St. Andrew Lutheran Church

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Worship Service 9:30 am We're glad you joined us this morning.

YOU ARE WELCOME HERE!

At St. Andrew Lutheran Church, we strive to be a loving and welcoming community of faith. We are centered in the Good News of Jesus Christ, who calls us to reconciliation and wholeness in a world of alienation and brokenness.

All are welcome, without exception, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental ability, education, income, or family status.

All are welcome here to worship God, receive the sacraments, and share in fellowship, leadership, and service. We commit to treasuring one another's similarities and differences as one body in Christ

We are called to provide a safe space in the community as we break down the barriers of isolation. We will continue to discover what it means to be "Reconciling in Christ."

"Welcome one another therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." Romans 15:7

<u>Masks</u> are not required in our building, however, if you wish to wear one, you are more than welcome to do so. If you do not have a mask, complimentary ones are available in the narthex.

Restrooms are on either side of the elevator, which is left of the coffee bar. A gender-neutral, ADA-compliant restroom is adjacent to the kitchen entrance opposite the elevator.

<u>Green-topped Welcome Cards</u> are found in the pew rack in front of you if you wish to fill one out. Place it on the offering plate or hand it to an usher after the service.

<u>Children are welcome in worship!</u> God put the wiggle in children, so don't feel you have to shush or suppress those wiggles in God's house. All are welcome here! Consider sitting toward the front where it is easier for them to see and hear what is happening. If you have to leave the service with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. There are worship activity bags available for children in the back of the sanctuary.

Everything for Worship is contained within this service folder. Congregational responses are printed in **bold**. Instructions for the assembly are in Italic print. *Information for the assembly is found in the boxed text*.

<u>Holy Communion</u> is included in this service. All who desire to receive communion may do so. We believe our Lord Jesus is truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine. All of the bread used in communion is both gluten-free and lactose-free. Alcohol-free grape juice is also offered in the second (celadon) chalice.

GATHERING

THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

This Sunday's image of the life the risen Christ shares with us is the image of friendship. We are called to serve others as Jesus came to serve; but for John's gospel, the image of servanthood is too hierarchical, too distant, to capture the essence of life with Christ. Friendship captures the love, the joy, the deep mutuality of the relationship into which Christ invites us. The Greeks believed that true friends are willing to die for each other. This is the mutual love of Christian community commanded by Christ and enabled by the Spirit.

The prelude prepares our hearts and minds for worship. Please remain quietly seated for the duration.

PRELUDE

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia J. Wayne Kerr
The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done J. Wayne Kerr
Bells of Grace

The hymns for today's worship are found in hymnals in the pew racks.

Those hymns prefaced with ELW will be found in

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (the cranberry-colored hymnal).

Those hymns prefaced with ACS are found in All Creation sings (the indigo-colored hymnal).

Access to the worship folder and hymn list on your smartphone or tablet is available at the following link: https://standrewlutheran.com/worship/worship-bulletins/

WELCOME

The congregation may stand.

GATHERING HYMN

I Come With Joy

ELW 482

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

The congregation is seated.

Word

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE READING, PREACHING, AND SONG.

READING

Acts 10:44-48

L: A reading from Acts:

⁴⁴While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. ⁴⁵The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, ⁴⁶for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷"Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" ⁴⁸So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

- L: Word of God, word of life.
- C: Thanks be to God.

READING 1 John 5:1-6

L: A reading from 1st John:

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. ²By this we know that we

love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, ⁴for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. ⁵Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

⁶This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

- L: Word of God, word of life.
- C: Thanks be to God.

The congregation may stand.



GOSPEL John 15:9-17

- L: The holy gospel according to John:
- C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ⁹"As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

¹²"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

The congregation is seated.

CHILDRENS SERMON

Pastor Laurie Newman

SERMON

Sister India Jensen Kerr

Silence is kept for reflection following the sermon.

The congregation may stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

ELW 708

BAPTISM

Kimberly Rae Taylor and Dana Michelle Blakemore

The congregation is seated.

PRESENTATION

P: God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word, God deliver us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of

the Holy Spirit and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Sponsors (Sue Cahlander and Jan Smith): We present *Kimberly Rae Taylor and Dana Michelle Blakemore* for baptism.

P: *Kimberly and Dana* as you come to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with these responsibilities:

to live among God's faithful people,

to hear the Word of God and participate in the holy supper,

to study the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,

to read the Holy Scriptures, and

to nurture your faith and prayer, to learn to trust God,

to proclaim Christ through word and deed,

to care for others and the world God made, and to work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to continue to grow in the Christian faith and life? Baptismal Candidates: We do.

P: Sponsors, do you promise to nurture *Kimberly and Dana* in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help them live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church? Sponsors: We do.

- P: People of God, do you promise to support *Kimberly and Dana* and pray for them in their new life in Christ?
- C: We do.

The congregation may stand.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

C: I renounce them.

P: Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

- C: I renounce them.
- P: Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?
- C: I renounce them.
- P: Do you believe in God the Father?
- C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
- P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
- C: 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 again to judge the living and the dead.
- P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
- C: 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 congregation is seated.

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

- P: May God be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood, you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river, your Son Jesus was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BAPTISM

- P: *Kimberly Rae Taylor*, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: *Dana Michelle Blakemore*, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

PRAYER OF BLESSING

- P: Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain *Kim and Dana* with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.
- C: Amen.

ANOINTING

- P: *Kimberly*, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.
- C: Amen.
- P: *Dana*, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.
- C: Amen.

PRESENTATION OF BAPTISMAL CANDLE

A: Jesus said, I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will have the light of life.

WELCOME

P: Let us welcome Kimberly and Dana.

C: We welcome you into our community of Christ and into the mission we share join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming Word to all the world.

