

# Second Sunday in Lent

## GATHERING

*Please silence all electronic devices and prepare for worship.*

**PRELUDE** *Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word* [Charles Callahan]  
Sophia Simpson-Khan, horn

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DAY** Pastor McEachran

**HYMN** *When Morning Gilds the Skies* ELW Hymn 853

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**APOSTOLIC GREETING**

**A** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** And also with you.

**KYRIE** [Marty Haugen]

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*(congregation is seated)*

**A TIME FOR LITTLE DISCIPLES** *I Promise* Pastor McEachran

## WORD

**FIRST LESSON** Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**RESPONSE** *That Priceless Grace* ELW Hymn 591

**SECOND LESSON** Romans 4:13-25

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*(congregation stands)*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** [Sally Ann Morris]

**P** The Good News of Jesus according to Mark.

**C** Glory to you, O Lord.

**GOSPEL** Mark 8:31-38

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to you, O Christ.

**C** Congregation  
**A** Assisting Minister  
**P** Pastor

**Little Disciples Tip**  
*Confession and Forgiveness:*  
Whisper to your children that this is when we tell God we are sorry.

**SERMON**

*The Promise is Secure*

Pastor McEachran

1. Of old...True or False?
2. In Christ.
3. What do you think? How will you live?

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

[Herman Stuempfle, Jr.]

***Our Daily Cross Is Near to Grasp***

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**A** We confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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.

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. Amen.

**THE PRAYERS**

**A** Lord, in your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**THE PEACE**

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** And also with you.

*(shared in community)*

**OFFERING**

**I.**

*God Be in My Head*  
Chancel Choir

[Arlen R. Clarke]

**II.**

*And Can It Be?*  
Sharon Gurtel, soloist

[Dan Forrest]

*(congregation stands)*

**OFFERTORY VERSE**

[Marty Haugen]

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**M E A L**

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**SANCTUS**

[Marty Haugen]

**EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**C** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.

*(congregation is seated)*

**LAMB OF GOD**

ELW Hymn 336

**COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

**I.** *And Can It Be?* [Dan Forrest]  
Sharon Gurtel, soloist  
*Just As I Am, without One Plea* ELW Hymn 592  
*Restore in Us, O God* ELW Hymn 328

**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

**P** May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,  
strengthen and keep you in God's loving grace, now and forever.  
**C** Amen.

**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**

ELW 186

**PRAYER**



**BLESSING**

**CLOSING HYMN** *I Love to Tell the Story* ELW Hymn 661

**A** Marked with the cross of Christ, go to love and serve the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE**

*Prelude* [Nicholas Bruhns]

**P A R T I C I P A N T S**

*Presiding Minister* Pastor James N. McEachran

*Director of Music Ministries/Organist* Dr. Will Simpson

*Assisting Ministers* (I) Sharon Gurtel (II) Sue Short

*Communion Assistants* (I) Art Gurtel (II) Livi Myhre

*Acolytes* (I) Sonja Wetmore (II) Collin Feldman

*Altar Guild* Bev Anderson, Linda Powell

*Greeters* (I) Larry and Shelly Abner

(II) Ben and Jenny Johnson Family

*Lectors* (I) Cheryl Jurrus (II) Fred Clarke

*Ushers* (I) Bev and Tom Anderson (II) The Carmichael Family

*Coffee Hosts* Dennis and Susan Hegedus

**W E L C O M E**

**TODAY AT SAINT ANDREW'S**

**ⓘ CHILDREN'S CHOIR:** The Children's Choir will sing during both worship services on Palm Sunday, **March 25**. All students in kindergarten through middle school are invited to join us. This is a great opportunity for you to be a very important part of our worship service. Rehearsals begin today, **February 25**, and continue on Sundays, **March 4** and **March 11**, all from 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm. Contact Children's Choir Director Erin Simpson for more information or to let her know of your interest.

**NEXT SUNDAY AT SAINT ANDREW'S**

**† NAME TAGS:** The first Sunday of the month is the time to wear name tags. This is a wonderful way to get acquainted and greet those around you.

**† BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK:** Come to Room 210/Nursery between 9:30 am and 10:30 am. Health care professionals from Health and Wholeness Ministry will take your blood pressure and discuss concerns.

**LENT**

During the Time of Lent, we walk together as a community who trusts that God is about the work of love in sending Jesus into the world. As we walk together in this time of renewal, we are called to remember that in Jesus Christ all things are made new, now and forever.

