

**St. Andrew Lutheran Church
& Early Childhood Campus**

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Worship Hours: Sunday 9:00 a.m.

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Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 30, 2025

PRESERVICE MUSIC WHILE WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME & GREET ONE ANOTHER WITH GOD'S PEACE

OPENING HYMN "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" LSB 686

DIVINE SERVICE (Setting Three) *(p. 184 in the front of the hymnal)*

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

+ *Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination* +

P: O Almighty God, merciful Father,

C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son,

Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

INTROIT

Ps. 51:1-6

P: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

C: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!

P: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

C: Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

P: Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.

C: Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being, and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.

THE GLORIA PATRI

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C: ♪ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE KYRIE

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C: ♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT (PRAYER) OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with thy spirit.

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 12:1-6

You will say in that day: "I will give thanks to you, O Lord, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, that you might comfort me. ²"Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the Lord God is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation." ³With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴And you will say in that day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted. ⁵"Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. ⁶Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

ANTHEM

More Precious Than Silver
When I Survey The Wondrous Cross Brass Choir

EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. ¹⁸All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

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

C: ♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them." ³So he told them this parable: ¹¹And he said, "There was a man who had two sons. ¹²And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.' And he divided his property between them. ¹³Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. ¹⁴And when he had spent everything, a

severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. ¹⁶And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything. ¹⁷"But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! ¹⁸I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. ¹⁹I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants."²⁰And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. ²¹And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.'²²But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. ²³And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. ²⁴For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate. ²⁵"Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. ²⁷And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.'²⁸But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, ²⁹but he answered his father, 'Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. ³⁰But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!' ³¹And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. ³²It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: ♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

"Nicene Creed"

(p. 191)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Lord, to You I Make Confession"

LSB 608

SERMON

"Which Prodigal Are You"

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

OFFERTORY "Create in me a clean heart" (p. 192)

OFFERING Bach Charles: From Deepest Need I Cry To Thee, Brass Choir

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your steadfast love. Give us a proper knowledge of the evil we have done in Your sight. Move us to confess our offenses against You, and justify us with Your holy absolution. Lord, in Your mercy,
(following each petition the congregation responds)

C: Hear our prayer.
(our petitions this day)

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface (p. 194)

Sanctus

Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini – "The Peace of the Lord" (p. 197)

Agnus Dei – "Lamb of God"

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow" LSB 428

"Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed" LSB 437

"Jesus, Lead Thou On" LSB 718

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

Nunc Dimittis – "Song of Simeon" (p. 199)

Thanksgiving (p. 200)

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT (p. 201)

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN "I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus" LSB 729

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

OFFICIANT: Rev. Jonathan Vierkant

ORGANIST: Kenneth Hill

LAY READER: Randy Sheffield

BRASS CHOIR: Tom Beineke, Matt Gnatzig, Stephanie Gutschmidt, Owen Hua, Mark Oehme, Taylor Sandidge, Katie Vierkant

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW

Monday, March 31	-	6:00 p.m. Men's Group
	-	6:45 p.m. Handbell Practice
Tuesday, April 1	-	9:30 a.m. Sister's In Christ Bible Study
		5:00 p.m. Adult Information Class
		6:30 p.m. Weeders & Seeders
Wednesday, April 2	-	5:00 p.m. Choir Practice
		6:00 p.m. Soup Supper
Friday, April 4	-	6:00 p.m. Youth Group
Saturday, April 5	-	8:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study w/Dan
		10:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt
Sunday, April 6	-	9:00 a.m. Worship
	-	10:15 a.m. Family Education Hour

DID YOU KNOW?

Please check the bulletin board for other announcements.

SHHHHH. . . THERE IS A "QUIET ROOM" AT ST. ANDREW in the back of the Sanctuary. It has a sound system and the service can be heard in that room. Please be considerate of the worshipful attitude of others and use it as necessary. It is there for your comfort and convenience.

TEXAS ROADHOUSE: When you go to Texas Roadhouse in West Bend on a Sunday, take our church bulletin with you and they will donate 10% of your food purchases back to church.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR - SUNDAYS: 6 a.m. WGN Chicago 720 AM; 7:30 a.m. WTKM Hartford 104.9 FM; 6:30 a.m. WTMJ Milwaukee 620 AM & 103.3 FM; 5 p.m. WJUB Plymouth 1420 AM; 9 a.m. WIBD West Bend 1470 AM

**Lutheran Church Radio Service – JOY/WJYI (1340 AM)
7 a.m. Sundays**

St. Andrew Financials: If you are interested in seeing our monthly givings and expenses, please check the latest newsletter. Newsletters are sent out once a month and can be found in your email (if you have an email on file), in your mailbox, or on the table in the Narthex.

