



**St. Andrew's**  
Presbyterian Church

Easter Sunday  
April 5, 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 | *Christ Is Alive!* (vv. 1, 2, 4, and 5)**

Glory to God #246

### **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**

*All-knowing, all-powerful God, we confess that, even on this most holy day, we are unable to believe in the victory over death shown to us in the resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Lord.*

*We confess our utter dependence on you not only for life but also for faith, hope, and love.*

*Without your astonishing appearance to our ancestors and your stunning presence throughout the ages, we would be lost.*

*Forgive us and transform us, that in every way our work and prayer will make whole what is broken and give peace on earth. Amen.*

### **Silent Prayers of Confession**

...In Jesus' name.

*Amen.*

### **Assurance of Pardon (Isaiah 43)**

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.*

**\*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 118:21-29*

**Conversation with the Younger Church**

**Special Music | I Will Rise**

Arr. by Mary McDonald  
*Caroline Sanderson-Doughty, soloist*

**A Reading from the Gospel According to John**

*John 20:1-18*

**Sermon**

*The Rev. Amy Delaney*

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

*This is the good news which we have received,  
in which we stand, and by which we are saved,  
if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins  
according to the scriptures, that he was buried,  
that he was raised on the third day, and  
that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter,  
and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful  
witnesses.*

*See 1 Cor. 15:1-6;  
Mark 16:9 (16:1-9);  
Matt. 16:16; Rev.  
22:13; John 20:28*

*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!*

***We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen***

**Worshipping God with our Tithes and Offerings  
Invitation to Generosity**

**Offertory Anthem | *Praise Ye the Lord***

by Allan Robert Petker

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

Glory to God #240

**\*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.***

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

**Invitation to the Table**

The table of God's good gifts is now to be made ready.

... Come.

It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

## Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us pray.

The Lord be with you. *And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts. *We lift them up 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

for you made us,

and before us, you made the world we inhabit,

and before the world, you made the eternal home

in which, through Christ, we have a place...

... Therefore, we gladly join our voices

to the song of the Church

on earth and in heaven:

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*

*God of power and might.*

*Heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

*Blessed is the one who comes in*

*the name of the Lord.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

And now,

lest we believe

that our praise alone fulfills your purpose,

we fall silent

and remember him who came to earth

because words weren't enough.

*(silence)*

Merciful God,

send now,

in kindness,

your Holy Spirit to settle on this bread and wine

and fill them with the fullness of Jesus.

Prayers submitted on prayer cards and Zoom will be read followed by "Love, in your mercy," to which everyone responds, "Hear our prayer."

All the bread is gluten-free, all the juice is unfermented. Please come forward, if you are able, bringing food offerings and receiving bread and cup. If you wish to be served in your seat, please raise a hand when the server comes near. Hold onto the bread and cup until all have received so we might receive as one body with our kindred at home.

And let that same Spirit rest on us,  
converting us  
from the patterns of this passing world,  
until we conform to the shape of him  
whose food we now share.  
Amen.

## Prayers of the People & the Prayer that Jesus Taught

### Sharing the Bread and Cup

#### Prayer After Communion

Lord God,  
in deep gratitude  
for this moment, this meal, these people,  
***we give ourselves to you.***

Take us out to live as changed people  
***because we have shared the living bread  
and cannot remain the same.***

Ask much of us, expect much from us,  
enable much by us, encourage many through us.

***Lord, may we live to your glory,  
both as inhabitants of earth  
and citizens of heaven. Amen.***

## SENDING

**\*Closing Hymn | Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!**  
(vv. 1, 3, and 4)

Glory to God #245

**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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Based on Godly Play principles, and drawn in part from the Godly Play Faces of Easter presentations, this has been written by Kathryn Lord, on behalf of Godly Play UK. Use what you can and share generously! [www.godlyplay.uk](http://www.godlyplay.uk)  
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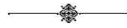
*Connecting with Christ and each other to Serve Our Neighbors*

**Welcome Home! We are so glad you are here.**

Join us for worship every Sunday at 10:00am, in person or online (Zoom and Facebook).  
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.

