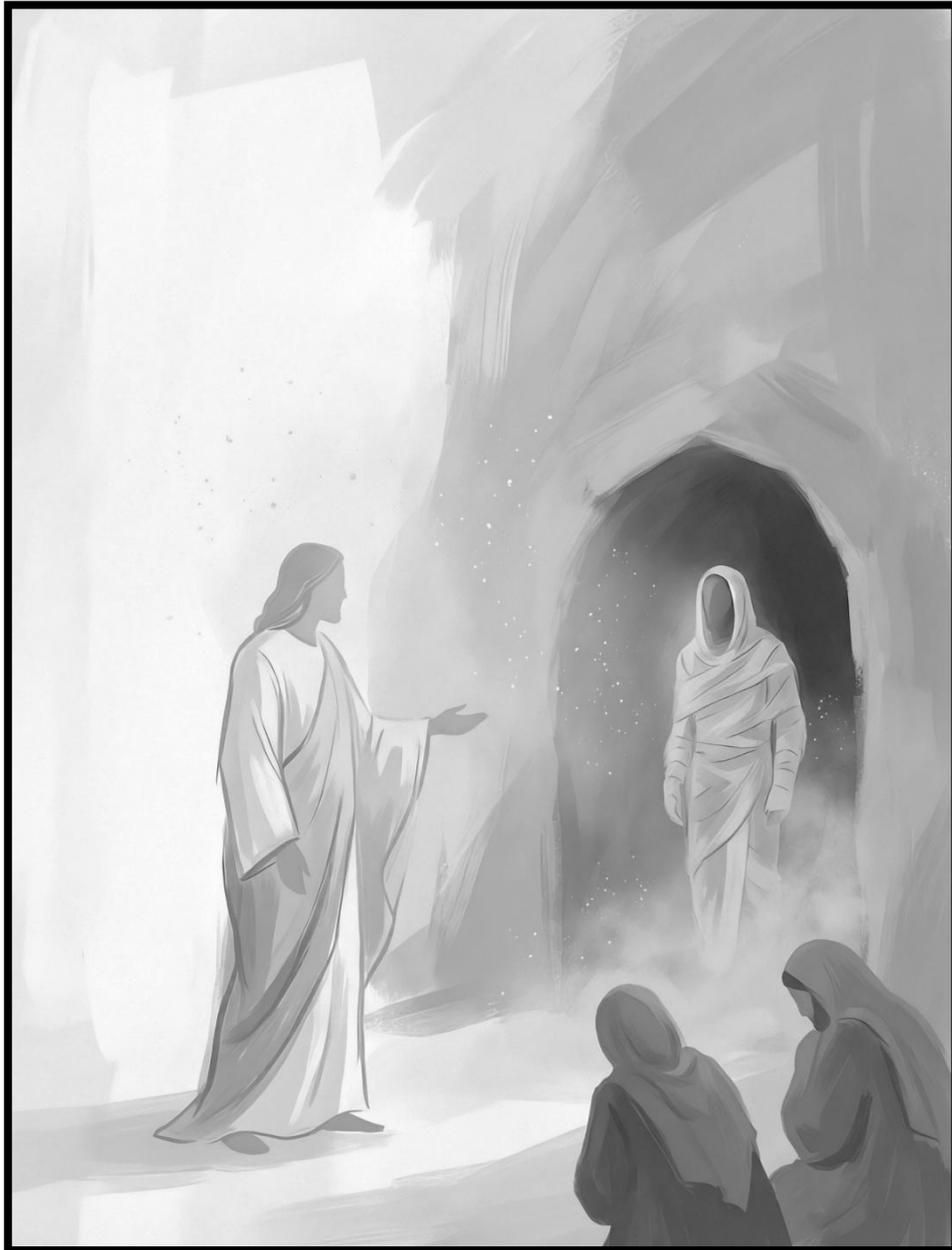


Sunday, March 15, 2026
Fourth Sunday in Lent
10:00 AM



Welcome to Worship!
As we prepare for worship, please silence your mobile devices.
We invite you to a time of silence and focus.



