

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church Denton, Texas

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 14, 2024

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

Prelude

Erschienen ist der herrliche Tag (God gave to us this glorious day) Johann Gottfrid Walther Daeun Kim, organ

Come, Now Is the Time to Worship B. Doerksen, arr. S. Pethel Andersen Trachsel, alto sax; Connor Callaway, bassoon; Ethan Hart, drums; Wills Blosser, euphonium

Welcome and Announcements

Sophia Cruz

Introit Seek Ye First K. Lafferty

Alli Smith & Emily Smith, voice; Andersen Trachsel, guitar

Message Just because you're nice doesn't mean

Fletcher Hays and Griffon Rentz

you can't get mean

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dear Lord, guide us to be better people and live more faithful lives. Forgive us for treating our faith as a joke and using others to profit ourselves. Help us to remember that even your people can get mean sometimes. Forgive us when we forget to turn the other cheek, love our enemies, or pray for those who annoy us. Amen. (Time of silent confession).

Declaration of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

*Hymn 700 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me I'M GONNA LIVE

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Message Just because they don't hear you doesn't mean Wills Blosser and Elizabeth Gibson

you have no voice

*Hymn 451 Open My Eyes, That I May See OPEN MY EYES

MESSAGE Just because you got the gold doesn't mean Andersen Trachsel and Ethan Hart

that you won

*Hymn 847 Our Hope, Our Life OWALY WALY

*Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

I believe in and am grateful for God, the Creator, in whose image I am beautifully and wonderfully made. I believe in and am grateful for Jesus Christ, the Redeemer, who offers me grace at no cost and in whom I can always trust. I believe in and am grateful for the Holy Spirit, the Sustainer, who walks beside me every day and keeps me in the love and protection of the Holy Trinity. Amen.

*Hymn 783 When We Are Tested ANGELS OF HEALING

Message Just because I'm at the top doesn't mean that I can't fall. Emily Smith and Rhys Blosser

Just because you failed doesn't mean that you blew it.

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Ross Konkle

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.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Sonata for Alto Saxophone & Piano (excerpts) Lawson Lunde

Andersen Trachsel, alto saxophone, and Daeun Kim, piano

Senior Video

Senior Homilies Alli Smith, Siena Dickey

SENDING OF SENIORS

*Hymn 547 Go, My Children, with My Blessing AR HYD Y NOS

*Benediction

Postlude in C Major BWV 553 J. S. Bach

Bold Text indicates congregational participation. *Those who are able are asked to stand.

The flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Thomas and Jamie Fanning's 40th wedding anniversary.

St. Andrew Seniors 2024

ALLI SMITH

Graduating from Guyer High School, has been involved in the St. Andrew community a little over 2 years

- High School Activities/Accomplishments: Varsity Choir (President), Breakthrough (A competitive contemporary acapella group), UNT Trio Upward Bound (Rise Up Mentor), Student Council, I am Second (Worship Leader), National English Honor Society, National Honor Society of Dance Arts, Lovely Letters (Historian) and McNair elementary school PTA.
- Thoughts on senior year: Very busy but one of the best years of my life.
- Plans for next year: In the fall, I will be attending the University of Central Oklahoma. I plan to double major in Forensic Science and Biology.
- What do you want to be when you grow up: A forensic lab technician
- Favorite memories of St. Andrew: Each of your children hold a special place in my heart and it seems that all my favorite memories here have to do with them and their antics: The day Jill and I taught Chase who Whitney Houston was. "Chasers who's Whitney Houston?" A LEGEND!!; Dancing to 'Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy' to distract Marigold from her melt down; Playing Uno and losing to Jacob Green; Mak pushing me on the little scooters in the gym
- Special words for the congregation: This church is truly something special and I am so blessed I got the chance to know you all.

SIENA DICKEY

Graduating from Founders Classical Academy, has been involved in the St. Andrew community since 1st grade.

