

**\*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 Church Goes Forth to Serve**

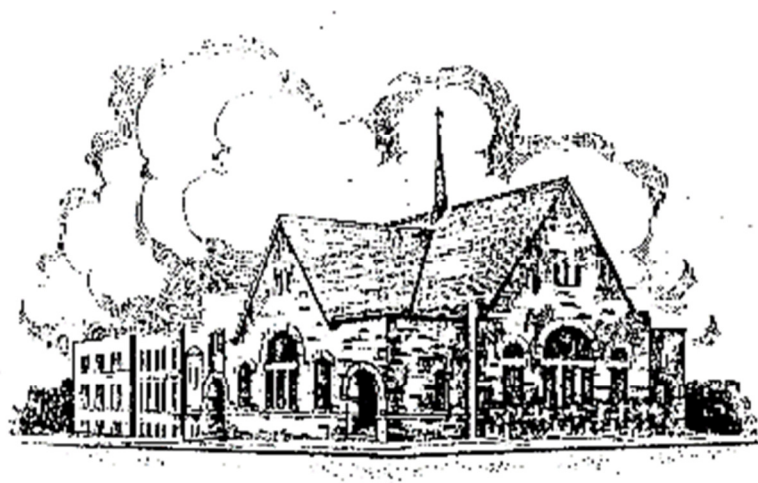
**\*The Hymn #341** "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!" *(Presby Hymnal)*

**\*The Benediction**

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

**\*The Postlude** "Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord" Psalm 100 J. Knecht

Welcome to Saint Andrews. We're glad you're here!



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**Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church**  
**March 5, 2023** **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent** **10:30 AM**

**The Church in Preparation**

**The Prelude** My Song Is Love Unknown R. V. Williams, arranged  
Guest Organist Karen Krenitsky

**Welcome and Announcements**

**The Introit and Time of Centering** "Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God"  
"Create in me a clean heart, O God, *(Sing 3 times)* . . .  
and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from your presence, *(Sing 3 times)* . . .  
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, *(Sing 3 times)* . . .  
and uphold me with your free Spirit."

**The Call to Worship**

Susan Moon

Leader: Here in this sanctuary,  
God welcomes dreamers and doubters.  
**People: For it is here, the worriers and wanderers can call on God by name.**  
Leader: Here in this sanctuary,  
we remember the ways God has graced us.  
**People: For it is in these moments,  
we remember that God is always with us.**  
Leader: Here in this sanctuary, we are gathered,  
daring to step out of our comfort into the unknown.  
**People: For it is here, in this space,  
that we find courage to praise and to pray.**  
Leader: So let us, in this place, worship God.

**The Opening Prayer** *(In Unison)*

Lord of all life, we gather in your presence to offer our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. May your Holy Spirit inspire our praise and our prayers. Open our hearts and minds to your presence among us and within us, and to the Word you have for us today. Amen.

**\*The Opening Hymn #132** "Come, Great God of All the Ages" *(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)*

Holy God, we confess that we do not always love our neighbor, and that we have despised others, even to the point of hatred. We confess that we have hurt and been hurt by others. We admit that forgiveness and reconciliation, at times, feels impossible for us; but we know that nothing is impossible in you. Help us to trust that nothing can separate us from your love, and forgive the ways we can be so unloving. Here this prayer, O Lord, and hear us as we lift our silent confessions before you now.

### **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 Prayer for Illumination**

Lord, as we are gathered here today, we ask you, our living God, to shower upon us your wisdom and knowledge. We pray that as we listen to your Word, we may have the ability to clearly see what you have called us to do and who you have called us to be. Illuminate our eyes and reveal to us your glory. Amen

### **The Scripture Readings**

Psalm 121	O.T. Page 571
John 3:1 - 17	N.T. Page 93
Leader: The word of the Lord.	
<b>People: Thanks be to God.</b>	

### **The Anthem**

"And He Never Said a Word" Canticlear Ringers

### **The Sermon**

"A Breeze In The Dark" Rev. Mark Davis

### **\*The Hymn #316**

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God" *(Presby Hymnal)*

### **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**

God calls us to love our neighbors, and shows us what is good. May all that we have and all that we give be used in the service of love, justice and peace. Come, let us offer our gifts to God.

As the offering plates are being passed, please sign and pass the Friendship Registers located at the end of your pews. If you are visiting with us this morning, please help us get to know you by filling out the long, blue card in the pew rack in front of you. Thank you!

### **The Offertory**

"Chromhorne sur la taille" F. Couperin  
Guest Organist Karen Krenitsky

### **\*The Congregation Sings in Response #652** "A Grateful Heart"

A grateful heart is what I bring, a song of praise, my offering.  
Among the saints I lift my voice: in you, O God, I will rejoice.

With saving love you set us free, and still you dwell in mystery  
with wisdom none can comprehend. Your praise, O God, will never end.