WELCOME TO WORSHIP: It is our joy to welcome you to worship today, in-person and from wherever you may be viewing. We give thanks for whatever brought you, and pray that you may experience the love of God surrounding you and upholding you as we gather together to give thanks to God through Word and Sacrament.

ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES are available to use in the Sanctuary for worship. They are located in the Sound Booth; ask the Sound Booth operator if you would like to use one.

WORSHIP IS LIVESTREAMED in the Faith and Family Center (located near the entrance doors to the large parking lot). Anyone is welcome to worship in that space.

HOLY COMMUNION: All are welcome at the Lord's table. Holy Communion is God's Word made visible in bread and wine. At communion distribution, the BREAD is placed in the hands. Red wine and White grape juice are offered by individual cups. Gluten free options are available, as well.

WE WELCOME CHILDREN IN WORSHIP! Like Jesus who welcomed children to his ministry, Saint Andrew's welcomes children to our worship services.

Re-usable activity bags (for readers and non-readers) with books, stickers, crayons, paper, and a snack are available from the usher/hospitality team; please return the bags following worship.

- "Younger Disciples Tips" are in the bulletin with ideas to engage children in worship.
- "A Time for Younger Disciples" during worship invites all God's children to listen to a message.

Health Practices in place to help reduce the spread of viruses and illness:

- Mask wearing is optional. Anyone who wishes to mask is welcome to do so.
- Hand sanitizer is available throughout the building.

For other activities, events, meetings check our website: <https://SALC.church>

VIDEO AND AUDIO RECORDING IN PROGRESS

Saint Andrews livestreams and records its worship services to YouTube.

Video and Audio recording is currently in progress. It is possible that video footage and/or audio conversations of worshippers in the Saint Andrew's Sanctuary may appear on the YouTube livestream/recording.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Pastor Lara Forbes

*Worship leaders will say text in light print.
Congregation will say/respond with bold text.*

Please stand as you are able.



HYMN

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing



1 Oh, for a thou - sand tongues to sing my great Re - deem - er's praise,
2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim,
3 The name of Je - sus charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease,
4 He speaks, and lis - t'ning to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive;



the glo - ries of my God and king, the tri - umphs of his grace!
to spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of your name.
sings mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, brings life and health and peace.
the mourn - ful, bro - ken hearts re - jice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.



5 Look unto him, your Savior own,
O fallen human race!
Look and be saved through faith alone,
be justified by grace!

6 To God all glory, praise, and love
be now and ever giv'n
by saints below and saints above,
the church in earth and heav'n.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt and blots out all offenses.

KYRIE

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy; have mer - cy, O Lord.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

**For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you,
and for desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word;
for failing to recognize your coming reign,
and for hindering the work of the Spirit;
for drawing from the well of self-serving ambition,
and for disdaining the living water Christ offers;
for disregarding voices from the margin,
and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world;
for dwelling in tombs of self-pity and discontent,
and for disregarding Christ's call to come forth to life;
have mercy on us according to your steadfast love, gracious God.**

Amen.

God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound.
In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead
dwells in you, pours God's love into your hearts,
and gives you life and peace.

Amen.

GREETING

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together. Almighty God,
**your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us the
power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ and serve you in
righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**
Amen.

Please be seated.

A TIME FOR YOUNGER DISCIPLES

You can find the Gospel story in your Spark Story Bible, page 440

Pastor Lara

WORD

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: John 11:1-44

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather, it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, they were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many people had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again."

Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” She said to him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.”

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary and told her privately, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The mourners who were with her in the house consoling her saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” When Jesus saw her weeping and the others who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus began to weep. So the people in the crowd said, “See how he loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

GOSPEL RESPONSE



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and



mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in



stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

SERMON

Pastor Lara Forbes

Please stand as you are able.