- High School Activities/Accomplishments: Awards in Animation, English, Rhetoric, etc. I was
 the first person at my school to present an audio-visual senior thesis. ~30 DC and AP credits
 and lots of volunteer hours! I've been part of many school plays and won best actress, as
 well as made promotions for them.
- Thoughts on senior year: Full of fun, friends, and new experiences.
- Plans for next year: I'm going to UNT to pursue a career in media and communications, other than that I will continue my involvement in the creative arts.
- What do you want to be when you grow up: I'm not particularly set on any single career path, but I'd like to be.
- Favorite memories of St. Andrew: I loved the community I was able to form, especially on mission trips
- Special words for the congregation: Though I'll miss the memories of the past, I'm going to enjoy the present and look forward to the future!

CLAUDIA MACMILLAN

Graduating from Denton High School, has been involved in the St. Andrew community for 5 years, since 7th grade.

- High School Activities/Accomplishments: Made it through freshman year during COVID. Survived the transition to online schooling in my first year of high school. Took a leap and chose to attend a dance arts school my junior year, which entailed dancing 4-5 hours a day while doing online school and maintained all A's. Decided to go back to regular school and am maintaining all A's as a senior now and got accepted to the Culinary Institute of America where I will attend in the fall of 2024.
- Thoughts on senior year: It has just flown by. At the beginning of the year, I couldn't wait for it to be over, and although I still can't wait, it's happening so quick. I have gotten as close as I have ever been with my friends and have, at times, been the busiest I think I have ever been. I feel like this year I have done the most growing as a person compared to any other year.
- Plans for next year: I plan to attend The Culinary Institute of America in September at the Hyde Park, New York, campus majoring in baking and pastry arts.
- What do you want to be when you grow up: Hopefully some kind of private chef or small-scale baker.
- Favorite memories of St. Andrew: I remember helping out at VBS one year which was very fun. Singing fun songs with the little kids and helping set up snack time.
- Special words for the congregation: Despite coming to St Andrew after many years at another church, I always felt like our family was welcomed and made to feel valuable to the church. Everyone took great care to make us feel invited and important to the church which made the transition comforting and easy.

700 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me



This African American spiritual has more depth than may at first appear: for people who are bound in slavery to sing about dedicating themselves to God's use shows a profound awareness of God-given self-worth despite circumstances that would deny their human or spiritual value.

Open My Eyes, That I May See 451



The first woman to publish a collection of her own anthems, this author/composer has created in this hymn a sung prayer for illumination. It not only asks God to help us understand Scripture but also prays for the strength and courage to make God's love known to others.

Our Hope, Our Life



Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

As this recent paraphrase of Psalm 49 illustrates, human beings have long been tempted to put their trust in earthly assets, especially wealth and fame. But these are not enduring possessions, and they cannot save us. Only in God can we find unfailing hope and eternal life.

TEXT: Martin E. Leckebusch, 2006, alt. MUSIC: English folk melody; harm. John Weaver, 1988 Text © 2006 Kevin Mayhew Ltd. Music Harm. © 1990 Hope Publishing Company

When We Are Tested Capo 2: (Dm) (Am) (Dm) (Am) BmEm Em Bm When ed and tle a - lone, 1 we are test _ wres 2 When in the des ert we cry for re - lief, 3 When we are tempt - ed bar ter our souls, to 4 When and searched through the night, we have strug - gled (B7) (Dsus)(D) (Em) (Em) C#7 F#m F#m Esus Ε when the world fam - ished for bread of fers stone, plead - ing for paths marked by cer tain be lief, trad ing the truth for the power con trol, to sort ing sift ing the wrong from the right, and (G)(F) (D) (Em7) F#m7 Α Ε G 0. ish God, nour us, by your word and your way, you lift us to love be yond sign and test, teach ship and praise on ly us to wor you, sur with cles Sav ior, round us cir of care, (C)(Am)(E) (Am6) (Dm) Bm F# Bm6D Em by food that sus tains night and by day. us trust ing your pres ence, our on ly true rest. seek will work that do. ing your in the we heal - ing, an gels of hope, and of prayer.

