



# ST. ANDREW'S

LUTHERAN CHURCH



✠ **Good Friday** ✠  
**April 3, 2026**  
**12:00pm.**

Ministers, The People of God  
Reverend Jean Dougherty  
Director of Music, Minerva Chen  
Cantor, Cynthia Davis  
Bell Choir Director, Laura Gustavsen  
Ushers, Linda Herzog



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## LUTHERAN CHURCH

### This is Christ's Church:

There is a place for you here. We are the church that shares a living, daring confidence in God's grace. Liberated by our faith, we embrace you as a whole person—questions, complexities, and all. Join us as we do God's work in Christ's name for the life of the world. **Those with us for the first time** are kindly asked to introduce themselves to the pastor and greeters and are welcome to sign our guest book in the narthex.

**NEED PRAYER?** Kindly share prayer concerns at the lectern located at the church entrance to have a name read aloud during worship. Completing a prayer card or calling the office assures the name will appear in print, and you may ask to receive a call from the pastor.

### Our Mission:

Because God shows His Love through Jesus Christ, St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, a community of faith, gathered around Word and Sacrament, lives to WORSHIP, WITNESS, LEARN, and SERVE, and welcomes all people to share God's love and to be workers together in this mission of the Church.

### Communion:

St. Andrew's practices eucharistic hospitality. All are welcome at God's table.

In response to Jesus's command, we celebrate with a worship meal of bread (or gluten-free by request) and white wine or red grape juice (in the center of the communion tray.) It is the Lutheran tradition to commune using both elements. However, we believe Christ is fully present when receiving one kind (bread or wine/grape juice). Those not communing and children are invited forward to receive a blessing and may cross their arms to indicate their intentions.

### What is Reconciling in Christ?

This means we joyfully welcome all of God's people to worship with us regardless of age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, ability, or socio-economic circumstances



## GATHERING

*All gather in silence.*

*The presiding minister invites you to stand as able.*

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

*A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

Almighty God,

**look with loving mercy on your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be given over to the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.**

**Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

## WORD

### **FIRST READING: Isaiah 53:4-12** *(read responsively)*

A reading from Isaiah.

<sup>4</sup>Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted.

<sup>5</sup>**But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed.**

<sup>6</sup>All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. <sup>7</sup>**He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.**

<sup>8</sup>By a perversion of justice he was taken away.  
Who could have imagined his future? For  
he was cut off from the land of the living,  
stricken for the transgression of my people.

<sup>9</sup>**They made his grave with the wicked  
and his tomb with the rich, although he  
had done no violence, and there was no  
deceit in his mouth.**

<sup>10</sup>Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain.  
When you make his life an offering for sin, he  
shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days;  
through him the will of the LORD shall prosper.

<sup>11</sup>**Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall  
find satisfaction through his knowledge.  
The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and  
he shall bear their iniquities.**

<sup>12</sup>Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide  
the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death,  
and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of  
many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## **HYMN #803 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" VERSE ONE**

### **THE SEVEN LAST WORDS**

#### **FIRST WORD – "FATHER, FORGIVE THEM FOR THEY KNOW NOT WHAT THEY DO."**

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing."] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." –Luke 23:32-38 NRSV

## Reflection by Jason Hobbs

### **HYMN #803 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" VERSE TWO**

#### **SECOND WORD – "TRULY I SAY TO YOU, TODAY YOU WILL BE WITH ME IN PARADISE."**

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise." –Luke 23:39-43 NRSV

## Reflection by Joanne Wortman

### **HYMN #803 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" VERSE THREE**

#### **THIRD WORD – "WOMAN! BEHOLD YOUR SON"**

And that is what the soldiers did. Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home. –John 19:25-27 NRSV

## Reflection by Joanne Wortman

### **HYMN #803 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" VERSE FOUR**

#### **FOURTH WORD – "MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAST THOUGH FORSAKEN ME?"**

From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" –Matthew 27:45-46 NRSV

## Reflection by Lynne Hewitt

### **HYMN #353 "WERE YOU THERE" VERSE ONE**

## **FIFTH WORD – “I THIRST!”**

After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), “I am thirsty.” A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth. –John 19:28-29 NRSV

**Reflection by Jason Hobbs**

## **HYMN #353 “WERE YOU THERE” VERSE TWO**

## **SIXTH WORD – “FATHER, INTO THY HANDS I COMMIT MY SPIRIT.”**

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, “Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.” Having said this, he breathed his last. –Luke 23:44-46 NRSV