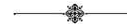
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We encourage you to leave your **offerings and sign-in sheets** in the offering plates that are  
passed during worship. Offerings can also be made anytime on our website,  
[www.standrewspdx.com](http://www.standrewspdx.com)



Today's worship leadership includes the Rev. Amy Delaney, Bridge Pastor;  
Don Feeley, Director of Music; Amy Houchen, worship assistant; Nancy Goering, song leader;  
Caroline Sanderson-Doughty, AV tech assistant; and Laura 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, drastic cuts to food assistance and Head Start programs, price increases for food (and gas to get to stores) have created more hardship to the people this organization 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 spreading the word to increase awareness of this crisis to our most vulnerable neighbors. Visit their website for more ways to help -- [www.nhpd.org](http://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 2<sup>nd</sup>, 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, and reimbursement is available. Casseroles are dropped off at the first Saturday Ziploc event (May 2<sup>nd</sup>).

**Quilters** - Gathers on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

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### **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.

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*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** - Supper Church is on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month, at 5pm in our chapel. Join us for this children and family-focused service, with dinner provided. Please RSVP to help with our planning.
- **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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup> from 12:30-2:00pm in the lounge. This is a drop-in group – no need to have read the book!

## Upcoming Events

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>April 5 &amp; 12</b> 10:00am Hybrid Worship</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>April 8</b> 9:30-11:30am Quilters Group St. Andrew’s</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>April 11</b> SW Hope 5k 9:45am Kids Fun Run / Bunny Chase 10:15am 5k Run / Walk Oregon Episcopal School 6300 SW Nicol Rd, Portland <b>Register Today!</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>April 12</b> 5:00pm Supper Church St. Andrew’s</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>April 15</b> 12:30-2:00pm Spiritual Formation Group St. Andrew’s</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>April 16</b> 10:00am St. A’s Book Club St. Andrew’s</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>April 19</b> 11:00am “A Taste of Spring” Potluck St. Andrew’s</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>May 2</b> 10:30am First Saturday Ziploc Ministry St. Andrew’s</p>
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**New News & Announcements**  
**\*See your eNews for full details\***

**SW HOPE**

This year, the SW Hope campaign has looked a little different, in large part due to the finalization of logistics as Neighborhood House moved to their new, larger location on Barbur Blvd. We appreciate all that you've done to participate in the fundraising opportunities this year (Dine Out to Donate at local restaurants, registering for the upcoming 5K Race and Bunny Chase, and the virtual Empty Bowls event to win a set of handcrafted bowls from a local artist). And we apologize that information has been sparse and/or late in getting to you – we're chalking it up to growing pains but are very optimistic that we'll be back on track with our efforts soon.

**“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 – and don't forget that we'll be collecting food for Neighborhood House Free Food Market at this event.

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**Thoughts from Pastor Amy**  
(Written April 1<sup>st</sup>)

Dear friends in Christ,

It was a blessing to worship with so many old and new friends last Sunday at Multnomah Presbyterian church as three SW Portland Presbyterian churches (Valley Community, Multnomah, and St. Andrew's) came together for Palm Sunday worship. It was a celebratory time with so many gathered together. I think I would love playing in a marimba choir, wouldn't you? And also, it was a serious time for reflection on how we are living out the good news of Jesus in today's world.

This week has opportunities for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday worship at Valley Community and Multnomah, respectively. I hope you can join me for one or both of the services. On Sunday at 10 AM we will great Easter Sunday worship in our sanctuary with the words, “Christ is Risen! Christ is risen Indeed!”, celebrating with choir, brass, and communion as we joyfully worship together. We will add our cut flowers to a flower cross in recognition of the great good news of the new life we have in Jesus.

I also wanted to update you on the work of the Session. The position description for a transitional pastor has been approved and we are beginning to advertise the position locally and regionally. It has been posted on the Presbytery of the Cascades job openings webpage (<https://cascadespresbytery.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/03/Transitional-position-revised-3-29-2026.pdf>), and in a few weeks, we should also have the position posted on the national PCUSA job site just in case the one person we are looking for will find us through that network. Meanwhile, you can read more about our transition on the St. Andrew's website by clicking the "About" tab (<https://www.standrewspx.com/about>) and then the "St. A's in Transition" button at the top right side of the screen. And you'll also see the posting for position just below that (the "We're Hiring!" button).

However you celebrate Easter this year, I pray that it will be memorable, reflective, and filled with joy.

In Christ, Pastor Amy, Your Bridge Pastor