

ST. ANDREW'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Palm/Passion Sunday
Sunday, April 13, 2025



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Sunday, April 13, 2025
Palm/Passion Sunday
9:30am Holy Communion Service

The Zoom link can now be found at the end of the bulletin.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Worship Leader: Pastor Thomas Neel
Organist: Mark Jonkman
Worship Assistant: David Abel
Lector: Sue Heater
Audio-Video Production: John Costanzo
Usher: Ed Schaeffer, Ron Roth, Linda Trigiani
Church Time Nursery: Deb Henry

PRELUDE

ACCLAMATION (*From the back of the worship space*)

P Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
C Hosanna in the highest.

GATHERING HYMN *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* Hymnal #344

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: Luke 19: 28-40

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the nineteenth chapter.

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

P ²⁸After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

²⁹When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" ³²So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸saying,

"Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!"

³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

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.**

Please be seated.

ANTHEM

Just Beyond the Palms

Chancel Choir

THE READING OF THE PASSION ACCORDING TO LUKE (LUKE 22:1-23:56)

PASSION READERS:

Narrator: David Abel

Jesus: Ed Piorkowski

Peter: Sue Heater

Pilate: Chuck Bleice

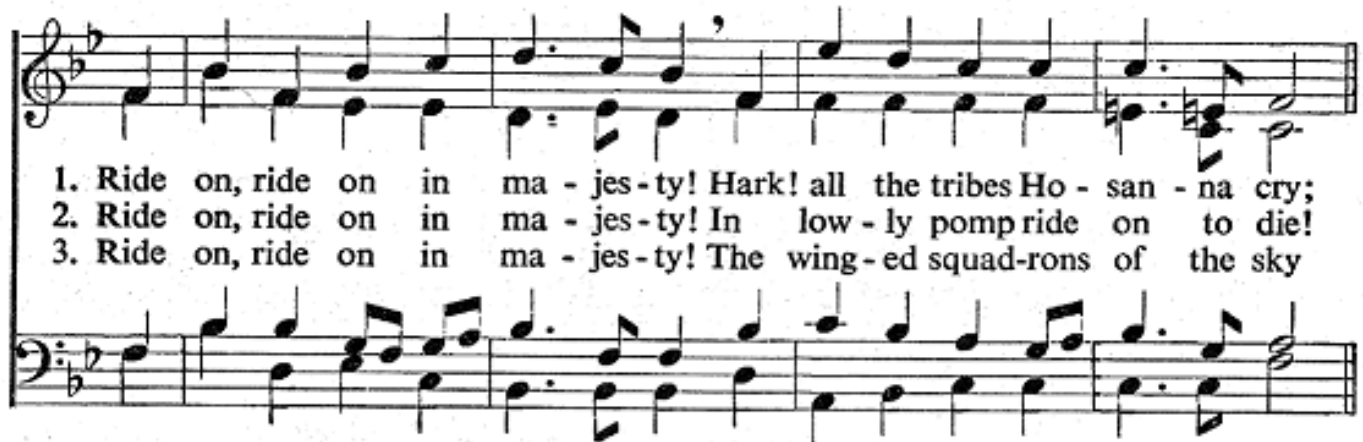
Second Criminal: Lois Ritchie

Servant/Witness/Centurion/First Criminal: Diane Laustsen

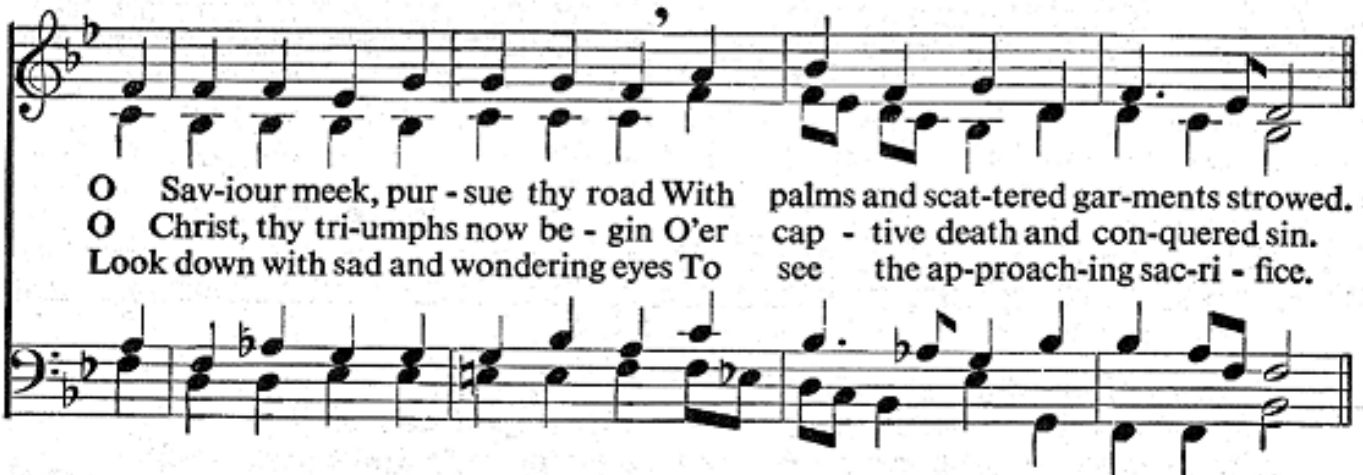
Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Ride on, Ride on in Majesty



1. Ride on, ride on in ma - jes - ty! Hark! all the tribes Ho - san - na cry;
2. Ride on, ride on in ma - jes - ty! In low - ly pomp ride on to die!
3. Ride on, ride on in ma - jes - ty! The wing - ed squad - rons of the sky



