



ST. ANDREW LUTHERAN CHURCH

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WORSHIP

SUNDAY at 8:30 A.M. & 11:00 A. M.

SATURDAY at 6:00 P.M.

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 30, 2014

11:00 am

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

If you are a visitor to our church today, we welcome you and we hope to see you again soon. Please complete the Visitor Card located on the podium in the narthex. Thank You!

For those who have difficulty hearing in church earphones are available. Large print bulletins are also available. Please ask the ushers to assist you with one of these devices.

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

PRAISE SONG

“There Is Joy In The Lord “

Psalm

Psalm 23

¹The LORD[|] is my shepherd;
I shall not[|] be in want.

²**The LORD makes me lie down[|] in green pastures
and leads me be-[|] side still waters.**

³You restore my[|] soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways[|] for your name's sake.

⁴**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall[|] fear no evil;**

**for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they[|] comfort
me. R**

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence[|] of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is[|] running over.

⁶**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days[|] of my
life,**

and I will dwell in the house of the[|] LORD forever. R

CONFESSION

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

P Gracious God,

C have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P Hear for yourselves: There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. In the waters of baptism grace abounds for you and for all. God turns to you in love and puts away every sin, every wrong turn, for the sake of + Jesus, the one God sent to save the world

C Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Bend your ear to our prayers, Lord Christ, and come among us. By your gracious life and death for us, bring light into the darkness of our hearts, and anoint us with your Spirit, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

THE ASSEMBLY SITS

FIRST READING:

1 Samuel 16:1–13

The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." ²Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.'" ³Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." ⁴Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" ⁵He said, "Peaceably; I have come to

sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. ⁶When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed is now before the LORD." ⁷But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." ⁸Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." ⁹Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." ¹⁰Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these." ¹¹Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." ¹²He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." ¹³Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

L Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING:

Ephesians 5:8–14

⁸For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light — ⁹for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. ¹⁰Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; ¹³but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, ¹⁴for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL:

John 9:1–41

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. ²His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" ³Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. ⁴We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. ⁵As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." ⁶When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, ⁷saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. ⁸The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" ⁹Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." ¹⁰But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" ¹¹He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." ¹²They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." ¹³They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. ¹⁴Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. ¹⁵Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." ¹⁶Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. ¹⁷So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet." ¹⁸The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight ¹⁹and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" ²⁰His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and

that he was born blind; ²¹but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." ²²His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. ²³Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." ²⁴So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." ²⁵He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." ²⁶They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" ²⁷He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" ²⁸Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. ²⁹We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." ³⁰The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. ³¹We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. ³²Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. ³³If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." ³⁴They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out. ³⁵Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" ³⁶He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." ³⁷Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." ³⁸He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. ³⁹Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." ⁴⁰Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" ⁴¹Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

THE ASSEMBLY SITS

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

REFLECTION SONG

“Word Of God Speak”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A Returning to the Lord, our God, let us pray for the church,
the world, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

A Anoint your church, O God, so that as children of light we
shine brightly in a world that longs to know you. Lord, in
your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

A Restore the green pastures and still waters of this earth and
lead us to be responsible stewards of all that you have created.

Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Shepherd all peoples. Break the barriers of hatred and prejudice between those of different races, faiths, genders, age, ability, and sexual orientation, that we live peaceably together. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Bring goodness and mercy to all who suffer (*especially*), that they not want for anything. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Be present in this assembly and open our eyes so that we look, not on outward appearance, but upon one another's hearts. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A You have prepared a table for all who believe in you. We give you thanks for all our brothers and sisters in Christ who now dwell in your house forever. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P Into your hands, O God, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

THE ASSEMBLY SITS

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG

“Open Our Eyes”

OFFERING PRAYER

P Let us pray. God our provider,

C God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SHARING THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

COMMUNION PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus is truly present in the forms of bread and wine. All Baptized Christians are invited to the feast of our Lord.

Gluten-free communion hosts are available.

THE ASSEMBLY SITS

COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONGS

“Grace Alone”

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven.

Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

A Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care:

As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick, homebound, and imprisoned. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P: May the God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

C: Amen.

