

St. ANDREW'S CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

**SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2017
EASTER DAY**



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Sunday, April 16, 2017

9:00A.M.

EASTER DAY

PRELUDE: Canzone a la Rustica Adriano Banchieri
Brass Quartet

THE WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

All: Hallelujah!

*HYMN 216 Christ the Lord is Risen Today Easter Hymn

CALL TO PRAYER, PRAYER, AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Living God, we praise You for the great truth of Easter, the message that Your love will not be defeated. When human evil had done its worst, despite every effort to frustrate Your purpose, still You triumphed! The stone was rolled away, the tomb was empty. Christ had risen!

May that truth fire us each day with new hope, new confidence, and new enthusiasm, knowing that whatever obstacles we may face, and whatever may fight against us, there is nothing that will finally be able to thwart Your purpose, or to deny Your saving purpose, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

SCRIPTURE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

SPECIAL MUSIC: Alleluia W. A. Mozart
Brass Quartet

GOSPEL LESSON: St. Luke 24: 1-12

*HYMN 229 That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright Puer Nobis Nascitur

SERMON: SHARING THE VICTORY Rev. Ernest Smart

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

*HYMN 95

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

Duke Street

THE PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY: The Day of Resurrection Ellacombe arr. Nancy Raabe

*THE DOXOLOGY

**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.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CALL TO PRAYER AND PASTORAL PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: and also with you.

Leader: Let us pray...

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*using trespasses*)

**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 forever and ever. Amen.**

*HYMN 218

Thine Is the Glory

Maccabeus

BENEDICTION (unison)

**Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father. Let us set
out therefore on a new way of life with Christ, and may the blessing of God
Almighty, the Father, the son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst us and remain
with us always. Amen.**

POSTLUDE:

Flourish
Brass Quartet

Ralph Vaughn Williams

WELCOME NOTES FOR THIS GRAND AND GLORIOUS DAY

WE WISH EVERYONE HERE THIS MORNING A VERY HAPPY EASTER. Easter is God's gift to all of humanity.

EVERYONE IS INVITED TODAY to remain for "a wee while" to enjoy the light reception which has been prepared for you.

WE ALSO EXTEND A VERY HEARTY WELCOME TO OUR TALENTED MUSICIANS: Jerry Peterson, Toni Settineri, Randy Martel and Seth Rees.

OUR SANCTUARY IS ESPECIALLY BEAUTIFUL TODAY because of the many Easter flowers and lilies. We express our sincere thanks to every one who contributed. They may be collected on Tuesday morning for family, friends and those confined to home. Spare copies of the bulletin are also available.

MISSION NEWS. The next meeting of our Mission and Dream Team Committee will take place here at Church on Wednesday, April 19, 2017, at 3:00 p.m. All interested are invited to attend.

THE NEXT MEETING OF OUR P&R (planning and review) BOARD will be held next Sunday after worship in the Fellowship Hall. This is an open meeting to which everyone is also invited.

NOTE FOR YOUR DIARY. A bus trip is being planned for Tuesday, May 2, 2017 to the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. We will enjoy a private tour with afternoon tea. Sign up list on the lounge piano. Any questions? Please see Barbara Pour.

SPRING VISIONARIES. We have spare copies of this lively and colorful St. Andrew's newsletter. Please feel free to share them among your friends and neighbors. Our thanks to the production team of Joyce Brown, Barbara Lewis and Deirdre Tanton.

PASTORAL CARE IN HIGH ON OUR LIST OF PRIORITIES. Please do not hesitate to contact our pastor, Ernest Smart, at any time either for yourself or someone you know. Home telephone is best: 410-893-9470.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

Jesus says to us "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit... and remember: I am with you always to the end of time." (Matthew 28:19)

