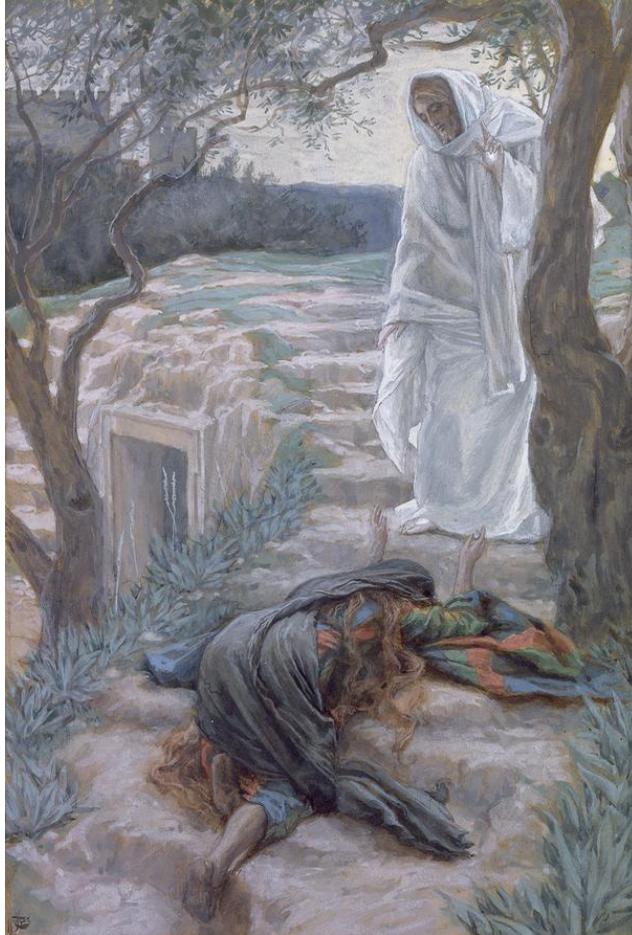


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*\*Silence All Cell Phones & Pagers\**

**MORNING WORSHIP**

**10:45 a.m.**

**EASTER SUNDAY**

**April 16, 2017**

“Accept one another just as Christ accepted you.” (Romans 15:7)

*Please enter the Sanctuary quietly to prepare for worship. Today’s Scripture readings and hymns are recommended for your silent meditation and prayer.*

*Soli Deo Gloria*

**WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**(Please sign and pass the Friendship Register. If you are the last person on your row, please tear out the sheet after everyone has signed and place the sheet in the offering plate.)**

**GATHERING OF THE LORD’S PEOPLE**

\*PRELUDE                      Joy of Man's Desiring  
  By: J.S. Bach

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN      Lift High the Cross

*Refrain:      Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim,  
                    Till all the world adore His sacred name.*

**Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod,  
Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God.**

*Refrain*

**Led on their way by this triumphant sign,  
The hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.**

*Refrain*

**O Lord, once lifted on this glorious Tree,  
As Thou hast promised draw men unto Thee.**

*Refrain*

**Set up Thy throne, that earth’s despair may cease  
Beneath the shadow of its healing peace.**

*Refrain*

**For Thy blest Cross which doth for all atone,  
Creation’s praises rise before Thy throne.**

*Refrain*

\*INVOCATION

\*GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

## **OPENING OUR HEARTS TO GOD**

### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

We like to think we're fairly decent people, but the truth is, as Paul wrote "all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23) To fall short of God's glory is to live in alienation from God and from one another, but in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ God broke the power of sin forever. When we humbly confess our sins, God has promised to forgive us, and to heal us from all our brokenness. Let us make confession.

### **MOMENT FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION**

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse this good earth you entrusted to us. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust in your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord, for it is in his name that we pray. Amen.*

#### **ASSURANCE of PARDON**

Hear the Good News! Jesus said "I am the resurrection and the life." There is therefore no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. Know that in Christ you and I are forgiven, and be at peace.

#### **SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Since we have peace with God through Jesus Christ, let us share the peace of Christ with one another. Peace be with you! (Please turn and share the peace of Christ with those around you.)

#### **HYMN #253 Beneath the Cross of Jesus**

**Beneath the cross of Jesus I gladly take my stand:  
The shadow of a mighty rock Within a weary land,  
A home within the wilderness, A rest upon the way,  
From the burning of the noontide heat And the burden of the day.**

**Upon that cross of Jesus My eyes at times can see  
The very dying form of One Who suffered there for me;  
And from my smitten heart, with tears, Two wonders I confess-  
The wonders of His glorious love And my unworthiness.**

**I take, O cross, thy shadow For my abiding place;  
I ask no other sunshine than The sunshine of His face,  
Content to let the world go by, To know no gain or loss,  
My sinful self my only shame, My glory all the cross.**

LITANY FOR EASTER with the LORD'S PRAYER (spoken)

O Christ, in your resurrection, the heavens and earth rejoice.

**Alleluia!**

By Your resurrection You broke open the gates of hell, and destroyed sin and death.

**Keep us victorious over sin.**

By Your resurrection You raised the dead, and brought us from death to life.

