

*St. Andrew by the Sea
A Community Church*

April 2, 2017
10:00 a.m.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Welcome!

We welcome you to worship at St. Andrew by the Sea. Your presence enriches our fellowship. Please sign the attendance registration form, and if a first time visitor, please fill out a visitor's card (located in the back of the pew) and place it in the offering plate. Thank you for being with us today.

Chiming of the Hour

peregrinatio est tacere
“to be on pilgrimage is to be silent”

Prelude

"On A Hill Called Calvary"

B. Gaither

Quartet

*Opening Hymn – 88

Fairest Lord Jesus

Your eyes will see the King in His beauty.

Isa. 53:17

*Opening Prayer

*Passing of the Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Holy Ground

*We are standing on holy ground,
and I know that there are angels all around.*

Let us praise Jesus now.

We are standing in his presence on holy ground.

*Prayer of Confession

**Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being,
whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and
whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts:
cleanse us and deliver us, that with reverent and humble hearts
we may draw near to you, confessing our faults,
confiding in your grace, and finding in you
our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.**

*Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.*

Welcome and Announcements

First Old Testament Reading (Pew Bible, p. 806)

Ezekiel 37:1-14

May the Lord bless the reading of this Old Testament scripture.
Thanks be to God.

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

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.

Choral Response

Offertory

Bread of Heaven

P. Mathews

*Bread of heaven, on thee we feed, For thou art our food indeed; Ever may our souls be fed
With this true and living Bread; Day by day with strength supplied, Through the life of him
who died. Vine of heaven, thy Blood supplies This blest cup of sacrifice; Lord, thy wounds
our healing give, To thy cross we look and live: Jesus, may we ever be Grafted, rooted, built
in thee.*

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology – 625 ***Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow***

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

All children are invited to follow Ms. Sara to the front of the church for Children's Moments.

Children's Moments

After the Children's Moments, those second grade and younger may go with Ms. Sara to Children's Church.

Second Old Testament Reading (Pew Bible, p. 573)

Psalm 130

May the Lord bless the reading of this Old Testament scripture.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"In the Valley"

Rev. Dr. Lawrence Wood

Holy Communion

Special Communion Offering to Christian Service Center.

*Hymn - 213

Because He Lives

Because I live, you also will live.

John 14:19

*Benediction

*Choral Amen

*Postlude

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Lawrence Wood

Associate Pastor: Rev. George R. Myers

Assistant Pastor: Sara Hunter

Lay Reader: Nicole Woerner

Acolyte: Cade & Owen Davis

Music Director: Joan Hand

Choral Director: Dr. Roger Jones

Piano: Bessie Malone

Quartet: Paul Barefield, David Saunders,
Fred Van Cor and Wayne Villadsen

Administrative Assistant: Pat Strahan

The flowers on the altar are presented to the glory of God.

*The single rosebud on the altar is presented to the glory of God
by Chuck & Lynn Norwood
in celebration of the birth of their grandson John Halpin Caldwell, Jr.*

Ushers: Mickey Webb, Tommy Lee, Bob Davidson, Bill Parks,
Carl Schuchardt, Joe Slaughter, Eileen Sylvester, and Murrell Webb.

**Wheelchairs and devices to assist the hearing-impaired
are available from the ushers.**

*Please stand

Child care is available throughout worship service in the Fellowship Hall for newborns to 5 years of age.

Join us for Sunday morning breakfast at 8:30 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall.

Nursery

Nursery Care for infants (newborn up to 1 year old) and toddlers (1 year up to 3 years old) is staffed from 9:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. every Sunday. Our nursery is located in the Fellowship Hall directly across from our toddlers in classroom #4.

Children's Church

Children 3 years old - 2nd grade who are interested in attending Children's Church will be escorted to the Youth Building after the Children's Blessing.

Children's Bulletins

There are children's worship bulletins available in the Narthex for ages 3 - 12.

