



Welcome to
SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
TAMPA, FLORIDA

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 23, 2017

*May those who sorrow find comfort;
the weary, rest;
the troubled, peace;
the lonely, friends;
the unhappy, joy;
and may all find the sense of God's presence in this Holy Place.*

Welcome to Saint Andrew's Church in the city of Tampa. You are sharing in a tradition of worship that has been offered here since 1883, when a wood-frame building was erected on this site as Tampa's first Episcopal Church. The cornerstone of the present church was laid in 1904.

All Visitors and Newcomers are invited to complete the information card, found on the back of the pews, and leave it with an usher or in the offering plate. Please introduce yourselves to the clergy as you leave the church and come to coffee hour in the parish hall after the 10:30 a.m. service.

Each Sunday we celebrate The Holy Eucharist at 8 a.m. (Rite I, said); and at 10:30 a.m. (Rite I on the first Sunday of the month, Rite II on the other Sundays), with choir. Please note that page numbers in the Order of Service refer to The Book of Common Prayer 1979 (red) and that the service music and hymns are to be found in The Hymnal 1982 (blue).

At Your Service: Stay warm at Saint Andrews: Borrow a shawl from the basket at the back of the church. Shawl donations also welcomed!

Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent—for this is the house of God.

Before the service, speak to God.

During the service, let God speak to you.

After the service, speak to one another.

The Holy Eucharist, Rite I – 8:00 a.m.

The service begins on page 323 in The Book of Common Prayer.

The readings may be found on pages 3 - 6 in the service leaflet.

PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES.

Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10:30 a.m.

Prelude: St. Andrew's Ringers
Rejoice, the Lord is King!
We Welcome Glad Easter
Morning Prayer

*arr. Anna Laura Page
Tammy Waldrop*

Tower Bell

Hymn 212 *(stand)*

Richmond

Priest Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.
Priest There is one Body and one Spirit;
People There is one hope in God's call to us;
Priest One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People One God and Father of all.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

First Reading *(sit)*

Acts 2:14a,22-32

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know—this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death,

because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.' Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.' This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 16 - *sung by the Choir to Anglican Chant (William Henry Havergal)*

- 1 Preserve me, O God *
for in thee have I put my trust.
- 2 O my soul, thou hast said unto the Lord *
Thou art my God, my goods are nothing unto thee.
- 3 All my delight is upon the saints, that are in the earth *
and upon such as excel in virtue.
- 4 But they that run after another god *
shall have great trouble.
- 5 Their drink-offerings of blood will I not offer *
neither make mention of their names within my lips.
- 6 The Lord himself is the portion of mine inheritance, and of my cup *
thou shalt maintain my lot.
- 7 The lot is fallen unto me in a fair ground *
yea, I have a goodly heritage.
- 8 I will thank the Lord for giving me warning *
my reins also chasten me in the night-season.
- 9 I have set God always before me *
for he is on my right hand, therefore I shall not fall.
- 10 Wherefore my heart was glad, and my glory rejoiced *
my flesh also shall rest in hope.

11 For why? thou shalt not leave my soul in hell *
neither shalt thou suffer thy Holy One to see corruption.

Second Reading

1 Peter 1:3-9

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 209 (*stanzas 1-2*) stand

St. Botolph

Holy Gospel

John 20:19-31

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails

and my hand in his side, I will not believe.” A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.” Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Hymn 209 (*stanzas 3-4*)

St. Botolph

Sermon

**The Baptism of Lillian Annabelle Kohlhaas
Presentation and Examination of Candidate**

The Celebrant says

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

The Parents and Godparents say

I present Lillian Annabelle to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Celebrant then continues

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God’s help.

Celebrant

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

The Celebrant then asks

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

After all have been presented, the Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in her life in Christ?

People We will.

The Celebrant then says

Let us join with she who is committing herself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Baptismal Covenant (*stand*)

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking
of bread, and in the prayers ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

The Clergy and baptismal party process to the Baptismal font.

