

# St. Andrew's Message

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## **Dates to Remember**

### **April 3**

**6:30 p.m.** Life Commission

### **April 7**

**8:00 a.m.** Worship Service

**9:00 a.m.** Adult Education

**10:00 a.m.** Worship Service and Zoom

**11:00 a.m.** First Communion class With Confirmation Youth

### **April 9**

**7:00 p.m.** Memorial Committee

### **April 14**

**8:00 a.m.** Worship Service

**9:00 a.m.** Adult Education

**10:00 a.m.** Worship Service and Zoom

**11:00 p.m.** New Member class with lunch

### **April 18**

**7:00 p.m.** Council

### **April 20**

**9:00 a.m.** Battle of Yorktown

### **April 21 Sacrament Sunday**

**8:00 a.m.** Worship Service

**9:00 a.m.** Adult Education

**10:00 a.m.** Worship Service and Zoom with First Communion

**April 27**

**10:00 a.m.** Produce Sale

**April 28 New Member Welcome  
& Produce sale**

**8:00 a.m.** Worship Service

**9:00 a.m.** Adult Education

**10:00 a.m.** Worship Service and Zoom

## WORSHIP



**April 2024**

### **Pastor's Message**

To The Family of Faith at St. Andrew's,

It has been a wonderful opportunity to join you in our Lenten and Easter worship seasons. My heart was FULL during the Easter and I felt so close to God. I pray you did also! Thank you for coming and bringing your family, for singing joyfully, for sharing all that God has provided. My spirit has been on a bit of a trip lately. In the midst of Lent, the season of introspection, preparation and prayer we happened to hit

my 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Ordination. From

the spiritual low to the spiritual high as Bishop Paul came to share our joy. Through the painful depths of Maundy Thursday and Good Friday to the soaring heights of Easter Sunday.

This is the spiritual path right? The rollercoaster of life. I am so thankful that none of us have to trod this weird journey on our own. My friends in Christ we journey together so that when some are in the darkest places there are others to help, to remind that this is not a permanent place. We also walk together during the high points to see together all that God has in mind for us. Now the Easter service bulletins are in the recycle bin, we get on with the work Jesus has placed before us.

We will soon welcome some new members to our church community. Our group consists of a full cross section of the population. A young couple with a new born to retirees, young families, life long Lutherans and other new to the Lutheran vocabulary.

Additionally, we will honor **our** commitments made to those who have been baptized in our church over the last three years. Please take note of that previous sentence. When someone is baptized in our church, we make promises to God. We promise to pray for them and support them. It has not sat well with my soul that we don't seem to make much fuss about this. We are going to change that, beginning with our new "Baptism Sunday" on

April 21. Please help me in honor our promises made to these wonderful people who began their church journey in our sanctuary. When Jesus was baptized, he saw the heavens “cleaved” apart. The thought of something being ripped apart means that there is no way it will ever be the same. Our baptism means that we are forever changed. Our identity gets changed and we are forever made a child of God.

I pray God’s strong presence with you when you are having a mountain-top moment, when you are down in the dumps and when you are traveling the mundane sections of this life. Know that you are never alone. Celebrate with the joyful, mourn with the sad and journey with all. God bless you people of St. Andrew’s you are doing the work of our creator and it is my great joy to walk with you!

Pastor Dave

## Council Notes

### April 2024

Thank you to all who helped to make the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Pastor Dave’s ordination such a success! It was a wonderful day of celebration, and we were honored to have Bishop Egensteiner worship with us. Many people volunteered their time to make the day special – thanks to the planning, purchasing, set-up, serving, and clean-up crews. Many hands do make light work and we are thankful for each one of you for giving of your time. And we also offer a special thank you to the anonymous donor who made the luncheon possible.



The Battle of Yorktown will be held on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. Many thanks to Dale Sharp for coordinating this event whereby we can help to make Yorktown trash-free and beautiful as spring arrives. Please contact Dale for more information and about how you can help with this service to our community.