O Sav-iour meek, pur - sue thy road With palms and scat-tered gar-ments strowed.
O Christ, thy tri-umphs now be - gin O'er cap - tive death and con-quer'd sin.
Look down with sad and wondering eyes To see the ap-proach-ing sac-ri - fice.

4 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh:
The Father on his sapphire throne
Expects his own anointed Son.

5 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die!
Bow thy meek head to mortal pain,
Then take, O God, thy power and reign.

Henry Hart Milman, 1791-1868 a.

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the

Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the world, and all those in need.
A brief silence.

A Guide your church this Holy Week as we follow in the servant way of Jesus. Protect those who face hostility or oppression for their faith. Humble those who would use faith to dominate others and reinforce their own power. God, in your mercy,

C receive our prayer.

A Make your creation a living witness to Christ's passion and resurrection: in waving palms, shouting stones, fragrant vineyards, murmuring wheat, and revealing fire. Make us attentive to your holy presence in the world, that we may care for the earth you love. God, in your mercy,

C receive our prayer.

A Let your face shine upon the leaders of nations and let the same mind be in them as was in Christ Jesus, so that those with the most power may humble themselves to serve the most vulnerable. God, in your mercy,

C receive our prayer.

A Sustain the weary with a word. Grant perseverance to political prisoners and to any who are exploited, unjustly accused, or wrongly convicted. Abide with all who are in jails, detention centers, or prisons. Console all who experience times of trial or suffering (*especially*). God, in your mercy,

C receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P We give thanks to you for our beloved dead, trusting that as the cross of Jesus led to the empty tomb, so you welcome those who have died into the paradise of your presence. God, in your mercy,

C receive our prayer.

P Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life.

C Amen.

PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC

The Passion

composed by Mark Jonkman

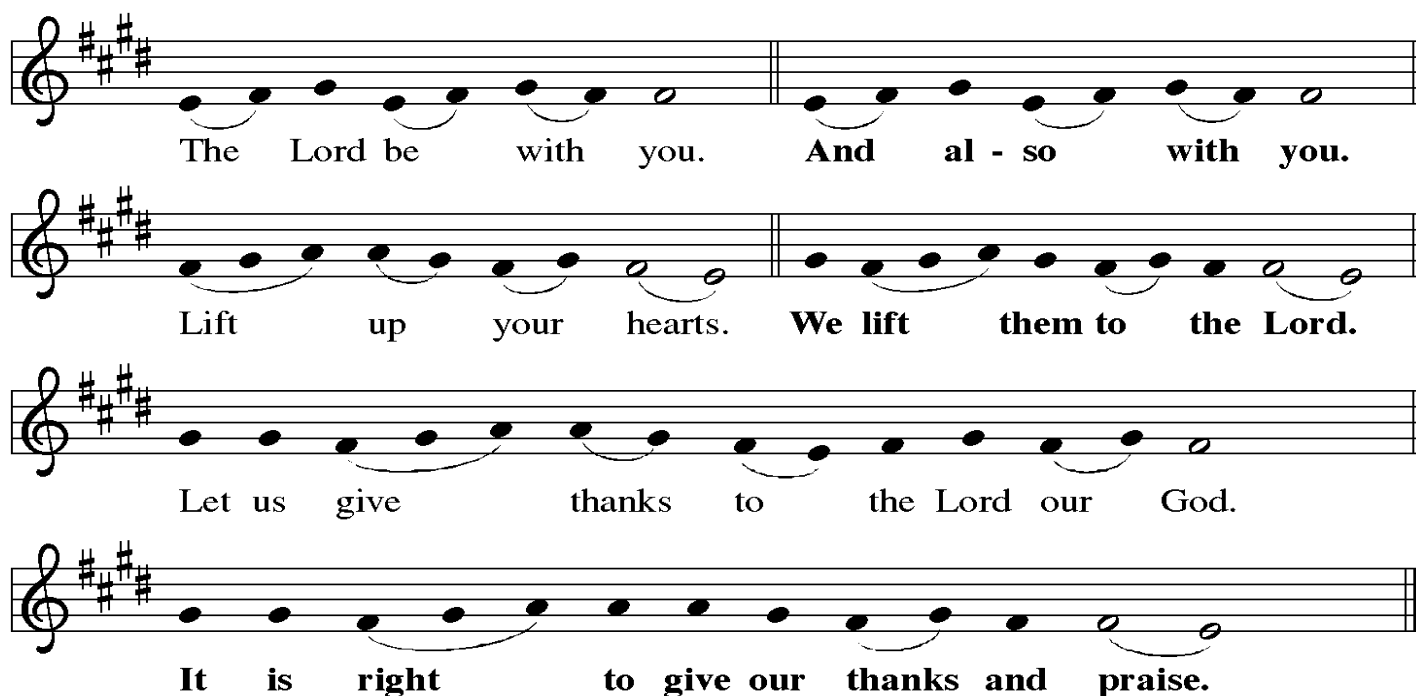
Please stand as you are able.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray. Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name.

C Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



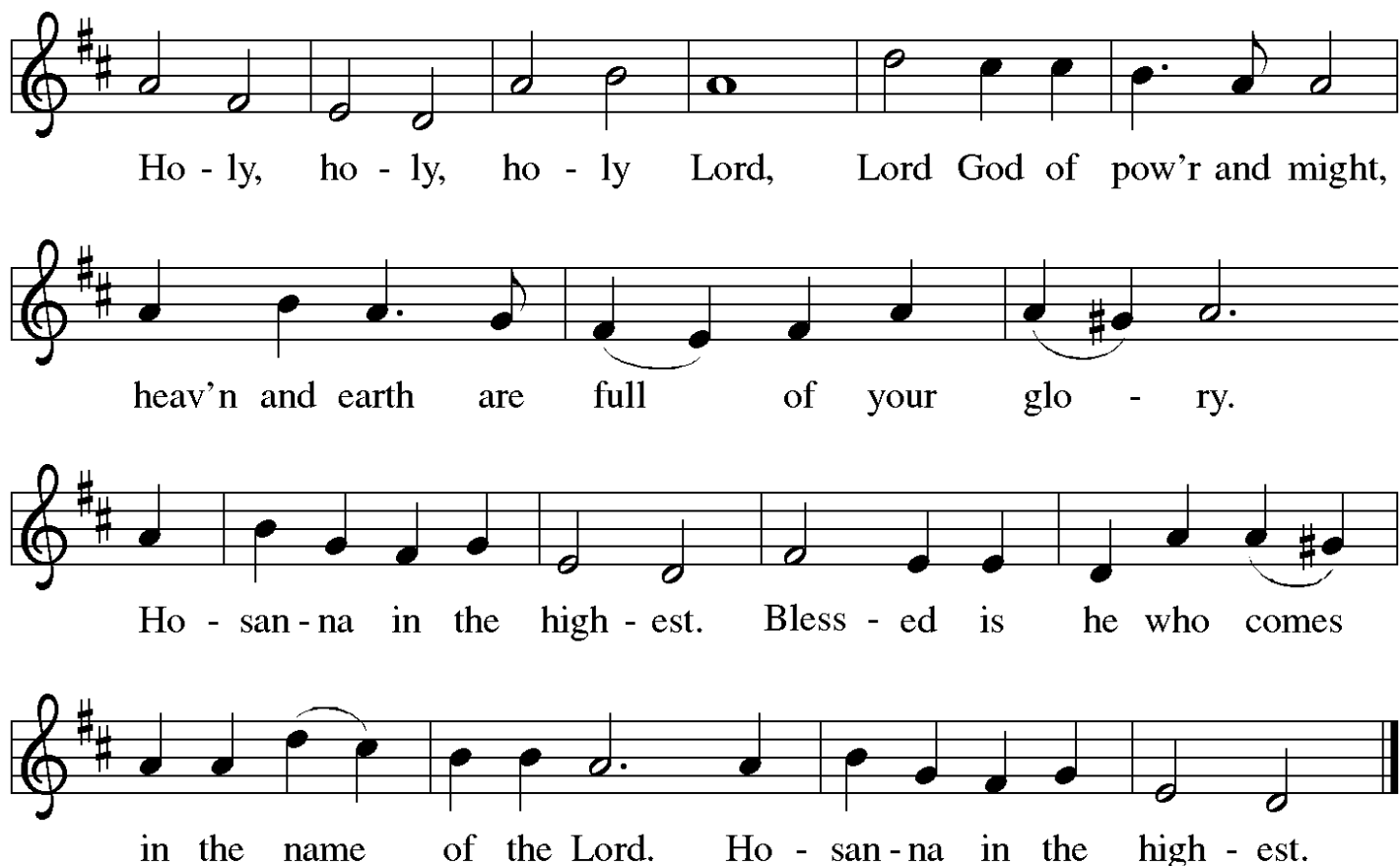
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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, through our Savior Jesus Christ, whose suffering and death gave salvation to all. You gather your people around the tree of the cross, transforming death into life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P O God most mighty, O God most merciful, O God our rock and our salvation, hear us as we praise, call us to your table, grant us your life.

When the earth was a formless void, you formed order and beauty. When Abraham and Sarah were barren, you sent them a child; When the Israelites were enslaved, you led them to freedom. Ruth faced starvation, David fought Goliath, and the psalmists cried out for healing, and full of compassion, you granted the people your life.

You entered our sorrows in Jesus our brother. He was born among the poor, he lived under oppression, he wept over the city. With infinite love, he granted the people your life.

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.

Remembering his death, we cry out Amen. **[Amen.]**

Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen. **[Amen.]**

Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen. **[Amen.]**

O God, you are Breath: send your Spirit on this meal.

O God, you are Bread: feed us with yourself.

O God, you are Wine: warm our hearts and make us one.

O God, you are Fire: transform us with hope.

O God most majestic, O God most motherly, O God our strength and our song, you show us a vision of a tree of life with fruits for all and leaves that heal the nations. Grant us such life, the life of the Father to the Son, the life of the Spirit of our risen Savior, life in you, now and forever. **C Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Bread for the journey. A feast for hungry hearts. Come!

Please be seated.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Hymn during distribution:

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

Hymnal #751

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

Holy Communion will be celebrated at the base of the steps this day or at your seats. All are welcome to receive the bread and the wine. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are also available.

Please stand as you are able. When all have received Communion:

P May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray. Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life.

C Amen.

BLESSING

P Beloved, we are God's own people, holy, washed, renewed. God bless you and keep you, shower you with mercy, fill you with courage, and ☩ give you peace.

