



Wednesday, February 14, 2024

Ash Wednesday

12:00 pm/7:00 pm

**Welcome** Thank you for joining us today at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church! Our spiritual call is to "Worship Christ, Grow Together, and Serve Others."

**Guests** We would love to meet you and give you a gift at the in the Gathering Space. We ask that you sign the Guest Register. You can learn more about our parish family at [www.standrewsvalpo.org](http://www.standrewsvalpo.org).

**Children** We have Busy Bags available by the glass doors. For Children Education, please contact ministry leader Jennifer Rodd at [sundayschool@standrewsvalpo.org](mailto:sundayschool@standrewsvalpo.org)

**Youth** We meet most Sundays at 4pm-5:30pm in the Education Wing. Please contact ministry leader Jennifer Rodd at [sundayschool@standrewsvalpo.org](mailto:sundayschool@standrewsvalpo.org)

**Prayer Ministry** We meet Tuesdays at 9:00 am. Please contact Katy Hamilton at [khamilton@standrewsvalpo.org](mailto:khamilton@standrewsvalpo.org)

**Hearing Assistance Available.**  
**Please ask a greeter for a receiver.**



**Priest In Charge**

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**Church Office Hours**

**Tuesday - Friday 9am-4pm**

**Worship /Bible Studies**

Saturday	5:30 pm	Rite II Service
Sunday	8:00 am	Rite I Service
	10:00 am	Rite II Service
Tuesday	7:00 am	Men's Bible Study
Wednesday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer w/Discussion
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Healing Service w/ Holy Eucharist; followed by a Bible Study

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Greeter(s): *Ken Martinek/Dawn Martinek*

EM: *Kevin Kerr/Allison Cath*

**From the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)**

**Opening Hymn** *Hymn 149 v. 1 & 2*

Blue Hymnal

**The Salutation** *The Lord be with you...*

BCP 357

*People*

**And also with you.**

*Priest*

Let us pray.

**The Collect of the Day**

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated for the Readings.*

**The First Reading**

Isaiah 58: 1-12

*Kandyce Hannon/Hope Smith*

Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. "Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?" Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD?

Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,

then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

*Lector*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 103: 8-14** *Hymn 411*

Blue Hymnal

**The Second Reading**

2 Corinthians 5: 20b-6:10

*Kandyce Hannon/Hope Smith*

We entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see-- we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything

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*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.*

**The Gospel**

Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-

21

*Priest*            The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People*            **Glory be to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven.

"So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be done in secret; and your

Father who sees in secret will reward you.

"And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

"And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **The Sermon**

*The Rev. Cathy Carpenter*

**Invitation to the observance of a holy Lent...***Dear People of God: ...* BCP 264

*Silence is then kept for a time, all kneeling.*

**Blessing of Ashes** *Almighty God, you have created...* BCP 265

*You are invited to the altar rail to receive ashes*

**Ashes are imposed** *Remember that you are dust...* BCP 265

**Psalm 51** *Have mercy on me,...* BCP 266

*The Celebrant and People together, all kneeling*

**Litany of Penitence** *Most holy and merciful Father...* BCP 267

**The Peace** *The peace of the Lord ...* BCP 360

*People* **And also with you.**

## **The Announcements**

**The Offertory Sentence** BCP 376

**Offertory Hymn** *NCH 187* Insert

**The Great Thanksgiving** *The Lord be with you...* BCP 361

**The Lord's Prayer** *Our Father, who art in heaven...* BCP 364

**The Breaking of the Bread** *Alleluia. Christ our Passover...* BCP 364

**Invitation to Communion** *The Gifts of God...* BCP 364

**Communion Hymn** *Hymnal 674* Blue Hymnal

**Communion Hymn** *Hymnal 697* Blue Hymnal

**Communion Hymn** *Hymnal 693* Blue Hymnal

*Please stand or kneel for the post-communion prayer*

**The Postcommunion Prayer** *Almighty and everliving God,,...*

BCP 366

**Solemn Prayer over the People**

Bow down before the Lord.

Grant, most merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve you with a quiet mind; through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**The Closing Hymn** *Hymnal 142*

Blue Hymnal-

**The Dismissal** *Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.*

BCP 366

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**



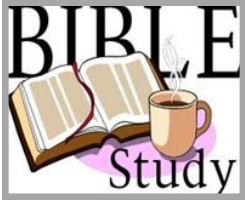


*Rob Wilkinson (2-11)*  
*Van Bartniczak (2-12)*  
*Tom Clouser (2-13)*  
*Valerie Schlink (2-14)*  
*Tracie Wilkinson (2-14)*  
*Claire Smith (2-15)*  
*Dave and Jennie Brock (2-13)*  
*Jeff and Michelle Klemczak (2-14)*



*Judith Leatherman (2024)*  
*Beth Bartniczak (2018)*  
*Marjorie Orr (2012)*  
*Jack Morita (2011)*  
*Hilda Harris (2000)*  
*Taylor Thurman (2000)*  
*Edith Clark (1991)*  
*Robert Riley (1988)*  
*Al Hudgins (1971)*  
*Harry Schultz (1968)*  
*Donald Harris (1964)*

# Church Happenings



**Holy Eucharist for Healing, Wednesdays**, followed by a bible study on *Perspectives on Paul* an introduction to St. Paul, his writings, and writings about the Apostle to the Gentiles. Holy Eucharist at **6:00 PM**, study (and snacks!) beginning about **7:00 pm**.



The **youth group** will meet **Sundays, from 4:00 pm to 5:30** in the education wing. If you have any questions, please contact Jen Rodd at [sundayschool@standrewsvalpo.org](mailto:sundayschool@standrewsvalpo.org)



**Sisters of St. Andrew's -Wednesday, February 21** we will meet at Smokehouse Blues 66 W. Lincolnway, Valparaiso, at noon. Let's get together to share stories, relax and eat some yummy BBQ! You can either sign-up in the Gathering Space or send Janice an email/text to [jkmartinek@comcast.net](mailto:jkmartinek@comcast.net)/ 219-241-8524. Ladies, we look forward to seeing you at Smokehouse Blues.



**Noisy Offering-February 24-25** . Time to find that loose change from pockets, purses and jars on your counter. Any leftover gold and silver bars are also accepted, as is crunchy paper money! The louder we make it, the better. Noisy Offering is the source of funds for the Discretionary Account used to provide aid to those in need



**Intercessory Prayer Ministry** will meet in-person **Tuesdays at 9:00 am** If you are interested or have questions please contact Katy at [khamiton@standrewsvalpo.org](mailto:khamiton@standrewsvalpo.org)



**Vestry Meeting -Tuesday, February. 20**, there will be a vestry meeting. The meeting will be in person. If you need a link to the meeting please let us know. You are welcome to attend any and all vestry meetings