

Sunday, April 19, 2026
The Third Sunday of Easter



ST. ANDREW'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday, April 19, 2026

9:30am Worship Service

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

P Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

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. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

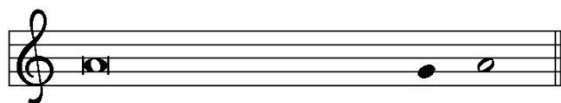
Red Hymnal #392

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.**

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



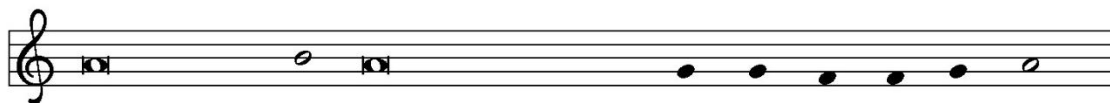
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



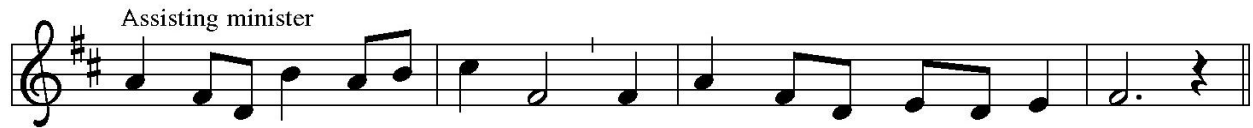
let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Assisting minister



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

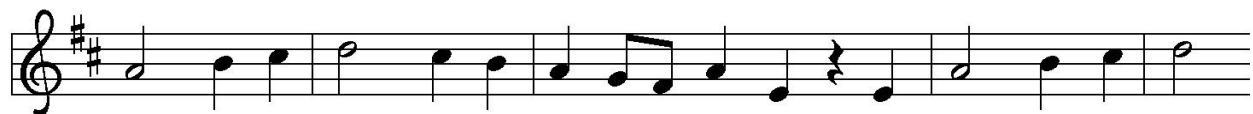
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Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Let us pray. O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Please be seated.

FIRST READING

L A reading from Acts, Chapter Two.

^{14a} Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd]: ³⁶ “Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

³⁷ Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” ³⁸ Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” ⁴⁰ And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” ⁴¹ So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 116:1-4, 12-19 (*spoken*)

L ¹ I love the Lord, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication,

C ² **for the Lord has given ear to me whenever I called.**

L ³ The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me;
I came to grief and sorrow.

C ⁴ **Then I called upon the name of the Lord: “O Lord, I pray you, save my life.”**

L ¹² How shall I repay the Lord for all the good things God has done for me?

C ¹³ **I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.**

L ¹⁴ I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all God’s people.

C ¹⁵ **Precious in your sight, O Lord, is the death of your servants.**

L ¹⁶ O Lord, truly I am your servant;

I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

C ¹⁷ **I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the Lord.**

L ¹⁸ I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all God’s people,

C ¹⁹ **in the courts of the Lord’s house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!**

SECOND READING

L A reading from 1 Peter, the First Chapter.

¹⁷ If you invoke as Father the one who judges impartially according to each person's work, live in fear during the time of your exile. ¹⁸ You know that you were ransomed from the futile conduct inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. ²⁰ He was destined before the foundation of the world but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. ²¹ Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your trust and hope are in God.

²² Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual affection, love one another deeply from the heart. ²³ You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Luke 24:13-35

P The holy gospel according to St. Luke, the Twenty Fourth Chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

P ¹³ Now on that same day two [disciples] were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵ While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶ but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷ And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸ Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" ¹⁹ He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to

redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²² Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.” ²⁵ Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” ²⁷ Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

²⁸ As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. ³² They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” ³³ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴ They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” ³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Please stand as you are able.

Son of God, Eternal Savior

Red Hymnal #655

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.

OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC

A Gracious One, you have made us your own through the gift of baptism. Unite us in genuine love for one another and uphold this community in your name. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A Eternal Light, we give thanks for (*Olavus Petri, Laurentius Petri and*) all who have nurtured your church's life in ages past. Bring us at last with them to the brightness of your glorious presence. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

P God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

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.

PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

Please be seated.

BLESSING

P Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

Christ the Lord is Risen Today; Alleluia!

Red Hymnal #369

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

*Today's Altar Flowers were given to the Glory of God by the
Fisher/Baskwell Families in loving memory of Nana Fisher on her birthday.*



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TODAY IN WORSHIP

Organist: Mark Jonkman

Audio/Video: John Costanzo

Lector: Fay Slater

Ushers: Jane Fraser and Kathy Brandt

Greeter: Steve Dutko

Church Time Nursery: Deb Henry and Hannah Spadoni

Altar Guild: Linda Trigiani

Offering Counters: Nina Kramer and April Shaheen

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

Monday, April 20: 7:00pm Parent Partnership Support Group

Tuesday, April 21: 7:00pm Easton Musical Arts

Thursday, April 23: 4-8:00pm Nursery School Fundraiser at Red Robin
7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, April 24: 7:30pm Crossroad AA

Saturday, April 25: 9:00am Spring Property Clean-Up

Sunday, April 26: 9:30am Worship Service

MEMBERS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Logan Brinker, Victor Machado, Mary Saville, Meredith Saville, April Shaheen, and Charles Sensinger.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Immediate Prayers: Donna Doran, Kevin Gallagher, Lori Guillen, Kirk Hardling, Rich Heater, Doug LaFauci, Carol Laustsen, Pete Merluzzi, Jim Pennoyer, Kevin Prendergast, and Danielle Smith.

Members Homebound/Nursing Home: Margaret Bennett, Shirley Curto, Lisa Detweiler, Carol Ehler, Carl Fisher, Joan Holland, Theresa Lawhead, Irene Neel, Doris Neumeyer, Jean Pleiss, Doris Wanamaker, and Marge Weidner.

Long Term Prayers: Jessica Arnoldi, Elaine Bobeck, Rodney Burda, Charlie, Dianna Dillian, Crystal DiLonardo, Michael DiLonardo, Debbie DiLonardo, Carol Ehler, Maj-Britt Enblom, Lori Gilbert, Ryan Gorrie, Karen Israel, David Jackson, Sandy Joyce, Jennifer, Kamilah, Keith, Ingvar Kjellberg, Laura Lee Laustsen, Barbara Lindner, Nancy, Paul, Penny, Dan Philipps, Rachel, Lisa and Jim Reinish, Shirley, Ethel Shive, Andi Steckel, Melissa Steckel, and Doug VonNessen.

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.

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Son of God, Eternal Father: ELW 655 Son of God - In the Public Domain Text: Somerset C. Lowry, 1855-1932 Music: Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansen, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855-1932 Tune: In Babilone

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