

# Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church

March 1, 2020

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent  
Communion Sunday

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 #508 "For the Bread Which You Have Broken" (Presby Hymnal)

\*The Benediction

\*The Benediction Response "Amen" Chancel Choir

\*The Postlude ~~~~~

~Welcome to Saint Andrews~

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## The Church in Preparation

**The Prelude**

Organist Chuck Davey

Welcome and Announcements  
Exchange of Greetings

**The Introit**

"O Mighty Cross"

Chancel Choir

**The Call to Worship**

Bob Eamigh

**Leader:** We do not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

**People:** We come to find the Living Word.

**Leader:** We come seeking Holy Wisdom.

**People:** We come to worship the Eternal God.

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

(Ushers will collect prayer requests. Please pass them to the center aisle.)

\*The people will rise in body or spirit

**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 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

Portions of Genesis 2 and 3  
Matthew 4: 1 – 11

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Leader: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

#### The Sermon

Rev. Merry Meloy

#### \*The Hymn #81

“Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days”

*(Presby Hymnal)*

### The Church Responds

#### \*The Affirmation of Faith – The Nicene Creed (Ecumenical)

**All: 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.**

**Organ Side:** 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.

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

**Organ Side:** On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father.

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

**All: 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 worshipped 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.**

#### 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

“Lord, I Know I Been Changed”

Chancel Choir

#### \*The Congregation Sings in Response #375 (PH) “Lord of All Good”

Lord of all good, our gifts we bring to You;  
Use them Your holy purpose to fulfill;  
Tokens of love and pledges brought anew,  
That our whole life is offered to Your will.

#### \*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 1, 2020**  
*1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent*

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

**Monday, March 2, 2020**

12:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous

**Tuesday, March 3, 2020**

12:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous

**Wednesday, March 4, 2020**

12:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous  
5:00 PM – Community Dinner (Trinity Presbyterian Church)  
5:45 PM – EDGE  
7:00 PM – Midweek Lenten Service at First United Methodist  
8:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous

**Thursday, March 5, 2020**

12:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous  
6:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous Book Study  
6:15 PM – Canticle Ringers  
7:30 PM – Chancel Choir

**Friday, March 6, 2020**

12:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous

**Saturday, March 7, 2020**

**Next Sunday, March 8, 2020**  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent*

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

Worship Attendance for February 23, 2020: 46

**Worship Leadership**

**Ushers:** Susan Race      Don Eyth      Kristen Mowery      Shari Manos  
**Liturgist:** Bob Eamigh  
**Micro Message:** None  
**Flower Delivery:** Shari Manos  
**Open the Church:** Paul Perry  
**Close the Church:** Dennis Rodgers

**Next Week:** Travis Grossman  
**Next Week:** TBA  
**Next Week:** Jeanette Nestor  
**Next Week:** Paul Perry  
**Next Week:** Susan Moon

**The Flowers** today are given by the Ditch family in honor of loved ones.

**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

**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.



**Happy Birthday to:**  
March 2      Susan Race



**New Sunday School Series**

Some parts of the Bible are so familiar, we may think we already know the lessons they teach. But even the most well-known story can offer new insights when we explore a text together. This Lent, Rev. Fred Young will help us see some of the most beloved passages of Scripture with fresh eyes. Come share your questions, puzzles, and aha moments as we listen to God's word together. The series began this morning and will run through Palm Sunday. We'll meet at 9:15 in the church library. There's a seat waiting for you!

## St. Patrick's Day Lunch



You're invited to a St. Patrick's Day Lunch  
Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>  
In the Memorial Room after worship

A bit of malarkey, lots of great cheer  
We're having a luncheon, and we want you there!

Main dish, beverages and desserts provided  
Please bring a green side dish to share

## Joint Session and Board of Deacons Meeting

Our annual joint meeting of Session and the Board of Deacons will be on Tuesday, March 17, at 6:30 in the Memorial Room. Deacons will **not** meet this Tuesday. See you later this month!

