



*Welcome to*  
**SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
**TAMPA, FLORIDA**

**THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT: LAETARE**  
**MARCH 10, 2024**  
**10:30AM**

*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.

Each Sunday we celebrate The Holy Eucharist at 8 a.m. (Rite I, said); and at 10:30 a.m. (Rite II, with choir).

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

#### IMPORTANT PRIVACY NOTICE

As a mission of outreach to our parishioners and the greater Christian community, audio and video of this service will be recorded and broadcast live on social media. We make every effort to respect and preserve the privacy of members and visitors. If you have any specific questions or concerns about your privacy while worshipping with us, please speak with one of the ushers at the rear of the church.

*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.*

**PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES.**

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

Prelude: Chorale Prelude on “Rockingham”

*C.H.H. Parry (1848–1918)*

### Tower Bell

**Hymn 145** (*stand*)

*Quittez, Pasteurs*

1 Now quit your care and anxious fear and worry; for schemes are vain and fretting brings no gain. Lent calls to prayer, to trust and dedication; God brings new beauty nigh; reply, reply, reply with love to love most high; reply, reply, reply with love to love most high.

2 To bow the head in sackcloth and in ashes, or rend the soul, such grief is not Lent's goal; but to be led to where God's glory flashes, his beauty to come near. Make clear, make clear, make clear where truth and light appear. Make clear, make clear, make clear where truth and light appear.

3 For is not this the fast that I have chosen? (The prophet spoke) To shatter every yoke, of wickedness the grievous bands to loosen, oppression put to flight, to fight, to fight, to fight till every wrong's set right. to fight, to fight, to fight till every wrong's set right.

4 For righteousness and peace will show their faces to those who feed the hungry in their need, and wrongs redress, who build the old waste places, and in the darkness shine. Divine, divine, divine it is when all combine! Divine, divine, divine it is when all combine!

5 Then shall your light break forth as doth the morning; your health shall spring, the friends you make shall bring God's glory bright, your way through life adorning; and love shall be the prize. Arise, arise, arise! and make a paradise! Arise, arise, arise! and make a paradise!

### Penitential Order

*All standing, the Celebrant says*

<i>Celebrant</i>	Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
<i>People</i>	His mercy endures for ever.

## **Decalogue** (*kneel*)

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.

*Amen. Lord have mercy.*

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

*Amen. Lord have mercy.*

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

*Amen. Lord have mercy.*

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

*Amen. Lord have mercy.*

Honor your father and your mother.

*Amen. Lord have mercy.*

You shall not commit murder.

*Amen. Lord have mercy.*

You shall not commit adultery.

*Amen. Lord have mercy.*

You shall not steal.

*Amen. Lord have mercy.*

You shall not be a false witness.

*Amen. Lord have mercy.*

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

*Amen. Lord have mercy.*

*The Celebrant says*

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." *Mark 12:29-31*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence.*

*Minister 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.

*The Priest stands and says*

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.*

Lord, have mercy.

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Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

**Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

*People*          And also with you.

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*

A Reading from the Book of Numbers.

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.” Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, “Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.” So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 107: 1–3, 17–22** *Sung by the choir to plainchant*

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, \*  
and his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim \*  
that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.
- 3 He gathered them out of the lands; \*  
from the east and from the west,  
from the north and from the south.
- 17 Some were fools and took to rebellious ways; \*  
they were afflicted because of their sins.
- 18 They abhorred all manner of food \*  
and drew near to death's door.
- 19 Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, \*  
and he delivered them from their distress.

- 20 He sent forth his word and healed them \*  
and saved them from the grave.
- 21 Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy \*  
and the wonders he does for his children.
- 22 Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.

## **Second Reading**

Ephesians 2:1-10

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

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

**Hymn 623** (*stand*)

*O quanta qualia*

1 O what their joy and their glory must be,  
those endless Sabbaths the blessèd ones  
see; crown for the valiant, to weary ones  
rest: God shall be all, and in all ever blest.

2 Truly, "Jerusalem" name we that shore,  
city of peace that brings joy evermore;  
wish and fulfillment are not severed there,  
nor do things prayed for come short of the  
prayer.

3 There, where no troubles distraction can  
bring, we the sweet anthems of Zion shall  
sing; while for thy grace, Lord, their voices  
of praise thy blessèd people eternally raise.

