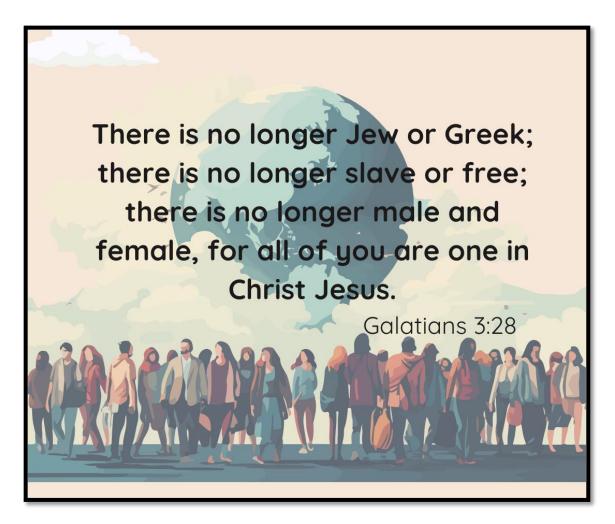
June 1, 2025 The Seventh Sunday of Easter 10:00 AM

In Paul's reminder about the power of our baptism to free and unite us, he makes a bold statement about the radical inclusivity of Jesus. In Jesus, the path from bondage to freedom, from separation to unity, from death to new life is a path that is open to all – no matter who we are or where we come from.



Welcome to Worship!

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

Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church

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.

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: <u>https://SALC.church</u>

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

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

PRELUDE

"Whoever Lets Our Dear God Reign" Will Simpson, organ J.S. Bach

WELCOME

Pastor Lara

Please stand as you are able.



HYMN

Son of God, Eternal Savior



CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sins, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sins.

Silence for reflection.

To you, O God,

all hearts are open and all desires are known. We come to you, confessing our sins. Forgive us in your mercy and remember us in your love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

By water and the Holy Spirit God gives you a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, \pm God forgives you all your sins. The God of mercy and might strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together. O God,

form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our 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

WORD

For Paul, baptism is a powerful bond that unites people not only with God but with other believers. Those who call themselves children of God experience a transformation that removes prejudices of race, social class, or gender in favor of true unity in Christ.

READING

You foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? It was before your eyes that Jesus Christ was publicly exhibited as crucified! The only thing I want to learn from you is this: Did you receive the Spirit by doing the works of the law or by believing what you heard? Are you so foolish? Having started with the Spirit, are you now ending with the flesh? Did you experience so much for nothing? —if it really was for nothing. Well then, does God supply you with the Spirit and work miracles among you by your doing the works of the law or by your believing what you heard?

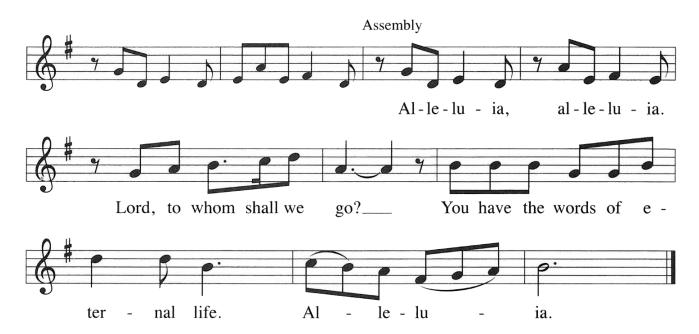
Just as Abraham "believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness," so, you see, those who believe are the descendants of Abraham. And the scripture, foreseeing that God would reckon as righteous the gentiles by faith, declared the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, "All the gentiles shall be blessed in you." For this reason, those who believe are blessed with Abraham who believed.

Pastor Lara

Galatians 3:1-9, 23-29

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be reckoned as righteous by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Word of God. Word of Life. Thanks be to God.



RESPONSE

SERMON

Pastor Lara

Please stand as you are able.

One Bread, One Body



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.

THE PRAYERS

After each petition, the leader will say, "God of grace". Your response is, **hear 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

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

"Amazing Grace" The Chancel Choir

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come; 'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we first begun. Arlen Clarke

Please stand as you are able.

