



3rd Sunday in Lent
March 4, 2018 | 8:30 + 11:00 am

We Gather in the Presence of the Risen Savior

Prelude | The Wonderful Cross *setting by Larry Shackley*

Welcome + Announcements

Call to Worship | *written by Jeff Shrowder, based on Psalm 19*

Come into this sacred space to worship God

whose teaching is perfect; whose directions are sure.

Come into this holy place to worship God

whose standards are right; whose commandment is clear; whose judgements are true.

Come with holy fear — to be given life, and made wise, to have your heart stirred and your eyes opened wide.

Come — let us worship God.

**Let the words of our mouths and the whispering of our hearts be according to your will, O God.
Amen.**

***Gathering Hymn** | When I Survey the Wondrous Cross & The Wonderful Cross *red hymnal, #175/176*

Please sing *The Wonderful Cross* after stanzas 2 & 4 of *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

We Seek Renewal in God's Presence

***Call to Confession** | adapted from Isaiah 55:6-7, NRSV

Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let all return to the Lord, that God may have mercy. Trusting ourselves to the grace of God, let us confess our sins, first silently and then together.

Silence for personal confession

Hymns + Songs | *Lift Up Your Hearts* (red hymnal)

Bold Print | Speak or sing together in unison

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

***Prayer of Confession**

God of mercy, whose Son, Jesus Christ, longs to gather us in the wide embrace of his love, we confess that we have been wayward children. We have disobeyed your commands; our ears have been deaf to your call; our hearts have been cold to your love. In thought, in word, and in deed we have hurt others and dishonored your name. In your great mercy receive us yet again as your well-beloved children, not because we are worthy, but for the sake of him who loved us and gave himself for us. Amen.

***Words of Assurance**

Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.
In Christ, we are forgiven!

***The Peace | time of greeting**

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

Parents who would like to have their children (3 year old - Kindergarten) participate in Children's Time are welcome to accompany their children downstairs during the passing of the peace. Children will be brought back to the Sanctuary during the Sending Hymn.

The Word of the Lord

Old Testament Lesson | Exodus 20:1-17 *Bible*, pg. 58

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Lesson | John 2:13-25 *Bible*, pg. 863

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Message | Clean-up! Rev. Dr. Kip Murphy

Responding to the Word

(11:00) **Commissioning of Guatemala Team**

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Prayer requests may be written on a prayer card and placed in the offering plate.

Offertory

(8:30) Give Me Jesus *setting by Mark Patterson*

(11:00) Above All *setting by Mark Brymer*

***Offertory Response** | Doxology *red hymnal*, #965

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him, above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving + Words of Institution

The Lord be with you.

And also 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.

Music During Distribution

Congregational Hymn | Oh, to See the Dawn *red hymnal, #177*

Prayers of the People + The Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sending

***Sending Hymn** | My Friends, May You Grow in Grace *red hymnal, #938*

*Charge + Blessing

***Postlude** | Oh, to See the Dawn *setting by Jan Sanborn*

You are invited to remain for the postlude. Soli Deo Gloria! Glory to God Alone!

If you desire a personal time of prayer, we're here to pray with you and for you. Please join a prayer partner at the Prayer Room at the back of the Sanctuary immediately following the worship service.

Today's Worship Participants

Rev. Dr. Daniel deBeer + Rev. Kyle Otterbein, *pastors*

Rev. Dr. Kip Murphy, *guest preacher*

Matthew Penning, *director of music*

Logos Choir, Tamera Penning (piano); Laura Kastens (clarinet)

Kristen DeGrazia, *assistant director of music*

Agape Singers, Christian Drollinger (piano)

(8:30) Myrna Farraj, *worship leader*

Announcements

Welcome! We are happy to have you here with us today. If you would like more information about St. Andrew, please indicate your interest on the Connection Card. Join us for a time of fellowship and refreshments after the service. This is a wonderful way to meet the St. Andrew family.

All ages are welcomed in our worship services. Worship materials for children and adults, including large print hymnals, bibles, and bulletins are available on the shelves outside the north sanctuary doors. A T-Coil hearing assist loop is also available for those with this feature on their hearing aids.

If needed, **infant and toddler care** (up to age 2) is provided downstairs in the Nursery. Children's Time, for ages 3 years through Kindergarten, is also downstairs.

Connection Cards are one way we can extend welcome and hospitality to our guests while also helping us consider steps we can take in the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ. We ask each person to fill out the card and place it in the offering plate. Members, once your contact information is correct, you only need to write your name. As my next step today, I will . . .

- ◇ Share with my household/friend some ideas/convictions that the world considers wise but I think may be foolishness in God's realm. How do these impact my life?
- ◇ Share with my household/friend what I find most difficult in following Jesus Christ. We will pray together for perseverance in following Christ.
- ◇ Become a "walk-in" blood donor for today's Deacon Blood Drive.
- ◇ Brainstorm with my household/friend names of neighbors I could invite to one of our Lenten potluck dinners and devotions.

Prayer Requests may be written on a blue Prayer Request Card and placed in the offering plate.

Pie for a Pint: Our annual blood drive for the DeGowin Blood Center is being held in the Multi-Purpose Room from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. You can still sign up as a "walk-in" donor today. Thank you to the deacons who helped to organize it, to people who gave or will give blood, and to those who made pies.

The **flowers** this morning are given by Mary Beth and Alan Ross (grandparents) in joy and thanksgiving to God for his gift of new life. Oliver Ross Shapiro was born on New Year's Eve to Evelyn and Ian Ross Shapiro.

Lenten Suppers: Our Lenten Suppers, held at 5:30 pm each Thursday, will continue **through March 22**. After each meal we will move onto music and devotions from 6:15-6:45 pm. Please bring a generous dish to share.

Lunch with Leaders: We will hold our Lunch with Leaders gathering following the 11:00 worship service next Sunday, March 11, in the Atrium. Anyone interested in learning more about the life and ministry of St. Andrew or who is considering membership is invited to come! Lunch will be provided.

Session Listening Post: There will be another Session Listening post next Sunday, March 11, between worship services in Room 128 (the large conference room at the back of the Sanctuary).

Opportunities to Meet with Pastor Danie: Pastor Danie welcomes the opportunity to get to know you and to visit with anyone who would like to visit. Please contact him via his email address, ddebeer@saintandrew-ic.org, or call the church office to set up a time to chat.