**“What Wondrous Love...”** is a theme that will carry us deeper in the life of discipleship. We will share days of worship and learning, fellowship and serving. We are those who carry on the good news that from Bethlehem to Jerusalem, we are the people of the Way. And Jesus said, “Follow me.”

A Lent-Easter calendar is available in the Narthex and on the Saint Andrew’s website.



**† LENTEN MID-WEEK WORSHIP SERVICES** are Wednesdays, **February 28, March 7, March 14, and March 21.** Pastor McEachran brings devotional words focused on the Last Words of Jesus from the Cross. How could it be that those words contain so many feelings which define our lives in the world? From forgiveness to reunion, Jesus walks with us into the victory we know and sing on Easter Sunday. Soup Supper is served at 6:15 pm; Holden Evening Prayer Worship begins at 7:00 pm.

**February 28:** John 19:26-27, “Relationship”  
**Volunteers are needed** to prepare and serve soup and bread on **March 14.** Sign up in the Narthex.

**† COLOR DURING LENT:** Gather for fellowship and devotion in the Narthex as Saint Andrew’s works together to color the Psalms as a Communal Art Expression. This is a project we will continue throughout Lent. On Easter morning, the final product will be displayed, and cross generational connections will have been made throughout the Sundays in Lent.

**† PRAYER PARTNERS FOR LENT:** We have 69 participants. Pray for your Prayer Partner throughout Lent. On Sunday, **April 8,** find out who the secret Prayer Partners are at our “Reveal”. This is an opportunity to enrich our prayer life by praying for someone else and making connections within our worship community. *“Pray for one another”* (James 5:16).

**† LENTEN OUTREACH:** The *Baskets of Promise* collection during Lent helps to fill the Personal Care Kits that are sent through Lutheran World Relief to areas of the world where an emergency has occurred and people are left with very little. The kits supply basic items for survival. **Our goal this year is to fill 150 kits.** Each week, one item will be emphasized for collection. A complete schedule is on the Lent-Easter calendar, and on the bulletin board display in the Narthex. Place donations in the basket near the elevator in the Narthex. For next Sunday, **March 4,** our collection item is **nail clippers** (metal, attached file optional, any size.)

**DISCIPLESHIP HOUR...SUNDAYS AT 9:45 AM**

Discipleship Hour at 9:45 am offers classes for age 2 through adult!

- ☞ **SUNDAY OFFERING:** The students of Saint Andrew’s have voted to have their Sunday offerings go to support Lutheran World Relief (LWR). Their offerings this year support LWR with the funds being designated for Bihar, India. Parents, please help your children remember to bring an offering each Sunday for collection during Discipleship Hour. The class with the highest participation will be rewarded with Krispy Kreme donuts each quarter!
- ☞ **SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL (SCS)** classes welcome children age 2 through grade 5. All classes are downstairs in South Hall. The SCS office is located on the lower level near the Narthex stairs. Students who are new to our congregation are asked to come to the SCS office to register and be welcomed to your class.
- ☞ **AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM/CONFIRMATION (ABC)** classes are geared toward youth in grades 6-8. “Worship and Liturgy” (6th grade) meets in Room 121, “Ministry of Service” meets in room 122, and “Old Testament Survey” meets in room 119. Those students new to our congregation are asked to contact Director of Discipleship Ministries Emily Harrow or Pastor McEachran for more information.
- ☞ **CROSSWALK** is focused on high school age youth, grades 9-12. Got questions? Join us each Sunday for coffee, cocoa, donuts, and conversation. On the last Sunday of each month, gather in the youth room for Oasis, a time for our high school students to rest, color, and enjoy a movie.

☞ **February 25  
“PROUDS”**

Facilitator:

Congregation Council President Scott Lester  
*301/Fellowship Hall*

During the Congregation Council “Advance” on February 10, each Council member was asked to share five things about Saint Andrew’s that they were most proud of. “Prouds” could be specific moments, events, or observations. They could also take the form of abstract concepts or emotional feelings. President Lester will share the “Prouds” that the Council named, and talk about how they will be used to facilitate discussions in the future.

☞ **March 4**

**TANZANIA**

Facilitators: Jean Wahlstrom and Marvin Kananen  
*301/Fellowship Hall*

Jean and Marvin will share stories and experiences from their recent trip to Tanzania.

