

# Resurrection of Our Lord—Easter Sunday

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**St. Andrew's  
Lutheran Church**

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*A congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America*

**Welcome to worship!** Whether you are here for the first time or have been a life-long member, we pray that you experience God's presence in worship.

**All God's Children are Welcome!** If you have children, know that all of you are welcome in worship. Little people sounds tell us that everyone is here. If your little one becomes fussy, feel free to step out for a moment. Families may want to sit near the pray ground in the front left side of the Worship space. There are speakers in the gathering space.

**Pastoral Concerns** occasionally come up. In cases of severe illness, hospitalization, death, birth of a child, marriages, joys and sadness, many people would like a pastor to visit with them. Please be sure to contact the office to let us know of your desire.

**Offering** is received as a response to God's grace and blessing, and as an expression of our faith. Jesus tells us, "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Matthew 6:21)

**Holy Communion** is celebrated at nearly every service. Admission to the Sacrament is by invitation of the Lord, presented through the Church to those who are baptized. All are welcome.

**Interested in growing in faith?** If you have questions about what it means to enter into partnership in our shared ministry feel free to contact Pastor David.

**Announcements:** The announcements begin on page 19, following the worship service.

### ***Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church Welcome Statement***



At St. Andrew's Lutheran Church (ELCA), we hold space for you—the full you—including your race, age, ethnic background, personality, experiences, gender identity, sexual orientations, gender expressions, and mental, spiritual, and physical needs. Here, you are invited to worship, pray, play, be baptized, get married, and celebrate Holy Communion.

Together, we strive to eliminate human-caused barriers to a holy relationship with Jesus Christ and with one another. We hear the call to love our neighbor as a commitment to antiracism and welcome for our LGBTQIA+ siblings. We pledge to work intentionally to further justice and inclusion. We strive to glorify God in the ways we care for each other, our communities, and our planet. Recognizing that we are all siblings in Christ, we celebrate, affirm, and welcome individuals and families in all their beautiful and varied compositions. As a church that holds space just for you, we are better for having you and your unique voice here! Come just as you are!

# Welcome to St. Andrew's Lutheran Church

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## PRELUDE

8:30

*He Lives*

Church of the City

11:00

*Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds*

arr. Robert A. Hobby

## EASTER ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

## WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

### ✠GATHERING✠

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

## GATHERING SONG

*Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds*

ELW 367

- 1 Now all the vault of heav'n resounds  
in praise of love that still abounds:  
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"  
Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!  
Repeat their song of glory here:  
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 Eternal is the gift he brings,  
therefore our heart with rapture sings:  
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"  
Now still he comes to give us life  
and by his presence stills all strife.  
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with dauntless love;  
set heart and will on things above  
that we conquer through your triumph;  
grant grace sufficient for life's day  
that by our lives we truly say:  
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4 Adoring praises now we bring  
and with the heav'nly blessed sing:  
"Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!"  
Be to the Father, and our Lord,  
to Spirit blest, most holy God,  
all the glory, never ending!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

## GREETING

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The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

## KYRIE

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**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,  
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all;  
for this holy house, for all who worship and praise,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord  
**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,  
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor;  
that we may live out truth and justice and grace,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord  
**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,  
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family;  
for life and for love, for our work and our play,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord  
**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,  
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word;  
that you nourish our souls with your body and blood,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord  
**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,  
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

- 1 The trumpets sound, the angels sing,  
the feast is ready to begin.  
The gates of heav'n are open wide  
and Jesus welcomes you inside.

*Refrain*

Sing with thankfulness songs of pure delight.  
Come and revel in heaven's love and light.  
Take your place at the table of the King.  
The feast is ready to begin; the feast is ready to begin.

- 2 Tables are laden with good things;  
oh, taste the peace and joy he brings.  
He'll fill you up with love divine;  
he'll turn your water into wine. *Refrain*

- 3 The hungry heart he satisfies,  
offers the poor his paradise.  
Now hear all heav'n and earth applaud  
the amazing goodness of the Lord. *Refrain*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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Let us pray.

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

✠**WORD**✠

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

**FIRST READING**

Acts 10:34-43

A reading from Acts.

<sup>34</sup> Peter began to speak to [Cornelius and his household]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup> but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup> You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup> That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced:

<sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup> We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, <sup>40</sup> but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup> not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup> He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup> All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM**

Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good;  
God’s mercy endures forever.

