



Holy Eucharist Rite II Fifth Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 26th, 2023 10 am Service **Prelude-**When I Survey the Wondrous Cross- arr. Robert Hobby

Wendi Gustafson- Organ Hymnal 473



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Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures for ever.

Decalogue All kneel.

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Celebrant Hear the commandments of God to his People: I am the Lord your God who

brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not make for yourself any idol.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant Honor your father and your mother.

PeopleAmen. Lord have mercy.CelebrantYou shall not commit murder.PeopleAmen. Lord have mercy.CelebrantYou shall not commit adultery.PeopleAmen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not steal.

PeopleAmen. Lord have mercy.CelebrantYou shall not be a false witness.PeopleAmen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Celebrant Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." **Amen.**

Confession of Sin BCP p. 352

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A moment of silence is kept.

Celebrant and People -Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**



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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you. **People** And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Reading- All are seated

Reader A reading from the book of Ezekiel (37:1-14)

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord." So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds,

O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord. **People** Thanks be to God.

The Psalm Appointed

Reader The Psalm Appointed for today is Psalm 130. Let us read in unison.

Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice; * let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, *

O Lord, who could stand?

For there is forgiveness with you; * therefore you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; * in his word is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen for the morning, * more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the Lord, * for with the Lord there is mercy;

With him there is plenteous redemption, *

and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

The Epistle

Reader A reading from the letter to the Romans (8:6-11)

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Reader The Word of the Lord. **People** Thanks be to God.



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The Gospel- All stand

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (11:1-45).

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the

Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face

wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon Fr. Stephen Shortess

Nicene Creed All stand.

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Celebrant and People

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through Him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

After the Creed: You may sit, kneel, or remain standing for the Prayers.

Prayers of the People: Form IV

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Reader

Let us pray for the Church and for the world; especially for The Anglican Church of South America; Calvary Church in Menard; Church of our Saviour in Aransas Pass; and for our Vestry and staff. For all the bishops and other ministers especially Michael our Presiding Bishop; David and Rayford, our bishops; David, our Bishop Coadjutor, Stephen, Patricia, and Tom, our priests, and their families. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy

People F.

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Especially our President, our Governor, our Mayor, and all our elected officials. For the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad, and for Guadalupe Valley Christian Counseling Center and its work in our community. Lord, in your mercy

People

Reader

Hear our prayer.

Reader

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of other and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy

People

Hear our prayer.

Reader Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy

People

Hear our prayer.

Reader

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; for our families, friends, and neighbors; especially for: Casidi Cochran, Sally, Pablo Sosa, Warren Wundt, Fr. Bruce Coggin, Daniel Berry, Ben Woodward, Grace Woodward, Julie Champion, Lynwood Jones, Amy Lacey, Mari Allmond, Dennis Engblom, Les Shephard, Abe Zapata, Charlie Smith, Frances Billeaud, Dan Reimer, Chris Krippner, Letty O'Brien, Bill Edwards, Evelyn Neumann, Dr. Richie Spence, Tom Lehman, Margaret Hopkins, Colin Baker, Donald Schwartz, Lael Seagert, David Hamer, Alex McInnis, Penny Sengler, Theresa Zapata, Jean Norris. For our friends and family who are homebound or residing in care and recovery facilities, especially: Mickie Teagarden, Ann Ramsey, Mary Louise Donegan, Helen Martinson, Audrey Herron, Kenneth Minter, and Betty Rainey. Give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy

People

Hear our prayer.

Reader

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy

People

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

Birthday Prayers

Celebrant and People O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants JC Alexander, Dr. Lindsey Muenchow, Beverly Risien, and Fr. Stephen Shortess, as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn-When Jesus wept, the falling tear

Choral Scholars

Doxology- Celebrant and People: 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.