Sunday School

Please see insert for time and details on Sunday School Classes and other weekly activities.

Groups and Activities

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| Tuesday: | April 4 th | Prayer Group & Bible Study Fellowship Committee Bell Practice | 9:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday: | April 5 th | Knitting Bell Practice Wednesday night Family Activities Resume Dinner Family Activities – Children, Youth and Adults Choir Practice | 1:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:45 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. |
| Thursday: | April 6 th | Church Council Meeting | 5:00 p.m. |

Prayer List: For your convenience we have alphabetized our prayer list. Names will remain on the list for two weeks, unless renewed. Our Women's Prayer Group meets every Tuesday morning at 9:00 a.m. in the sanctuary to pray for those on our prayer list.

In our Prayers: Nelle Alexander, Katherine Allen, Bill Baker, Berrie Bamberg, Gene Barbour, Angie Barnes, Marlene Boeker, April Boone, Kevin Boule, Myra Branyon, Buddy Brown, Valerie Caldwell, Skylar Carpenter, Fr. David Carucci, Harry & Ardys Dalton, Diane Davis, Ab DeWeese, Baxter Duddy, Al & Lois Erbes, Jim Fambrough, Milton Fulman, BeBe Gauntt, family of Jim Goecker, Salud Good, Jorg Grabert, Virginia Null Graves, Lionel Gustafson, Boo Guidry, Jennifer Guthrie, Steve Gyuricsko, Lisa Harnage, Leon Hasting, Lauren Hawkins, Joshua Healey, family of Ricky Healey, Heinz Hempelman, Jonathan & Nashisha Henderson and family, Diana Homann, Karen Jordahl, Stacie Kendrick, Ed Klinke, Gary Kreigh, Scott Langus, Morris Lawson, Leisha LaRiviere, Skye Martin, Stephen & Mandi McNamara, Chuck & Margaret Medlin, Lukas Medlin, Buster Milner, Chuck Nicoll, Kyle Null, Lela O'Berry, Brady O'Connell, Melissa Peace, Michael Pierce, Calvin Porter, Peggie Prish, Bart Pryor, Cathy Qualls, Judy Ramm, Debbie Riecke, Bob Roberts, Deb Roberts, Christy Ruffin, Craig Schuchardt, Margaret Shalander, Luke Shepherd, David Sprotte, Ellen Stapleton, Sarah Stoddard, Sharon Svejda, Bill Teer, Haley Thompson, Hal Thurmond, Joe Thrasher, Cameron Verean, Bob Vosloh, Cindy Wakefield, Lois Watts, Willee Whetstone, Ginger & Natasha Williams, Rexene Wood and family, Frank Wright, and unmentioned requests.

Scriptures for next Sunday – Matthew 21:1-11 & Psalm 118:1-2; 19-29

Rev. Wood will offer a newcomers' class Sunday mornings at 9 a.m. in his office, all are welcome.

Join us this afternoon at 4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for an "An Old Fashioned Hootenanny Sing Alone!"

Visiting folk group "The Ten-Of-Us" plus Local Folk Artist. Come sing along!

A PLACE FOR REFLECTION: If you would like a calm, beautiful, private place to pray, please stop by the church. Throughout Lent our sanctuary will be open **weekdays** from 11:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.

Holy Week is the last week of Lent. Nursery Care will be provided for each service.

- Palm Sunday, April 9th
- Maundy Thursday Communion Service, April 13th at 6 p.m.
- Good Friday, April 14th at 12 noon (will be held at Gulf Shores Methodist Church)
- *Easter Sunrise Service – April 16th at 6:00 a.m., Gulf State Park Pavilion - The Gulf State Park will host an ecumenical service, which has become one of the area's cherished religious traditions.*
- Easter Sunday, April 16th at 10 a.m.