**Guide us in the way of eternal life.**

By Your resurrection you confounded Your guards and executioners, and filled the disciples with joy.

**Give us joy in Your service.**

By Your resurrection You proclaimed good news to the women and the apostles, and brought salvation to the whole world.

**Direct our lives as Your new creation.**

After Your resurrection You appeared to Your disciples; You breathed on them that they might receive the Holy Spirit. You gave joy and exultation to the whole creation.

Through Your victory we pray to you:

**Hear us, Lord of glory.**

After Your resurrection, You sent out Your disciples to teach all nations, and to baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit; You promised to be with them to the end of the world. Through Your victory we pray to You:

**Hear us, Lord of glory.**

O Christ, through Your resurrection You lifted us up, and filled us with rejoicing.

Through Your salvation You enrich us with Your gifts. Renew our lives and fill our hearts with joy. Through Your victory we pray to You:

**Hear us, Lord of glory.**

O God, You gave us Your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection You delivered us from the power of death. Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may live evermore with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us that when we pray we should say:

*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.*

ANTHEM

Hallelujah  
(From "Mount of Olives") By: Ludwig van Beethoven  
Choral setting by Hal H. Hopson

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Lay Reader: Mary Ann Rimbey

Isaiah 53:3-6 (p.613)

NEW TESTAMENT READING:

Matthew 28:1-15 (p.835)

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

FAKE NEWS vs. GOOD NEWS

## RESPONDING TO GOD

### CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

(We share at the Lord's Table by intinction – dipping the bread in the cup. Please come forward to participate. If you wish to be served where you are seated, please inform one of the Elders. Gluten- free bread is arranged in the center of the plate. All baptized persons who seek to be faithful followers of Jesus Christ are welcome to partake.)

### GATHERING THE PEOPLES' OFFERING

### OFFERTORY

### \*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints: the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **GOING WITH GOD INTO THE WORLD**

**\*THE CHARGE**

**\*HYMN #289** Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

**Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!  
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!**

**Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!  
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
Dying once He all doth save, Alleluia!  
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!**

**Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!  
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!  
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia!  
Christ has opened Paradise, Alleluia!**

**Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!  
Praise Him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

**\*BENEDICTION with CHORAL RESPONSE**

\* All who are able, please stand

### **WELCOME VISITORS**

If you are seeking a Church home, we are always delighted to welcome new members into the Saint Andrew fellowship. If you desire more information about Saint Andrew, please indicate on the friendship pad or speak to the minister after the service.

### **CATECHISM QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

#### **Q 16 What is sin?**

Sin is rejecting or ignoring God in the world he created, rebelling against him by living without reference to him, not being or doing what he requires in his law—resulting in our death and the disintegration of all creation.

(Adapted by Timothy Keller and Sam Shammas from the Reformation catechisms.  
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**PLEASE PRAY FOR...**

**Our Homebound Members: Mary Bentley, Louis Cook, Chuck Cornelius, Evelyn Scudder, Eileen Hoehle, Jean Johnson, Nancy Johnson, Ann Heaney, Ed Macuch, Barbara Rinker, Al L'Heureux, Bob Wilson**

**Members and Friends: Pat and Duane Seaborn, Louise Taylor, Jete McCutcheon, Joyce Howe, John Stillwell, Marva Ellison, Harold Gibbs, Sheila Tucker, Ivett Andrews, Flo Mundy and Family of Eddie Rees**

**Mary Elrod, Bobbie Auld, Rodney Ivey and Family, Rev. Jerod Lowry and his wife Molly, and their children, Tracy and Brian Leopard, Betty Zimmerman, Kathryn Yates, Anita Wylds, Charles Riska and Family, Cornelia Massey; the Persecuted Church, those serving in our armed forces, and those who do not yet know Jesus**

## THIS WEEK AT SAINT ANDREW

April 16- April 22

<b>Today</b>	7:30 am	Sunrise Service
	8:30 am	Easter Brunch
	9:30 am	Sunday School
	10:15 am	Easter Egg Hunt
	10:45 am	Morning Worship
	4:00- 5:00 pm	Christ the King No Evening Worship
Monday	6:30 pm	Session Meeting
Tuesday	10:30 am	Bible Study (Harrington Park)
	2:00 pm	Knitting Circle
Wednesday	12:15 pm	Brown Bag Bible Study (Augusta Mall Food Court)
	6:00 pm	Brown Bag Fellowship
	6:30 pm	Prayer, Share & Study
	7:15 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	6:30 pm	Prayer Group (Kershner home)
Lay Readers this month: Ann Hill and Mary Anne Rimbey		
Offering Collectors this month: Lee Kitchen and Joe Ruiz		
Greeter this month: Ivett Andrews		
Attendance Last Week: 58		
Fellowship Snacks Provided by:		

## GAP ITEMS OF THE MONTH SHAMPOO

Please place items in the decorated container in the parlor, remembering that if you forget to bring an item, you are welcome to contribute cash or checks (made payable to GAP Ministries).

**On the cover: *Noli Me Tangere* by James Tissot {c.1886-94} ~ Jesus & Mary Magdalene**