WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

Welcome to worship at St. Andrew Presbyterian church, where every body belongs! We are glad you are here. This service is live streamed on our YouTube channel.

- Children of all ages are welcome in worship. We also have childcare available in our nursery for children under 4 years old. Feel free to ask a greeter for help locating our nursery.
- All are invited to gather in the Fellowship Hall after the service for coffee hour and snacks.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Today we will be receiving the One Great Hour of Sharing Special Offering. This Offering supports efforts to relieve hunger through the Presbyterian Hunger Program, promotes community development through the Presbyterian Committee, and assists in areas of disaster through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.
- Children are invited to grab a special worship bulletin and/or coloring sheet along with a clipboard and pencil pouch in the narthex as they enter worship. Following the service, please return the clipboards and pencil pouches as you found them and take your papers with you to enjoy or recycle. There is no children's church this morning—please grab an extra coloring sheet!
- We're looking for volunteers to help with all the happenings of a Sunday morning at SAPC. Use the QR code below and click on "Volunteer Sundays" to see and signup for the ways you can get involved. We are especially looking for ushers and door attendants in the coming weeks.

CALENDAR

April 20	6:00 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service;
	9:00 a.m. Lenten Discussion
	9:00 a.m. Youth Sunday School
	10:00 a.m. Easter Worship;
	11:30 a.m. Egg Hunt
April 22	6:30 p.m. St. Andrew Stitchers
April 24	6:30 p.m. NLC Board Meeting
	7:00 p.m. Choir Practice
	8:00 p.m. Bells Practice
April 27	Serve Sunday & Potluck Breakfas
	No Worship Service
May 4	6:00 p.m. Youth Group
May 12	10:00 a.m. Bible Bunch



Scan this code and be transported to our LinkTree account. Here you will find the link to give financially to St. Andrew. You will also find all the links you may be looking for as you engage with our community, including links to volunteer or access our monthly newsletter.

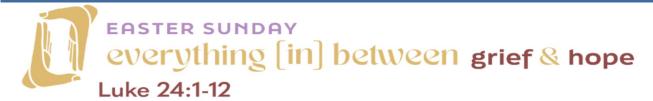


This worship service was curated by Rev. Amanda Kemery with liturgies used and adapted from Sanctified Art and Feasting on the Word Worship Companion. Art: "A New Creation" by Hannah Garrity| Sanctified Art

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EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 20, 2025

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

GATHERING MUSIC Canzone by Gabrielli

One: Christ is Risen!

All: He is Risen Indeed!

*HYMN 232 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today EASTER HYMN

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Amanda Kemery

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: My dear friends, we have known grief. We have known loss. We have known the long road, tired and winding. We have whispered prayers on bended knees. We have stared at the sky, empty of stars.

But today-

All: today we know hope.

One: Today we know life.

All: Today we know the sound of Alleluias.

One: Today we know that death does not have the last word.

All: Today we know that nothing can separate us from the love of God.

One: It is Easter. May hope find you. And may you know, deep in your bones, that today is a new day.

All: Alleluia! Amen.

*HYMN 348 Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending HELMSLEY

Invitation to the confession Daniel Gillispie

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Forgive us, God, when good news lands in our lap and we refuse to believe it.

Forgive us, God, when grief and fear crowd out any room in our hearts for hope.

Forgive us, God, when we dismiss the stories of others and minimize the voices of our neighbors.

In a world that teeters between grief and hope, show us how to be like Peter. Show us how to hold onto hope. Show us how to run toward you. Amen.

*HYMN Holy, Holy, Holy

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WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

All: God's grace exists for us when we are hopeful and when we're grieving, when we're shouting and when we're silent, when we're full of faith and when we're full of fear.

God's grace exists for us on the best days, the worst days, and every day in between.

Thanks be to God for this good news!

Alleluia! Amen.

*HYMN 587 Alleluia CELTIC ALLELUIA

SING THROUGH TWICE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

HEARING THE WORD

THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

ANTHEM

Music of the Spheres

by Kevin McChesney

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Daniel Gillispie

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 24:1-12

One: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, and for the Word of God within us... **All: We give thanks to God.**

SERMON [in]between Grief & Hope Rev. Amanda Kemery

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN 268 Crown Him with Many Crowns DIADEMATA

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Daniel Gillispie

All: In the dark before dawn, we believe that God is alive. In the midst of our grief, we believe the Spirit is at work. In the chaos of our broken world, we believe that love is on the loose. For no stone could keep God at bay, and no violence could keep God's love from us. So today we sing, Alleluia! For somewhere in between our belief and doubt, hope lives. Christ has died, and Christ has also risen.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

OFFERING OURSELVES, OUR TIME, AND OUR TALENTS

OFFERTORYSuite Gothique, Op. 25 III. Prière à Notre-Dameby Léon Boëllmann*HYMN 609Praise God, from Whom All Blessings FlowLASST UNS ERFREUEN

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN Hail The Day that Sees Him Rise

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CHARGE AND BLESSING Rev. Amanda Kemery

SENDING MUSIC



It is through the simple acts of humanity that we continue to reveal God's presence in the world.

We listen to one another. We choose kindness. We achieve integrity. We build justice. Our daily striving to

deliver God's love to the world is depicted by Easter lilies in this painting. Fragile yet strong, the flowers represent God's new creation in the world through the hands of Her children.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

—from the artist statement for "A New Creation" by Hannah Garrity | Sanctified Art