Hymn 296 (*stanza 1-2*)

Engelberg

Prayers for the Candidate

The Celebrant then says to the people

Let us now pray for this person who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

Leader Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send her into the world in witness to your love.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving over the Water

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying

Lillian Annabelle, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

The Priest now prays over her, saying

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

Then the Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross [using Chrism if desired] and saying

Lillian Annabelle, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. *Amen.*

Lillian Annabelle, receive the light of Christ as a sign that you have passed from darkness into light. Shine as his light in the world to the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

Hymn 296 (*stanzas 3-4*)

Engelberg

The Celebrant then says

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Announcements

Holy Communion

At the Offertory:

Motet

Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612)

Cantate Domino canticum novum;
Cantate Domino omnis terra.
Cantate Domino, et benedicite nomini ejus;
Annuntiate de die in diem salutare ejus.
Annuntiate inter gentes gloriam ejus;
In omnibus populis mirabilia ejus.
O sing unto the Lord a new song:
Sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.
Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name:
Be telling of his salvation from day to day.
Declare his honour unto the heathen:
And his wonders unto all people.

Psalm 96:1-3

Hymn 380, stanza 3 (stand)

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. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

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.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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

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Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel. The Celebrant continues

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.

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.

The Celebrant continues

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 Celebrant then continues

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

People and Celebrant

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 priest breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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 baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Music during Communion:

Agnus Dei

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Jesus, Lamb of God: Have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins: Have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world: Give us your peace.

Anthem

Healey Willan (1874-1946)

O Sacred Feast, wherein Christ is received,
The memory of his Passion is renewed in us,
Our souls are filled with grace,
And the pledge of everlasting glory is given unto us.

Postlude: I



The altar flowers are given
to the glory of God
and in loving memory of her beloved daughter, Kymberly Garretson
by Jan Riasanovsky

fili et filiae

Jean Francois Dandrieu

ALTAR FLOWER DONATIONS: Would you like to donate altar flowers? Please contact **Sheridan Marr** at 751-7692 or gmarr15@tampabay.rr.com and sign up on the chart in Parish Hall, making your check to St. Andrew's, with a note in the memo for "Altar Flowers" and the date of your offer. Please donate \$110 (florist's choice) for the high altar, \$150 for high and chapel altars. *Special flower requests may increase the cost.*



Parish Picnic today!

Earl and Jan Smith have again graciously offered to host the family picnic at their home **today**, starting around 12:30pm. Their address is **3627 Berger Road in Lutz**. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided by the church. Bring a dish to pass and come for a fun-filled day!

THOSE SERVING TODAY: Sunday, April 23, 2017

Celebrant: 8:00: Fr. Reese, 10:30: Fr. Campbell; **Preacher:** Fr. Reese

Vergar: Bill Silver

Lay Eucharistic Ministers and Readers:

8:00: Chris Capsambelis, Linda Stevens

10:30: Paula Stewart, Alfredo Gomez Marti, Deloris Lewis,
Paul Scheuer, Amy Ramirez

Ushers:

8:00: Charles Caro, Gregg Smith, Wayne Daley, Tony Morrison, Don Sink

10:30: Marshall Ferrell, Richard Chapman, Warren Brown, David Ramirez

Acolytes: Grace Hunter, Ian & Stella Curry

Altar Guild:

8:00: Debbie Cantler, Charlotte Henderson

10:30: Stephanie Chapman, Adrienne Love, Pam Sitton

BIRTHDAYS: Daniel Curtis, Sandy Childs, David Ramirez, Sally Phethean

ANNIVERSARIES: Steve & Betsy Chambers; Derrill & Megan McAteer;

Wes & Lara Tibbals; Larry & Margo Kemm

Adult Christian Education

Sunday mornings at 9:30am

Creed: What Christians Believe and Why – Exploring the Apostles’ Creed

We’re used to answers popping up on a screen right in front of us. But when the questions examine the truths that give meaning and purpose to life, finding the answers takes more than simply typing a few words and pushing a button. Pastor Adam Hamilton believes that powerful answers to many of our complicated questions are contained in the Apostles’ Creed, an early statement of foundational Christian beliefs. In *Creed*, he explores not only what Christians believe, but also why they believe, and why it matters, which in turn leads readers to confront and examine their own core beliefs and go beyond reciting the Creed’s familiar words. Each week we will watch a video segment of 12-15 minutes, featuring Adam Hamilton in an informal setting with a group of seekers and believers. We will then discuss it among ourselves.