HYMN

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Breathe on Me, Breath of God". It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are printed between the staves. The first system contains the first four lines of the hymn, and the second system contains the final four lines. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with chords and single notes.

1. Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life a - new,
2. Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,
3. Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am whol - ly thine,
4. Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I nev - er die,
that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.
un - til with thee I will one will, to do and to en - dure.
till all this earth - ly part of me glows with thy fire di - vine.
but live with thee the per - fect life of thine e - ter - ni - ty.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Trusting in God's baptismal promises, we affirm our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

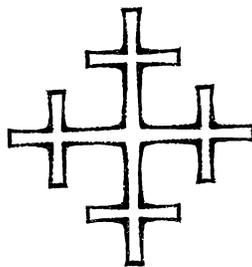
**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died,
and was buried; he descended to the dead.**

**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.**

** here, "catholic" means the wholeness of the church in all times and places.*

Younger Disciples Tip ~ Prayers/Offering: Invite children to write down who they want to pray for this week and one way they can serve their family/community.



THE PRAYERS

Sing at the beginning and end of the prayers, and between petitions as led by musicians.

Hear Our Prayer
Prayer Response



Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:



peace to all peo - ple, hope for each soul.



God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

THE PEACE

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

Please greet people around you as you are comfortable.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Lara

OFFERING Our ushers will be passing offering plates. We welcome your gifts to support the mission and ministry of Saint Andrew’s Lutheran Church. There are envelopes in the pews, or you can give online using the QR code.



OFFERTORY MUSIC

“Living Faith”
The Chancel Choir

Brad Croushorn

*In our flaws and in our failures; Loss of status, pride or place;
In our doubts and in our questions, can we find your touch of grace?*

*When we stumble, when we falter,
Will You hear us as we call upon, call on Your name?*

*With simple prayers and honest searching,
May we come to see Your face.*

Voices clamor for assistance, no compassion in reply.

*Who will help the poor and pow’rless? Doors are shut to mute their cry.
Stubborn minds and cold indiff’rence we ignore their plight and keep our comfort safe.*

Turn our callous hearts to caring. Turn our hands to lift them high.

Through our seeking and our service, draw us closer day by day;

In our task to less’n suffering, let us work without delay.

Though the needs are overwhelming, and discouragement feels rooted here to stay;

With each breath of life You give us, may You find in us a living faith.

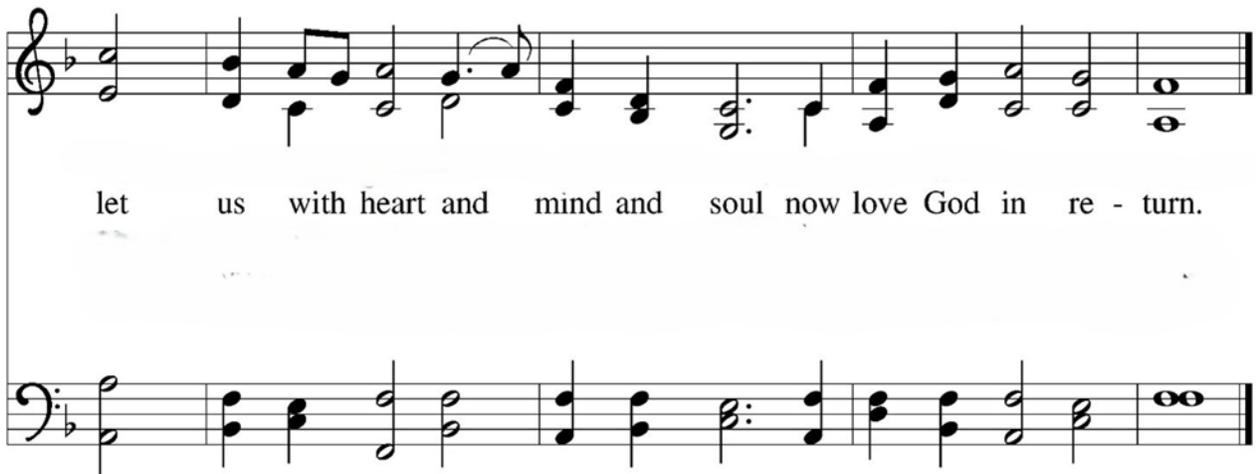
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OFFERTORY VERSE



2 With grate-ful joy and ho - ly fear, God's char - i - ty we learn;



let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in re - turn.