<sup>2</sup>**Let Israel now declare,  
“God’s mercy endures forever.”**

<sup>14</sup>The LORD is my strength and my song,  
and has become my salvation.

<sup>15</sup>**Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:  
“The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!**

<sup>16</sup>The right hand of the LORD is exalted!  
The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!”

<sup>17</sup>**I shall not die, but live,  
and declare the works of the LORD.**

<sup>18</sup>The LORD indeed punished me sorely,  
but did not hand me over to death.

<sup>19</sup>**Open for me the gates of righteousness;  
I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.**

<sup>20</sup>“This is the gate of the LORD;  
here the righteous may enter.”

<sup>21</sup>**I give thanks to you, for you have answered me  
and you have become my salvation.**

<sup>22</sup>The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.

<sup>23</sup>**By the LORD has this been done;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.**

<sup>24</sup>This is the day that the LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

## SECOND READING

Colossians 3:1-4

A reading from Colossians.

<sup>1</sup> If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup> for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Halle, Halle, Hallelujah*

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Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

## GOSPEL

Matthew 28:1-10

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. <sup>3</sup> His appearance was like lightning and his clothing white as snow. <sup>4</sup> For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. <sup>5</sup> But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. <sup>6</sup> He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. <sup>7</sup> Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." <sup>8</sup> So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy and ran to tell his disciples. <sup>9</sup> Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. <sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers and sisters to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## SERMON

- 1 Christ is risen! Alleluia!  
Risen our victorious head!  
Sing his praises! Alleluia!  
Christ is risen from the dead!  
Gratefully our hearts adore him  
as his light once more appears;  
bowing down in joy before him,  
rising up from griefs and tears.

*Refrain*

- Christ is risen! Alleluia!  
Risen our victorious head!  
Sing his praises! Alleluia!  
Christ is risen from the dead!
- 2 Christ is risen! All the sadness  
of our Lenten fast is o'er;  
through the open gates of gladness  
he returns to life once more;  
death and hell before him bending  
see him rise, the victor now,  
angels on his steps attending,  
glory round his wounded brow. *Refrain*
  - 3 Christ is risen! All the sorrow  
that last evening round him lay  
now has found a glorious morrow  
in the rising of today.  
See the grave its firstfruits giving,  
springing up from holy ground;  
Christ was dead, but now is living;  
he was lost, but he is found. *Refrain*
  - 4 Christ is risen! Henceforth never  
death or hell shall us enthrall.  
We are Christ's, in him forever  
we have triumphed over all.  
All the doubting and dejection  
of our trembling hearts have ceased;  
hail the day of resurrection!  
Let us rise and keep the feast. *Refrain*

Having heard of God's steadfast love, let us commit ourselves to that relationship of love using the words of the Nicene Creed.

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

*Each petition concludes:*

Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

*The final petition concludes:*

...through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

**Amen.**

## SHARING THE PEACE

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*We open Zoom microphones to speak Peace to one another.*

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

✠**MEAL**✠

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

## OFFERING

Please remember that Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church continues important ministry. Consider making offerings by any of these means:

- **Offering Basket:** Place your offering in the basket as you enter or leave worship;
- **Mail:** send offerings to Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church weekly or monthly;
- **Online:** visit the [SaintAndrewsLutheran.org](http://SaintAndrewsLutheran.org) website and click the Donate Now button;
- **Bill pay:** use the convenience of the bill pay feature through your financial institution.
- **Give by Text:** Use a smart phone to text the contribution amount to 844-989-4094. Return text will provide a link for recording credit/debit card information and your contact information.

## MUSICAL OFFERING

8:30

*He Lives*

Church of the City

- 1 See the tomb where He laid  
See the stone rolled away  
He is risen, He is risen  
He's alive  
See His hands, see His feet  
Touch His scars and believe  
He is risen, He is risen  
He's alive  
He's alive

### *Chorus*

He lives  
All honor and power are His  
All glory forever, amen  
Jesus lives

- 2 Hear the shackles breaking free  
Hear the song of the redeemed  
He is moving, He is moving  
He's alive  
So take this freedom, take this love  
Can you feel it rising up?  
He is here, He is here  
He's alive,

### *Chorus*

He lives  
All honor and power are His  
All glory forever, amen  
Jesus  
He lives  
All honor and power are His  
All glory forever, amen  
Jesus lives  
Jesus lives