Although the Temptation of Christ is mentioned in all three synoptic gospels (Matthew 4:1–11/Mark 1:12–13/Luke 4:1–13), this hymn is based on the Lukan version. It is notable that each stanza begins "when," not "if"; temptation is not an optional feature of the spiritual life.

Go, My Children, with My Blessing 547



Because this Welsh melody usually sets evening texts, the author was asked to create one for use in daytime. His recasting of the Aaronic blessing in Numbers 6:22–27 imagines that passage as a benediction that might be spoken by God at the conclusion of a worship service.

Super Wednesday Wednesday, April 17

Dinner at 5:30pm

Menu: Pulled pork or smoked turkey, pinto beans, potato salad, cole slaw, cake
Meals by Mike and Bekah Barnett
\$7 for individuals, \$15 for families.

Activities for Children

Nursery for infants & preschoolers, Room 102, 5:30pm-7:30pm

Noel Choir, grades K-1st, Children's Choir Room, Kirsten Trachsel, 6:00pm Covenant Choir, grades 2nd-5th, Children's Choir Room, Kirsten Trachsel, 6:20pm

> Recreation Grades K-1st Malicia Curran, 6:20pm

Activities for Youth

Middle School and High School Rec Center and The Den @ 6:00pm-7:30pm

Classes for Adults

Historic and Contemporary Palestinian Heritage
Dr. Nancy Stockdale, UNT
April 17, Fellowship Hall

In this presentation, we will engage with the historic and contemporary cultural, political, and social heritage of Palestinians. Topics will include the centrality of land and the environment to Palestinian identity, the diversity of Palestine before Zionism, and the ways that exile, displacement, and Israeli occupation have changed Palestinian lives. Key to this presentation will be a discussion of the ways Palestinians experience Zionism and how the political ideology of the Israeli state is incompatible with peace in Palestinian eyes.

Bridge for Beginners led by Joyce White Room 207 The Wave Terah Hatter and Wade Hatter *Room* 205

Women's Book Study
The Five People You Meet in Heaven
by Mitch Albom
Amy Cole and Amy Fair, Library

Chancel Choir Practice
Adult Choir Room
7:30pm

Save the Date! Vacation Bible School June 17-21, 2024

Registration coming soon! Stay tuned to the Shield and the bulletin to register ASAP!

Summer Sunday School Teachers Needed

For the month of June, St. Andrew will have special Summer Sunday school classes for our children in kindergarten through fifth grades. We need your help to make our exciting plans happen! Please consider volunteering for one or two of the following dates: June 2, June 9, June 16, and June 23. Contact Lisa Patterson, lisa@standrewdenton.com.

Eclipse Glasses Recycling

St. Andrew is collecting used, undamaged solar eclipse glasses to send to children in South America for the October 2024 eclipse. Please bring your used, undamaged glasses to collection baskets in the narthex or the church office. Thank you!

Mother's Day Gift Bags

St. Andrew donates Mother's Day Gift Bags each year to give encouragement and hopefully bring a bright spot into lives of the homeless and less fortunate moms in our community. We are requesting help from the congregation in the form of new personal care and beauty products or if you'd like us to do the shopping, a monetary donation would be appreciated as well! Give online standrewdenton.com/give by selecting "Mother's Day Gift Bags" from the fund drop down menu. Deadline for all donations is Sunday, May 5. For more information, contact Amy Whiting at avickers@hotmail.com or the church office. Thank you for giving!

Parents' Night Out Saturday, April 27

Parents' Night Out is a program for the young families of St. Andrew. The program has a two-fold purpose: it gives parents an opportunity to spend quality time together without their children and it gives the children an evening of fun, age-appropriate activities with their friends at St. Andrew. The evening runs from 4:00pm to 8:00pm for infants-5yrs old in the Nursery. In the Rec Center, Kindergarten-elementary age will meet 4:00pm to 9:00pm, with pick-up from the media room in the main church building. Registration is required on Realm or email Karen Raabe at karen@standrewdenton.com.