Easter Egg Hunt – April 16th Bring your children and their baskets and join us for an **Easter Egg Hunt** following the 10 a.m. service. (Baskets will be provided for those who do not have one.) **We are in need of candy donations only. All donations may be left in the Narthex.**

2017 Building Fund Pledge Drive
Families pledged to date – 58
Total giving households - 106
Total Building Fund Pledges to date: \$ 531,300.00
Funds Received to date: \$130,632.00

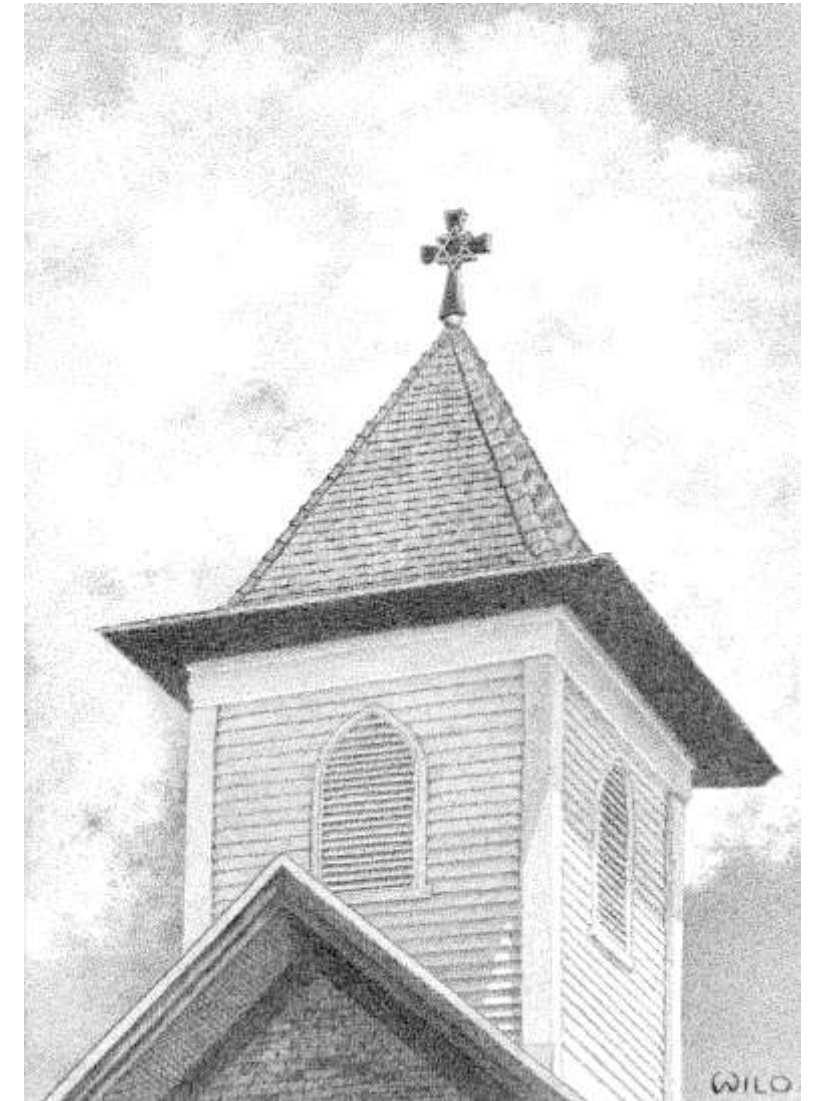
| Financial Summary for March | Pledged | Loose Plate/Non Pledge |
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| March Budgeted | \$ 29,000.00 | \$ 16,000.00 |
| March Actual | \$ 34,208.00 | \$ 12,798.00 |
| Year to Date Budgeted | \$ 85,000.00 | \$ 46,000.00 |
| Year to Date Actual | \$ 76,978.00 | \$ 42,303.00 |

Weekend Emergency Number: 968-3900. You will be forwarded to the pastor on call. Office hours: 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Mon. – Fri. - Office Phone Number - 251-968-3900

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