**Reflection by Lynne Hewitt**

## **HYMN #353 “WERE YOU THERE” VERSE THREE**

## **SEVENTH WORD – “IT IS FINISHED.”**

When Jesus had received the wine, he said, “It is finished.” Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit. –John 19:30 NRSV

**Reflection by Pastor Jean Dougherty**

## **HYMN #353 “WERE YOU THERE” VERSE FOUR AND FIVE**

***Silence is kept.***

## **Bidding Prayer**

*The assembly kneels as they are able or sits. Silence for prayer follows each bid.*

Let us pray, brothers and sisters, for the holy church throughout the world.

*Silent prayer.*

1. Almighty and eternal God, you have shown your glory to all nations in Jesus Christ. By your Holy Spirit guide the church and gather it throughout the world. Help it to persevere in faith, proclaim your name, and bring the good news of salvation in Christ to all people. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us pray for all servants of the church, and for all the people of God.

*Silent prayer.*

2. Almighty and eternal God, your Spirit guides the church and makes it holy. Strengthen and uphold our bishops, pastors, other ministers, and lay leaders. Keep them in health and safety for the good of the church, and help each of us in our various vocations to do faithfully the work to which you have called us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for those preparing for baptism.

*Silent prayer.*

3. Almighty and eternal God, you continue to bless the church. Increase the faith and understanding of those preparing for baptism. Give them new birth as your children, and keep them in the faith and communion of your holy church. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us pray for our sisters and brothers who share our faith in Jesus Christ.

*Silent prayer.*

4. Almighty and eternal God, you give your church unity. Look with favor on all who follow Jesus your Son. Make all the baptized one in the fullness of faith, and keep us united in the fellowship of love. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us pray for the Jewish people, the first to hear the word of God.

*Silent prayer.*

5. Almighty and eternal God, long ago you gave your promise to Abraham and your teaching to Moses. Hear our prayers that the people you called and elected as your own may receive the fulfillment of the covenant's promises. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ.

*Silent prayer.*

6. Almighty and eternal God, gather into your embrace all those who call out to you under different names. Bring an end to inter-religious strife, and make us more faithful witnesses of the love made known to us in your Son. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for those who do not believe in God.

*Silent prayer.*

7. Almighty and eternal God, you created humanity so that all may long to know you and find peace in you. Grant that all may recognize the signs of your love and grace in the world and in the lives of Christians, and gladly acknowledge you as the one true God. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for God's creation.

*Silent prayer.*

8. Almighty and eternal God, you are the creator of a magnificent universe. Hold all the worlds in the arms of your care and bring all things to fulfillment in you.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us pray for those who serve in public office.

*Silent prayer.*

9. Almighty and eternal God, you are the champion of the poor and oppressed. In your goodness, give wisdom to those in authority, so that all people may enjoy justice, peace, freedom, and a share in the goodness of your creation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for those in need.

*Silent prayer.*

10. Almighty and eternal God, you give strength to the weary and new courage to those who have lost heart. Heal the sick, comfort the dying, give safety to travelers, free those unjustly deprived of liberty, and deliver your world from falsehood, hunger, and disease. Hear the prayers of all who call on you in any trouble, that they may have the joy of receiving your help in their need. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Finally, let us pray for all those things for which our Lord would have us ask.

**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 trespasses, as we  
forgive those who trespass  
against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but  
deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the  
power, and the glory, forever  
and ever. Amen.**

## **PROCESSION OF THE CROSS**

*The assembly stands as the cross is carried in procession through the church and placed before the assembly.*

Behold the life-giving cross, on which was hung the Savior of the whole world.

**Oh, come, let us worship him.**

Behold the life-giving cross, on which was hung the Savior of the whole world.

**Oh, come, let us worship him.**

Behold the life-giving cross, on which was hung the Savior of the whole world. **Oh, come, let us worship him.**

*After a brief silence*

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

By your holy cross, you have redeemed the world.

**You have redeemed the world.**

*As you leave reverence the cross and depart in silence.*



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### **HOLY WEEK**

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3rd,

7:30 pm Tenebrae

EASTER VIGIL, SATURDAY, APRIL 4, at Calvary in Hauppauge

7:30 pm (Pastor Jean preaching)

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 5th , 10:00 am