Denton Christian Preschool

St. Andrew is starting to collect needed items for the students at Denton Christian Preschool. The items will be collected in March-April. The items needed include glue sticks, paper, kleenex, paper towels, watercolors, children's toothpaste, toilet paper construction paper, liquid hand soap, AA batteries, 9V batteries, and crayons. The items may be placed in the bin marked by the fellowship hall. For any questions, contact Rachel Odei at 940-735-6483.

Communion Volunteers Needed for Presbytery Meeting Saturday, May 4

Are you an ordained Ruling Elder or Deacon of the Presbyterian Church? Do you love to serve communion? The Session is inviting ordained Elders or Deacons to serve communion at the May 4th Presbytery meeting. If you would like to serve, please sign up using the link in the Shield!

The Children's Place is Hiring a Preschool Director

The Children's Place at St. Andrew is searching for our next Preschool Director! If you are passionate about early childhood education and have the skills necessary to lead a successful preschool program, we encourage you to apply by clicking the link in the Shield. Questions and resumes can be sent to: sarahanneadams@me.com

Items Needed for Our Daily Bread

The diaconate is collecting items for Our Daily Bread. Items may be donated in the box in the Narthex. Current needs are: bottle water, canned vegetables, canned soup, canned Chef Boyardee, canned stew, mac and cheese cups, Rice-a-Roni cups, sugar, Gatorade, travel size shampoo, travel size conditioner, travel size toothpaste, travel size deodorant, cough drops, chapstick, tissues, men's pants (size 36W), men's shirts sizes (2XL and up).

Give-a-Meal - \$2.29

St. Andrew donated \$641.00 to the Give-a-Meal program in March! Thank you for supporting the needs of those who are experiencing food insecurity during this time. A monetary donation of \$2.29 feeds a person in need for a week. Donations can be made by mail or online. Please write Give-a-Meal-a-Month on your envelope or check when giving by mail. To give online, visit standrewdenton.com/give and be sure to choose Give-a-Meal from the fund options to the right of your monetary donation.

Prayer Requests

Liam Keever
Lynda Schupp
Jim Kitchens
Mel Fite
Rodney McClain
Merritt Morin
Steve Davis
Norma Rockenbach

Kendall Hallford Jane Loveall Catherine Mitchell Jan Lewis Hudson Barnhill Phillip Young Sunny Hueholt

Madelon Clark, daughter of Joy Wright Thom Holbrook, friend of Linda Heilig James, Denton Red Shirt Ambassador Jessie Werts, grandmother of Kori Miller Laura Bruening, mother of Lisa Dorr Rylen Lewis, grandson of Mark Lewis Sharon Schuyler, friend of the Fair family Sharice Modester, Treehouse parent Jery Eaton, friend of Chuck Smith Ben Reynolds, relative of Clarice Luce Carolyn Brown, sister-in-law of Janette Hindman Jane Jacobek, aunt of Michelle La Spata Karin Diaz, friend of Harriet Laney Ben Pierce and Family, brother of Bekah Barnett Lynn and Charlie Davis, friends of Chuck Smith Margie Ball, Megan Terry Crawford, friend of Betty Sue and Mike Grandey

mother of Marissa Glasschroeder and Michael Ball
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Kim Hundley Owens, niece of Barbara Sims
John Pierce, father of Bekah Barnett
Sophia Lilley, mother of Lisa Haddad
The family of Rosalie Remley
The family of Bonnie Owens, mother of Michelle La Spata

Welcome!

e proclaim that ALL people are created in the image of God and affirm that each person is a beloved child of God. We welcome all, celebrating our differences while finding unity in Christ. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

If you wish to join St. Andrew today, please contact one of the ministers.

Children's Chapel

During the worship service, children ages three years through kindergarten are invited to go to chapel immediately following the Children's Sermon.

Enrichment – Easter Eggs

Robin Hines and Jacy Williamson

Godly Play seeks to tell the stories of the faith so that children hear and remember these stories and become engaged in them. It also provides a place and opportunities for children to begin exploring the purpose and meaning of worship. Parents may come upstairs to the Children's Chapel to pick children up following the worship service.

By the Numbers: As of 3/31/24

Income (pledges + other income)\$253,268Expenses\$238,771Difference\$14,497

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