OFFERTORY PRAYER: O God, maker of heaven and earth,
your steadfast love embraces all creation. You send rain and sunshine to nourish the
earth and bring forth its bounty. Through these gifts of bread and wine, draw us
into the death and life of your Son, who calls us to bear witness to his saving work.
We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

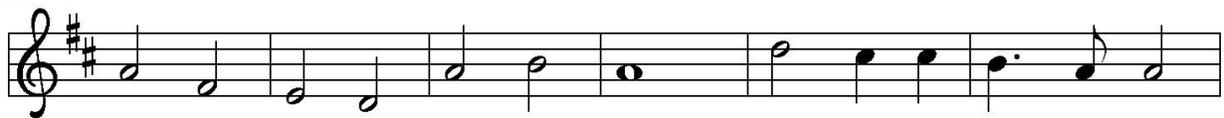
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

On the night that Jesus was betrayed, he took bread, blessed and broke it and shared it with his friends, saying, “Take and eat, this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After they had eaten, Jesus took the cup, blessed it, and shared it with his friends, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood which is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

We pray together the prayer Jesus taught us:

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All who are hungry, come to the table.

The feast of grace is spread.

Please be seated. We wait silently as the participants who are worshipping online are communed. All are invited and welcome at the Lord’s table.

LAMB OF GOD

1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, but you have
sent him from your side to walk up - on this guilt - y
sod and to be - come the Lamb of God. *Refrain* O Lamb of
God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God. Oh, wash me
in your pre - cious blood, my Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Communion is received around the altar rail. You are invited to kneel or stand as you feel comfortable. Please follow the directions of the ushers and use the hand sanitizer provided.

Bread is placed in the hands. Red wine and White grape juice are offered by individual cup. Please ask if you would like a gluten-free option.

If you wish to be communed in your seat, please let one of the ushers/hospitality team know.

COMMUNION HYMN

Here is Bread



1 Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, he is with us.
2 Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, he is with us.
3 Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, he is with us.



Break the bread, taste the wine, Christ is with us here.
Know his grace, find his peace, feast on Je - sus here.
We'll pro - claim till he comes Je - sus cru - ci - fied.

Refrain



In this bread there is heal - ing, in this cup is life for - ev - er.



In this mo - ment, by the Spir - it, Christ is with us here.

Please stand as you are able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together. God of our salvation,
**we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls, reconciles us to you, and
strengthens us for the journey. Through the body and blood of your Son,
may we become Christ's body in the world, bearing witness to your love for all
creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

SENDING

Younger Disciples Tip ~ Blessing: Mark the sign of the cross on your child's forehead as a reminder of this sending blessing

BLESSING

May God, who calls all things into existence, Jesus Christ, who redeems us, and the Holy Spirit, whose breath sustains creation, ✠ bless you now and always.

Amen.



SENDING HYMN

Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, fol - low his ex - am - ple pure,
 2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus, and with pa - tience bear our cross.
 3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death he con - quered death,
 4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en from the dead

through a world that would de - ceive us and to sin our spir - its lure.
 Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; where he is there is no loss.
 he will free us from de - struc - tion, give to us im - mor - tal breath.
 that to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus, you are now our head,

On - ward in his foot - steps tread - ing, trav - 'lers here, our home a - bove,
 Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter, we shall reap ce - les - tial joy:
 Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion that would lead us in - to sin;
 we are your own liv - ing mem - bers; where you live, there we shall be

full of faith and hope and love, let us do our Sav - ior's bid - ding.
 all dis - com - forts that an - noy shall give way to mirth here - af - ter.
 and the grave that shuts us in shall but prove the gate of heav - en.
 in your pres - ence con - stant - ly, liv - ing there with you for - ev - er.