### *Interlude*

*Bridge*

You took all our shame, left it in the grave  
We're forgiven, oh, we're forgiven  
The work forever done, only by the blood  
It is finished, oh, it is finished  
You took all our shame, left it in the grave  
We're forgiven, oh, we're forgiven  
The work forever done, only by the blood  
It is finished, oh, it is finished

*Chorus*

He lives  
All honor and power are His  
All glory forever, amen  
Jesus  
He lives  
All honor and power are His  
All glory forever, amen  
Jesus lives  
Jesus lives

*Outro*

He is risen, He is risen  
He's alive

**11:00**

*Hallelujah Chorus - Handel's Messiah*

George Frideric Handel

**OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray,  
Merciful God,  
accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory.  
You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day  
when we will hunger and thirst no more.  
Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus,  
that goodness and mercy may follow us  
and bless the world you love.  
In the name of Jesus,  
**Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

### Dialogue

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The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### PREFACE

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It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;  
who in dying has destroyed death,  
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the  
resurrection,

with earth and sea and all their creatures,

and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

ELW p.190

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,**

**God of pow'r and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory, full of your glory.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

## THE LORDS PRAYER

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Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the table of grace.

Receive the gift of new life.

### Holy Communion at Saint Andrew's

- *At the table of our Lord Jesus Christ, God nourishes faith, forgives sin, and calls us to be witnesses to the Gospel. In this sacrament the crucified and risen Christ is present, giving his true body and blood as food and drink. This real presence is a mystery. Admission to the Sacrament is by invitation of the Lord, presented through the Church to those who are baptized. This Table of the Lord is open to all the baptized.*
- *Grape juice is available in the center ring of glasses. Gluten-free wafers are available: Please speak to those serving the bread when you come to the rail.*
- *Please follow the guidance of the Worship Hosts, going forward on one side of your section and returning to your seat on the other side.*

## COMMUNION

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The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

**Amen.**

## DISTRIBUTION SONG

See, *What a Morning and The Risen Christ*

arr. by Lloyd Larson

## TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in eternal life.

**Amen.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy One,  
through this meal you have made your home among us  
and are making all things new.

Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts,  
to love our enemies,  
and to bring your healing to the nations.

In the name of Jesus,

**Amen.**

## ✠SENDING✠

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

## OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

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## BLESSING

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end,  
Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead,  
and the Spirit, our advocate and peace,  
✠ bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

## SENDING SONG

*Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing*

ELW 385

- 1 Good Christian friends, rejoice and sing!  
Now is the triumph of our king!  
To all the world glad news we bring:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day;  
death's mighty stone is rolled away;  
let all the world rejoice and say:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 Praise we in songs of victory  
that love, that life, which cannot die,  
and sing with hearts uplifted high:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4 Your name we bless, O risen Lord,  
and sing today with one accord,  
the life laid down, the life restored:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**DISMISSAL**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE**

**8:30**      *Reprise: Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing*      ELW 385

**11:00**      *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice & Sing*      setting, Healey Willan

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## Agnus Day

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THE ROMAN  
GUARDS  
FALL DOWN  
LIKE DEAD  
MEN.



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YEP.



CHRIST'S RESURRECTION IS A  
TRIUMPH OF LIFE OVER ALL THE  
POWERS OF DEATH, INCLUDING  
THAT OF IMPERIAL ROME!



YEAH, AND CLEARLY  
THE GUARDS HAD NO  
ANTI-ANGEL INCURSION  
TRAINING.



MATTHEW 28:1-10

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## TODAY'S MINISTERS FOR WORSHIP

<b>Presiding Minister:</b>	Pr. David Frerichs	
<b>Minister for Music:</b>	Megan Lyon	
<b>Organist:</b>	Sheryl Mehrhoff	
	<b>8:30</b>	<b>11:00</b>
<b>Greeter</b>	<b>TBD</b>	Gage & Tara Alstatt
<b>Worship Hosts</b>	Debbie Hedlund	<b>TBD</b>
	<b>TBD</b>	Idolene Mazza
<b>Assisting Minsters</b>	<b>Read</b>	Shari Freyermuth
	<b>Pray</b>	Wilson Freyermuth
		Joe Mazza
		Brad Lockenvitz
<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>TBD</b>	<b>TBD</b>
<b>Communion Preparer</b>	Merri Wentе-Chapman	<b>TBD</b>
<b>Communion Cleanup</b>		Cindy Vedder
<b>Visual Projectionist</b>	Merri Wentе-Chapman	Michael Volz
<b>Zoom Worship Host</b>		John Nelson
<b>Zoom Tech Director</b>		Paul Boomer
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<b>Building Closer</b>		<b>TBD</b>