C Amen.

SENDING SONG

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

(ELW 351)

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Share your bread.

C Thanks be to God.

Zoom link for Live Broadcast

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82677651018?pwd=d1NSZ2V4NTVtMnFJaGp0Mm5GdTZrQT09>

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ELW 344, **All Glory, Laud, and Honor** - In the Public Domain Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 760–821; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Music: Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635 Tune Valet will ich dir geben, St. Theodulph.

SBH 73, **Ride On, Ride On in Majesty** in the Public Domain / Text: Henry H. Milman, 1791-1868, alt. Music: John Bacchus Dykes, 1823-1876 Tune: St. Drostane

ELW 351, **O Sacred Head, Now Wounded** - In the Public Domain Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–1676, based on Arnulf of Louvain, d. 1250; tr. Composite Music: German melody, c. 1500; adapt. Hans Leo Hassler, 1564–1612; arr. Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750 Tune Herzlich tut mich verlangen (isometric), Passion Chorale (isometric)

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This Week in the Life of St. Andrew's:

Monday, April 14	7:00pm Congregation Council, Zoom 7:00pm Parent Partnership Support Group
Tuesday, April 15	10:30am Nursery School Family Easter Gathering 7:00pm Easton Musical Arts
Wednesday, April 16	10:00am St. Andrew's Crafters, Social Room
Thursday, April 17	Maundy Thursday 7:00pm Maundy Thursday Worship Service
Friday, April 18	Good Friday 7:00pm Good Friday Worship Service
Sunday, April 20	Easter Sunday 9:30am *Holy Communion Worship Service *This service is live broadcast and recorded.

April Altar Guild:	Sue Heater
April Offering Counters:	Donna George & Janet Rhymer

Celebrating Birthdays This Week:

Karen Hardy-Kutz, Denise Klabunde, Samantha Drout, Gayle Ryan, Elizabeth Saville, Meredith Saville, and Charles Sensinger.

The Altar Flowers This Morning are Given To the Glory of God by Linda

Trigiani in Loving Memory of Our Granddaughter Avery Grace Lepkowski on her second heavenly birthday.

Please Keep These Friends and Family Members in Your Prayers:

Immediate Prayers*: Ashley and Olaf Kjellberg, Carl Elser, Evelyne Tosini, Gerry Heebner, Guy Ehler, Jean Pleiss, Kamilah, Marge Weidner, Mary DiEmedio, Mike U, Penny, Niklas Enblom, Robert Griffiths, Rose Marie Kjellberg, Shirley, and Sylvia Gallop. **as of April 7th*

Members Homebound/Nursing Home: Margaret Bennett, Shirley Curto, Lisa Detweiler, Carl Fisher, Theresa Lawhead, Irene Neel, Doris Neumeyer, and Doris Wanamaker.

Long Term Prayers: Barbara Lindner, Carol Ehler, Charlie, Crystal DiLonardo, David Jackson, David Laustsen, Debbie and Michael DiLonardo, Doug VonNessen, Elaine Bobeck, Ethel Shive, Frances Rankin, Ingvar Kjellberg, Jennifer, Jessica Arnoldi, John Clay, Karyn Israel, Keith, Laura Lee Laustsen, Lori Gilbert, Maj-Britt Enblom, Melissa Steckel, Nancy, Pam Garity, Paul, Paul Laustsen, Rodney Burda, and Wes Webber.

Service Members: MSgt Courtney Baskwell, Lt. Matthew Baskwell, Airman Levi Birchfield, Staff Sgt. Kyle Callantine, PV Anthony Duginski, Captain Vince Franchino, Lt. Elizabeth Gordon, Major Derek Hartman, Major Kristina Himmelreich, Ensign Jan-Oskar Kjellberg, Lt. Col. (Retired) Sten Kjellberg, Sgt. Rhiannon Perry, Corporal Mark Pollard, and Seaman Recruit Joseph Suhr.

Spiritual Gifts Breakfast

To Thank the Members of St. Andrew's
For Their Support This Year

Sunday, May 4, Following Worship
Meet in the Social Room for a Time of Fellowship
No Charge