

March 31, 2024 Easter Day

"Sharing God's Love"



"And I Hope"

With each new day, we hold onto hope for new life and resurrection.

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Welcome to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

We are one of the parishes that make up The Diocese of Ohio and are part of the Episcopal Church of the United States of America. We are also part of the worldwide Anglican Communion and at the head of the Anglican Communion is the Archbishop of Canterbury.

St. Andrew's is made up of diverse people who find meaning and experience community through relationships – with God, with ourselves as we seek to know God, with each other and with the world in which we live. We are old and young, female and male, gay and straight, cis-gender and non-binary in gender identification. We are single, married, divorced, widowed, black and white across a wide socio-economic range. In fact we are like everybody. We work in our communities and invest in work around the world. We study and we ask questions as we move deeper into the mystery of God. We support one another in good times and bad, and we try to see Christ in everyone we meet.

St. Andrew's mission statement is, "Sharing God's Love. "We believe that we are participating with God in God's work in the world. We are an open and affirming, inclusive community of faith, believing that God loves everyone, no exceptions.

Since December of 2019, we have made the work of anti-racism a priority by confessing, studying, praying, advocating and in activism for racial equity and social justice. We have been described as "Traditional in pews and kneelers, ornate altar and vestments. Modern in energy, ordination of women, and respect for all people regardless of the many ways God makes us different. Common in the humble, simple way these people, place and time come together to be extraordinary."

Commitment to Racial Justice

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church of Elyria, Ohio recognizes that the church, as a body of Christ, has a responsibility to act on behalf of others, especially the marginalized and the oppressed. We vow in our Baptismal Covenant to "seek and serve Christ in all persons" and to "strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being." We believe that this includes directly confronting the legacy and reality of racism, both individually and that which is systemic and institutionalized in our society. We must work to end economic, educational, employment, healthcare, housing and other injustices in our own lives, institutions, communities, and the world. To that end, we must be aware and well informed, and thereby better able to determine the actions our faith requires of us – actions that help us to practice justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with God.

Visitors

If you are visiting with us today, we welcome you. We want to know more about who you are and so we ask that you please complete the visitor's card (in pews or ask usher) and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!

Eucharistic Ministers for March 31

Ellen Otis/Harry Finkbone

Ushers for March 31
Amy Kellogg/Steve Gonosey

Acolytes for March 31
Hans Van Wormer/Jolene Adkins

Lectors for March 31
Bill Taylor/Ben Holcomb

LOOKING AHEAD

TODAY, after service: Festive Easter Brunch (1st Floor Parish Hall)
April 28, after both services: Blood Pressure Clinic
May 5, 10:30am: Youth Led Worship Service

Easter Day 10:30am Festal Holy Eucharist

BCP = Red Book of Common Prayer, HYMN = Blue Hymnal 1982, S before the Hymn # = Service music found in the front of the Hymnal 1982

Prelude Processional

String Trio Hymn 179 "Welcome, Happy Morning!"

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Hymn of Praise

LEVAS 244 "I Will Rejoice" © OCP Publications

I will rejoice, I will be glad, I will praise God Who holds my life in His hands.

I will praise the Father,
I will praise the Son.
I will praise the Spirit forever more.
I will rejoice, I will be glad,
I will praise God,
Who holds my life in His hands.

I will praise the Father, each and ev'ry day And I will sing His love songs forever more. I will rejoice, I will be glad, I will praise God, Who holds my life in His hands.

THE COLLECT FOR EASTER SUNDAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

PSALM 118:1-2,14-24

1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *

his mercy endures for ever.

2 Let Israel now proclaim, *

"His mercy endures for ever."

14 The LORD is my strength and my song, * and he has become my salvation.

15 There is a sound of exultation and victory * *in the tents of the righteous:*

16 "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! *

the right hand of the LORD is exalted!

the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"

17 I shall not die, but live, *

and declare the works of the LORD.

18 The LORD has punished me sorely, *

but he did not hand me over to death.