Pastor Lara

OFFERTORY VERSE



OFFERTORY PRAYER

Jesus, our risen Savior,

you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.

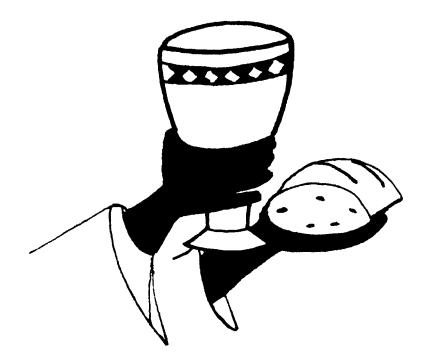
MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

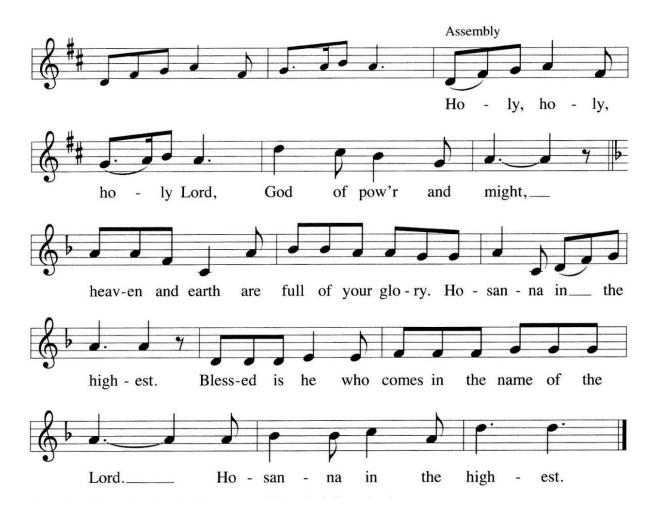
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



SANCTUS



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:

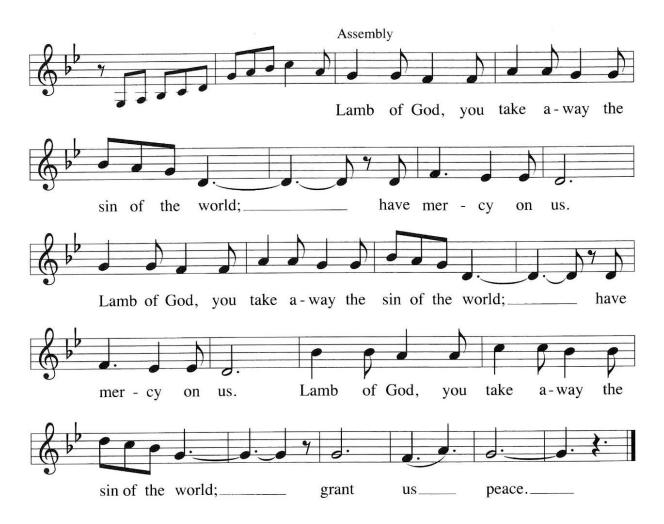
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

Please be seated.

We wait silently as the participants who are worshiping online are communed.

LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Today, Communion is received continuously at two stations.

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

All Are Welcome



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together. Living God, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. Amen.

SENDING

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

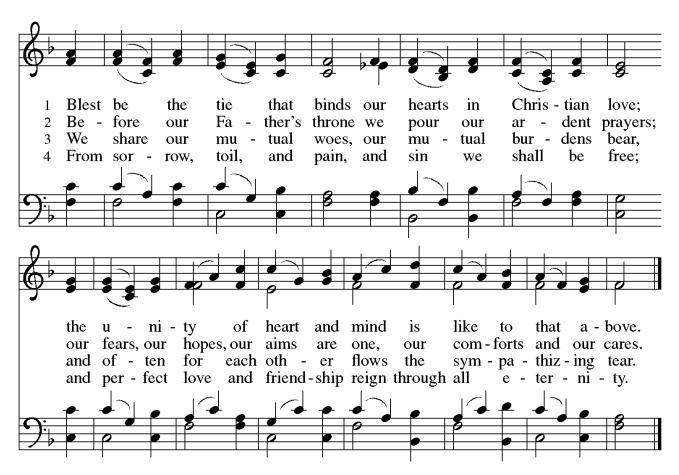
BLESSING

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope \pm bless you now and always. Amen.



