

Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church
March 5, 2017 1st Sunday of Lent 10:30 AM

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. Though he was rich, yet for our sake he became poor. He healed the sick, though he himself would suffer; he offered life to sinners, though death would hunt him down. With a love that is stronger than anything else in all creation, he opened his arms wide and surrendered his spirit. By his death and resurrection, you broke the chains of sin and death, and made with us a new covenant. Remembering your mighty and merciful acts, we celebrate with humble joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ, and we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Leader: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here and upon these gifts of grain and vine. By your Spirit, make us one with Christ and with each other. Draw us together into your Church and empower us to be signs of your grace and new life. Amen.

The Words of Institution

The Bread and the Cup (Please wait until all have been served so that we may share the bread and cup together)

Prayer

The Church Goes Forth to Serve

***The Closing Hymn #81** "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days" (*Presby Hymnal*)

***The Benediction**

***The Benediction Response** "Amen" Chancel Choir

***The Postlude** ~~~~~

~Welcome to Saint Andrews~

The Church Nursery is available for children through kindergarten age

The Church in Preparation

The Prelude

The Lighting of the Candles Kyle Hawks
Announcements
Exchange of Greetings

Introit "Come Just As You Are" Chancel Choir

The Call to Worship Bob Eamigh

Leader : The Lord is merciful and gracious,
People: Slow to anger and abounding in love.
Leader: Tested by the devil in the wilderness, Jesus said:
People: You shall worship the Lord your God and serve God alone.
All: Let us worship God.

***The Opening Hymn #260** "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" (*Presby Hymnal*)

(Ushers will collect prayer requests. Please pass them to the side aisles.)

The Prayer of Confession (*In Unison*)

Gracious God, out of your love and goodness, you breathed life into dust, creating us to serve you and our neighbor. But we are not the people you intend us to be. We have pushed you out of the center of our lives. We have given our time, our attention, our heart's deepest devotion to other priorities. Forgive us, Lord. Give us the strength to face our sin. Reshape us, renew us, and empower us to go forth as your grateful, faithful people, through the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

A Time of Silent Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

*The people will rise in body or spirit

The Congregation Sings in Response “Gloria Patri”

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

The Church in Proclamation

The Scripture Reading

Genesis 2:15 – 17; 3:1 - 7
Matthew 4:1 - 11

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Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Micro Message

Esther Radvinski

The Congregation Sings in Response “Be Thou My Vision”

Be Thou my wisdom and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

The Sermon

“A Devil of a Time”

Rev. Merry Meloy

The Hymn #2105

“Jesus, Tempted in the Desert”

(See Insert)

The Church Responds

***The Affirmation of Faith - Apostles' Creed (In Unison)**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Offertory Invitation

One of life’s great temptations is to hoard what God has given us. We are tempted to consider our lives and our resources our own. But all that we have, even life itself, is on loan to us from God. God calls us to share. God calls us to invest in Christ’s ministry of hope and healing. Let us bring before the Lord our gifts and offerings. Please sign and pass the Friendship Registers located near the center aisle. Thank you!

The Offertory

“Lamb of God”

Chancel Choir

***The Congregation Sings in Response #6 “Praise God,…”**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***The Prayer of Dedication (In Unison)**

Nurtured by your tender care and redeeming love, we bring you our gifts and offerings, O Lord. May they be used in service to your kingdom and may we be used as instruments of your love and grace. Amen.

***The Hymn #85**

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

(Presby Hymnal)

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

The Invitation to the Lord’s Table

The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: O God, our creator and redeemer, in your wisdom you made all things and sustain them by your power. From the beginning, you have formed us in your image to love and serve you, but we have ignored your presence and forgotten your promises. Though we have wandered and strayed, your grace has sustained us. You raised up leaders and kings, prophets and teachers. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son, to love us and lead us, to redeem us and to save us. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with the choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

This Week at Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 5, 2017
1st Sunday in Lent



9:15 AM – Sunday School
10:30 AM – Worship with Communion
12:00 PM – Sunday Lunches (provided by Suja Benjamin and Shari Manos)

Monday, March 6, 2017

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous
6:30 PM – Mission Team

Tuesday, March 7, 2017

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous
6:30 PM – Deacons

Wednesday, March 8, 2017

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous
5:00 PM – Community Dinner – Hill
5:00 PM – No Table Talk or Joy Ringers
5:15 PM – Modified KICK—No Dinner
6:15 PM – Canticleer Ringers Rehearsal
7:00 PM – Community Lenten Service at Saint Andrews
8:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous

Thursday, March 9, 2017

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous
6:15 PM – Canticleer Ringers
7:30 PM – Chancel Choir

Friday, March 10, 2017

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous

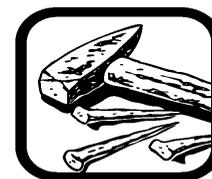
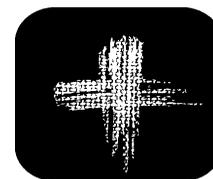
Saturday, March 11, 2017

Next Sunday, March 12, 2017
2nd Sunday in Lent

9:15 AM – Sunday School
10:30 AM – Worship



Worship Attendance for February 26, 2017: 45



Worship Leadership

Ushers: Travis Grossman Nate Grossman Karen Pressler Nicholas Ripper
Acolyte: Kyle Hawks
Liturgist: Bob Eamigh
Micro Message: Esther Radvinski
Children's Church: Allison Martin
Flower Delivery: Donna O' Day
Open the Church: Dan Hawks
Close the Church : Bob Eamigh

Next Week: Lily Hawks
Next Week: Bonnie Martin
Next Week: Dawn Grossman
Next Week: Allison Martin
Next Week: Kathy Eamigh
Next Week: Susan Moon

The Flowers today are given in celebration of Pat Bopp's birthday.

