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St. Andrew's Anglican Church

Easter Sunday • April 16, 2017



He is Risen!

The long journey through the wilderness of Lent is finally over. We have journeyed with our Lord to Jerusalem and on to Calvary. We have felt the anguish of the death of Love in the person of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. We have waited in the tomb as the silence of the death we deserve consumed him.

But death has not had the final word! The gates of death and Hell have been broken loose and flung wide open! As the hymn says, "Death is conquered, we are free; Christ has won the victory!"

But the best news is that the Resurrection is not just an event that happened to Jesus some two thousand years ago. It is a victory that empowers us to taste real life. Life in a whole, loving relationship with God our Father and Creator. Life abundant has been bestowed upon us in this life, and we have the promise of more to come in the next.

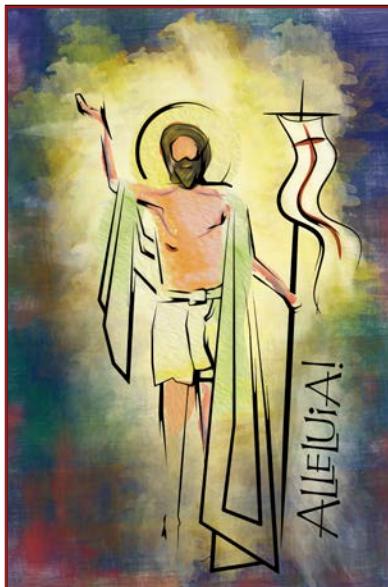
The great Feast of Easter is not only for this one Sunday. It is for 50 days! A feast for the community of the Resurrection.

We are that community. And it is a feast that will last until the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

Alleluia! The Lord is Risen!

Alleluia! We are Risen!

The Lord is Risen indeed! Alleluia!



Matthew 25 Initiative

Lenten Mite Box update

We have received a total of \$547.73 so far from our Lenten Mite Box alms toward our goal of \$1,000. Remember — the Brotherhood of St. Andrew will match the congregation's donations if \$1,000 is obtained. We only have two more Sundays to reach our goal, Easter Sunday and next Sunday, April 23. If you are using a Mite Box, or a personal check, please remember to put them in the collection basket. If you are writing a check, make sure to add "Matthew 25" in the notes portion so Rachel Cherubini, our business manager, will know to include it in our total. Thanks to everyone for your generous contributions!

At left, two children select palms at the 11:15 a.m. service last Sunday.

Shrek at Olentangy High to feature St. Andrew's youth

Two St. Andrew's youth will take the stage, and a third will be working behind the scenes, when the Olentangy High School Drama Department presents "Shrek: The Musical" next weekend.

Baxter Whitehead, son of Eric and Tally, has the lead as the green ogre himself, and Hope Beverick, daughter of Bob and Amy, is also in the cast. Elspeth Nelson, daughter of Celia and Joe, will be working with costumes.

"Shrek: The Musical" brings to life the adventures of Shrek and the fast-talking and loyal Donkey as they embark upon an adventure to reclaim the ogre's once happy existence after his home in the swamp is invaded by a band of newly homeless fairy-tale creatures. In the process they must rescue Princess Fiona.

Shrek will be presented on Friday, April 21, at 7 p.m.; Saturday, April 22, at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.; and Sunday, April 23, at 2 p.m.

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❖ Easter reflection by Fr. Ron Baird

The Daily Lectionary

Easter Week · April 16-22

Easter Sunday, April 16 — A.M.: Psalms 79, 80, 81; Exodus 12:1-14; Revelation 1:4-18 P.M.: 82, 83, 84, 85; Exodus 14:5-31; John 20:11-23

Monday, April 17 — A.M.: Psalms 86, 87, 88; Exodus 15:1-18; Luke 24:1-12 P.M.: Psalm 89; Song of Songs 1:1—2:7; Revelation 7:9-17

Tuesday, April 18 — A.M.: Psalms 90, 91, 92; Isaiah 25:1-9; 1 Peter 1:1-12 P.M.: Psalms 93 & 94; Song of Songs 2:8-17; Matthew 28:1-10

Wednesday, April 19 — A.M.: Psalms 95, 96, 97; Isaiah 61; 1 Peter 1:13-25 P.M.: Psalms 98, 99, 100, 101; Song of Songs 3:1—4:16a; John 21:1-14

