



St. Andrew's Net

St. Andrew Lutheran Church

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Reverend Christopher Raiford

Worship Service 9:15 a.m. | Sunday School 10:30 a.m. | Coffee Time before and after Service
Communion, First Sunday of the month and special Sundays throughout the year.

To all my brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus;

Lord's blessings to you during this time of national crisis. The President, the federal government, the governor and local officials have asked that we all come to the aid of our country by following the CDC guidelines concerning the corona virus. As we are Christians and good citizens of our beloved United States, it is necessary that we all stay at home to help prevent the spread of Covid-19.

Until such a time as our federal and local leaders lift this emergency "Stay at Home" order, all activities and worship services at St Andrew Evangelical Lutheran Church are suspended. We will gather in God's house again when this virus has been defeated.

In the meantime, I will be recording my sermons and you can see them on St Andrew's website.

On the Web <http://www.standrewlutheranmuncy.org>.

Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/St.AndrewEvangelicalLutheranChurch>.

Bible studies can also be found on the church's website <http://www.standrewlutheranmuncy.org>.

This pandemic will be over soon, and life will get back normal, no matter what normal that may be. Our loving Father in heaven is with us. With that in mind let's remember that we are the redeemed children of God. That means we remain in God's care at all times and in all circumstances. God is quite aware that the corona virus is going around the world and has many concerned and fearful. God knows that the world has been corrupted and that disease is common.

Just ask generations past about the Plague, smallpox, and malaria. While these diseases may have brought many lives to a swift end, none of them has removed a person from the kingdom of God. The same is true now for us as we face this disease.

On Sunday April 12, 2020, we will not be gathering to celebrate the greatest day this world has ever known because of this disease that currently threatens us. But let us not forget what Easter means to us. Remember that disease and everything else that's wrong in the world is because of sin. God sent His one and only Son to this world to save us from our sin and its effects. Jesus went to the cross to pay for our sins on Good Friday and on that cross, He gave up His life so that eternal life would be ours. From the cross Jesus was laid in a tomb, but he did not stay there. On the 3rd day, on that 1st Easter Sunday, he rose from the grave showing God's approval for His sacrifice on our behalf. The wages of sin have now been paid. **"It is finished"** (John 19:30)! Jesus shows us the empty tomb and says to all who believe, **"because I live, you also shall live"** (John 14:19).

Amid all the concern and fear, let us remember that even if we are called home to heaven because of this virus, we will not die, but live! Jesus tells us, **"I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die."** (John 11:25-26). God makes all things work for the good of those who love Him (Romans 8:28) and in doing so Christians are brought into everlasting glory and peace through diseases. But we look for the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting--whether we die by disease, disaster, or peacefully in our beds at 95 years old. We are redeemed children of God. We are safe and secure in God's Church and in Jesus' care. God will bring us through this pandemic. Let us remember what God has taught us **"³² He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?"** (Romans 8:32)

God Bless Until We Meet Again.

Pastor Chris



Lou Ann Shoup	April 1
Donald Miller	April 3
John Libbey	April 4
Phil Myers	April 8
Linda Moyer	April 19
Sheila Wollet	April 19
Sheila Morehart	April 22
Teagan Brinser	April 22
Emma Hogan	April 25
Hilliary Haddon	April 28
Kay Myers	April 28

Please don't forget about our monthly food out-reach.

Donations can be placed on the narthex windowsill.

Thank you for your generosity at Thanksgiving and the

Souper Bowl but, please be mindful that hunger exists 365 days a year.

Please do not bring in donations in this month.



Everyone that ordered Easter flowers may have a refund or change it into a donation. It's so sad that the most beautiful church celebration of the year, Easter Holy Week, has been cancelled. May we never take it for granted again.



The Women of St. Andrew's Spring rummage sale has been **postponed** for now.

Our April Outreach is:

AMERICAN RESCUE WORKERS

Giving hope to the otherwise hopeless through hunger and homelessness prevention services and shelter.

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Dear St. Andrew,

Thanks so much to Dick & Ginny Gruver and the Parish Life Committee for the delicious Sauer-kraut dinner that was delivered to me on Shrove Thursday.

I miss you all and feel blessed to have such a caring church!

Sincerely,
Alma Reitz



TOGETHER WE CAN:

END POVERTY, END HUNGER, CREATE SUSTAINABLE FUTURES, EMPOWER WOMEN, IMPROVE THE ENVIRONMENT, STRENGTHEN THE SOCIAL FABRIC OF COMMUNITIES...



CHANGE THE WORLD.

2020 LENTEN CROSS

This year's Lenten Cross donations will once again be going to Heifer International. Thank you for all your generous donations!

**The following members have given Easter flowers to the
Glory of God and...**

In Honor of:	By:
Our Grandchildren	Tom & Dee Knight
Our Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren	Gary & Nancy Hevly
Our Children and their Families	Dean & Joy Baro
My Children: Brian, Amy, Jenny, Erica, Cody and Granddaughter Teagan	Julie Souter
My Mimi, Julie Souter	Teagan Binser
Children: Chris & Samantha	Jim & Jonnie Stahl
Grandchildren: Foster & Myron	Jim & Jonnie Stahl
Our Children	Mr. & Mrs. Laru Moyer
Ma Wertman	Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren
Our Family	John & Leslie Houser
Our Family	Rudy & Linda Moyer
Our Grandchildren: Harrison, Elle, Silas & Bo	Rick & Sue Sarginger
Our Granddaughter, Harriet Ruth	Kay & Phillip Myers

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In Loving Memory of:	By:
Loved Ones	Martin & Naomi Wertman
Don Messner	Marlene Messner
Dad	Jerry Watson
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Mom, June M. Laudig, R.N.	Kay & Phil Myers
Janet Langer	Bill & Doris Peterman
Viola & Chet Watson	Shirley Watson
Our Parents	Jim & Jonnie Stahl
Husband, Harvey E. Myers	Karen Myers
Daughter, Kathy	Karen Myers
Family Members	Becky Hilschman
Our Parents	Bruce & Martha Miller
Loved Ones	Kathryn Poust
John E. Wollert, J. Franklin and Boone Gruver	Shelia G. Wollert
Loved Ones	Giny & Dick Gruver
Paul and Megan Gresh	Norma Gresh
Loved Ones	Norma Stackhouse
Our Father, Budd M. Souter, Jr.	Amy, Jennifer and Erica
Van Wertman	Audrey Wertman
Kathy Myers & Helen Bergeron	Joy & Dean Baro
My Grandparents	Christopher Dougherty
Our Parents	John & Janet Dougherty
Our Parents	John & Pretta Hose
Loved Ones	Rick & Sue Sarginger
Aaron	Syer Family
Loved Ones Passed	Dianne Campbell
Donald Reitz	Alma Reitz
Vi Weiskopf, mother	Pastor & Wendi Ratford
Pat Engemann, mother	Pastor & Wendi Ratford
Mrs. Barbara Fogue Wood	My Paternal Grandparents: Emma Dimm & John Wilson Fogue