SENDING HYMN



Blest Be the Tie That Binds

SENDING

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

Alleluia! Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia! Go in peace. Share the good news! Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

"Sois la Semilla" Mayolo Pineda, Soloist; Will Simpson, Piano C. Gabarain

You are the seed that will grow a new sprout; you're a star that will shine in the night; you are the yeast and a small grain of salt, a beacon to glow in the dark. You are the dawn that will bring a new day; you're the wheat that will bear golden grain; you are a sting and a soft, gentle touch, my witnesses where'er you go.

Refrain:

Go, my friends, go to the world, proclaiming love to all, messengers of my forgiving peace, eternal love.Be, my friends, a loyal witness, from the dead I arose;"Lo, I'll be with you forever, till the end of the world."

You are the flame that will lighten the dark, sending sparkles of hope, faith, and love; you are the shepherds to lead the whole world through valleys and pastures of peace. You are the friends that I chose for myself, the word that I want to proclaim. You are the new kingdom built on a rock where justice and truth always reign. **Refrain**

You are the life that will nurture the plant; you're the waves in a turbulent sea; yesterday's yeast is beginning to rise, a new loaf of bread it will yield. There is no place for a city to hide, nor a mountain can cover its might; may your good deeds show a world in despair a path that will lead all to God. **Refrain**

Thank you to all who are assisting in worship today:

Pastor Lara Forbes, Preaching and Presiding Minister Dr. Will Simpson, Director of Music Elaine Koga, Accompanist Tom Getzinger, Assisting Minister Michele Vossler, Lector Soren Lester, Acolyte Mark Davis and Art Gurtel, Ushers Jay Baxter, Altar Guild Johannes Grad, Livestream Video Melanie Grad, Audio Stella Nieman and Mikel Oswalt, Greeters Terri Anderson, Coffee Host

The flowers today are given by Carol Schneider and Ed Corker, holdng in prayer all those and their loved ones for whom special prayers are needed today and for peace in the Middle East and Ukraine.

Reading for June 8: Pentecost Acts 2:1-21

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Become a Member of the Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church Family

The Saint Andrew's congregation is a faith community powered by a belief that God's love offers us a chance to do amazing service through many activities and volunteer opportunities. Our extended family provides ongoing fellowship for all ages. We will be welcoming new members in June. For more information on how to join, contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland at 425-746-2529 or <u>sherry@salc.church</u>.

Tiny House Fun-draiser! Games, Food and Fun! Plan to attend the **"Bunco and Burrito" event TONIGHT from 4:00 PM-6:30 PM**. You will play Bunco, eat burritos AND have the opportunity to 'Dessert Dash' and purchase items from talented youth! The goal is to raise up to \$10,000 to support the Tiny House build (costs are rising) that will begin June 23rd. **Bring friends!**

June 8th will be a BUSY Sunday!

- Discipleship Hour (9:00 AM) Come and hear about the mission of Lantern Hill.
- In worship (10:00 AM) we will celebrate new members and our graduates! Following worship there will be cake and a time to congratulate new members and our grads.



NOTE: There is a Called Meeting of the Congregation on Sunday, June 22 at 11:00 AM. The Annual Report will be accepted and there will be a vote on the Affordable Housing Project.

Calendar for the Week

Sunday, June 1

9:00 AM Discipleship Forum. The Sophia Way
10:00 AM Worship
5:00 PM Bunco and Burritos Fun-draiser

Monday, June 2

10:00 AMHealth & Wholeness Meeting1:00 PMStaff meeting6:00 PMFinance Committee7:00 PMExecutive Committee

Tuesday, June 3

8:30 AMTuesday Morning Men7:00 PMBell Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, June 4

10:00 AM W.E.B.S.6:00 PM Musician Appreciation Dinner

Thursday, June 5

Friday, June 6 Office is closed.

Saturday, June 7

Sunday, June 8Grad Sunday!9:00 AMDiscipleship Forum. Lantern Hill10:00 AMWorship11:00 AMGrad/New member reception

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