4 Now, in the meantime, with hearts raised  
on high, we for that country must yearn and  
must sigh, seeking Jerusalem, dear native  
land, through our long exile on Babylon's  
strand.

5 Low before him with our praises we fall,  
of whom, and in whom, and through whom  
are all; of whom, the Father; and in whom,  
the Son; through whom, the Spirit, with  
them ever One.

**Holy Gospel**

John 3:14-21

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

*People*            Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

*Priest*            The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*            Praise to you, Lord Christ.



## Sermon

### Nicene Creed (*stand*)

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.

## **Prayers of the People** (*kneel*)

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace of the world, for the people of Ukraine, Israel, and Gaza, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Doug, our Bishop, John and Jerry, our Priests, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For Joe, our President, Ron, our Governor, Jane, our Mayor, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

*To thee, O Lord our God.*

*Silence*

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**Peace** (*stand*)

*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**

## **Holy Communion**

**At the Offertory:**

Anthem

*Niccolò Antonio Zingarelli (1752–1837)*

Go not far from me, far from me, O God; cast me not away in the time of age,  
Forsake me not when my strength faileth me. O let my mouth be filled with thy  
praise: that I may sing, thy glory and honor all the day long.

*John Byrom (1692–1763)*

*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**

*The people remain standing.*

*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.

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

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.*

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

*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.

*The Celebrant says*

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:**

**Hymn 620** (*sit*)

*Land of Rest*

1 Jerusalem, my happy home, when shall I come to thee? When shall my sorrows have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?

2 Thy saints are crowned with glory great; they see God face to face; they triumph still, they still rejoice in that most happy place.

3 There David stands with harp in hand as master of the choir: ten thousand times would one be blest who might this music hear.

4 Our Lady sings Magnificat with tune surpassing sweet, and blessed martyrs' harmony doth ring in every street.

5 Jerusalem, Jerusalem, God grant that I may see thine endless joy, and of the same partaker ever be!

**Anthem**

*Richard Farrant (c.1525–1580)*

Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercy and thy loving kindness which hath been ever of old. O remember not the sins and offenses of my youth: but according to thy mercy think thou on me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

*Psalms 25:5–6*

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Blessing**

*The priest blesses the people, saying*

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

**Hymn 690** (*stand*)

*Cwm Rhondda*

1 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim  
through this barren land; I am weak, but  
thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful  
hand; bread of heaven, bread of heaven,  
feed me now and evermore, feed me now  
and evermore.

2 Open now the crystal fountain, whence  
the healing stream doth flow; let the fire  
and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey  
through; strong deliverer, strong deliverer,  
be thou still my strength and shield, be thou  
still my strength and shield.

3 When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my  
anxious fears subside; death of death, and  
hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's  
side; songs of praises, songs of praises, I  
will ever give to thee, I will ever give to  
thee.



## **Dismissal**

*Priest*            Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People*            Thanks be to God.

## **THOSE SERVING TODAY: Sunday, March 10, 2024**

**Celebrant:** Fr. Stadel

**Preacher:** Fr. Reese

**Organist:** Ryan Hebert

**Choral Assistant:** Coleman Flentge

**Vergers:** Allison Besselieu

**Crucifer:** Maren Kennel

**Torchbearers:** Rayanne Crawford, Winona Crawford

**Lectors:** Don Crawford, Summer Crawford

**Lay Eucharistic Ministers:** Paula Stewart, Wallace Dixon

**Videographers:** Paul Scheuer, Doug Rubottom, Jan Smith, Kirk McCann

**Ushers:** Laurence Hammond, George Bedell, Chris Sherman, Bill Besselieu

**Altar Guild:** Ursula Keeler, Jan Smith, Cathy Szuba

**BIRTHDAYS:** Charlotte Carl, Stephen Kounnas, Anne Stadel, Grant Tolbert

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Marshall & Anne Ferrell, Richard & Ginger Chapman

**Organ music in Lent:** In keeping with tradition and the solemnity of the Lenten season, we will take a seasonal break from the performance of organ postludes at the 10:30am service. The service will conclude with the final hymn and the dismissal.