**VIDEO RECORDINGS OF  
DISCIPLESHIP HOUR CLASSES:**

The Communications Committee records videos of Sunday adult discipleship classes. Recordings are available online for approximately four weeks following the class. Links to videos can be found on the Sunday Morning Discipleship webpage, [adulted.SALChome.org](http://adulted.SALChome.org). Scroll to the bottom of the page for the links.

The recordings for:

“Campus Ministry” from February 4 will be available through March 5.

“Young Adults in Global Mission” from February 18 will be available through March 19.

**DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES...SUNDAYS**

☞ **EARLY MORNING SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY: Paul's First Letter to Timothy**

Sundays, **March 4, March 11**

**7:15 am, 322/Conference Room**

Facilitators: Jean Wahlstrom and Marvin Kananen

Come, consider Paul's practical (and sometimes controversial) advice to Timothy, a church leader in Ephesus. As Paul nears the end of his life, it's a time of transition for training new leadership in the Church. Likewise, let us be encouraged, equipped, and challenged to use our gifts for the building up of God's kingdom in 2018!! Coffee and snacks will be provided. You are welcome to attend any or all of the sessions.

**DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES...DURING THE WEEK**

☞ **TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY**

Presenter: Pastor McEachran

Every Tuesday, 10:00 am, 322/Conference Room

We have begun a series on the Letters of John.

- *Some say, "The Church is irrelevant."*
- *Some ask, "Will the Church have children?"*
- *Some believe, "The Church needs to change the message?"*
- *Many ask, "What can I believe about God? About Jesus?"*

These are not new thoughts, concerns, questions. In fact, they were asked in the years following the first 60 years of the Christian Church. We continue this week with 1 John 4 and 5.

For five weeks we will mine the three Letters of John. We will dig for clues about mission in times that are difficult and sometime filled with anxiety, doubt, change. Bring your favorite translation and invite a friend to join in the adventure.

We continue to set the foundation and build a case for mission forward. The future of the Church is in the power of the Holy Spirit.

**DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES...YOUTH**

\* **GOD SQUAD and FIRE FORCE** (youth in grades 6-12):

- **Soup Supper:** Join us as we serve soup supper to the congregation from 5:30 pm - 7:45 pm. We will prepare the soup in our homes then come together on Wednesday, **February 28**, at 5:30 pm to serve. We will attend Mid-week worship following dinner. Sign up by **TODAY, February 25**, via email or in the Narthex.

\* **SHEEP AND SHEPHERDS** (families with youth age birth through grade 5):

- **Little Lambs Fellowship:** *Parents of children under two*, please join us Sunday, **March 11**, in 210/Nursery for fellowship. The youngest Sheep and Shepherds families are invited for snacks and coffee, visiting, and play time. We meet once each month, usually on the second Sunday. Come for all or some of the time.

\* **GOD SQUAD** (youth in grades 9-12):

- **Holden Village:** We are headed back to Holden Village next spring, **May 18-20, 2018**, for an unplugged weekend of fun and fellowship. Sign up in the Narthex.
- **Summer 2018 Mission Trip:** In Summer 2018 (**July 21-28**) we will serve the Blackfoot Nation in Montana (with YouthWorks.) We'll learn about the Blackfoot Nation and work with them to serve in their community. The next team meeting is Sunday, **March 11**, at 12:15 pm. Information packets are available on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