Reminder: Check your mailboxes regularly.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK: March 30 thru April 5

BIRTHDAY: Fred Legate, Cathy Grande, Pete Hesprich, Wade Muth, Amanda Ellis, Jonah Gutschmidt, Violet Justman, Lee Sommerfeld,

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES: Clifford Hetzel, Peggy Kriefall, Lori Turenske, Karen Callen, Eric Starr

WEDDING ANNIVERSAIRES: Marty & Karen Gnatzig

Prayers For Health, Healing, and/or Strength

Tom Alexander (brother of Karen Hammen),

Cindy Behling (friend of the Buehler's)

Barb Bowman (Katie Vierkant's mother)

Adrian Buntrock (friend of Darryl and Laurie Pree),

Mike Deschler (friend of Rory Hetzel),

Deborah and Phil Ferris (sister and brother-in-law of Michele Buehler),

Dan Fischer, Rob Fleischman (friend of Sue Mueller),

Brad Gerndt (friend of Michele Buehler),

Sue Graff (friend of Deb Puestow),

Ruthann Grey, Tim Hackbarth (nephew of Cliff Hetzel),

Judy Harrison (sister of Darrell Harrison),

Sue Harrison

Mike Kaufmann (friend of Darrell and Sue Harrison),

Bruce Koenig, Carolyn Kreis, Fred Legate,

Gina Leonard (sister of Randy and Kris Sheffield's daughter-in-law),

Ardene Lettau, Wade Muth,

Vern Nagel (great aunt of Meghan Kelley),

Diane Nelson, Sharon Oelke, Roger Sauter, Jim Schmoltd,

Kevin Stoutz (friend of Dan and Sandy Berres),

Larry Wahler (brother-in-law of Rick Bruss)

Prayers For Those in Active Military

William Bowman (brother of Katie Vierkant),

Austin Jantz

Brandon and Benjamin Roeglin (grandson of Jim Schmoltd),

Matthew Speaks (nephew of Darryl and Laurie Pree),

Beau Szczerbinski (brother of Meghan Kelley)

Prayers For Those Incarcerated

Greg Beyer (friend of Chris and Karen Callen)

Michael Meyer

Steven Steinpreis

WELCOME VISITORS! We are glad you chose to worship with us. Sign our Guest Book in the Narthex or one of the cards in the pews and please talk to Pastor, an Usher or Elder if you have any questions.

DIFFERENT CHURCHES HAVE DIFFERENT UNDERSTANDINGS

regarding Holy Communion. For this reason, because of what 1 Corinthians 11:27-30 tells us, we ask that visitors talk to Pastor if they wish to commune with us.

ALSO, see the back of the communion cards for a statement by Synod.

WE HAVE A PRAYER CHAIN AT ST. ANDREW. Please contact Josie Pfeiffer at 262-626-4303 or pfeiffer4303@charter.net

ELDER SERVING TODAY: Jeff Grande & Rick Bruss

Next Sunday: Thai Hua & Randy Sheffield

CLEANING THIS WEEK ENDING April 5 Meghan Kelley, Sharon Ellis, Karen Callen

NEXT WEEK April 7 THRU April 12 Bob Buehler, Michele Buehler, Stephanie Gutschmidt, Cathy Grande

Altar Guild for April: Melissa Knox, Carla Peterson, Charley Grande, Sandy Lompa

May: Judi Bastain, Star Dzwonkowski, Cindy Heinz, Evelyn Nuoffer

Please contact Pastor Jon (262)808-7974, pastor@standrew-westbend.org if you or a loved one is in the hospital, celebrating a milestone, or would just like a visit..

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS: April: Canned Fruits

EASTER EGG HUNT: Sisters in Christ along with our ECC staff will have an Easter Egg Hunt for children up to 12 years of age. All are welcome, so invite your family and friends. **Saturday, April 5th at 10:00am sharp.** Meet outside by the ECC playground and bring a basket or bag for your eggs. Then join us in the gym after the hunt for crafts and cookie decorating. This event is free. Please sign up on the church bulletin board so we can be sure to have enough filled eggs for everyone.

Donations of candy, stickers, and small toys are needed for the Easter Egg Hunt. There is a marked basket in the narthex for your donations. Thank you for your help and support!

HOLY WEEK: will be here before we know it. We're looking for volunteers to take part in the divesting and revesting of the altar during Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday sunrise services. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board. Please consider helping out by signing up for a duty that you would like to do. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Cedarburg RIVOLI – FREE showing of the movie LIFEMARK

(PG-13) Sun. April 6th 11:30 a.m. -1:45 p.m. (movies starts at noon); no ticket necessary-just walk in! You will need to purchase your snacks!



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