: April 5th
Sunrise Service @ 6:15 am
Continental Breakfast @ 8:00 am
Worship Service @ 9:15 am

America Reads the Bible

April 18-25, 2026

Over 475 leaders from all spheres of influence will gather in Washington D.C. to read the entire Bible aloud ahead of our nation's 250th anniversary. You can tune in on Youtube or PureFlix. We will be tuned in prior to service on Sunday, April 19th.



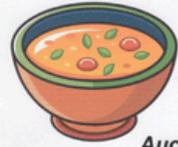
Silent Auction & Soup Supper

CALLING ALL ST. ANDREW WOMEN:
MUNCY BAPTIST CHURCH

SILENT AUCTION & SOUP SUPPER

April 21, 2026
5:30 to 8:00 PM

(Program begins at 6)

 Auction tickets 4 for a \$1
Expecting over 50 items

All proceeds benefit
Foot Prints of Montgomery
Local Food Bank

Come enjoy a night of
FELLOWSHIP
TREASURES * FOOD



Spring Rummage Sale

Our bi-annual Rummage Sale will be held the weekend of April 17th. Donations can be dropped off beginning April 12th. Please place donations on the appropriate tables.

Attention Shoppers!! Hours Below!!

April 17th : 8am to 3pm

April 18th : 8am to 11am

All Donations Support St. Andrew's Women's Ministry!



Kids Korner - Easter Story Cookies

Ingredients

- 1 Cup Pecan Halves
- 1 Teaspoon Distilled White Vinegar
- 3 Egg Whites
- 1 Pinch Salt
- 1 Cup White Sugar

Servings : 24

Yield: 1 ½ Dozen - 2 ½ Dozen



Directions

1. Preheat oven to 300 degrees F (150 degrees C).
2. Place pecans in a resealable plastic baggie. Crush the pecans into small bits.
 - a. **Read John 19:1-3**
3. Put 1 teaspoon of vinegar into a medium bowl.
 - a. **Read John 19:28-30**
4. Add egg whites to the vinegar.
 - a. **Read John 10:10-11**
5. Sprinkle salt into the egg whites.
 - a. **Read Luke 23:27**
6. So far, the mixture isn't very appetizing. Add 1 cup sugar.
 - a. **Read Psalm 34:8 and John 3:16**
7. Beat with mixer on high speed for 12 to 15 minutes until stiff peaks are formed.
 - a. **Read Isaiah 1:18 and John 3:1-3**
8. Place cookies in the oven, close the door and turn the oven off.
 - a. **Read Matthew 27:65-66**
9. Go to bed.
 - a. **Read John 16:20 & 22**
10. In the morning open the oven and take out the cookies.
 - a. **Read Matthew 28:1-9**



Quiz Zone



Answers from March's Quiz:

1. True (Luke 22:43)
 2. True (Luke 22:45)
 3. True (Like 22:39)
 4. True (Luke 24:30)
 5. False (He was governor of Judea: Luke 3:1)
 6. True (Luke 3:17)
 7. True (The tax collector Levi who was Matthew, the disciple, held the feast: Luke 5:29)
 8. True (Luke 5:29-32)
 9. True (Luke 5:8)
 10. False (He said to bless them: Luke 6:20,28)
 11. True (Luke 7:11-15)
 12. False (Jesus was asleep on the boat: Luke 8:23-24)
 13. False (He brought Jairus' daughter back to life: Luke 8:41-42, 49-55)
 14. False (He sent Peter and John to prepare the meal: Luke 22:8)
 15. False (He took the form of a dove: Mark 1:10)
 16. False (He baptized them in the Jordan River: Mark 1:5)
 17. False (John said he was unworthy: Mark 1:7)
 18. True (Mark 12:40)
 19. True (Mark 14:3)
 20. True (Mark 15:22)
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Quiz Zone

Answers in May's Newsletter True or False

1. Three criminals were crucified with Jesus.
2. Jesus told His followers that they would have the power to safely handle dangerous snakes.
3. Serpents were cast out of Mary Magdalene.
4. Mary Magdalene was healed by Jesus of seven demons.
5. James and John were the "sons of thunder".
6. When Jesus entered a town or village, people placed the sick in the marketplaces.
7. Joseph was told in a dream about the miraculous conception of Jesus.
8. Emmanuel means "the anointed one".
9. Jesus descended from the tribe of Judah.
10. Jesus said you can recognize a tree by its fruit.
11. Jesus used seven loaves of bread to feed five thousand people.
12. James was enabled by Jesus to briefly walk on water.
13. Herodias, the wife of Herod, plotted the death of King David.
14. Jesus sent Matthew to catch a fish with a coin in its mouth.
15. A map led the wise men to the baby Jesus.
16. When the wise men saw a peculiar star, they were in the west.
17. Jesus cursed a fig tree because it did not bear fruit.
18. Matthew is the only Gospel to mention Jesus riding on a donkey.
19. Jesus talked about end times from the Mount of Olives.
20. Jesus delivered his final discourse on the Mount of Olives.

April Volunteers

Acolytes

April 2: Lila Styer
April 3: Teagan Brinser
April 5: Sam Haddon
April 12: Gina Styer
April 19: Levi Lander
April 26: Lila Styer

Altar Guild

Darlene Waldron

Altar Flower Delivery

Sue Sarginger

Shine Time Teachers

April 5: No SHinE Time
April 12: Rachel Detweiler & Kathy Heilman
April 19: Terri Stermole & Sheila Morehart
April 26: Ellen Detweiler & Julie Roller

Lectors

April 2: Pastor Ben Lander
April 5: Sheila Morehart
April 12: Erik Houser
April 19: Michele Styer
April 26: Larry Barnard

Communion Assistant

April 02 - Walt Gross
April 05 - Troy Detweiler

If you are unable to serve on your Sunday, please try to find a replacement. If you are unable to, please let the office know and we will take care of it.

Thank you!

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Greeters

April 2: Troy & Ellen Detweiler
April 3: Luanne Libbey
April 5: Jerry Watson
April 12: Larry & Sharon Barnard
April 19: Need Greeter
April 26: Linda Moyer