Thursday, April 20 — A.M.: Psalms 102 & 103; Job 14:1-15; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 P.M.: Psalm 104; Song of Songs 4:16b—5:16; Mark 5:21-43

Friday, April 21 — A.M.: Psalm 105; Zephaniah 3:14-20; Acts 17:16-31 Psalm 106; Song of Songs 6:1—7:10; Luke 7:11-17

Saturday, April 22 — A.M.: Psalm 107; Jeremiah 31:1-14; Acts 26:1-23 P.M.: Psalms 108 & 109; Song of Songs 7:11—8:14; John 11:17-44

Next Sunday, April 23 — Psalms 110, 111, 112 & 113; Ezekiel 37:1-14; Luke 24: 13-35 Psalms 114 & 115; Exodus 15:1-18; John 20:24-31

Next Sunday's Lectionary · April 23 (Second Sunday in Easter, Year A)

First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Psalm 111 (BCP 754)

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Prayers for the Church

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Please give thanks for the glorious and blessed resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for Fr. Dave Simmons and the people of Crossroads Anglican, Brighton, Michigan.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for Frank and Jo Edda Habeker; Tom and Mother Nanci James; the Living Stones Small Group; and the Harvest Festival Planning Team.

Encouragement for your prayer time with God

The Resurrection: What a marvelous act from our God who loves us! "For since death came by man, by man came also the resurrection of the dead." (*1 Corinthians 15:21*) "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." (*1 Peter 1:3*) — *From the St. Andrew's Prayer Ministries Team*

'Vaud-villities' show to feature four parishioners

Steve and Laurie Darke, Randy Smith, and Lesley DeBella will perform in Vaud-villities' spring variety show, "Diamond Jubilee," a salute to 75 years of Vaud-villities shows. Performances are Thursday, April 20, at 7:30 p.m.; Friday, April 21, at 8 p.m.; Saturday, April 22, at 2:30 and 8 p.m.; and Sunday, April 23, at 2:30 p.m. at the Northland Performing Arts Center, 441 Tamarack Blvd., Columbus. You may see Laurie for tickets at a discount today. Tickets may be purchased after today online or by phone at vv.shows.org or 614-262-7469.

Adult Forum, classes for children and youth, resume next Sunday

The Adult Forum will continue with "Embrace the Journey," a look at end-of-life issues, next Sunday at the 10:15 a.m. Grow in Faith time. Godly Play for our children,

Shrek

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Log on to olentangydrama.tix.com to purchase tickets and select your seats. Tickets range from \$8 to \$12 online, and from \$10 to \$15 at the door. Olentangy High School is located at 675 Lewis Center Road, just east of Route 23.

Women's Bible Study

meets Tuesday, April 18

The Women's Bible Study group will meet this coming Tuesday, April 18, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. in the Parish House Conference Room. All women of the parish are welcome!

Wednesday Noon Prayer Service offered every week

The Weekday Prayer Service is now being held weekly at noon on Wednesdays. The prayer services will be held in the Sanctuary for the intention of our parish, the city, the state, the nation and the world, as well as any individual needs you have.

For more information, please contact Ann Schnapp, acbs2@hotmail.com or 614-890-5896; or Fr. Wil Verhoff, wilfredverhoff@yahoo.com or 740-602-8810.

Brotherhood resumes meetings April 18

After a hiatus to allow members to join in the Lenten Study Program, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew will resume their regular meetings this coming Tuesday, April 18. The Brotherhood meets on the first and third Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish House. All men and boys of the parish are welcome!

Prayer teams available on Sunday mornings

Prayer teams are available to pray with you during Holy Communion at the 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Sunday services. At 9 a.m. they are stationed to the left of the altar near the band equipment; at 11:15 a.m. they are stationed to the right of the altar, near the piano and organ. You may seek prayer for personal cares and concerns, concerns for others or offer thanksgivings for God's blessings. The prayer team will also offer the sacrament of Holy Unction — the anointing with oil, laying on of hands and prayers for healing — upon request. All prayers are confidential.

Have a prayer request?

You may email your prayer requests to prayerchain@standrewspolaris.org, or fill out the online form on our website, standrewspolaris.org, under the "Scripture & Prayer" drop-down menu. Prayer requests may also be placed in the prayer box in the Narthex.