The spring produce sale will take place on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>. We can use many helping hands to sell produce to our neighbors and friends. Please contact Chuck Farrell for more information on this outreach effort.

The first Baptismal Sunday will be held at St. Andrew’s on April 21, 2024, during the 10 a.m. worship service. We are inviting everyone baptized during the previous three years to celebrate their baptism. This celebration will coincide with the third graders receiving First Holy Communion, so we invite everyone to attend church and worship with these special children.



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## Sunday School Update



## April 2024

Happy Easter and Happy Spring! It is so wonderful to see the beautiful flowers popping up with the warmer weather right around the corner. Hallelujah!

The Lenten boxes have been distributed and are due back on April 14<sup>th</sup>. At that time the children, along with their teachers, will decide to whom the money should be donated.

Harvest Sunday will next take place on April 7<sup>th</sup>, and we hope the entire congregation as well as the Sunday School students will help to contribute to this worthy effort.

Now that the Lenten season and Easter are in the rearview mirror, we are looking forward to some exciting events in April. Pastor Dave will lead a First Communion class after the 10 a.m. worship service on April 7<sup>th</sup> and the children in third grade will receive his/her First Holy Communion during the 10 a.m. worship service on April 21<sup>st</sup>. Please come to celebrate with these children and their families.

Also, on April 21<sup>st</sup>, we will be celebrating Baptismal Sunday where we invite all those who have been baptized during the past three years to celebrate one's Baptism. Children who are three years old have reached the age to begin Sunday School in the fall so we look forward to welcoming them as they begin their educational adventure.

Spring not only brings the flowers and warmer weather but many sports programs kick off. We understand that many children are involved in various sports, but we hope that they will attend Sunday School whenever possible.

As is the annual custom, the children will be planting flowers for significant women in their lives on Mother's Day, May 12<sup>th</sup> so we hope to see everyone at Sunday School that day.

As always, we welcome anyone who would like to teach or help with Sunday School, do a special lesson or craft with the children, or assist in any way. Please reach out to me with any questions at [epting.susan@gmail.com](mailto:epting.susan@gmail.com) or via cell at [914-715-9546](tel:914-715-9546).

We look forward to seeing everyone in Sunday School each week!

God Bless,

## Celebrations



### Happy Birthday

2 Margaret Hauck  
5 William Nehmzow  
5 Connie Grossman  
8 Elizabeth Markiewicz  
9 Mia Delgado  
10 Haiden Rai  
11 Linda Bohlk  
11 Andrew Zaeh  
13 Mary Beth McNamee  
13 Linda Ferone  
16 Lisa Wheeler  
16 Katie Knapp  
20 William Jakubik Jr.  
20 Eric Hamm  
21 Kayleigh Hung  
24 Ethan Haley  
24 Ethan Coletta



### Happy Anniversary

8 Patricia & Andrew Sabol  
9 Dorothy & Anthony Forcina  
14 Mirasol & James Orlando Jr.  
21 Rama & Andrea Rai  
22 Mary & Gregory Ehlke  
23 Judith & Luke Hung  
24 Evelyn & Herbert Mocbeichel  
24 Janis & Donald Zaeh

25 Nicholas Miller  
25 Morgan Cecil  
26 David Leaver  
27 Linda Doerr  
28 Amelia Francese  
29 Carson Rai

## Financial

YEAR-TO-DATE FINANCIAL SUMMARY -	FEBRUARY		
	2024	2023	Difference
Contributions	\$ 32,400	\$ 27,200	\$ 5,200
Rental Income	7,700	7,000	700
Other Income	1,600	1,200	400
Total Income	41,700	35,400	6,300
Expenses ( <i>Budget-\$56,000</i> )	52,000	47,700	4,300
<b>Deficit</b>	<b>\$ (10,300)</b>	<b>\$ (12,300)</b>	<b>\$ 2,000</b>

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