## OUTREACH AND SERVANT MINISTRIES

- ♥ **DRIVERS FOR CHICKEN SOUP BRIGADE:** Saint Andrew's is a distribution hub for weekly deliveries of meals for Chicken Soup Brigade (Lifelong). The delivery window is between 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm on **Thursday** afternoons with around 2 to 4 stops. Deliveries take about 1 to 1 1/2 hours to complete. Additional volunteer drivers are needed. Choose to be a driver in the rotation or to be a substitute driver to cover weeks where regular volunteers are on vacation. Volunteers need to complete a short orientation before driving. If you are interested in serving in this way, contact Outreach and Servant Ministries committee chair Marlyn Thorpe.
- ♥ **EASTSIDE BABY CORNER - OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP:** People have requested more information on how to help the organization that supplies diapers, clothing, baby furniture and other things to needy and underserved families and where to donate things. New and gently used items can be donated at several EBC sites including:
- EBC Central Hub, 1510 NW Maple Street, Issaquah – Mondays, Thursdays, and Saturday.
  - Marymoor Self Storage, 6065 E. Lake Sammamish Parkway NE, Redmond – daily.
  - Red Way Self Storage, 18024 Redmond Way, Redmond – daily.
  - EBC Northshore Hub, 6524 NE 181st Street, Suite 6, Kenmore – Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and the first Saturday of the month.
  - Issaquah Highlands Self Storage, 910 NE High Street, Issaquah – daily.
- Check the EBC website or the February issue of *the VOICE* newsletter for specific hours at each location. Volunteers are needed for a variety of things. For more information go to [www.babycorner.org](http://www.babycorner.org).
- ♥ **COLLECTIONS:** Dorcas Circle, Health and Wholeness Ministry, and Outreach and Servant Ministries welcome your contributions for Lutheran World Relief, Compass Housing Alliance, Congregations for the Homeless, and The Sophia Way. Lists of needed items are in the baskets near the elevator in the Narthex. Donations can be placed in the same baskets.
- ♥ **CORNER OF BLESSING/HOPELINK:** Each month, we collect food in the Corner of Blessing. All donations are given to Hopelink and help feed those in our community who are hungry. In February, we are collecting a food item (**canned fruit:** 15-ounce size in light syrup) and a non-food item (**size 6 diapers**). We have received a special request from Hopelink for these items. They are things that are in desperate need. For more information, contact Debbie Szabo.
- ♥ **SCHOLARSHIP NEEDS FOR STUDENTS IN TANZANIA:** Scholarships are needed for 35 new Form One students at MaaSAE Girls Lutheran Secondary School (MGLSS), an increase of 10 students from previous years due to current needs. We continue to also need funding for the MGLSS Post-Secondary Scholarship fund, used for the students who qualified for university study. **ANY AMOUNT** given is helpful. Make contributions by check to "Saint Andrew's" with "MGLSS or MGLSS Post-Secondary Scholarship" in the memo line. Funds will be forwarded to Operation Bootstrap Africa (OBA).
- ♥ **THE SOPHIA WAY:** The Sophia Way helps homeless women journey toward independence and a home of their own. Volunteers are needed at the Day Center (on the lower level of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 3032 Bellevue Way NE, Bellevue) to sort donated items they receive, and to help ensure the women there have the clothing they need. To volunteer or for more information, contact their volunteer coordinator Tara, 425-463-6285.



## PROJECT BIHAR / LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

Bihar is a global mission multi-year outreach which engages us in significant outreach in Northeastern India, as part of a sponsored mission through Lutheran World Relief (LWR) and in collaboration with other churches. The goals of this mission are agricultural improvements, year-round food security for the family, empowering women in the community, and increasing incomes for families. This matches the core values of our Outreach and Servant Ministries: homelessness, food security, and education. Saint Andrew's has formed a Project Bihar/LWR Working Group that has defined three major components in our mission: **communication, engagement, and giving.**

- See the bookmarks in the hymnals for stories of families in Bihar. You are welcome to take the bookmark with you.
- We welcome donations (please note "Bihar-LWR" on contributions.)
- The Project Bihar/LWR Working Group is actively planning next steps. If you would like to be involved or would like more information, contact Marlyn Thorpe.

Remember in prayer this continuing outreach ministry.

*The best source of updated information is at [www.lwr.org/bihar](http://www.lwr.org/bihar)*

## SAINT ANDREW'S OPPORTUNITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

✠ **WOMEN'S RETREAT:** All women are invited to join the women of Our Savior Lutheran Church at their annual Women's Retreat! Themed "The Gift of Encouragement", it is Friday-Sunday, **March 2-4**, at the Rainbow Lodge in North Bend. The speaker is Barb Boswell, a gifted storyteller. Brochures are in the Narthex or visit [women.SALChome.org](http://women.SALChome.org). If you haven't signed up but are interested in attending, contact Joan Friel, Women's Retreat Coordinator at Our Savior Lutheran Church.

✠ **AED and CPR TRAINING:** An AED and CPR training will be held at Saint Andrew's on Wednesday, **March 7**, 9:00 am until 12:00 noon. Saint Andrew's staff and Health and Wholeness Ministry will be renewing their certification. Congregation members are also invited, the cost is just \$25 per person. Please let Facilities Manager Kurt Lutterman, [kurt@salchome.org](mailto:kurt@salchome.org) or 425-746-2529, know if you plan to attend.