The congregation may stand.

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

HYMN All Are Welcome

ELW 641 Stanzas 1 & 5

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

A: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

Last names are omitted from the Prayers of the People due to privacy and broadcast issues. For more information, check the Weekly News.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

- P: The peace of God be with you always.
- C: And also with you.

We share a sign of God's peace with one another. Putting your hands together in a "praying" position will signal to those around you that you do not wish to physically touch others.

The congregation is seated.

OUR MINISTRY AND MISSION

At the Offering, we return thanks for God's blessing in our lives.

Visit http://standrewlutheran.com/give/ for ways you can give to St. Andrew

Lutheran Church.

May 5, 2024

SIXTH SUNDAY IN EASTER

Meal

GOD FEEDS US WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST

OFFERING

If You Love Me, Keep My Commandments
Kristie Gladhill, vocalist

Thomas Tallis

If you love me, keep my commandments and I will pray the Father,
And he will give you another comforter,
That he may bide with you forever, e'en with the spirit of truth.

The congregation may stand.

OFFERING PRAYER

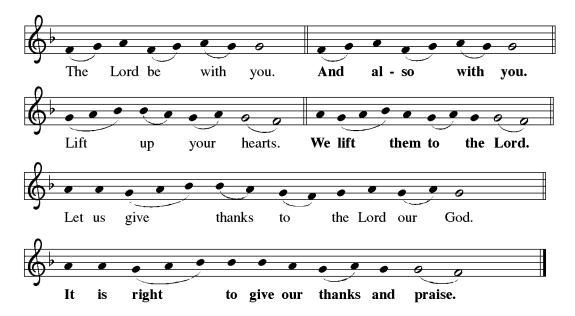
A: Let us pray. Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

C: Amen.

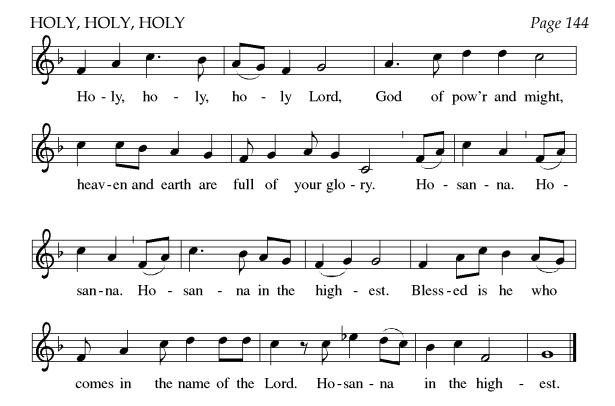
GREAT THANKSGIVING

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The presider sings the plain text, and the congregation responds singing the bold text.



P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: Holy God, mighty and merciful, your people praise you, saying: Your mercy endures forever.

- C: Your mercy endures forever.
- P: By your promise you joined us to Jesus, your Beloved, grafting us into your living Vine, and calling us to bear the fruit of your self-giving love. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember his life laid down and lifted up as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

- C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P: Send your Holy Spirit upon us and these gifts of bread and wine. Bless us to be a blessing. Make us a sign of your faithfulness. Send us to tend and cherish the earth and to serve the world with mercy and love. We praise you, O God, through Christ Jesus, in your Spirit, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

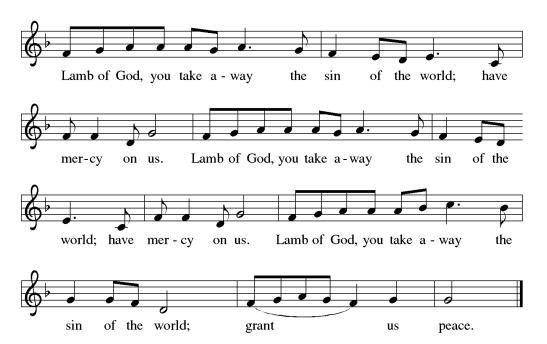
- P: Empowered by your promises, and embraced by the Holy Spirit, we pray to you as Jesus taught us to pray:
- C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

We receive the elements by intinction. A piece of bread (gluten and lactose free) is placed in your hand, and you may dip it in a common cup of wine (red chalice) or grape juice (celadon chalice). If you are uncomfortable dipping in the common cup, the Church has long believed that communion 'in one kind' – just the bread – counts fully as partaking in the Lord's Supper. If you do not wish to receive the elements, you may cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing from the pastor, or simply stay in your seat.

P: The Risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's Table.

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Beautiful Savior

ELW 838

The congregation may stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray. Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.

C: Amen.

SENDING

GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US IN MISSION TO THE WORLD.

BLESSING

- P: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
- C: Christ is Risen indeed! Alleluia!
- P: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter Hope + bless you now and always.
- C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

ELW 836

DISMISSAL

- A: Go in peace. Journey gently on this planet's green pasture.
- C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee Susan Werner Reiser, organ Timothy Albrecht

Today's Worship Leaders

Presider: Pr. Laurie Newman Preacher: Sr. India Jensen Kerr

Acolyte:

Altar Flowers:

Altar Guild: Patty Jones

Assisting Minister: India Jensen Kerr Bells of Grace: Janet Vorvick, Christina Mantey, Tammy Piscitelli, Libby Calhoun,

Pat Christiansen, Liz Hardy, Lynn

Santelmann, John Reiser, Robert Casteel,

Joe Calhoun

Cantor: Kristie Gladhill

Communion Assistants: Tom Mehlhorn

Greeters: Pat Hilliker Lector: Kristie Gladhill

Musician: Susan Werner Reiser Nursery Assistant: Sonia Ackman

Tech Team:

Ushers: Bill & Sandi Beavers

Worship Coordinator: Sr. India Jensen Kerr

Zoom Host:

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