## **Make a Pledge for 2024**

Please return your pledge card for 2024 as soon as possible. If you did not receive a pledge card in the mail, cards are available at the back of the church, in the Parish Hall, or through the parish office (813-221-2035). Make a commitment and support St. Andrew's in the coming year. **We have currently 145 pledges for \$500,580.00**

## **Choir Staff Singers Perform Solo Recitals**

Several of our choir staff singers, who are music students at UT, will be giving solo recitals as part of their degree studies. These events are free and open to the public, so please mark your calendars and plan to join them! Parking is available anywhere on campus in the evenings.

3/22 7:30p.m. Ethan Lucas, tenor - Sykes Chapel

3/30 7:30p.m. Brianna Davies, mezzo soprano - Sykes Chapel

4/23 7:30p.m. Lucas Glenn, piano - Gordon Theater, Ferman Center for the Arts

## **Stations of the Cross: Fridays in Lent 12:10pm**

Come and join us for this 30-minute devotional, observed on Fridays in Lent at 12:10pm running through Good Friday on March 29. Our Stations of the Cross, a gift from Nathan & Jane Simpson, are a series of pictures representing certain scenes in the Passion of Christ, each corresponding to a particular incident. Formerly the number of stations varied considerably in different places but fourteen are now generally acknowledged. The object of the Stations is to help the faithful to make in spirit, as it were, a pilgrimage to the chief scenes of Christ's sufferings and death. It is carried out by passing from Station to Station, with certain prayers at each and devout meditation on the various incidents in turn. It is very usual, when the devotion is performed publicly, to sing a stanza of the "Stabat Mater" while passing from one Station to the next.

## **School Volunteers needed**

Want to help Tampa's littlest citizens? Come spend an hour each week working with a small group of 1st graders at Dunbar Elementary. If you have 45-60 minutes each week to work with a small group of students in one of our 1st grade classrooms, please contact me for more information. Days and times are Tuesdays, Wednesdays and/or Thursdays either between 8:45 and 10:15 or 10:45 to 12:45. The teacher will have all the materials available for you. This enrichment group will allow the teacher to get an extra small group in with some of her struggling readers. Thank you for considering this opportunity. Victoria Klug 813-774-1246 or [VictoriaKlug1@gmail.com](mailto:VictoriaKlug1@gmail.com)

## **LENTEN & EASTER SCHEDULE**

Fridays in Lent  
**Stations of the Cross** 12:10pm

Tuesdays: March 12 • 19  
5:30pm **Eucharist in Children's Chapel**  
6:00pm **Tuesday evening Pot Luck Supper**  
6:45-7:30pm **Lenten Program**

Sunday, March 24  
**Palm Sunday**  
Holy Eucharist and Blessing of Palms  
8:00am and 10:30am (*with incense*)

March 25 • 26 • 27  
**Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday  
of Holy Week**  
Holy Eucharist 12:10pm

March 28  
**Maundy Thursday**  
12:10pm Holy Eucharist  
7:00pm Holy Eucharist and Stripping of the Altar

March 29  
**Good Friday**  
12:10pm Stations of the Cross  
7:00pm Good Friday Liturgy

March 31  
**Easter Day**  
8:00am Holy Eucharist  
10:30am Choral Eucharist (*with incense*)  
& Flowering of the Cross

## Tuesday Evening Lenten Series

Our annual Lenten series will continue weekly through March 19th. Each evening begins at 5:30pm with Holy Eucharist in the Children's Chapel. A potluck supper follows at 6pm in the Parish Hall and the program begins at 6:45pm. The presenter this year is our own Dr. Ryan Hebert.

**Music Notes Unscripted: *What Music Teaches us about God* By Ryan Hebert**

3/12 Forget the former things (Isaiah 43:18) - Hosted by Outreach  
*The illusion of perfectionism and the perfect performance*

3/19 The truth will set you free (John 8:32) - Hosted by the Altar Guild  
*Organ Voluntary? Or Involuntary? Playing with Abandon*  
*(organ recital demo)*

## Adult Christian Education

**Sunday mornings at 9:30**

***Restored: Finding Redemption in Our Mess***

Often we make a mess of our lives and wonder if there is any redemption. In this six-week video series, pastor and author Tom Berlin helps us see our mess through the eyes of Christ to find redemption and restoration. Using Scripture, devotional tools, and the writings of Ignatius of Loyola, John of the Cross, St. Augustine, John Wesley, Evelyn Underhill, and others, Berlin encourages reflection and meditation through our own brokenness. Only then can we focus on the cross as the place where we truly surrender control, leave our mess, and find redemption. Tom Berlin is currently the Bishop of the Florida Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Here is the rest of the line-up:

March 10 - No Messing Around

March 17 - Address This Mess

March 24 - The Message in the Mess

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

## Youth News

Youth in grades 6 & up are invited to assist in Easter preparations on Palm Sunday during coffee hour (**Sunday, March 24th**) as we pack Easter goody bags and eggs for the big hunt! Look for Alicia in the parish hall and come lend us a quick hand! We will also be taking Easter donations for items to pack in our wonderful goody bags starting on Sunday, March 3rd-- items like individually wrapped candy, pencils, erasers, small toys and trinkets are much appreciated! A marked bin will be placed at the children's chapel entrance of the parish building for all Easter goody bag donations. We will pack goody bags on **Sunday, March 24th during coffee hour.**

All Children are invited to participate in our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday, which falls on **Sunday, March 31st after the 10:30 service in the courtyard!** Bring a basket or bag and join in the fun, making beautiful family memories on this blessed Easter Sunday! All children and youth (this means middle & high school too!) will receive an awesome goody bag following the hunt, but due to space, we will have an official egg hunt for kids who are toddler age through 5th grade in the courtyard. We will also have golden coins inside some of the hidden eggs for additional special prizes!

Please contact Alicia Schmid for questions, or to volunteer with our amazing kids & youth at [aliciaschmid@rocketmail.com](mailto:aliciaschmid@rocketmail.com).

\*\*\* **Attention Youth** \*\*\*

Calling all youth 6th-12th grades! Come and join us for a pool party as we launch St Andrew's Youth Group on **Sunday, March 24th from 4-6:30**. Bring your suit. Dinner will be provided! Please contact Alicia Schmid, Ben Borsch, or Martha Cobb if you have any questions! 😊😊😊 Looking forward to seeing everyone! Address: 3210 Hoedt Road Tampa, 33618

## New Flower Chart

The 2024 Flower Sign-Up Chart is in the parish hall. Please help adorn the altar during worship by sponsoring flowers. High Altar flowers are \$150 for florist choice, personal choices can be arranged at an additional cost. Chapel Altar flowers are optional. To sponsor both Altars, the cost is \$250. If you have questions, please contact Charlotte Churchill 813-352-0162 [cmchurchi18@gmail.com](mailto:cmchurchi18@gmail.com)

## Celebration of Life

Saint Andrew's is hosting a Celebration of Life for former parishioner, Vestry member and choir section leader, Stephen Rosser, on **Saturday, April 27th** at 2 pm. Some of you may have known Stephen before he departed for New York City ten years ago. His kindness, openness and talent touched many at St. Andrew's and around the Bay Area and he will be greatly missed. As part of our celebration we are gathering many who sang with him in our choir and other exceptional groups to raise our voices in hymns, anthems and songs Stephen loved. If you would like to join us as a singer please contact Betsy Scheuer at [elisabetsy40@gmail.com](mailto:elisabetsy40@gmail.com) or 813-434-5159 regarding your interest and for more details. If you would like to assist with or make a financial contribution for the reception following the celebration, please contact Irene Baker at [ihbaker1011@yahoo.com](mailto:ihbaker1011@yahoo.com) or 571-481-8536. Whether you sing or help or attend, we look forward to seeing many of you on the 27th!

## Music Notes

Today's offertory is a quirky piece by Italian composer, Niccolò Zingarelli. I had never heard it before until I was enthusiastically introduced to it by our rector. We've sung it in years past, as it is befitting for the Fourth Sunday of Lent, known as Laetare Sunday.

The term "Laetare" comes from Isaiah 66:10, "Rejoice Jerusalem." This Sunday is an anticipation of the victory to be won at Easter, and the joyful theme provides a short respite from the penitential emphasis of Lent. Since the thirteenth century the celebrant of the eucharist has been permitted to wear rose-colored vestments which express the change of tone in the Lenten observance. Laetare Sunday can also be called "Rose Sunday." We also have a similar Sunday in Advent which uses the rose color.