✠ **CHILI COOK-OFF AND AUCTION:** Join us for fun and fellowship at the Chili Cook-off and Auction on Saturday, **March 10**, at 6:00 pm. Proceeds benefit the high school summer 2018 mission trip to serve the Blackfeet Nation in Montana. We are collecting items for the auction now. We love wine, baskets of goodies, handcrafted items, art, etc. Sign up in the Narthex and indicate how many will attend, if you plan to make chili, and if you have an item to donate. Contact Emily Harrow for more information, [emily@SALChome.org](mailto:emily@SALChome.org) or 425-746-2529. See page 11 for more information.

✠ **NEW MEMBERS:** Our pews have room for you! We will be welcoming new members on **March 11**. If you're interested in joining, please contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, 425-746-2529 or [sherry@salchome.org](mailto:sherry@salchome.org). We'd be happy to schedule your welcome to Saint Andrew's on March 11 or any Sunday throughout Lent.

✠ **KNITWITS (Knitting as Witnesses)**  
Sunday, **March 11**, 9:45 am,  
322/Conference Room  
The KnitWits are a fellowship group whose primary mission is to provide items of comfort that are knit or crocheted. All are welcome to join us anytime! Contact Dianne Chong for more information.

✠ **SUNDAY SERVERS:** Pick your day! The Sunday Servers sign-up sheet for March is on the bulletin board in the Narthex. By signing up early, you'll get your pick of days.

✠ **SAINT ANDREW'S AMBASSADORS:**  
As part of the new Emergency Operations Plan, Saint Andrew's will implement a new Sunday Server position: *Ambassador*. The job description is to keep a welcoming and watchful presence in the Narthex during services. To sign up to be an Ambassador, contact Facilities Manager Kurt Lutterman, kurt@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.

✠ **TUESDAY MORNING MEN**  
Facilitator: Dick Swaisgood  
Every Tuesday, 6:30 am, Room 212  
All Saint Andrew's Men (SAM) are welcome for study, faith growth, prayer, and conversation. We are studying the *Augsburg Confession*. It is a blessing to share this time together in learning and fellowship - please join us!

✠ **COMMUNION BREAD:** Everyone is invited to bake bread used in the Eucharist on Sunday mornings. You can sign up online for a specific Sunday (**the sign-up for all of 2018 is available.**) Links to the sign-up and to the recipe for Luther Bread can be accessed on the Saint Andrew's website: [www.worship.SALChome.org](http://www.worship.SALChome.org). Contact coordinator Jill Nichols-Hicks for more information.

✠ **HOLDEN VILLAGE GATHERING (JULY 15-20) UPDATE:** We've reserved 40 spots for Holden Village for **July 15-20**. If you're interested in joining the Saint Andrew's group, we'll add you to the wait list. contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@salchome.org or 425-746-2529.

**MINISTRY BLESSING FACT:**

It is easy to spot someone from KnitWits (Knitting as Witnesses) knitting or crocheting around the church, creating items of comfort for people in our congregation, in our community, and around the world. Last year, they distributed 42 prayer shawls, 8 baptismal blankets, 315 hats, 80 wash cloths, 30 blankets, 44 scarves, 8 lapghans, and 16 sweaters. The demand is greatest for hats and scarves. They are also currently creating wash cloths for a shelter for victims of domestic abuse in Vancouver, Washington. KnitWits meet one Sunday a month during Discipleship Hour to support one another and share ideas. They welcome all to join them!



**For Sunday, March 4: Third Sunday in Lent**  
Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; John 2:13-22

**Servers for March 4**

*Presiding Minister:* Pastor McEachran

*Assisting Ministers:*

(I) Dana Nasby (II) Shana Nielsen

*Communion Assistants:*

(I) Judi Miller (II) Celeste Ackerbloom

*Acolytes:*

(I) Emily Elien (II) Ian Maland

*Altar Guild:*

Ann Berglind, CJ Tatum

*Greeters:*

(II) Jan and Kit Bowerman

*Lectors:*

(I) Scott Lester

*Ushers:*

(I) John Arnold, Janan Twito

(II) Brent Hicks

*Coffee Hosts:*

Marvin Kananen



**Saturday, March 10 at 6:00 pm**

Come support the 2018 God Squad Mission Trip as they prepare to serve and learn on the Blackfeet Reservation in Montana this summer!

You can:

\*Enter the Chili Cook Off

\*Donate an item/basket to the Silent Auction

\*Come and Participate

Please sign up in the Narthex or contact Emily Harrow (emily@salchome.org/425-746-2529). Please indicate how many will attend, if you plan to make chili, and if you have a donation. You may direct any questions to Emily.