CELEBRATION SONG

“You Never Let Go “

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

The flowers on the altar today are presented by Amos & Terri Shipley:
To the Glory of God and In Celebration of Cassidy's 19th Birthday.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS: 11:00 Service

	March 30th	April 6th
Acolytes:	Kylie & Garrett Nicol	Caitlyn Wood & Leah Bookser
Assisting Minister:	Lynn Alstadt	Kathy McKinley
Comm. Assistants:	Don McKissick	Don McKissick
Lector:	Karren Wood	Nancy Alstadt
Greeter:	Volunteer Needed	Sue McKissick
Ushers:	Volunteer Needed	Marty & Billie Schuller
Constr. & Project.:	Harvey Hinch	Harvey Hinch & Keira Wood
Sound:	Keira Wood	Neil Ruppel
Counters:	Paul Ruppel	Dave Kasper
Altar Care:	Sue McKissick	Dave & Marjorie Kasper
Bread Providers:	Kathy McKinley	Volunteer Needed
Travelling Communion:	The Perfett Family	The Bookser Family

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lenten Soup Suppers

The Soup Suppers begin at 6:00 p.m.,
followed by a Devotional Study at 7:00 p.m.
April 2nd at St. Andrew ~ April 9th at Grace



AN ANCIENT CELEBRATION OF PASSOVER
FRIDAY, APRIL 4, 2014 AT 5:30 P.M.

TICKET SALE DATES ARE:
MARCH 23RD OR MARCH 30TH

The Seder Meal reminds us of the trials of the Israelites under slavery in Egypt and the exhilaration of the freedom won for them by God. This night will closely parallel the ancient celebration held at the time of our Lord! Bring the whole family! Please purchase tickets at your earliest convenience, during the worship services on March 23rd, or March 30th. You may also purchase tickets by contacting Marie Schrieber at 412-264-3590. {Adult \$12, Children (12 and under) \$7, or \$30 Family}

Information Session for Holy Land Trip with Pastor Mort: March 31, at 7 PM

Stop by St. Andrew to hear more about this great opportunity. Pastor Mort will host an informative meeting answering all of your questions about this event.

Bethlehem Christian Families

Our brothers and sisters representing the Christian Families of Bethlehem will be selling crosses, religious art work, and last suppers – all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. Since tourism has greatly depleted, Christian families in the holy land, who depend on tourists, have been greatly affected. **Sale of these goods will help them very much and also give you the opportunity to have “something” authentic from the holy land.** Please browse and buy some articles. It is for a good cause and also a help to your personal devotion. For More information please visit: www.bcfmission.com

Adults Night Out: Friday, April 25th at 6:00pm at Peter’s Place, 1199 Washington Pike, Bridgeville, PA 15017

Take I79 South to the Kirwin Heights Exit. Restaurant is a very short distance on the right. For those that are interested in attending, please contact: Carol Crawford (412)-269-7725 or Grace McQuade at (412)-262-2318. There is also a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. For more information on the restaurant please visit: <http://www.petersplacrestaurant.net/index.php>

Youth Updates:

We have several youth that will be attending *Lutherlyn the week of July 6th*. They are in the 6-8th grade. It would be great if we could get a few more youth in that group. If you are interested, please contact Kasey Nicol at 724-788-1282. We will be putting the deposit down sometime in April.

The youth are selling butter breads. These are extremely helpful for your Easter brunch. We have Apple, Blueberry and Cream Cheese, Caramel Rolls, Cinnamon, Double Chocolate, Raspberry and Strawberry and Cream Cheese. These are selling for \$12.00 (\$13.00 for Chocolate). *Our goal is to sell 50 braids. Please stop by the table for a sample!* Delivery for these will be during Worship Services on April 13th.

REMINDER: *Scripts money is due TODAY.*

Monthly Newsletter: The May Newsletter Submission Deadline is April 10th. We are trying to make sure the newsletters are shipped early, so that time sensitive information is received by the 1st of the month.

God's Good Gifts: Bible Study and Card Making Mondays from 7-8:30pm. Each session will include Bible Study, prayer, fellowship and card making! No experience needed and all supplies will be provided. Please contact Terri Hinch by 412-841-2150, or Email: hinchtl@gmail.com All are welcome and bring a friend!

HELP US HELP A CHILD READ!

We are delighted to announce that St. Andrew Christian Literacy Outreach Ministry is gaining interest! We are in desperate need of volunteer tutors. The tutor will provide 1 hour of one-on-one tutoring per week at Moon, Coraopolis and Sewickley libraries. The day, time and location may be negotiated between tutor and family. A prospective tutor must obtain a Background Check and Child Abuse Clearances. No former teaching experience necessary. We will train you in the curriculum. Please call Nina Manack for more information: 412-977-2072.