**This Week at Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church**

**Sunday, March 5, 2023**  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent*

10:30 AM – Worship, Welcome Rev. Mark Davis  
12:00 PM – Sunday Lunches (Distributed by Cindy Hays and Carol Holochuk)



**Monday, March 6, 2023**

**Tuesday, March 7, 2023**

6:30 PM – Deacons

**Wednesday, March 8, 2023**

5:00 PM – Community Dinner – Hill Presbyterian Church  
7:00 PM – Midweek Lenten Service at St Paul Roman Catholic Church

**Thursday, March 9, 2023**

6:15 PM – Canticleer Ringers  
7:30 PM – Chancel Choir

**Friday, March 10, 2023**

**Saturday, March 11, 2023**

6:00 PM – 9:00 PM Community Dinner Gala at St Michael's Community Hall

**Next Sunday, March 12, 2023**  
*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent*

10:30 AM – Worship  
12:00 PM – 3:00 PM Free Art Show and Basket Raffle at St. Michael's



**Worship Leaders**

**Ushers:** Jon McKay      Natalie McKay      Paul Perry      Peggy Douthett  
**Next Week:** Mary Ann Hazlett      Scott Hazlett      Dave Landis      Scott/Donna O'Day  
**Liturgist:** Susan Moon      **Next Week:** Nate Grossman  
**Sound Tech:** TBA      **Next Week:** TBA  
**Flower Delivery:** Kathy Eamigh      **Next Week:** Anzie Kelley  
**Open the Church:** Paul Perry      **Next Week:** Paul Perry  
**Close the Church:** Bob Eamigh      **Next Week:** Dennis Rodgers

**The Flowers** today are given by Dan and Kendra Mulneix in anticipation of Spring!

**Prayer Requests** can be made by using the pink/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.



**Happy Birthday to**

William Bennett      March 8  
Patty Bopp      March 9

**Pastor Merry Away**



This morning, Rev. Mark Davis is leading us in worship so Pastor Merry can be in eastern Pennsylvania for a family funeral. Rev. Davis recently retired from the Slate Lick United Presbyterian Church in Kiskiminetas Presbytery, after serving as their pastor for 23 years. He also served as a U.S. Air Force Chaplain at Edwards and George Air Force Bases, where he did considerable work in counseling and helping airmen deal with stress-related issues. He currently does pastoral visitation for Hill United Presbyterian Church as well as guest preaching. He is married to Kathleen McDevitt-Davis, a commissioned pastor and elder at Hill. They have two sons, six grandchildren, and two dogs. Please welcome him!

## “Encountering Jesus” 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. The theme for the series is “Encountering Jesus.” A schedule of worship locations is below. Bring some friends and come!

- Wednesday, March 8** 7:00 pm at St. Paul (All Saints)  
Roman Catholic Parish  
128 North McKean St.  
Preaching: Pastor Merry Meloy
- Wednesday, March 15** 7:00 pm at St. Peter’s Anglican Church  
218 East Jefferson St.  
Preaching: Pastor David Janz
- Wednesday, March 22** 7:00 pm at First United Methodist Church  
200 East North St.  
Preaching: Father David Hicks
- Wednesday, March 29** 7:00 pm at Saint Andrews United Presbyterian  
Preaching: Pastor David Phillips



## Community Dinner Gala



Art Show and Sale  
Featuring the Art of  
Mark Hall, Paul Means, and Jon Pugliese

Saturday, March 11, 2023  
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

St. Michael’s Roman Catholic Church  
Community Hall  
432 Center Ave.  
Butler, PA

Wine \* Light Refreshments \* Music \* Basket Raffle

Tickets \$25/Person



Free Art Show and Sale  
Sunday, March 12, 2023  
Noon – 3:00 pm

Basket Drawing at 2:30 pm

Proceeds Benefit the Community Dinner Programs

at  
First English Lutheran, St. Paul Roman Catholic,  
Saint Andrews, St Mark’s Lutheran, and  
First United Methodist Churches



## Easter Lilies Order Form Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023

These flowers will be placed in the sanctuary for the celebration of Easter and may be removed from the church by the donor following the worship service.

Number of Lilies \_\_\_\_\_  
X \$9.00 each

Total payment included \_\_\_\_\_

I will take my flower (s) with me after the service - YES or NO (please circle one)

For the bulletin insert on Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023.

Given:

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

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In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

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In celebration of..., in thanksgiving for..., in appreciation of..., or whatever you wish:

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Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete this order form and place it, with your payment, in the offering plate or mail it to the Church Office, 201 E. Jefferson Street, Butler PA 16001 no later than **Sunday, March 19, 2023**, so that we can include your information in the bulletin on Easter Sunday. Make checks payable to Saint Andrews U.P. Church with "Lilies" on the memo line. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Leadership Event Sunday March 19th

Beaver-Butler Presbytery's annual Leadership Event will be on Sunday, March 19, 2023 from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm at Cranberry Community United Presbyterian Church. A variety of great workshops will be offered for all church leaders—Elders, Deacons, Clerks, Treasurers, Pastors and Youth Leaders. Brochures are available on the table in the Narthex. If you would like to carpool, please see Pastor Merry.

## It's Not Too Late To Pay Your Per Capita

Per Capita is an allotment that Saint Andrews owes 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 \$44 per member. If you wish to pay your portion of our per capita, you may use the envelope marked "Denominational Apportionment 2023". You may also simply mark "Per Capita" on the memo line of a check made out to Saint Andrews. Thank you.

## 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 the pew racks or write "BERI" on the memo line of your check. Thank you!