19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; *

I will enter them;

I will offer thanks to the LORD.

20 "This is the gate of the LORD; *

he who is righteous may enter."

21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me * and have become my salvation.

22 The same stone which the builders rejected * has become the chief cornerstone.

23 This is the LORD's doing, *

and it is marvelous in our eyes.

24 On this day the LORD has acted; * we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Sequence Hymn

Hymn 191 "Alleluia, Alleluia!" by Christopher Wordsworth

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

JOHN 20:1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the

linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON THE SERMON Ben Holcomb The Rev. June Hardy Dorsey

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: 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.

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent

and return to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as

yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the

dignity of every human being? **People:** I will, with God's help.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

You are invited to read the role of the intercessor as you are led. If more than one voice reads the same lines, please listen to one another and read simultaneously.

Leader: Alleluia! What was dead shall live; what was dim shall shine; what was forgotten shall be remembered, for the Lord is risen and walks among us. Let us confidently bring before God the needs of all our world, asking God for renewal, saying: Christ is risen, *Christ is risen indeed.*

Leader: God of life, in gratitude and great joy we laud you for the gifts of Christ's resurrection. On this day give us hope, for Christ is risen: *Christ is risen indeed.*

Leader: On this feast day which brings joy to all Christian believers, may we commit ourselves to work toward the unity of the church, that Christ's body may be one, for Christ is risen: Christ is risen: Christ is risen indeed.

Leader: Honoring the gift of Christ's risen body, may we rise to serve all those whose needs keep them from seeing themselves as the image of God; for Christ is risen: *Christ is risen indeed.*

Leader: For all who have need of the gift of Easter; for all who journey from illness to health, from despair to hope, from grief to consolation, from loneliness to love; for all our siblings, that death may have no more power over us, for Christ is risen, *Christ is risen indeed.*

Leader: For all who suffer and all who mourn, that today the Lord God will wipe away all tears, for Christ is risen: *Christ is risen indeed.*

Leader: Open our eyes and hearts so that we may see all people as your beloved—honoring all identities as created in your image, for Christ is risen: *Christ is risen indeed.*

Leader: May we have the persistent faith of Mary Magdalene and the surprised belief of Peter and John. May we long to be God's sign of life in our world, for Christ is risen: *Christ is risen indeed.*

(Other intercessions and prayers may be offered here, either silently or aloud.)

Leader: May we be one in faith with all who have died in Christ, for our life is with Christ in God; for Christ is risen: *Christ is risen indeed.*

Celebrant: God of life, we thank you for the mystery planted in us, the paradox of life from death, and community from scattered disciples. We praise you for the dying which saves us from death and for the rising which brings us life. We pray, as we live, through Jesus the risen one, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you

People: And also with you.

(Please share the Peace of the Risen Lord with others around you.)

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND SPECIAL PRAYERS Blessing of Personal Care Products

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Offertory Sentence

Celebrant: Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name. But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Offertory Anthem
The Presentation of Gifts

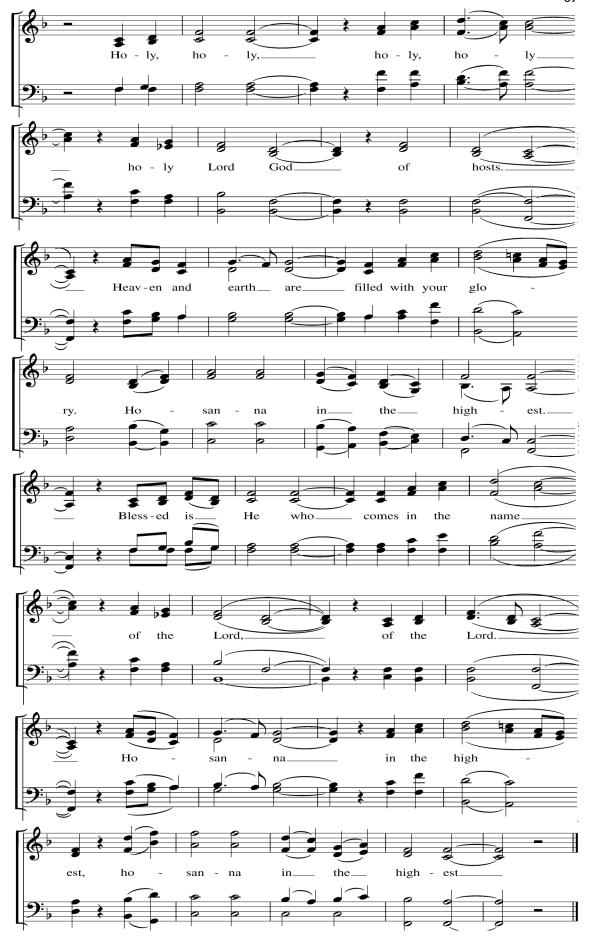
"Easter Carol"

