

## The Offertory

Guest Musician: Allen Kitchen

**\*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)*  
Into your hands, faithful God, we commit our lives and these gifts. Increase them and transform them into abundant goodness, that they might proclaim your presence in this world. Amen.

### The Church Goes Forth to Serve

**\*The Closing Hymn** #262 “He Lives” *(Sing to the Lord)*

**\*The Benediction**

**\*The Benediction Response** “Amen” Chancel Choir

**\*The Postlude**

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



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# Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church

April 16, 2023

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

10:30 AM

## The Church in Preparation

**The Prelude**

Guest Musician: Allen Kitchen

**Welcome and Announcements**

**The Introit and Time of Centering** #269 “He Is Lord” Chancel Choir

**The Call to Worship** Travis Grossman

Leader: All creation proclaims the greatness and love of God.

**People: God’s love permeates even the deepest darkness.**

Leader: The light of God shines on us with new hope.

**People: We are called to be people of compassion and justice.**

Leader: May our hearts be open to see God’s light and live in hope.

**People: May we be prepared for service  
to all God’s people and to this world.**

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

By your Spirit, Holy One, grant us love for others, joy in serving you, peace in disagreement, patience in suffering, kindness toward all people, goodness in evil times, faithfulness in temptation, gentleness in the face of opposition, self-control in all things. Then strengthen us for ministry in your name. Amen.

**\*The Opening Hymn** #259 “Worship Christ, the Risen King” *(Sing to the Lord)*

(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)*

Almighty God, our world is filled with corruption: power disguises itself as truth; convenience masquerades as goodness; selfish pleasure imitates love. We confess to you that we have been caught in this web of sin. By your power, save us from these deceptions and free us that we might walk along your clear path of mercy, hope, and generosity. 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 Readings**

Isaiah 42: 1 - 9

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Psalms 40:1 - 11

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Matthew 3: 13 - 17

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Leader: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

#### **The Anthem**

#### **The Micro Message**

Dawn Grossman

#### **Musical Response #273**

“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”  
*(Verse 1)*

*(Sing to the Lord)*

#### **The Sermon**

Rev. Patrick Campbell

#### **\*The Hymn #739**

“Baptized in Water”

*(Sing to the Lord)*

### **The Church Responds**

#### **\*The Affirmation of Faith** - *(In Unison)*

This is the good news which we have received,  
in which we stand,  
and by which we are saved,  
if we hold it fast:  
that Christ died for our sins  
according to the scriptures,  
that he was buried,  
that he was raised on the third day,  
and that he appeared  
first to the women,  
then to Peter, and to the Twelve,  
and then to many faithful witnesses.  
**We believe that Jesus is the Christ,  
the Son of the living God.  
Jesus Christ is the first and the last,  
the beginning and the end;  
he is our Lord and our God. Amen.**

*(From PCUSA Book of Common Worship,  
based on portions of 1 Cor. 15; Mark 16,  
Matt. 16; Rev. 22; and John 20)*

#### **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**

We have nothing apart from God’s gifts. We have everything when we allow God’s Spirit to work through us. In thanksgiving for all we have received, let us bring before the Lord our gifts and offerings.

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!

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

**Sunday, April 16, 2023**  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter*

10:30 AM – Worship, Welcome Rev. Patrick Campbell!

**Monday, April 17, 2023**

**Tuesday, April 18, 2023**

**Wednesday, April 19, 2023**

5:00 PM – Community Dinner – Allison Park Butler Campus

**Thursday, April 20, 2023**

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

**Friday, April 21, 2023**

**Saturday, April 22, 2023**

**Next Sunday, April 23, 2023**  
*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter*

10:30 AM – Worship  
11:45 AM – Nominating Committee in Memorial Room

**Happy Birthday to**



Lily Hawks	April 20
Jo Anne Braun	April 21
Barb Hutchison	April 22
Dale Hutchison	April 22
Bonnie Martin	April 22