I call this piece quirky because I don't think it has the same sort of depth and mystique as our usual St. Andrew's musical diet. It's a bit sappy, dripping with sentimentality and literalism. While not being critical of our rector's musical taste, I'll admit that tacky and cheesy is OK, occasionally. I happen to like Velveeta – a squishy, cheese-like product. *Yum!*

Zingarelli was an opera composer, a cheesy musical medium if you ask me. If you listen carefully, you can hear a Mozartian, opera-like aesthetic in this anthem. The lugubrious, handwringing opening suddenly shifts, and we're off on a jaunty ride through the tulips. It

sounds like the close of an operetta when the happy couple gallops into the sunset. You can almost hear the cheers from the audience as the curtain closes – “*Bravissimo!*”

In 1811 Zingarelli, who was the choir master of the Sistine Chapel at the time, publicly refused, as an Italian patriot, to conduct a Te Deum for Napoleon's new-born son in St. Peter's Basilica. As a result of this refusal, he was captured and taken to Paris, but the emperor, being a fan of his music, gave the composer his liberty.

G.K. Chesterton famously quipped, “Angels can fly because they can take themselves lightly.” Often, we take ourselves and our worship too seriously, when in fact every Sunday is a *celebration* of the Eucharist. Lighter pieces balance our musical diet. Likewise, too much Velveeta will wreck your diet. The key is balance. You can worship with solemnity, but with a smile in your spirit. Even if music *sounds* serious, you’re still *playing* it. If you become overly rigid and heavy, the music loses its effervescence. Even when I play “big,” “serious” organ pieces of Bach, for my hands and feet to work, they cannot be entangled with fear. No white knuckling, tension, or apprehension will make Bach’s music dance. I keep the Velveeta close when I play the organ. A little squish is all you need to make it fly!

When we lose our playfulness, we lose our spirit’s squishiness. Maybe Napoleon didn’t take himself that seriously, he *did* free Zingarelli from captivity. Music calms the savage beast, but only if the beast is aware of its pretentiousness. Sometimes I become a beast when I take my music too seriously. But to make it fly, I must be angelic. We can get weary from solemnity. But remember, the birds are singing outside of the church’s walls, even if we’re inside being somber. God doesn’t always take things *that* seriously. I’m sure He enjoys a bit of Velveeta on a Ritz cracker occasionally. *Soli Deo Gloria!*

-Ryan Hebert



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**WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:** Sarah Hudson, Charles Caro, Evelyn Smith, Mignon Grant-Levy, John Tomlinson, Nell Rorebeck, Marion Gustin, Jane Collins, Paul Cullen, Barbara Jones, Gerry Calahan, Mary Nichols, Peggy Kleven, Linda M. Delmasto, Angela Massari, Evelyn O. Jewell, Brycen Coyle, Anita Ramirez, Jane Cantler, Phyllis Sheaffer, Diane Kemker, Martha Medel, Sarah Moody, Larry Kleven, Isabelle Ferrell, William Shuler, Ian Snider, Libby Dickinson, Roma Plimmer, Patricia Maxfield, Jenette Kerr, Kay Rankin, Joe Daurril, Stephen Rosser, Rose Williams

**THOSE FOR WHOM PRAYERS HAVE BEEN ESPECIALLY REQUESTED:**

Mark Caro, Sgt. Billy Gudzak, Charlene Maxwell, Joan Hoppe, Carlton Hart, Stephen Tedrowe, Virginia Sink, Charlie Richardson, Christine Hudson, Janet Norona, Michael Norona, Christopher Hunt, Charles Mullen, Jack Plimmer, Corinne Gaile, Jack Boyet, Jean Turner, Analee Mayes, Rick Ostman, Dawn Headland, Beth Luensman, Carole Fields, Roy Collins, Judy Van Valkenburgh, Georgia Vahue, Sean Heavey, Janet Cook, Linda Liconti Longo, Holly Clemmons, Katie Pastorius, Deloris Lewis, Dale Saville, Jeff Johnson, Wayne Putney, Ralph & Nancy Swank, Delphine & Bob Ballard, Janis Riasanovsky, Linda Barry, Fabio Pompili *(We are happy to include all prayer requests. Names will remain on the list for four weeks. Please call Lauri in the church office if you desire a name to remain on after four weeks or to be removed sooner)*

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