



Sixth Sunday in Easter

May 21, 2017 | 8:30 + 11:00 am

We Gather in the Presence of the Risen Lord

Prelude | (8:30) There Is a Redeemer *setting by Jan Sanborn*
(11:00) I Will Arise and Go to Jesus *setting by Sondra K. Tucker*

Welcome + Announcements

***Call to Worship** — Based on Psalm 106, *The Message*

Hallelujah! Thank God! And why?

Because God is good and God's love lasts forever.

Who on earth can do it — who is up to the task of broadcasting all God's praises?

We want to do it! We can't wait to tell what God has done.

When you do what is right, you are heaped with the peace of shalom.

Practicing justice is the appropriate response to God's goodness and mercy.

Remember us, O God, when you enjoy your people.

Include us in your salvation story.

We are rooting for your chosen ones to succeed.

We celebrate your goodness to all the peoples of the earth!

Shout hallelujah! Give thanks and praise to God.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! God is good!

***Gathering Hymn** | Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God *red hymnal, #746*

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

Bold Print | Speak or sing together in unison

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

We Seek Renewal in God's Presence

***Call to Confession**

Our Lord calls us to reach out to others and live our lives courageously so that all the world may know who we are by our love. For the times when we have been less than faithful disciples, we offer now our prayer.

Silence for personal confession

***Prayer of Confession**

There are so many things we have done that we should have left undone. There are so many things we've said that should have been left unsaid. We are so quick to act impulsively, or speak without pausing. For all of this we repent. Slow us down, O God. Help us to be slow to speak and slow to anger. Give us patience and gentle spirits. And when we fail, give us humility to admit our wrongs and turn from them. Make us more like your son, Jesus, each day. Amen.

***Words of Assurance**

Our God is a God of love and mercy, who allows us always to begin again. By God's grace, we are forgiven to walk in newness of life. Thanks be to God. **Amen.**

***The Peace | time of greeting**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The Word of the Lord

New Testament Lesson | Acts 17:22-31 *Bible, pg. 902*

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

Time for Young Disciples | Karna Wieck

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 Congregational Hymn. Children will be brought back to the sanctuary during the Sending Hymn.

Congregational Hymn | There Is a Redeemer *red hymnal, #833*

Gospel Lesson | John 14:15-21 *Bible, pg. 877*

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

Message | The Life Jesus Has for Us Rev. Dr. Matt Paul

Responding to the Word

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

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

Offertory | (8:30) When I Survey the Wondrous Cross *setting by* John Carter
(11:00) When I Survey the Wondrous Cross *setting by* Karen Thompson

***Offertory Response** | Doxology with Alleluias Text: Thomas Ken, adapt. Gilbert H. Vieira
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***Prayer of Dedication**

(8:30) **Sacrament of Baptism** | The Apostles' Creed *red hymnal, #783b*
Nancy Ann Barth

(11:00) **Welcome of New Members** | Cher Wirth, Steven Sperry, and Kari Wanat

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** | Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee *red hymnal, #581*

*Charge + Blessing

Postlude | (11:00) Fanfare Celebration *setting by* Michael Mazzatenta
You are invited to be seated 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 by the baptismal font at the front of the Sanctuary immediately following the worship service.

Today's Worship Participants

Rev. Dr. Matt Paul + Rev. Kyle Otterbein, *Pastors*

Matthew Penning, *Director of Music*

Rejoice Ringers

Ruth Dane, *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 between services; this is a wonderful way to meet the St. Andrew family.

Families with children and infants are welcomed in our worship services. Worship materials for children are available on the bookshelves outside the sanctuary.

Infant and toddler care (up to age 2) is provided downstairs in the Nursery. Children's Time, for ages 3 years through Kindergarten, also is 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. You may also drop your card off at the Welcome Center. As my next step today, I will . . .

- ◇ Pray for students in our community who are graduating from their respective institutions, asking God to come alongside them as they ponder the future.
- ◇ Engage in a table discussion with my household, or with friends, about how we sense the Holy Spirit's presence in our lives.
- ◇ Seek the Spirit's help in discovering a new or deeper aspect of the life Jesus has for me.
- ◇ Meditate on how Jesus demonstrates true love through his life, ministry, death, and resurrection.

Prayer Requests may be written on a blue Prayer Request Card and placed in the offering plate or in the Prayer Request Box by the office door. You may indicate that you would like your prayer shared with the congregation during worship, or only shared with the Pastors and Prayer Ministry. Need more? A Stephen Minister is a trained member that provides high-quality, confidential, Christ-centered care and support during times of need, grief, and crisis. If you know someone who might need a friend during a life transition, please contact one of the pastors or the Stephen Ministry referrals coordinators Graham Dameron (319/337.9270 | graham3076@gmail.com) or Mary Beth Ross (319/338.0082 | iawoodsunrise@gmail.com).

The **flowers** in the sanctuary are given today in celebration of John & Susie Engelhardt's 32nd wedding anniversary. The flowering plant in the entry way is in loving memory of Kaye Eckhardt from Ken and Elaine Meyer.

When you are planning your summer schedule, be sure to include **Vacation Bible School**. Kids and leaders are invited to join us from 9 am to 11:30 am, June 12 through the 16 at the church. Registration forms for participants and volunteers are now available on the credenza outside the church office. Registration fee is \$10 by May 31, or \$25 after May 31. Several dates have been designated for Volunteer Orientation as well as VBS Work Days. Please check this week's *Mini-Messenger* or contact Heather Woodin (hwoodin@saintandrew-ic.org) for a schedule.

You are encouraged to pick up a **Next Chapter: Recipe Book** from the table outside the sanctuary.

The second team of missionaries from St. Andrew to Guatemala for 2017 will be serving July 8-15. A social gathering/fundraiser will be held at the church today at 12:15 pm. Please plan on attending and prayerfully consider what you may be able to contribute (free will donation). For more information, please contact Becky Benson at rebeccaibenson@gmail.com.

