

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

Second Sunday of Easter

April 8, 2018

Pastor, Rev. Dr. Darryl Goldman

Elder Greg Vogel, Liturgist

Mavis Stephens, Choir Director

Dr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist/Organist

Prelude "How Deep the Father's Love for Us" Dr. Gilbreath

Pastor's Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: We gather in the name of the risen Lord.

People: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Leader: We gather as sisters and brothers of the resurrected one.

People: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Leader: We gather to share our faith and to worship God.

People: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Leader: We gather to proclaim the good news of Easter!

People: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Prayer of Adoration

*Hymn "Thine Is the Glory!" #238
Please pass your prayer cards to the aisle for pickup.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Patient Lord, you have offered to us the greatest miracle of all time, the resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ. We sang and celebrated last Sunday, but a week has passed, and it is too easy to return to our old ways of perceiving your presence and love. Shake us up, Lord! Shake us up and cause us to look with new eyes on our Savior, who came that we might have life, abundantly serving all who are in need. Forgive our stubbornness and our complacency. Reach out to us so that we may reach out with healing love to others, for we pray this in Jesus' name. AMEN. (We offer our own silent confessions . . .)

Hymn "Because He Lives" Vss. 1, 3 On Screen

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God.

The Peace

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you. *(Please share the peace of Christ with those near you.)*

*Gloria Patri #581

Anthem "Beautiful Savior" Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading 1 John 1:1- 2:2 Elder Vogel

Scripture Reading John 20:19-31 Rev. Goldman

Message "The Art of Self-Deception" Rev. Goldman

Offertory "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" Dr. Gilbreath
*Doxology #606
*Prayer

Communion Hymn "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight" #817

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name.

Hymn #497 Sing "Bread of Life from Heaven" (refrain only)

Bread of life from heaven, your blood and body given, we eat this bread and drink this cup until you come again. (repeat)

Leader: You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, . . . our lives proclaim the One crucified and risen.

Leader: Great is the mystery of faith.

People: Christ has died.

Christ is risen,

Christ will come again.

Breaking of the Bread
Prayer after Communion

People: Amen

*Hymn "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!" #248

*Charge & Benediction

Postlude "I Will Call Upon the Lord" Dr. Gilbreath

*All that are able are invited to stand.

Bold italic type indicates our shared response.
All hymns are from the Glory to God (purple) hymnal.

To Our Visitors & Guests:

Welcome! It is a blessing to have you in worship with us today! We invite you to consider membership in St. Andrew Presbyterian Church. The pastor and elders will be available following the service to answer any questions you may have. If you are a first-time visitor, we would like to take you to lunch, so don't run out on us. **There is a place for you here. We are delighted to have you with us today!**

St. Andrew Elders & Ministry Teams 2018

Chairperson

Clerk of Session	Stu Strong
Worship	Linda Webster & Linda Grissom
Member Care	B. J. Breeding
Education & Spiritual Formation.....	John Jordan & Teresa Culbert
Mission	Greg Vogel
Communications & Outreach	Harold Culbert & Ceil Hydrick

Committees & Subcommittees

Administration, Finance & Property	Stu Strong, Turner Matthews & Ed Wyle
Personnel & Planning.....	Ed Wyle
Building/Grounds.....	Stu Strong
Finance & Stewardship	Turner Matthews & Tommy Gates
Nominating	Dan Watt & Jim Boyd
Head Usher	Donald Foster

Class of 2018

Stu Strong
Harold Culbert
Linda Webster

Class of 2019

Ceil Hydrick
Greg Vogel
Turner Matthews

Class of 2020

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Welcome to



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Scripture Reading, Greg Vogel: 1st John 1:1 – 2:2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life-- this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us-- we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Scripture Reading, Rev. Goldman: John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side.

Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So, the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

“Because He Lives”

Verse 1

**God Sent His Son, they called Him Jesus,
He came to love, heal, and forgive;
He lived and died to buy my pardon,
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.**

Chorus

**Because He lives I can face tomorrow,
Because He lives all fear is gone;
Because I know, He holds the future,
And life is worth the living just because He lives.**

Verse 3

**And then one day I'll cross the river,
I'll fight life's final war with pain;
And then as death gives way to victory,
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives!**

Chorus

**Because He lives I can face tomorrow,
Because He lives all fear is gone;
Because I know, He holds the future,
And life is worth the living just because He lives.**