



St. Andrew's
Presbyterian Church

Second Sunday of Easter
April 12, 2026
10:00am, Sanctuary

<https://https://zoom.us/j/738059997>
<http://www.facebook.com/standrewspdx/live>

ALL are welcome here. Worship is a series of invitations; accept only those you feel called to accept. Feel free to change language in a respectful manner if it helps the hour to be more worshipful for you.

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GATHERING

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Time to Center



Call to Worship

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

Opening Hymn | *Thine Is the Glory

Glory to God #238

Call to Confession

Jesus' rising from the dead assures us
that we, too, have been given new life.
Let us repent of our sin before God and one another,
certain of God's mercy. Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession

*You have shown yourself to us, O God,
by Word and Spirit,
with signs and wonders,
in flesh and blood,
yet we still struggle to live and believe
the good news of Jesus Christ.*

*Have mercy on us; forgive us.
Enter into our lives
and cast out our fear
so that we may come to trust in you
and have life in Jesus' name. Amen.*

Silent Prayers of Confession

...In Jesus' name.
Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hear God's word of grace:
You are precious in my sight,
And honored, and I love you.

The former things have passed away.
God says: I am doing a new thing;
Now it springs forth – do you see it?

Friends, believe the good news,
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God.

John 20:19-31

Isaiah 43

***Response of Praise | Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks**
(v. 4 only)

Glory to God #240

***Passing the Peace**

... The Peace of Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

THE WORD

Prayer of Preparation

*Open our eyes and soften our hearts, O God,
through the work of your Holy Spirit,
that in the hearing of your Word
we may receive new life. Amen.*

A Reading from the Book of Psalms

Psalm 145:13-21

Conversation with the Younger Church

A Reading from the Gospel According to John

John 20:19-31

Sermon

Roberta Schlechter

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn | Open My Eyes That I May See

Glory to God #451

Worshipping God with our Tithes and Offerings

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

***Song of Praise | In the Lord, I'll Be Ever Thankful**

Glory to God #654

*We respond to our
generous God by
practicing grateful
generosity. You are
encouraged to give as
you are able, to honor or
even exceed your
pledge!*

***Prayer of Dedication**

Gracious God,
you have blessed us with many gifts.
Now you call us to be a blessing for others.

Receive the offering of our lives –
our work and witness,
our time and resources,
our love and service.

Use these gifts to build up your church
that we may serve you in the world,
doing justice, loving kindness,
and walking humbly with you.

Through Jesus Christ we pray. ***Amen.***

Prayers of the People and the Prayer that Jesus Taught

SENDING

Our Ministry in Christ
Announcements

Charge and Benediction

Sung Response | *As You Go On Your Way
composed by John Ylvisaker
arr. by Joyce Borger

Postlude

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Welcome to St. Andrew's PDX!
Welcome Home! We are so glad you are here.

Connecting with Christ and each other to Serve Our Neighbors

Join us for worship every Sunday at 10:00am,
both in person and online via Zoom and Facebook.

Join us for Supper Church on second and fourth Sundays at 5pm.

Visit our website for the worship links and the weekly worship bulletin.

Please use blue prayer cards or Zoom chat to share prayer requests. You can pass these to the pastor during the passing of the peace or give them to an usher at any time in the first half of the service.

PRINTED COPIES OF TODAY'S SERMON ARE AVAILABLE



We encourage you to leave your **offerings and sign-in sheets** in the offering plates that are passed during worship. Offerings can also be made anytime on our website, www.standrewspdx.com



Today's worship leadership includes Roberta Schlechter, Elder; the Rev. Amy Delaney, Bridge Pastor; Don Feeley, Director of Music; Laura Hays, worship assistant; Nancy Goering, song leader; Caroline Sanderson-Doughty, AV tech assistant; and Steve Planck, sound technician.



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Mission Updates

*See your eNews, Upcoming Events in this bulletin,
or contact the office for full details.*

Neighborhood House - Current legislation and drastic cuts to food assistance and Head Start programs will undoubtedly create more hardship to this organization and the people it serves. You can help by: donating to their social safety net services; contacting your legislators to support SNAP, Head Start, and housing assistance programs; and talking to others to increase awareness of this crisis to our most vulnerable neighbors. Visit their website for more ways to help -- www.nhpd.org.

Ziploc Ministry - Join us on the first Saturday of each month to fill bags with hygiene and personal items to be distributed to our unhoused neighbors. The next gathering will be May 2nd, 10:30am-12:00pm. ****New socks and men's boxer-briefs donations always needed****

West Women & Children's Shelter - We prepare and deliver monthly, homemade casseroles and other food items to this domestic violence shelter. Recipes and instructions are provided. Casseroles are dropped off at the first Saturday Ziploc event (May 2nd).

Quilters - Gathers on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, at 9:30am. Contact Gail Planck for more info.

Homelessness Outreach - We support the Multnomah Safe Rest Village and the Southwest Outreach shower program. See your eNews for volunteer opportunities.

Children's Ministry

See your eNews for full details.

Supper Church - This is a wonderful time of food and fellowship, as well as fun for the kiddos. We meet in the lounge/chapel from 5:00-6:30pm and children in attendance hear a Bible story and then take part in a craft that mirrors the lesson that week. Guests are always welcome! RSVP using the SignUp Genius link in your eNews. Contact Roberta Schlechter for more info.