The Great Thanksgiving -Eucharistic Prayer A

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,

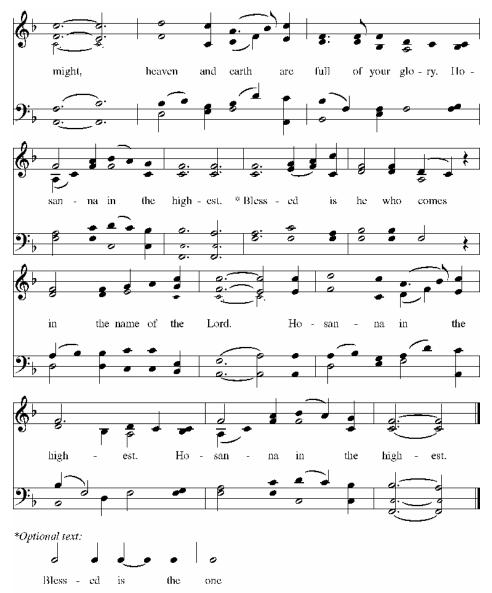
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Celebrant Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus WLP 858





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After the Sanctus: You may kneel or remain standing for the rest of the Eucharistic Prayer.

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

Celebrant On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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Celebrant And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Celebrant and People 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

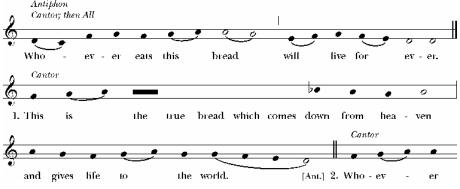
Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

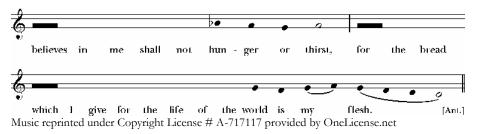
People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Fraction Anthem The congregation sings the entire anthem.

Antibhon

Hymnal S170





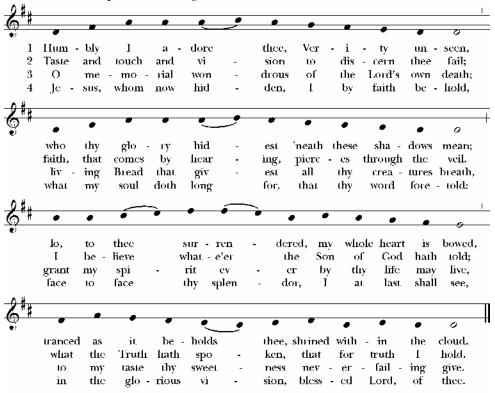
Invitation

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

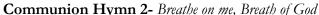
All who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready.

Communion Hymn 1- Humbly I adore thee

Hymnal 314



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Hymnal 508



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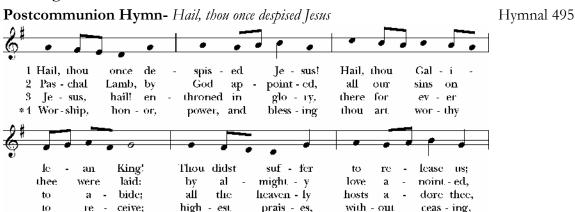
Postcommunion Prayer

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Celebrant Let us pray.

All Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing





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Celebrant Let us bless the Lord. **People** Thanks be to God.

Postlude-*Holy Spirit, ever living*

Wendi Gustafson-Organ

Ministers in the Lord's Service

Celebrant- Fr. Stephen Shortess The Rev. Patricia Riggins

Lay Reader- Robin Walker Altar Guild- Betty Anderson, Sandy Merrell, Ellen Stone

Ushers- Wayne & Pam Roitsch

Offertory Tellers- Anne Galaway & Tim Schievelbein

Vestry of the Week-Marco Rosito

Musicians- Wendi Gustafson- Music Director/Organ

Leo Garcia- Choir Director/Cantor

Choral Scholars- Ellie Follis, Kellie Ranft

Tech Team- Jack Merrell, Betty Anderson, Will Follis, Warren Wundt, Susan Rinn **Sound-** Jim Anderson

Weekly Schedule SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 2023: FIFTH SUNDAY in LENT

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Chapel) 9:00 a.m. Adult Christian Formation (McKeogh Hall) 9:00 a.m. Youth & Children Christian Formation (Youth House) 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Church)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2023

10:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study (McKeogh Hall) 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice (Choir Loft)

THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 2023

8:00 a.m. Brotherhood of St. Andrew's (McKeogh Hall)

AA (Alcoholics Anonymous) meets at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings in the Youth House on Crockett Street.

Please send prayer requests by email to: secretary@standrewseguin.org

Announcements

St. Andrew's will serve our third collegiate meal at TLU to college students **this evening** at **6 pm**. *We ask volunteers to please arrive by 5 pm to help set up*. If you have any questions contact Alan & KT Cockerell or Jeff & Angela Lackie.

