

The Net

St. Andrew's Anglican Church

Easter Sunday, April 21, 2019

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! ✠ *Easter reflection by Fr. Ron Baird*



Above, a trinity of dancers hold their palm crosses high during the closing song at the 11:15 a.m. service last Sunday. Watch our website, and see next Sunday's edition of "The Net," for all the photos from Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter.

Children will resurrect their Alleluias—which they "buried" in potting soil on the Sunday before Lent as a visible reminder of our fast from the joyous exclamation of praise during that penitential season—today!

We'll need a little more time than our regular Children's Chapel time provides to turn the Alleluias into festive banners, so children who attend the 9 a.m. service are asked to come directly to the Gathering Area upon arriving at church. They'll then process into the Sanctuary with their banners at the announcement time.

Children who attend the 11:15 a.m. service may "dig up" and decorate their Alleluia banners between services, or at the start of the service. They'll meet in Room 102 off the Gathering Area.

The Encountering *Jesus* Conference

We'll lean into the fullness of God's presence as we explore:

- *Who Jesus Is*
- *How to Hear God's Voice*
- *How to Apply What God Says in Everyday Life*
- *A Five-Step Prayer Model*
- *The Mind Renewed by the Holy Spirit*

Friday, May 3 • 7-9 p.m.
Saturday, May 4 • 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
@ St. Andrew's

Admission is free!
For more information
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standrewspolaris.org



Services now being livestreamed on Twitter

As another way to reach out to our community with the Good News of God in Christ, we are now livestreaming our 11:15 a.m. service (and sometimes our 9 a.m. service) on our Twitter account—twitter.com/standrewsnet.

This is a wonderful opportunity to share the music, message, and rich tradition of Anglican worship with folks who might not be able to attend church. Whether they're traveling, or unable to get out because of illness, disability or lack of transportation, this is a way that we can invite them to join with us in worship. Furthermore, it's a way for us to reach out to younger generations, and help them stay connected with the Church.

Watch for the "Livestreaming" signs in the windows on each side of the doors to the Sanctuary to know when we're recording.



Prayers for the Church

Anglican Church in North America: Archbishop Zacharie Katanda and the bishops, clergy, and people of the Anglican Province of Congo.

Ugandan evangelist Apolo Kivebulaya established the Anglican presence in Zaire (now the Congo) in 1896. The Church reached the Shaba region in 1955, but evangelization did not progress on a large scale until the 1970s. The Congolese Anglicans were first under the jurisdiction of the Archbishop of Canterbury and were later incorporated into the Province of Uganda, Burundi, Rwanda, and Boa-Zaire. With growth, Uganda separated to form a separate province. Each nation in the new Province of Burundi, Rwanda, and Boa-Zaire achieved independence in 1992 and each national church became a separate province. The new Province of Zaire changed its name to the Province of the Anglican Church of the Congo in 1997 after the country changed its name.

Most Anglicans live in the eastern section of the country and that is also the most devastated section of the country due to two civil wars having been fought largely in that area. However, the church covers both the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the Republic of the Congo. The church now has 12 dioceses and one missionary diocese, and numbers 500,000 in a population of 52,000,000. Swahili and French are the major languages in the province. (Sources: *Anglican Communion website*, *Wikipedia*.)

Please pray especially for those affected by the ongoing outbreak of the Ebola virus, for the eradication of the virus, for the rebuilding of infrastructure, and for evangelism.

Anglican Diocese of the Great Lakes: The Rev. Dave Frincke and the people of Heartland Parish, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: Jana and Chuck Lilly; Polly Lindemann family; the Order of the Daughters of the Holy Cross; and our Technical Services Ministry.

The Daily Lectionary

Week of Easter · April 21-26

Easter Sunday, April 21 — A.M.: Psalm 118; Exodus 15; Acts 2:22-32
P.M.: Psalms 111, 113, 114; Romans 6; Luke 24:13-43

Monday, April 22 — A.M.: Psalm 119:129-152; Numbers 18:1-24; Mark 14:1-25
P.M.: Psalm 119:153-176; Job 20; Hebrews 10:19-39

Tuesday, April 23 — A.M.: Psalm 118; Numbers 20; Mark 14:26-52 P.M.: Psalms 120, 121; Job 21; Hebrews 11

Wednesday, April 24 — A.M.: Psalms 122, 123; Numbers 21:4-9, 21-35; Mark 14:53-71 P.M.: Psalms 124, 125, 126; Job 22; Hebrews 12:1-17

Thursday, April 25 (Feast of St. Mark) — A.M.: Psalms 127, 128; Acts 12:11-25; Mark 15 P.M.: Psalms 129, 130, 131; Job 23; Hebrews 12:18-29

Friday, April 26 — A.M.: Psalms 132, 133; Numbers- 22:1-35; Mark 16 P.M.: Psalms 134, 135; Job 24; Hebrews 13

Saturday, April 27 — A.M.: Psalms 136; Numbers 23:1-26; Luke 1:1-23 P.M.: Psalms 137, 138; Job 25 & 26; James 1

Next Sunday, April 28 — A.M.: Psalm 139; Numbers 24; Luke 1:24-56 P.M.: Psalms 141, 142; Job 27; James 2:1-13

Next Sunday's Lectionary

April 28 (Second Sunday of Easter, Year C)

First Reading: Acts 5:12a, 17-22, 25-29 (5:30 p.m. & 9 a.m.);
Revelation 1:1-19 (11:15 a.m.)

Second Reading: Revelation 1:1-19 (5:30 p.m. & 9 a.m.)

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Encouragement for your prayer time with God

"Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You
You silenced the boast, of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring, the praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again." (From *What a Beautiful Name*, Hillsong Worship)

— From the St. Andrew's Prayer Ministries Team