We give thanks for the gift of life and love as we celebrate the birthdays and anniversaries of our church family this month, praying for God's continued grace and joy in every new year ahead.

April Birthdays

John Calhoun - April 3
Barbara Bankes - April 4
David Wu - April 8
Lois Haley - April 10
Emily Dew - April 13
Roberta Schlechter - April 13
Steve Ihrig - April 23
Laurie Donald - April 24
Donna Lee - April 28 April


Anniversaries

Ron & Diane Kleve - April 2
Brad Van Allen & Carolyn Gazeley - April 23

Learning & Fellowship Opportunities

- **Sunday Coffee Hour** - Volunteers are needed for Sundays. Contact Marie Dolson or Gail Planck for more info.
- **Supper Church** - Please join us for an all-ages, family focused service with dinner provided. For our planning, please RSVP on the SignUp Genius link.
****Note: No Supper Church tonight! We will be having a special gathering next Sunday (4/19) as part of our after-church potluck event instead of the previously scheduled Supper Church.***
- **Sanctuary Choir** - The choir is taking a brief pause for the next few weeks. Rehearsals (after service each Sunday in the chapel) will resume on April 26.
- **Men's Bible Study** - This group meets at 7am via Zoom on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month. Contact Larry Kelley for more info.
- **Spiritual Formation Group** - Please join us as we conclude our discussion of Celtic Spirituality on Wednesday, April 15th from 12:30-2:00pm in the lounge. This is a drop-in group – no need to have read the book!

Upcoming Events

<p>April 12 & 19 10:00am Hybrid Worship</p> <p>April 12 5:00pm Supper Church St. Andrew's</p> <p>April 15 12:30-2:00pm Spiritual Formation Group St. Andrew's</p> <p>April 16 10:00am St. A's Book Club St. Andrew's</p>	 <p>April 19 11:00am "A Taste of Spring" Potluck St. Andrew's <i>*Note: In lieu of our usual Supper Church, we invite the individuals/families who participate in Supper Church to join our potluck as part of a larger family gathering.</i></p> <p>April 22 9:30-11:30am Quilters Group St. Andrew's</p>
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New News & Announcements *See your eNews for full details*

“A TASTE OF SPRING” AFTER-CHURCH POTLUCK

Our after-church potlucks continue to be a source of joy and comfort, so we’re doing it again. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend after service on Sunday, April 19. Stay tuned for information on Facebook and in your eNews

- Don’t forget that we’ll be collecting food for Neighborhood House Free Food Market at this event!
- This event will include our Supper Church attendees, as part of a larger family gathering (no Supper Church tonight on 4/12!)

SW HOPE 2026

We would like to extend our sincere thanks once again to everyone who has participated in this year’s SW Hope campaign, benefitting our friends at Neighborhood House Free Food Market. Your donations (of time, money, and food) have been generous and are greatly appreciated. For those who ran in the 5K yesterday (or Bunny Chase for the kids), we hope it was a wonderful event and was restorative to the soul and body.

PRESBYTERY EVENTS TO NOTE

There are two more *Collaborative Conversations* scheduled this Spring, as part of the ongoing series of Presbytery events to “share resources and build a greater sense of community across the Presbytery.” Mark your calendars, and be sure to register for these events (taking place via Zoom) – more information can be found in your eNews.

Thoughts from Pastor Amy (Written April 9th)

Dear friends in Christ,

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

Last week’s Easter celebration was a joy! Thank-you to each person who assisted with the worship liturgy, the flower cross, the music, the special activities for the children, and the yummy treats. It was a blessing to worship with so many old and new friends.

Easter Celebrations in the church year last for seven Sundays. During this season, we will consider another resurrection appearance of Jesus – this time to Thomas. We will read three stories from the early church as found in the Book of Acts, including Paul’s conversion story. This will be followed with two Sundays with readings from the book of Philippians. Guest Preachers include our own Elder,

Roberta Schlechter, preaching this Sunday, the Rev. Carmen Goetschius preaching April 26th, and Steve Cook preaching May 10th. Mark your calendars for some truly excellent preachers as we continue to celebrate Easter together!

As we move through the season of Easter, we will be considering how Jesus' resurrection empowered the disciples and created the first church. I wonder how we, too, will be changed?

And, as I encouraged us on Easter Sunday, don't forget to continue to watch out for "sun showers," those moments when it is both sunny and rainy at the same time. Remember that the Joy of Jesus' resurrection is like sunshine shining through the rain.

In Christ,

Pastor Amy

Prayers for the War in Iran:

As we consider what and how to pray, this statement from our Presbyterian Church (USA) leaders, written last month, is helpful: <https://pcusa.org/news-storytelling/news/2026/3/2/pcusa-statement-escalating-war-with-iran>.

With others throughout our denomination "We pray for wisdom and courage among leaders, for the people of Iran, for Israelis and Palestinians, for U.S. service members, and for all who may suffer as a result of this decision. And we recommit ourselves to Christ's call to be peacemakers in a world too quick to reach for war." In the present moment, we pray for our nation and the nation of Iran that this time of cease fire would lead to a lasting peace.