Be a Souper Hero! Help the Daughters of the King fight hunger with "Pack the Pickup" next Sunday, Palm Sunday, April 2nd. Our goal is to beat our best record which was 1800 pounds of food. Please pick up a brown bag and a suggested list of items needed in the Narthex of the church and bring it back stuffed with food on Palm Sunday. There will be trucks parked on Crockett St near the garden ready to be packed full. If you cannot be in church on April 2, you can leave your bags of non-perishable groceries in the church office the week before. All items will be donated to the Christian Cupboard. Monetary donations are also welcome. Thank you for your help in this worthy cause!

The Daughters of the King are recruiting new members. Their mission is to be the extension of Christ's Kingdom through prayer, service, and evangelism. If you are a woman over the age of 18 and want to be empowered by the Holy Spirit, with the vision to know Jesus Christ, to make Him known to others, and to reflect God's love throughout the world; contact Ellen Stone for more information. ellen.stone1149@gmail.com or 956-330-0523



St. Andrew's Episcopal Church – Seguin Texas Holy Week Schedule:

Palm Sunday- April 2, 2023:

8:00 A.M. & 10:00 A.M. Eucharist Service with Blessing of the Palms and Reading of the Passion Narrative.

Maundy Thursday- April 6, 2023:

7:00 P.M. Eucharist Service with Foot Washing and Stripping of the Altar.

Good Friday- April 7, 2023:

12:00 P.M. Good Friday Service with Veneration of the Cross. 12:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M. Our Historic Chapel will be open for quiet reflection.

3:00 P.M. Stations of the Cross begins at the bell tower.

Easter Sunday- April 10, 2023:

8:00 A.M. Spoken Eucharist Service.

10:00 A.M. Eucharist Service with Hymns and Flowering of the Children's Cross.

11:00 A.M. Paschal Mystery and Easter Egg Hunt in Garden for Children of all ages; Easter Luncheon Feast in McKeogh Hall.

St. Andrew's Family Easter events-Although the alleluias have been buried away for the Lenten season, they will rise again on Easter Sunday. Join your St. Andrew's family to celebrate by participating in each Easter Sunday event!

- Come to church a few minutes early and bring some flowers from home to help flower the cross before the 10 am service. (Anyone who would like to add flowers to the cross is welcome to do so.)
- After the 10 am service, kids of all ages are encouraged to gather at the bell tower with baskets in hand to help Paschal follow the clues to find his Alleluia, afterwards they will have an Easter egg hunt in the garden. (We'll need plenty of volunteers to bring plastic eggs with wrapped candy or small toys inside—and we'll need a few Easter bunnies to help hide them! Email Jennifer Shortess at jennifer.shortess@gmail.com or Tracy Donley at tracydonley4@gmail.com to let us know if you'd be willing to help. Eggs can be dropped off in the church office or on Sundays any time before the big day.)
- We will finish out the celebration with a traditional ham luncheon. McKeogh Hall and the garden will be open for seating. Please bring your favorite side dish or dessert.

Let's make this an Easter to remember for the children of St. Andrew's—and our whole parish family!

Texans Reaching Out Tickets are now available for St. Andrew's annual "Texans Reaching Out" which has traditionally allowed our parish's "Outreach" budget to double! The event will be held at The Texas Theater on Friday, April 28 at 5:30 PM. "Texans" features heavy hors d'oeuvres, beer, wine, and a live auction. Tickets are \$25 each and can be purchase in the church office during the week or with Kelly Follis on Sundays. Contact Kelly at kdfoll123@yahoo.com or 830-463-7549 with any questions.

The St. Andrew's Veterans Ministry has several planned events for 2023 including a social event for all St. Andrew's Veterans and supporters on April 15th, an Enchilada plate sale after the 10 am service on April 30th, participation in the Seguin Independence Day parade (4th of July parade) with a float, and many more! Learn more about these and other 2023 St. Andrew's Veteran's Ministry events at the March 29th meeting at 6 pm in McKeogh Hall. All Veterans and other St. Andrews members interested in any of the Veteran's Ministry activities are invited to participate by contacting Robert Pike at 830 560-2326 or robertpike81@yahoo.com.

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