Hymn 182 "Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing!"

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HOLY COMMUNION: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:



Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself: and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal. Kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now sing,

(music and lyrics on next page)



The Lord's Prayer by David Haas

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD Fraction

BCP 364

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant: The table of bread and wine is now made ready.

All: It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom Jesus identified himself. It is the table of communion with the earth, in which Christ became incarnate. So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; You who have been here often and you who have not been for a while. You who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed;

Celebrant: Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

THE HOLY COMMUNION (All are welcome to receive from God's Table)
Communion Music

Hymn 199 "Come, Ye, Faithful Raise The Strain" © John Mason Neale Hymn 205 "Good Christians All, Rejoice And Sing" © Hope Publishing Co Hymn 180 "He Is Risen, He Is Risen" Cecil Frances Alexander

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

(standing or kneeling as able)

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE EASTER BLESSING

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. *Amen.*

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen**.

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen*.

Recessional Hymn

Hymn 207 "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" © Hope Publishing Co

DISMISSAL (Children are invited to come forward to process the "Alleluia.")

Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Voluntary

"I Know My Redeemer Liveth"

***All are invited to gather on the first floor in the Parish Hall after the service this morning to enjoy light refreshments and fellowship. We hope to see you there!

St. Andrew's Prayer List:

Our Spiritual Leaders
Michael, our Presiding Bishop
Anne, our Bishop
June, our Priest
Jane, our Deacon
Mark Skladan, our Music Director
Joan, our Music Director, Emerita
Ben, our Director of Youth
and Children's Ministry

Our Friends
Christ Church, Oberlin
Church of the Redeemer, Lorain
Redeemer Lutheran Church, Elyria
Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Elyria
The Original Glorious Apostolic Church
Elyria First United Methodist Church
Avon United Methodist Church

Active-Duty Military: John Able, Stephanie Bacskay, Rose Buttle, Luke Colcough, Aaron Colcough, Dylan Donnelly, Charles Kellogg, Kim Reich, Gavin Schwan, Ryan Sumner, Ashley Augustine

Churches in Our Mission Area: St. Paul's, Bellevue; St. Paul's, Fremont; Christ Church, Huron; Redeemer, Lorain; St. Paul's, Norwalk; St. Thomas, Port Clinton; St. Paul's, Put-in-Bay; Grace, Sandusky; Old Trinity, Tiffin; Christ Church, Oberlin

Long Term Illnesses/Injuries: Kathy Inderrieden (Karen Blair's daughter), Pauline McKenna (Karen Blair's daughter), Paul Tanner (partner of Jolene Adkins), Scott Holcomb, Shelly Perkins, Margaret Roach, Deshawn (and family), John Palermo, Terry Finkbone (brother of Harry Finkbone)

At Home: Virginia Larson, Donna Quisenberry, Sally Ruth, Barbara Tobin, Patricia Pozywak, Bobbi Holliday, Taffy Valassis, Robert Anderson, Ruth Smith

