



St. Andrew's
Presbyterian Church

Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 17, 2026
10:00am, Sanctuary

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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!

***Song | Love Divine, All Loves Excelling**

Glory to God #366

<p>Romans 14:10</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>Prayer of Confession <i>Loving God, we confess that we have failed to live in harmony with our sisters and brothers.</i></p> <p><i>We have been self-righteous in our attitudes, closed-minded in our beliefs, and judgmental in our opinions. We have shunned those whose ways we do not understand, and we have despised those who do not endorse our convictions.</i></p> <p><i>Forgive our sins of discord and conceit, and heal our divisiveness and quarreling. Help us to be charitable in our regard for others that we may dwell in peace with Christ, who is Lord of all. Amen.</i></p> <p>Silent Prayers of Confession ...In Jesus' name. <i>Amen.</i></p>
<p>Isaiah 43</p>	<p>Assurance of Pardon Hear God's word of grace: You are precious in my sight, And honored, and I love you.</p> <p>The former things have passed away. God says: I am doing a new thing; Now it springs forth – do you see it?</p> <p>Friends, believe the good news, In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. <i>Thanks be to God.</i></p>

***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 Gospel According to Luke

Luke 9:46-48

Conversation with the Younger Church

A Reading from the Book of Philippians

Philippians 1:1-18a

Sermon

Amy Delaney

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

***Hymn | Give Thanks, O Christian People** (vv. 1,3 & 4)

Glory to God #644

Worshipping God with our Tithes and Offerings

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory Anthem | Sing of the Lord's Goodness

by Ernest Sands

***Song of Praise | Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks**

(v. 4 only)

Glory to God #240

*We respond to our
generous God by
practicing grateful
generosity.*

***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.***

Once a month we practice healing prayer and, on these weeks, you are invited to use the prayer time in whatever way will be most healing for you – you may meditate quietly in your seat, take a walk, bring forward prayer cards and/or light candles to represent your prayers, come to Pastor Amy for anointing, or head to the prayer room for one-on-one prayer.

Healing Prayer

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

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.

May Birthdays

Bev Ruggles - May 1
Marilyn Palumbo - May 5
Katelan Gerhardt - May 11
Amy Houchen - May 11
Dwain Peterson - May 13
Marianne Parshley - May 17
Michael House - May 18
Todd Gerhardt - May 24
Mary Silver - May 25
Don DeFrancq - May 29
Nina Schiefelbein - May 30
Diane Kleve - May 31

May Anniversaries

Randy & Roberta Schlechter - May 30
Ray & Paddy Blair - May 31

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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 the Rev. Amy Delaney, Bridge Pastor;
Don Feeley, Director of Music; Scott Nasson, worship assistant;
Caroline Sanderson-Doughty, song leader; Rev. Jan Reynolds, Healing Prayer assistant,
Ryan Patterson, AV tech assistant; and Steve Ihrig, 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.nhpdx.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 Saturday, June 6th, 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 (June 6th).

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.

Learning & Fellowship Opportunities

- **Sunday Coffee Hour** - Volunteers are needed for Sundays. Contact Marie Dolson or Gail Planck for more info.
- **Supper Church** - Join us for food and fellowship, as well as fun for the kiddos! We meet for an all-ages, family-focused service (with meal provided) and children in attendance hear a Bible story and then take part in a craft that mirrors the lesson. Guests are always welcome! Our next gathering has been bumped back and will take place after service on June 14th.
- **Sanctuary Choir** - Rehearsal takes place after service in the chapel. If you’d like to join, we encourage you to stop by. Contact Don Feely for more info.
- **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** - Our next class takes place this coming Wednesday (May 20th). Please join us from 12:30-2:00pm in the lounge – this is a drop-in group; no need to have read the book!

Upcoming Events

<p>May 17 & 24 10:00am Hybrid Worship <i>Don’t forget to wear red next week for Pentecost!</i></p> <p>May 17 11:00am Sanctuary Choir St. Andrew’s</p> <p>May 20 12:30-2:00pm Spiritual Formation Group St. Andrew’s</p>	<p>May 21 10:00am St. A’s Book Club St. Andrew’s</p> <p>May 24 2:00pm Memorial Service for Carol Pebworth St. Andrew’s</p> <p>June 14 11:00am Supper Church St. Andrew’s <i>*Please note the new date/time!</i></p>
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New News & Announcements

See your eNews for full details

UPCOMING CELEBRATIONS OF LIFE

As we collectively continue to navigate a world without Steve Griffith, Carol Pebworth, Gwen Wildfong, and most recently Sue Malter, please hold their families in your prayers as they prepare for the upcoming memorial services. You are invited to attend and honor the memory and celebrate the lives of Carol, Steve, Gwen, and Sue:

- Carol Pebworth's memorial service will be held here at St. A's next Sunday (May 24) at 2pm.
- Steve Griffith's memorial service will be taking place at 2pm on Sunday, June 7 at Lincoln High School (in the theater auditorium).
- Gwen Wildfong's memorial service will be held here at St. A's at 11am on Saturday, August 1. A luncheon will be held after the service at the Jewish Community Center.
- Sue Malter's memorial service will be held at St. Andrew's. Date and time to be announced.

SWITCH NEEDS YOU

The Southwest Initiative to Change Homelessness (SWITCH), formerly Pathways Home, is in the planning phase for the event schedule ahead. This group of individuals strives to provide information and education to the community at large to better assist our unhoused neighbors. If you would like to join our efforts to foster an environment of hope, while restoring dignity and a sense of belonging for individuals facing houselessness, please contact Kara or Marilyn to find out about our next meeting and how you can get involved.

Thoughts from Pastor Amy (Written May 14th)

Dear friends in Christ,

I know that Thanksgiving is officially in November, but this week I am reading Philippians and remembering just how powerful it is when someone says, "thank you" in a meaningful and deliberate way. Pastor Sarah was known for her thank-you cards and the way she began each worship service with something she was thankful for about this congregation.

My mother was quite insistent that for every gift I received at birthdays or Christmas, I was to write a handwritten thank-you note. It had to be at least three sentences. Did your mom ask you to do that, too? Or were you the parent who insisted that your children, like mine, write thank-you notes? I think that those of us who mail thank-you notes are a dying breed, as most thank-you notes now come to us via email or text. But there is something about knowing someone took the time to write a note that still means something to me whenever I receive such a note.

This week during worship I'll be inviting you to write a thank-you note as part of worship – not to anyone at St. A's, but to someone in your life who has been kind or gone out of their way for you in the last weeks or months. So, think about who that might be. Join us for worship on Sunday at 10am, and I'll supply the cards! And, if you are unable to attend worship with us, you can still send a thank-you card to someone – or take them out for a cup of coffee to express your gratitude for the gift of their thoughtfulness.

With thanks in Christ for YOU,

Pastor Amy