



***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.**

**Palm Sunday  
The Sunday of the Passion**

**April 12, 2014  
6:00 pm**

## **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.

## **GATHER IN THE NARTHEX**

**P** Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C** **Hosanna in the highest.**

## **PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL**

Matthew 21:1–11

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup>saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." <sup>4</sup>This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, <sup>5</sup>"Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." <sup>6</sup>The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; <sup>7</sup>they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup>A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup>The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" <sup>10</sup>When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" <sup>11</sup>The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

## **BLESSING OF PALMS**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray. We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen**

## **PROCESSION**

**A** Let us go forth in peace,

**C** **in the name of Christ. Amen.**

## **PROCESSIONAL**

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

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**P** Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C** **Hosanna in the highest.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen**

## **THE ASSEMBLY SITS**

## **FIRST READING:**

*Isaiah 50:4–9a*

<sup>4</sup>The Lord GOD has given me  
the tongue of a teacher,  
that I may know how to sustain  
the weary with a word.  
Morning by morning he wakens —  
wakens my ear  
to listen as those who are taught.

<sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear,

and I was not rebellious,  
I did not turn backward.  
<sup>6</sup>I gave my back to those who struck me,  
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;  
I did not hide my face  
from insult and spitting.  
<sup>7</sup>The Lord GOD helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;  
<sup>8</sup>he who vindicates me is near.  
Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.  
Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.  
<sup>9</sup>It is the Lord GOD who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?



L: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

**GOSPEL:**

*Matthew 27:11—54*

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>11</sup>Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You say so."  
<sup>12</sup>But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. <sup>13</sup>Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?" <sup>14</sup>But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed. <sup>15</sup>Now at the festival the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd, anyone whom they wanted. <sup>16</sup>At that time they had a notorious prisoner, called Jesus Barabbas. <sup>17</sup>So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?" <sup>18</sup>For he realized that it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over. <sup>19</sup>While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that innocent

man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him." <sup>20</sup>Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed. <sup>21</sup>The governor again said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barabbas." <sup>22</sup>Pilate said to them, "Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?" All of them said, "Let him be crucified!" <sup>23</sup>Then he asked, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Let him be crucified!" <sup>24</sup>So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves." <sup>25</sup>Then the people as a whole answered, "His blood be on us and on our children!" <sup>26</sup>So he released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. <sup>27</sup>Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole cohort around him. <sup>28</sup>They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, <sup>29</sup>and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" <sup>30</sup>They spat on him, and took the reed and struck him on the head. <sup>31</sup>After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him. <sup>32</sup>As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross. <sup>33</sup>And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), <sup>34</sup>they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. <sup>35</sup>And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots; <sup>36</sup>then they sat down there and kept watch over him. <sup>37</sup>Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews." <sup>38</sup>Then two bandits were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>39</sup>Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads <sup>40</sup>and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross." <sup>41</sup>In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying, <sup>42</sup>"He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him." <sup>43</sup>He trusts in God; let God deliver him

now, if he wants to; for he said, 'I am God's Son.'" <sup>44</sup>The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way. <sup>45</sup>From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. <sup>46</sup>And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" <sup>47</sup>When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "This man is calling for Elijah." <sup>48</sup>At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. <sup>49</sup>But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him." <sup>50</sup>Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. <sup>51</sup>At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. <sup>52</sup>The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. <sup>53</sup>After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many. <sup>54</sup>Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

P: The gospel of the Lord.  
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

THE ASSEMBLY SITS

## SERMON

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## 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



THE ASSEMBLY SITS

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*The response to each petition is:*

L: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

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## OFFERING

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## OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

## 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.*

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## COMMUNION

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## BLESSING

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Lord, it is good for us to be here, for we have tasted your glory in this holy meal. Continue your goodness as we go out from here. Open our eyes to see your face shining in every person, and send us to be your servants in every place, for you are the life and light of all, both now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

## **BENEDICTION**

## **DISMISSAL**

A: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**The flowers on the altar today are presented by  
The Kochanowski Family:  
In Celebration of Mary's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Time, Talent & Asset Survey:**

Attention everyone with gifts. The weekend of April 26-27 you will have the opportunity to let your gifts be known. After the worship services, plan to take a few minutes and fill out a Time, Talent & Asset Survey at the St. Andrew Gift Fair. Those not able to join us for the Gift Fair will be contacted separately to fill out a survey. Thank you in advance.

### **Youth Updates: Butter Braid delivery is TODAY, during both services.**

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

*~New Scripts order due April 27<sup>th</sup> ~*

**Sunday School Schedule Reminder:** There will be NO CLASSES on April 20<sup>th</sup>. We wish everyone a very Happy Easter! There will be classes on April 27<sup>th</sup> and May 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. 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 8<sup>th</sup> 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

**Adults Night Out:** Friday, April 25<sup>th</sup> 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.petersplacerestaurant.net/index.php>

### **Women of the ELCA Spring Clusters 1 & 6 Events**

Date: Saturday, April 26, 2014

Time: 8:30 a.m. – registration; 9:00 a.m. - breakfast

Place: Redeemer Lutheran Church, 819 Washington Ave., Monaca, PA

Theme: “Lord Teach Us How To Pray” – Based on Matthew 21:22

For more information contact: Shirlee Nelson, 412-264-7227

**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](mailto:hinchtl@gmail.com) All are welcome and bring a friend!

**Prayer Buddy Program Reception:** Just a quick reminder that the Prayer Buddy Program Reception is Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup> 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-Coordinator

### **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.



Come join us for Easter Breakfast!  
This year we will be doing a buffet with four main entrees, a fruit salad and various pastries. Breakfast will be served at 7:15 am & 9:45 am. A sign-up sheet is located in the Narthex.

We look forward to seeing you!  
(\$8 Adult / \$4 Children under 12)



## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

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

Bill and Jaunita Page	Parents of Martha Baxter
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
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
John Teleha & Family	Friends of Sherri Perfett
C.J. Connelly	Neighbor of Mary White
Wanda Bauer	Grandmother of Angela Arndt

### In Memoriam:

Connie Yanoshak – Vicar Jen's Aunt

### 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



***On The Calendar This Week***  
***April 13th – April 19th***

**Sunday, April 13, 2014**

**PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP**

8:30 am & 11:00 am

Sunday School 9:45 am

Sunday Café 9:45 am

**Monday, April 14, 2014**

God's Good Gifts Bible Study 7:00pm

**Tuesday, April 15, 2014**

Choir Practice 7:00 pm

**Wednesday, April 16, 2014**

Bible Study 10:00 am

**MAUNDY Thursday, April 17, 2014**

WORSHIP 7:00 pm

**GOOD Friday, April 18, 2014**

Women's Bible Study 10:00 am

STATIONS 12:00 pm

TENNEBRE 7:00 pm

**Saturday, April 19, 2014**

WORSHIP 6:00 pm

EASTER VIGIL 7:00 pm

**EASTER Sunday, April 20, 2014**

SUNRISE Service 6:30 pm

Breakfast 7:15 pm

CELEBRATION Service 8:30 am

Breakfast 9:45 am