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### FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Contributions and expenses through February 28, 2026		
	February	YTD
Offerings	\$39,781	\$74,442
Expenses	\$41,312	\$80,496
Over/(under) expenses	(1,531)	(\$6,054)
Nonbudget Special Offerings	\$552	\$1,596



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**Easter Brunch:** Join in on Easter Sunday, April 5th, between the services at 9:45 am in the Fellowship, for a potluck Easter brunch! We encourage you to bring any visiting family and friends with you! Join in to celebrate Christ's glorious resurrection in the way Lutherans know best – with food, fun and fellowship! Signup sheets are in the Narthex! Thank you for your contributions. We look forward to seeing you on Easter morning!

**Special Easter Offering:** The Endowment Board invites you to contribute to the St. Andrew's Endowment Fund on Easter Sunday, April 5th. The Board greatly appreciates your ongoing support, which strengthens our efforts to fund selected local nonprofit organizations. Since these awards are funded from the returns of the Fund investments, these offerings truly become the gift that keeps on giving. This year the Board is pleased that we were able to fund six grants of a \$1,000 each. The following worthy organizations were funded: Cedar Creek Therapeutic Riding; City of Refuge; Columbia Older Adult Ministry; Habitat for Humanity; MERS Goodwill Excel Center; Stop Human Trafficking. Your support will help enable us to continue funding our Community Ministry in the future. As always, we also encourage you to let the Board know of any service groups that you feel are worthy of support.

**Campus Ministry:** ELCM will join with the TIDES coalition to celebrate an Easter Worship in the Park event on Monday, April 6. This event will include a picnic dinner in the park. The schedule each week continues each week Bible Study at 4:45 pm, Evening Prayer at 6:00 pm, and Dinner following evening prayer.

**Holy Communion at Lenoir Woods:** All who worship with Saint Andrew's Lutheran or Calvary Episcopal may join the community at Lenoir Woods for Holy Communion in Epple Chapel, at 11:00 am on Thursday, April 9. For those who desire the rite of healing with anointing, Rev. Josh and Pastor David offer this rite following the worship service. Come! Be church with some who cannot attend at regular weekly worship.

**Quilt Tying:** For those looking for a way to serve and for fellowship, join in at 9:00 am on the 2nd and 4th Friday of every month. We next meet on: April 10th.

**Sunday Forum: April 12th: "Como Comunidad"** Please join us on April 12th for a special Sunday Forum program by Jaymes Schrock, the Founder and President of Como Comunidad. He will talk about the story and mission of the organization and how it helps Hispanic immigrant families in Mid-Missouri. He will address how local communities can assist and support these immigrant families. He will also touch on immigration issues faced by the Hispanic community. Join in at 9:45 am in the conference room or via Zoom.

**ELFY Youth Group:** All families with youth in grades 6 through 12 will want to sign up for the GroupMe group for announcements about ELFY Gatherings and events. On Sunday April 19 at 6:00 pm, the gathering will be at Saint Andrew's, with fellowship, games, snacks. This will be the final official meeting of ELFY in 2026.

**Sunday Forum: April 19th: "German theologian, Dietrich Bonhoeffer"—Part 1**  
Our April 19th Sunday Forum will be a very special presentation by Ann and Ken Green about the illustrious German theologian, Dietrich Bonhoeffer. They will discuss his life and history, looking at who was the man, Dietrich Bonhoeffer. The Forum presentation will also explore: key events in Bonhoeffer's life that influenced his theology and ethics; his involvement with the Abwehr (resistance); and discuss his beliefs as a pacifist vs. "just-war" advocate. Join in at 9:45 am in the conference room or via Zoom.

## Prayers for April 5, 2026

**We add to our prayers this week:**

**We continue to offer prayers of hope and healing for:**

Jerry	Michelle Knipp	Mo Champion-Garthe
Melissa Stormont	Phyllis Glasker	Arlene Cunningham
Michael Butterworth	Linnea Geenen	Candi Glancy
Dorcas Leighton	Dale Whitman	Patric
Joyce Berschauer	Cathy	Joanne Boomer

**We pray for those in the military:**

Eric Childers, Matthew Lee, and those serving throughout the world.