Palm Sunday Change of Plans: We will not be having an Easter Program this year, as was previously advertised. We will be having a Family Gathering that morning to celebrate the Lenten Season. E-mails will be going out this week requesting attendance. Thank you and hope to see you on Palm Sunday, April 13th at the Family Gathering at 9:45 (in place of Sunday School).

~Angela Arndt, Sunday School Superintendent

Sunday School Schedule Reminder: There will be NO CLASSES on April 20th. We wish everyone a very Happy Easter! There will be classes on April 27th and May 4th and 11th. Registration forms for the 2014-2015 Sunday School year will be mailed out shortly to all currently enrolled families. Please take a few minutes to look these over and return them to the church. Registration forms will be available shortly in the narthex for all new students. We have classes for all children aged 3 (and completely potty-trained) through 8th grade. High school students are encouraged to participate in the youth Sunday School classes, which meet at the same time.

~Angela Arndt, Sunday School Superintendent

Prayer Buddy Program Reception: Just a quick reminder that the Prayer Buddy Program Reception is Sunday, May 18th at 9:45. We have had a wonderful year with our new "No Longer a Secret" Prayer Buddy Program and are looking forward to seeing all the kids with their Buddies at the Reception. There will be light refreshments and time to spend chatting. You will also have the opportunity to sign-up to be a Buddy for next year's program. Thanks to all the kids, Buddies, and parents who have helped make this program a success!

~Angela Arndt and Melissa Zebroski, Prayer Buddy Program Co-
Coordinators

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Agnes Miller, Raquel Burke, Adelina Burke, Lily Burke, Ed Nelson, Frank Bruno, Rose & Bill Werthen, Mike & Sally Mihaló, Luise Keppel, Ralph Blosser, Dorothy Balogh, David & Evelyn Bartoe, Steve Brite & Rona Gralitzer, Kathy White, Mary Kochanowski, Marie Schrieber, Craig Whipkey

Bill and Jaunita Page	Parents of Martha Baxter
Mary Lou Bowser	Cousin of Tara Ludwiczak
Josh Prigorac	Moon High School Teacher
Kristi Magneson	Niece of Sandy Schuman
Leah McPherson	Granddaughter of Rhonda Brite
Gabrielle Chew	Friend of Mamrose family
Judy & Stephen Puskar	Cousins of the Azzizi & Betlyn Family
Susan Steen	Friend of Azzizi & Betlyn Family
Scott Mullen	Nephew of Jeff & Kathy McKinley
Michael Liptak	Nephew of Jeff & Kathy McKinley
Maura Schwab	Friend of Schumaker Family
Rich Kyper	Friend of Hazelbaker Family
Christopher Bunyan	Grandson of Rich Kyper
Stan Bookser	Father-in-Law of Julie Bookser
Diane & Michael Hornyak	Parents of Steven Hornyak
Gary Springer	Neighbor of Billie & Marty Schuller
Bob Heisler	Husband of LaVerne
Ed Ludwiczak	Father-in-Law of Tara Ludwiczak
Sylvia Hall	Mother of Karen Tehovnik
Baby Willie	Perfett Baby
Emily Litterini	Granddaughter of Bob and Christine Litterini
Cindy Wilson	Cousin of Bob Litterini
Raymond Cleis	Son of Lois Baile
Sherri	Friend of Jim McFadden

In Memoriam:

Robert Flood, Friend of Werthen Family
Baby Rachel Stum, Grandchild of Jackie Knowlton

Those Serving In Our Military

Daniel J. Bustingier, grandson of the late Lois Bustingier
James Riss, son-in-law of Paula & Jeff Bussard
Chaz Tress, friend of the Nelsons, Army





Saturday, April 12th @ 9am

St. Andrew is getting ready for Easter! We will be cleaning inside, as well as, outside the church. Anyone is welcome, children included! Arrive at 9am and stay as long as you are able.

On The Calendar This Week March 30th – April 5th

Sunday, March 30, 2014

WORSHIP

8:30 am & 11:00 am

Sunday School 9:45 am

Sunday Café 9:45 am

~~ *SCRIPTS \$ Due Today* ~~

Monday, March 31, 2014

God's Good Gifts Bible Study 7:00pm

Tuesday, April 1, 2014

Choir Practice 7:00 pm

Wednesday, April 2, 2014

Bible Study 10:00 am

Soup Supper @ St. Andrew 6:00 pm

Friday, April 4, 2014

Women's Bible Study 10:00 am

Seder Dinner 5:30 pm

Saturday, April 5, 2014

WORSHIP 6:00 pm