**Worship Leaders**

<b>Ushers:</b> Jon McKay	Natalie McKay	Paul Perry	Peggy Douthett
<b>Next Week:</b> Mary Ann Hazlett	Scott Hazlett	Dave Landis	Scott/Donna O'Day
<b>Liturgist:</b> Travis Grossman	<b>Next Week:</b> Natalie McKay		
<b>Sound Tech:</b> Jon McKay	<b>Next Week:</b> Jon McKay		
<b>Micro Message:</b> Dawn Grossman	<b>Next Week:</b> Bob Eamigh		
<b>Flower Delivery:</b> Ashley Farrington	<b>Next Week:</b> Shari Manos		
<b>Open the Church:</b> Paul Perry	<b>Next Week:</b> Paul Perry		
<b>Close the Church:</b> Dawn Grossman	<b>Next Week:</b> Bob Eamigh		

**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.



*All in the Family*

*The sympathy and resurrection faith of the congregation go out to:*

*The friends and former colleagues of Chuck Davey. Chuck died earlier this month. There will be a memorial service here, at Saint Andrews, at 11:00 am on Wednesday, April 26, 2023.*

*The Arienzo Family. Stephanie's grandmother, Charlene Stevenson, died on Sunday, April 9, 2023.*





## Pastor Merry Away

Pastor Merry is away this morning. She is driving to Indiana for her former mother-in-law's memorial service tomorrow. We're privileged to have Rev. Patrick Campbell leading us in worship. Many of you know Patrick from his younger years. He and his wife, Laura Stevens, were both active members of Saint Andrews' youth group. An ordained UCC pastor, Patrick now works as Executive Director of The Group Against Smog and Pollution, an environmental nonprofit in Pittsburgh. He and Laura are the proud parents of very busy twins, Isla and Finley. Please welcome him!

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## One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

If you haven't had a chance to participate in the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering, it's not too late. Just use one of the OGH envelopes. They can be found in the pew racks and on the table in the narthex.

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering helps care for people in need here at home and around the world. Some have been hurt by sudden catastrophe—war, flood, fire—while others have grown so familiar with need they can't imagine a world of plenty. The ministries of One Great Hour of Sharing respond to the most immediate and urgent needs while working to address the underlying causes of chronic problems.

Through your gifts, you will help Presbyterian Disaster Assistance restore communities that have been affected by disaster. You will help the Presbyterian Hunger Program alleviate hunger and its causes here in the U.S. and around the world. And you will help Self-Development of People empower those who are economically poor and oppressed.

Please give generously. Your gifts witness to the love of God in Jesus Christ in very tangible ways.

## April First Sunday Mission Offering

Saint Andrews' First Sunday Mission Offering in April will go to the McKee Memorial Fund to help support the work of PCUSA Mission Coworkers Jim and Jodi McGill. Like so many other ministries, the McGills' work in Africa was disrupted by the pandemic. After some time in the States, Jim has returned to Niger while Jodi remains in Decatur, Georgia so their sons, John and Joseph, can finish high school.

A geological engineer, Jim is currently working with the Evangelical Church in the Republic of Niger (EERN) to provide clean water and sanitation to communities in rural Niger. He helps local leaders design and develop affordable, repairable plumbing products for schools, clinics and villages. These include water filters, solar powered water pumps, and different types of latrines. Jim says they've developed a "pedestal toilet" that's made from recycled plastic and sand. These toilets can be produced more cheaply because there is so much "readily available plastic waste . . . found throughout the country"—making this a win for both people and the environment.

Niger is located south of Libya and west of Chad. It's one of the poorest countries in the world. Fewer than 50% of its children are enrolled in school and its annual per capita GDP is under \$600. Farming is limited by frequent draughts and the country's vast desert regions are growing due to lack of rain, excessive cultivation, overgrazing and deforestation. While most Nigerians are Muslim, the government is secular and there is an openness to the gospel.

To help support Jim's work, just write "McKee Memorial Fund" on the memo line of your check or use a First Sunday Mission Offering Envelope from the pew racks. Please continue to keep the entire McGill family in your prayers as they follow Christ's call on two different continents. Thank you!