**We pray for those with other kinds of needs:**

For all who live in times of war and conflict, particularly in the United States, Israel, Iran and all middle eastern Countries, Palestine, Ukraine, Sudan and Congo; we pray in particular for these Palestinian detainees: Shadi Khoury, Layan Nasir, and Hadeel Shatara.

Those who are incarcerated with whom we minister: Brooke, Hali, Kimberly, Christina, Gina, Estelle, Monique, Jackie, Marilyn, Emily, Cassandra, Debra, and Denise

We pray for our partners in ministry in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), the Central States Synod.

### ***Background on Palestinian detainees for whom we pray:***

We pray for Layan Nasir, a Christian Palestinian student. She has been subjected to ongoing military trials for four years. In 2024, she was re-arrested and held for eight months under administrative detention. Today, she still faces the threat of an 8-month prison sentence, based on proceedings in a military court system that denies basic legal protections and presumes guilt rather than justice.

We pray for Hadeel Shatara, our FOSNA Palestinian partner, an advancement officer at Birzeit University near Ramallah. She is a fierce advocate of Palestinians and has been detained in the past for speaking out. She asks us to pray for peace for her homeland.

We pray for Shadi Khoury, a Palestinian boy who we have been holding in our prayers each week, was recently sentenced to 2 years and 8 months in prison, and a fine of \$4000. According to Shadi's mother:

- Shadi was beaten and taken from his home in the middle of the night when he was 16 years old. Only after 41 days in detention was he charged with participating in a demonstration and throwing rocks at an Israeli settler car.
- While in detention, he was beaten to the point of losing consciousness three times and suffered a broken nose.
- His first trial was delayed when a Palestinian boy, who was supposed to be a key witness against Shadi, said he had not seen Shadi before, but that jailers said they would beat him more if he did not testify against Shadi. The judge ruled that the prosecution should have more time to gather evidence.
- Despite beatings and being in and out of detention and house arrest over 3 years, Shadi never confessed to wrongdoing. As a result his sentence was longer than other boys who did confess.

## THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

### Sunday, April 5: Resurrection of Our Lord—Special Easter Offering

- 8:30 am Worship (IP)
- 9:45 am Easter Brunch (IP)
- 11:00 am Worship (IP&Z)

### Monday, April 6

- 2:00 pm Prayer Team (IP)
- 4:45 pm ELCM Bible Study (IP)
- 6:00 pm ELCM Evening Prayer & Dinner (IP-Calvary Episcopal Church)

### Tuesday, April 7

- 7:00 pm Mutual Ministry Meeting (IP)

### Wednesday, April 8

- 8:00 am Men's Bible Study (Z)
- 10:00 am Women in the Word (IP&Z)
- 6:15 pm Wednesday Worship (IP)
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (IP)

### Thursday, April 9

- 11:00 am Holy Communion at Lenoir Woods (IP)

### Friday, April 10

- 9:00 am Quilt Tying (IP)

### Saturday, April 11

- 10:00 am CSS Osage Conference Gathering (IP)

### Sunday, April 12: Second Sunday in Easter

- 8:30 am Worship (IP)
- 9:45 am Sunday Forum (IP&Z)
- 11:00 am Worship (IP&Z)
- 12:30 pm Ambassadors for Christ (IP)

### Reading for Next Wednesday April 8, 2026

No Wednesday Worship  
During Holy Week

### Readings for Next Sunday April 12, 2026 Second Sunday in Easter

Acts 2:14a, 22-32  
Psalm 16  
1 Peter 1:3-9  
John 20:19-31

\*Key: IP—In Person; Z—Zoom; IP&Z—In Person and Zoom

### Online Resources

- Find St. Andrew's Lutheran Church at [SaintAndrewsLutheran.org](http://SaintAndrewsLutheran.org).
  - Links to all online services and meetings are posted on our website. [SaintAndrewsLutheran.org/online-events](http://SaintAndrewsLutheran.org/online-events)
  - Links to all worship bulletins are at [SaintAndrewsLutheran.org/worship](http://SaintAndrewsLutheran.org/worship).
- Go to [StAndrewsLutheran.flocknote.com](http://StAndrewsLutheran.flocknote.com) or text StAndy to 84576 to get church email and text communications.
- Miss the livestream of worship? If you want to hear the sermon from Sunday worship, there is now a podcast available at [SaintAndrewsLutheranChurch.podbean.com](http://SaintAndrewsLutheranChurch.podbean.com).