Those Who Have Died: Joyce Priest, Wayne Emmanuel, Rob Hutchins, Shirley Schmid, Tom Adelsberg, Fred Beiswenger, Naaman Torres (husband of Marilyn Torres), The Rev. Janet Long, Garfield "Chip" Johns (Glynis Laing's brother)

Other Concerns: Bob and Mavis Hardy, Trevor Gosh, Kendra and Kendall, Pam Pudar, Wesley Stewart, Tom Heinz, John Torres, Karen Blair, Kathy Hawkins Tobin, Rich and Messiah, Linda and Tom Pennington, Mary Ann Hursky (Amy Kellogg's aunt), Sean and Natalie Prior, Lee Kauffman, Julie Joy and the Joy Family, Terry Brady, Laurie Stephens, John Kellogg, Tommy Winton, Linda Wilbert, Megan Kovacik (Emily Holcomb's sister), Rance and Elaine Hutchins, Marilyn Schmid and Molly Richeson, Katelyn (granddaughter of Harry and May Ann Finkbone), Steven Laing, Russell Pancheck, Karl Kirk, Brian Deagan

Announcements

April Restaurant Night: Don Ramon Mexican Restaurant

The next restaurant night will be at Don Ramon Mexican Restaurant in Westlake on April 14, at 5pm. Please arrive on time as orders will be placed 5-10 minutes after we are seated. Contact Lee Kauffman for reservations at kauffman@yahoo.com or at 440-665-7379 by April 10.

The Rev. Margaret D'Anieri Retirement Party

Join in saying thank you and Godspeed to the Rev. Margaret D'Anieri on April 20, from 2pm-5pm at Bellwether Farm. Please bring a letter, note, or card, addressed to Margaret for her "book of remembrance."

St. Andrew's Night at Progressive Field

Join us for the Guardians game on Friday June 21, against the Toronto Blue Jays. We will once again have seats in the Family Deck, so those of you with a fear of heights or very narrow stairs don't need to worry. We will be in Section 311 again which is in right field near the visiting team's bullpen. There will be fireworks and it's Dollar Dog night and "Free Shirt Friday"! For those of you "of age" there will also be \$2 beer before the game. Ticket prices are \$25 each. Please submit your ticket orders to Amy Kellogg on or before May 10, 2024. You can reach her at akellogg@bakerlaw.com or 440-821-2458.

Bellwether Farm Summer Camp: "Every Living Thing": June 16-July 26

Bellwether Farm Summer Camp is a small, inclusive week-long camp that values physical and spiritual wellness. Camps for students grades 3-9 and 6-12 are available from June 16 through July 26. Activities vary from cooking and farming to archery and canoeing to hiking and field games- and lots of nature-based art! Learn more at www.bellwetherfarm.com. Parish and diocesan scholarships are available for all weeks of camp.

Sci-Fi Summer SPARK at St. Andrew's - July 29-August 2, 9am-4pm

St. Andrew's is partnering with the Lorain County Community College Theatre Department and SPARK Theatre Company to offer an all-new Science Fiction themed performing arts camp for students ages 10-15. Sci-fi summer will be held at St. Andrew's and students will work with professional teaching artists to create their own performance piece. Classes include drama, music, dance and science fiction themed crafts. Enrollment is \$40 and includes breakfast, lunch and snacks. Enroll to-day at www.sparktheatre4youth.org

Help the Rector's Discretionary Fund

The existence and use of clergy discretionary funds in The Episcopal Church largely rest on Church Canon, originally adopted in 1814, as well as a long tradition implementing this canon in congregations nationally. Rev. June uses her fund for "pious and charitable purposes" and often includes assisting those in need with rent, gasoline, medication, personal products and more.

Rev. June has sole discretion and is not required to get approval. Generally, the dollar amount of the assistance is small and not recurring. The discretionary fund is funded directly from church accounts by Vestry approval or from donations. Due to a recent increase in need, the balance in this account is very low. You are invited to consider donating directly to this fund as a way to help those in need in our church family and the wider community.

Please use this coloring page as an opportunity for spiritual meditation and reflection.