Sessions include:

April 23 – God

April 30 - Jesus Christ

May 7 - The Holy Spirit

May 14 - The Church and the Communion of Saints

May 21 - The Forgiveness of Sins

May 28 - The Resurrection of the Body

These classes, facilitated by the Rector, meet in Room 302 (the Library) on the third floor of the Parish Building.

Confirmation Class

Sundays, 9:30am, Room 304

For Youth age 12 years & up

We will have 11 weeks of fun & engaging confirmation classes, and will also experience an overnight retreat, and other exciting surprises along the way. This is such an important time in a person’s life, and we want your child’s experience to be one that brings them

more understanding while also helping them become more rooted in their faith than ever before.

Thursday evenings at 7:00pm

Adult Inquirers' Class

New to St. Andrew's and the Episcopal Church? Or just trying to brush up on the faith? Then join us for this seven week series exploring the Episcopal Church. We are using *Looking at the Episcopal Church*, a book by The Rev. William Sydnor. We will comprehensively cover the church's symbols, customs, practices, history, creeds, sacraments, and mission. This class is required if you wish to be confirmed or received into the church during Bishop Smith's visitation on Sunday, June 4th at the 10:30 service. It is highly recommended that you also attend the 9:30am Sunday morning class, *Exploring the Apostles' Creed*, which meets April 23 through May 28.

Here is the rest of the line-up:

April 27 – The Worship of the Church

May 4 – History of the Church

May 11 – The Holy Scriptures and Creeds

May 18 – The Church Year and Sacraments

May 25 – The Ordained Ministry and the Mission of the Church

June 1 – Ministry of the Laity

This class, facilitated by the Rector, meets in Room 302 (the Library) on the third floor of the Parish Building.

Thursday morning Bible Study at 10:30 a.m.: An examination of Genesis. No need to have been in the class during the fall (to study The Fall!), just feel free to jump right in! Join us for this exciting study!

This class, led by Alice Prucha, meets in the third floor library.

Newcomers' Dinner

Are you new to St. Andrew's during the past year or two? Then you are invited to a newcomers' dinner on **Sunday, May 21st at 5PM** at the Rectory (159 W. Davis Blvd. on Davis Islands). The vestry will host this event and provide the food and drink. So come and

meet your vestry (and other newcomers). This is strictly a fellowship event – no ulterior motives. (You won't have sit through a presentation urging you to buy in on a time-share or something else.) If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Kathy in the office (813-221-2035).

Parish Building Refurbishment

The plaques from the south wall of the parish building were removed on March 21 and taken away to AGG Restoration Specialists in Sarasota. The plaques will be cleaned, polished and restored to their original grandeur. Meanwhile, starting around April 19, the entire parish building will be repainted by Al Leach Painting & Restoration out of Clearwater. Also, all windows will be re-sealed to protect against water intrusion. Once the south wall portion of the project has been finished, AGG will re-install the plaques on the wall. (Over the years, the plaques had been damaged by the chalky residue from the old paint that would streak down the wall during/after rains. We decided not to restore the plaques until we were able to re-paint the parish building and eliminate the cause of the problem.) Leach estimates that the overall project will take no more than eight weeks. Thus, we anticipate completion sometime during the first part of June (hopefully, before the onset of the summer monsoon season).



OUTREACH NEWS

Thanks to the generosity of the good people of St. Andrew's, we donated \$675 towards **Easter Boxes of Hope** through Metropolitan Ministries!
Great Job!



Cinco de Mayo Outreach Mexican Buffet

Sunday, May 7 after the 10:30am service

Enjoy this grande Mexican buffet lunch knowing that proceeds will go to VBS scholarships for Cornerstone Kids! Adults \$10, Kids \$5, Outreach team will sell tickets in advance.

It's time again to begin our **KleanKit Collection!** Each month from March thru summer, we'll ask you to bring one toiletry item to church, which will go into our KleanKits that we distribute monthly through the Lunch Program. Please put your gifts in the collection

boxes in the Parish Hall. *We also greatly appreciate donations!* You can put your check in the collection plate, noting “KleanKits” in the memo! Thanks!

April: Toothbrushes & Toothpaste



VBS 2017 “Kingdom Rock” is in less than 3 months!!! We have SO MUCH to do, and we need YOUR help!

