ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH APRIL 6, 2025 10:00 AM

Lay Leader - Kay DiStefano

Prelude

Welcome

~ GATHERED IN CHRIST ~

Call to Worship (Adapted from Psalm 126) Lay Leader ONE: When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

ALL: Our mouths were filled with laughter. Our tongues shouted with joy!

ONE: Then, it was said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them."

All: The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoiced!

Praise Songs

Opening Prayer

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession

So often, God, we shout, "scandal!" as we react to the world around us. We speak of money as scandalous. We describe leadership as scandalous. It seems we find outrage on behalf of every cause but yours, God. Help us to see what is scandalous in your eyes. Forgive us when we have no outrage for the widow, or for the orphan. Sharpen our sensibilities for a world with so much, that leaves some with so

little. Give us the strength to offer your scandalous love.

Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri

*Passing of the Peace

~ FED BY CHRIST ~

Prayer for Illumination

From rough words, God, make something useful. To stubborn ears, bring truth. To tired eyes, bring light. Reveal yourself to your seeking people. We ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

Scripture Reading: Philippians 3:4b-14

Anthem

Gospel Reading: John 12:1-8

Sermon - "Scandalous!"

Rev. Matt Waters

*Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles Creed

Our Offering *Doxology *Prayer of Dedication

*Communion Hymn - GTG #630 - Fairest Lord Jesus

The Lord's Supper

Communion Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

~ SENT BY CHRIST ~

*Song of Sending - GTG #629 - Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

*Charge and Blessing

*Those who are able may stand

PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

<u>JOYS</u>

• Happy Birthday: Pete Stiltz (6th), John Paderson (7th), Tracy Hardy (9th), Emelian Tabali (10th), Jackie Stapleford (11th)

CONCERNS

• Prayers for the friends and family of Ginny D'Ambro's She passed away on March 23rd.

CONTINUED PRAYER CONCERNS

Kylar Kelly, Sal Favazza, Peter McCormick, Carol Wilson, Lynn Hughey, Klair Family, Patrick Lewis, Larry Parker, Cindy Reph, Sparks Family, Kristine, Cross Family, Robert Umholtz, Nancy Mitchell, Jeffrey Annand

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>NEW</u>

• Thank you to everyone who helped at Hope Dining Room on Monday. We served 41 people. We appreciate the Brookside Lions Club sharing some of their Italian dinner foods with us.

<u>CONTINUED</u>

- The deacons need your help replenishing the food pantry. Easter is only a few weeks away and we are still in great need of many food items to provide meals for 18 families. Please place your donations in the designated basket in the Narthex. Thank you for your continued support!
- Six busy bags are available in the narthex for your little ones.

6	Sunday	Communion Worship Service	10:00am
9	Wednesday	Bible Study	7:00pm
10	Thursday	Praise Band	6:30pm
		Choir	7:00pm
13	Sunday	Palm Sunday Worship Service	10:00am
		Deacon's Meeting	11:15am
		Session Meeting	11:15am

<u>CALENDAR</u>

<u>STAFF</u>

Temp. Supply Pastor: Rev. Matt WatersOrOffice Manager: Courtney LyonsClCo-Treasurers: Darrell DiStefano, Julie Guns, & Winnie Wagner

Organist: Carol Stiltz Choir Director: Gene Stiltz

2025 - (Ends 12/31/25) Darrell DiStefano (term 1) Cliff Wood (term 1)

SESSION MEMBERS

2026 - (Ends 12/31/26) Myron Hardesty (term 1) Winnie Wagner (term 2) <u>2027 - (Ends 12/31/27)</u> Heather Favazza (term 2) Dave Trevino (term 2)

2025 - (Ends 12/31/25) Kay DiStefano (term 2) Matt Kupelian (term 2) Brenda Saulsbury (term 2)

BOARD OF DEACONS

2026 - (Ends 12/31/26) Diane Bart (term 1) Sue Staudt (term 1) Danielle Wood (term 1) 2027 - (Ends 12/31/27) Julie Guns (term 2) Linda DiMartine (term 1)

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, a congregation of believers in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior, pledges to share the love of GOD within our church family, the local community, and the world. To this end, we shall...

- Worship GOD through preaching of the Word, celebration of the Sacraments, prayer, and music.
- Project our Christian love by nurturing one another.
- Witness the love of Christ to all the world.

VISION STATEMENT

To be a church that boldly proclaims the Good News of Jesus Christ; depends on the Holy Spirit, reflects the composition of the community, and reaches out in partnership through ministries of love, caring, music and teaching to make and prepare disciples to love and serve the Lord.

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