Faith - ful Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where you guide.
 Je - sus, here I share your woe; help me there your joy to know.
 Je - sus, here with you I die, there to live with you on high.
 Je - sus, let me faith - ful be; life e - ter - nal grant to me.

SENDING

All children and youth are invited to come forward to participate in the sending.

Go in peace. Share God's love.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

*“Londonderry Air”
Mary Davis, Euphonium, Will Piano*

Traditional Irish Tune

*The flowers today are given by Stella Nieman in loving memory of her husband,
Pastor Dick Nieman.*



Thank you to all who are assisting with worship today:

Pastor Lara Forbes, Preaching and Presiding

Will Simpson, Director of Music

Elaine Koga, Accompanist

Art Gurtel, Assisting Minister

Scott Lester, Lector

Melanie Grad, Acolyte

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Johannes Grad, Audio

Teresa Lutterman, Coffee host

**Worship Text for March 22
Fifth Sunday in Lent
John 12:1-8**

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March Blood Drive!

Are you signed up??? Our next **BLOOD DRIVE** is scheduled for **Thursday, March 26th**. Use the QR code to sign up for a time! We had a great turn out in January – and most participants re-booked for this March date. We’re hoping to have 30+ participants this time around. Did you know you can win a trip to Maui when you drop a pint?? PS – the cookies and juice were great 😊



It’s spring cleaning time!
Talk to Kurt for job assignments.
(kurt@salc.church)
I hear there will be donuts 😊

Join us Tuesday, March 17th at 11:45 AM for a time of Lenten devotions, Taizé music and prayer. Bring a sack lunch and enjoy time with your friends following the devotional time!
It is St. Patrick’s Day – be sure to wear a bit o’green!!

Note: Because of our Tuesdays in Lent, there is no O.W.L.S. gathering in March. You are invited and encouraged to bring a sack lunch and come for devotions.



Calendar

Sunday, March 15

9:00 AM Education Hour, Guest Speaker
Sunday School (preschool – 5th Grade)
10:00 AM Worship
11:15 AM KnitWits
12:30 PM Acolyte Meeting/ Virtual
5:00 PM Community Game Night, St. Lukes

Monday, March 16

1:00 PM Staff Meeting
6:30 PM Worship & Music Committee
7:00 PM Discipleship Committee

Tuesday, March 17

Happy St. Patrick's Day

8:30 AM Tuesday Morning Men
10:00 AM Pastor's Bible Study
11:45 AM Mid-Week Lent Devotion and lunch
7:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, March 18

Thursday, March 19

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Friday, March 20

Saturday, March 21

9:00 AM All Church Work Day
9:00 AM Church Council Retreat

Sunday, March 22

9:00 AM Adult Education, Special Education
Sunday School (preschool – 5th grade)
10:00 AM Worship
2:00 PM Janan Twito Memorial Service

Monday, March 23

1:00 PM Staff Meeting
7:00 PM Outreach Committee

Tuesday, March 24

8:30 AM Tuesday Morning Men
10:00 AM Pastor's Bible Study
11:45 AM Mid-Week Lent Devotion and lunch
2:00 PM Sophia Way lunch drop off
7:00 PM Building and Property Committee
Bell Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, March 25

10:30 AM Sophia Way lunch delivery
7:00 PM JEDI Committee - Virtual

Thursday, March 26

9:00 AM BLOOD DRIVE!

Friday, March 27

Saturday, March 28

Sunday, March 29

Palm Sunday

9:00 AM Adult Education
Sunday School (Preschool – 5th grade)
10:00 AM Worship

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