You don’t have to be super crafty or a “handy person,” just wear comfy clothes and closed-toed shoes and come help us! I cannot stress enough how much help we need this year!

VBS Set Construction Saturdays will take place on **May 6, May 20,**

June 3, June 10, and June 24. Each Saturday we will work to create a

castle and many other set pieces needed for VBS this year! We will work from 12-3 and light snacks will be served. Please RSVP to Alicia Schmid at aschmid@saintandrewstampa.org ASAP.

Also, VBS Planning/ Training meetings will take place on the following dates:

Sunday, May 7th

Sunday, May 21st

Sunday, June 4th

Sunday, June 25th (Mandatory Training for all VBS volunteers—both youth and adults)

Sunday, July 9th (Decoration Sunday/ followed by a make-up training)

Calling all Graduates! If you have a soon-to-be graduate in your family, please inform Alicia Schmid **no later than Tuesday, May 9th** so we can honor them on **Sunday, May 21st** during the 10:30am service!!

Please contact me with the following info:

- Graduate's name
- A picture of the grad
- The name of the high school or college they are graduating from, and their future university or career goals.
- The graduate's favorite Bible verse
- One fun fact about the graduate

Each graduate will be honored individually, so please send the info for your grad today. **All information needs to be in to Alicia by Tuesday, May 9th to make it into the church bulletin!**

Email aschmid@saintandrewstampa.org

DONATIONS FOR EASTER FLOWERS AND MUSIC (Received after Easter)

Richard, Ginger, Catie
and McKinley Chapman

Mr. & Mrs. Milton Jones in thanksgiving for family and God's blessings
Gray, Catherine and Ward Sanders

Commentary on Today's Lesson

Peter's sermon to the crowds gathered in Jerusalem for the festival of Pentecost (vv. 14-36) follows the miraculous reception of the Holy Spirit experienced by followers of Jesus shortly after his ascension (vv. 1-13). Peter's explanatory remarks stand in Acts as the first public proclamation from the fledgling Christian community.

Peter assumes that his listeners are familiar with Jesus, or at least with details of his death. But in Peter's judgment they are more than simply familiar with Jesus' crucifixion at the hands of "those outside the law" (the Gentiles) - they are responsible for it (v. 23)! Note, however, that while Peter assigns culpability to the members of the audience, he nevertheless maintains at the same time that Jesus' death transpired "according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God" (v. 23).

The death of Jesus, Peter continues, turned out not to be the final act in the drama, for God intervened and raised Jesus from the dead (2:24). In fact, death was not able to exert ultimate control over the executed Jesus. Peter cites Psalm 16:8-11 as support for this claim about the powerlessness of death over the person of Jesus (vv. 25-28). This psalm is attributed to David, but Peter interprets the subject who speaks in the first person in the psalm to be Jesus ("For David says concerning *him*," v. 25).

The excerpt cited by Peter opens with the psalmist's report that he saw "the Lord always before" him, for which reason his "flesh will live in hope" (vv. 25-26). He then moves to a confident assertion that the Lord will not "abandon [his] soul to Hades" or "let [the Lord's] Holy One experience corruption" (v. 27). The selection ends with the psalmist's rejoicing that the "ways of life" have been made known to him and that he will be in the Lord's presence (v. 28).

In their original context, these lines from Psalm 16 refer to the physical preservation of the health and well-being of the author. However, in the hands of the author of Luke-Acts, these same lines become a source for information about Jesus, God's Messiah. Peter's explanation of the psalm citation makes the interpretive logic clear. David wrote the psalm, but as Peter points out in verse 29, David clearly is dead (i.e., his body experienced corruption). Ergo, Peter concludes, David was not speaking in Psalm 16 about himself but

rather was prophetically speaking about one of his descendants, whom God had promised to put upon a throne (v. 30).

So the speaker in the psalm is a descendant of David whose body would not experience corruption, who would have the Lord "always before" him. Who could this be? It is he who is the resurrected Messiah whom David prophesied.

The way in which this psalm is interpreted is characteristic of the way in which early Christian believers searched their Scriptures in order to make sense of what they believed to be true about the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. This "Christological exegesis" is thus a profoundly theological act by which the community shaped its beliefs and defined its identity by wrestling with the Scriptures that they knew so well and figuring out how they related to their claims about the person of Jesus.

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