Prayer Requests can be made by using the purple prayer request cards found in the pew racks. Pass your requests to the center aisle during the Opening Hymn. They will be distributed to our Prayer Team to be included in this week's prayers.

Restrooms: From the front of the sanctuary, use the left entrance (by the piano) and follow the hallway to the right. The restrooms are down the hall on the left. From the rear of the sanctuary, turn left and go downstairs. The restrooms are at the end of the hallway.

Child Care: The Church Nursery is available for children through kindergarten age. To find the nursery, please go to the left front entrance of the sanctuary and follow the hallway to the right. The nursery is on the left. If your child would like to be rocked during worship, a rocking chair is available on the left side of the sanctuary.

Children's Church is usually offered on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays of the month for everyone through 4th grade. It begins after the children's message and runs through the end of worship. On the 1st Sunday of the month and on special Sundays, children are invited to remain in worship with their families or go to the nursery, which is open to anyone through 2nd grade on those Sundays.

Midweek Lenten Service at Saint Andrews This Wednesday, March 8th Bakers Needed!

This Wednesday, March 8, the Midweek Community Lenten Service will be held at Saint Andrews at 7:00 pm. After worship, our deacons will host a reception. With folks from 6 downtown churches participating, we'll need a lot of cookies. Could you bake a few dozen to share with our guests that night?

If you can lend a hand, please sign up in the Narthex or see Carol Landis. Cookies can be dropped off at the church on Tuesday, March 7, (9:30 am—1:30 pm and 6:00 pm — 7:30 pm) or Wednesday, March 8, (9:30 am—1:30 pm and 5:30 pm—6:30 pm). Thanks for helping us welcome our brothers and sisters in Christ!

“Science and Theology Shake Hands” New Adult Ed Series

Through the centuries, science and religion have lived in tension. Some people cite scientific theories and fundamentals as proof that religion is simply hogwash. Others cite certain religious beliefs as proof that science is completely wrong. But many scientists and theologians have found common ground in their shared quest to understand God's universe.

Join us this Lent as we explore the relationship between science and theology. Rev. Jim Campbell is leading our discussions. A retired Presbyterian pastor, Jim taught science for 13 years before entering seminary. The series will run through the month of March. We meet at 9:15 in the church library. Grab a cup of coffee and come!

First Sunday Mission Offering

Our First Sunday Mission Offering in March will benefit the Butler County Relief Initiative. BERI's mission is to compliment existing agencies in meeting the essential needs of Butler County residents whose lives have been affected by a significant emergency.

BERI works with the United Way and the Center for Community Resources to address the heating and utility needs of low-income residents. Together, these agencies help clients become more self-sufficient and financially stable. This commitment is vital to the client's long-term success.

BERI is our mission recipient for March. Please designate your mission offering by writing BERI on your envelope or on your check. Thank you.



Saint Andrew's Indoor Yard Sale Friday, April 28 and Saturday, April 29 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

As you start your early spring cleaning, please set aside your gently used or never used items for our Indoor Yard Sale this April. You can bring your items to the church Monday through Thursday from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm. Please make sure all donated items work and are in good condition. Please **do not** donate computers, printers, televisions or large appliances. They just don't sell.

If you have questions about donations or would like to help organize the Bake Sale, please see Anzie Kelley. Thanks!

Midweek Lenten Services

This Lent, Saint Andrews is joining with a number of downtown churches for a series of midweek worship services. Each Wednesday, at 7:00 pm, we will worship at a different church. After the service, we'll share refreshments and a time of fellowship. A schedule of worship locations and worship leaders is below. Bring some friends and come!

Wednesday, March 8 7:00 pm at Saint Andrews United Presbyterian
Presiding: Rev. Jim Swanson &
Rev. Merry Meloy
Preaching: Father Anthony Sciarappa &
Father Harry Bielewicz

Wednesday, March 15 7:00 pm at St. Mark's Lutheran Church
Presiding: Rev. Dr. Al Towberman
Preaching: Pastor Eric Park

Wednesday, March 22 7:00 pm at St. Peter's Anglican Church
Presiding: Father Andrew DeFusco
Preaching: Rev. Jim Swanson &
Rev. Merry Meloy

Wednesday, March 29 7:00 pm at First United Methodist Church
Presiding: Pastor Eric Park
Preaching: Father Andrew DeFusco

Wednesday, April 5 7:00 pm at St. Paul Roman Catholic Church
Presiding: Father Anthoy Sciarappa &
Father Harry Bielewicz
Preaching: Rev. Dr. Al Towberman

Worship Hymn