## Per Capita is Due

Per Capita is an allotment that Saint Andrews owes the Beaver-Butler Presbytery for each active member on our rolls. This money is used at the Presbytery, Synod, and General Assembly levels to pay operating expenses—salaries, utilities, supplies, etc. This year, the rate is \$41.00 per member. If you wish to pay your portion of our per capita, you may use the envelope marked "Denominational Apportionment 2020." You may also simply mark "per capita" on the memo line of a check made out to Saint Andrews. Thank you.

## EDGE

### (Every Day God Encounters)

#### Has Started

Join us on Wednesdays for an evening of fun, fellowship,  
music and discussion.

Our schedule is:

5:45—6:45 Dinner and Discussion

6:45—7:30 Bells

See you there!



## Souper Bowl of Caring Offering Thank You!



The youth would like to thank everyone who gave to the Souper Bowl of Caring Offering and stayed for the Soup Luncheon after worship. With your help, we collected \$600 for the Kids Weekend Backpack Program! Special thanks to the Hawks, the Hutchisons, the Grossmans, the Rippers, and Stephanie Slezak for the amazing variety of delicious soups and salad, and to everyone who brought a dessert to share. We are so grateful for your generosity and support.

## New Flower Calendar for 2020



Flowers

Would you like to donate the chancel flowers for one or more worship services? The Flower Calendar for 2020 is in the Narthex. Please sign up for a Sunday or two. Don't forget to tell us if the flowers are in honor or in memory of someone, or if they are to commemorate an important date. We still have openings on **March 8** and **March 29<sup>th</sup>**. The flowers you donate are yours to take home after the worship service, or you may leave them and a Deacon will take them to one of our homebound members. The cost is \$40. Thank you!



Flowers

## Midweek Lenten Services

This Lent, Saint Andrews is joining with a number of downtown churches for a series of midweek worship services. The theme of the services is "A Lenten Discipline." 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 4

#### *"Repentance"*

7:00 pm at First United Methodist Church  
200 East North Street  
Presiding: Pastor David Janz  
Preaching: Pastor Merry Meloy

### Wednesday, March 11

#### *"Prayer"*

7:00 pm at St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church  
127 Franklin Street  
Presiding: Father Kevin Fazio  
Preaching: Pastor James F. Neal

### Wednesday, March 18

#### *"Fasting"*

7:00 pm at St. Mark's Lutheran Church  
201 West Jefferson Street  
Presiding: Pastor James F. Neal  
Preaching: Father Kevin Fazio

### Wednesday, March 25

#### *"Alms Giving"*

7:00 pm at Covenant Presbyterian Church  
230 East Jefferson Street  
Presiding: Pastors John Silbert & Merry Meloy  
Preaching: Father David Hicks

### Wednesday, April 1

#### *"Reconciliation"*

7:00 pm at St. Peter's Anglican Church  
218 East Jefferson Street  
Presiding: Father David Hicks  
Preaching: Pastor David Janz



## First Sunday Mission Offering

Our First Sunday Mission Offering in March will benefit the Butler County Relief Initiative. BERI's mission is to complement 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.

To help support BERI, simply place your donation in a "First Sunday Mission Offering" envelope from your booklet of giving envelopes or the pew racks, or write "BERI" on the memo line of your check. Thank you!

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## Donations Needed for Spring Indoor Yard Sale



Have you been thinking about doing some early spring cleaning? Are those stuffed cupboards and crowded closets driving you nuts? Do you know someone who is downsizing and wondering what to do with their spare things?

Our Spring Indoor Yard Sale is just around the corner! For the event to be a success, we need lots of things to sell. Please bring your gently used items to the church as soon as possible so our organizers have plenty of time to sort and price donations. **Keep in mind that we cannot accept electronic equipment such as large appliances, televisions, computers, and printers.** These items just don't sell and there is a cost for us to dispose of them. **If you are bringing a large number of items to the church, please let Anzie Kelley know so that our team can move them out of the way of other groups and activities in the Bethany Room.** If you need help getting your items to the church or have any questions, please contact Anzie. Thanks!