

SERMON

What Does It Mean to Abide? Pastor McEachran

1. Abiding in the Word
2. Abiding in the Love of God in Christ.
3. Abiding=Growing=In Christ we serve

HYMN OF THE DAY *O Word of God Incarnate* ELW Hymn 514

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.

I. BLESSING OF QUILTS AND DORCAS CIRCLE MINISTRY

THE PRAYERS

A God, you are gracious to us.

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 *Crown Him With Many Crowns* [Arr. David Winkler]
Saint Andrew's Orchestra

(congregation stands)

OFFERTORY VERSE

OFFERTORY PRAYER



GREAT THANKSGIVING

SANCTUS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Children of the Heavenly Father [Swedish Folk Tune
 Setting Daniel Kallman]

Shelly Abner, Anita Archer, violin; Will Simpson, piano

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

PRAYER



BLESSING

P May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great
 joy. Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now
 and forever.
C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love [Peter Scholtes]

A Alleluia! Christ is risen.
C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
A You are the body of Christ in the world.
 Go in peace, and live his life.
C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

We are One In the Spirit [Peter Scholetes]

PARTICIPANTS

Presiding Minister Pastor James N. McEachran
Director of Music Ministries/Organist Dr. Will Simpson
Assisting Ministers (I) Jean Wahlstrom (II) Dana Nasby
Communion Assistants (I) Jan Bowerman (II) Dick Swaisgood
Acolytes (I) Caden Feldman (II) Sonja Wetmore
Altar Guild Bev Anderson, Karen Grams
Greeters (I) The Gustafson Family (II) Lois and Brett Nelson
Lectors (I) Linda Gilham (II) Joni Barrott
Ushers (I) Sherry Grindeland, Alexander Erling
 (II) The Clarke Family
Coffee Hosts Judi and George Miller
Orchestra Kristen Bateman, Wendy Baker, Lynne Boeger,
 Jakki Parks, *flute*
 Dennis Calvin, *oboe*
 Bryant Wilkie, *clarinet*
 Joan Tweten, *alto sax*
 Penny Bugni, *bassoon*
 Robin Miller, Sophie Simpson-Khan, *horn*
 Jack Prindle, Mark Baker, *trumpet*
 Gavin Islip, Mike Lindner, *trombone*
 Karin Islip, Vishal Erling, Barbara Spadavecchia,
 Vicki Nelson, Shelly Abner, Anita Archer,
 Becky Soukup, *violin*
 Nancy McEachran, Carolyn Wyman, Brian Lew,
 Leslie Johnson, *viola*
 Michelle Nelson, John Andresen, William Johnson,
 Fred Clarke, *cello*
 Linda Peragine, *bass*
 Andy Emery, *percussion*
 Matt Camrud, *piano*

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WELCOME to WORSHIP

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! We are thankful this day for the musical gifts of our Saint Andrew's Orchestra.

TODAY ~ APRIL 29

DISCIPLESHIP HOUR...9:45 AM

HANDS-ON PRAYER

Facilitator: Emily Harrow
301/Fellowship Hall

Attend an hour of prayer with a variety of stations and different ways to experience prayer.

STEPPING INTO PRAYER

(Faith Stepping Stones for Parents of Two-Year-Olds)

Facilitators: Lois Nelson, Kari Henderson
322/Conference Room

Sessions focus on how parents and children can pray together. Simple prayer pillows are made, and presented to the children during the 11:00 am service today, **April 29**.

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. "Jesus of Nazareth" (6th grade) meets in Room 121, "A Question of Ethics" meets in room 122, and "ABC Prep" 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.

SIGN-UP....

to help with the Bridge Disability Ministries Celebration Dinner on **May 6**. Sign up in the Narthex or contact Sherry Grindeland, sherry@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.

to participate in or volunteer for Vacation Bible School, **July 9-13**. Information and forms are in the Narthex or at vbs.SALChome.org.

FELLOWSHIP

SUMMER 2018 MISSION TEAM: In Summer 2018 (**July 21-28**) God Squad youth (grades 9-12) will serve the Blackfeet Nation in Montana (with YouthWorks.) We'll learn about the Blackfeet Nation and work with them to serve in their community. The next team meeting is **TODAY, April 29**, at 12:15 pm. Contact Emily Harrow, emily@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529, for more information.

THIS WEEK ~ APRIL 30 - MAY 5**TUESDAY, MAY 1****TUESDAY MORNING MEN**

Facilitator: Dick Swaisgood
 Every Tuesday, 6:30 am, Room 212
 Join Saint Andrew's men as they gather for coffee, conversation, some prayer, and early morning snacks at 6:30 am each Tuesday.

DORCAS CIRCLE: The Dorcas Circle meets in 302/Fellowship Hall South this Tuesday, **May 1**, at 9:30 am. New people are always welcome to join as we sew quilts, school bags, and complete other projects in response to those in need. We also welcome donations of fabric, sheets, crochet or embroidery thread, quilt batting, sewing supplies, and blankets.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Presenter: Pastor McEachran
 Every Tuesday, 10:00 am, 322/Conference Room
 We continue with an overview of Hebrews: "**Jesus is the Way into the Truth that is Life.**". We are Word-Diggers seeing the connections between the First Covenant and the New Covenant. There are those who say that "the old is in the new concealed and the old is in the new revealed." Bring your favorite translation and invite a friend! We continue this Tuesday with Hebrews 8-9.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2**WOMEN'S EVENING BOOK STUDY (W.E.B.S.)**

Facilitator: Cheryl Jurrus
 Wednesdays, **through May 23** 7:00 pm, 322/Conference Room
 For its Spring Session, W.E.B.S. is reading another book about India! Please join us for lively discussion, prayer, laughter, and inspirational readings. Our book is *Secret Daughter* by Gowda. "*Asha, adopted out of a Mumbai orphanage, is the child that binds the destinies of two women. We follow both families, invisibly connected until Asha's journey of self-discovery leads her back to India.*" All women are welcome!

FRIDAY, MAY 4

FIRE FORCE (youth in grades 6-8): **Spring Retreat:** We will enjoy a beautiful spring weekend at Warm Beach in Stanwood, WA, **May 4-6**. We will spend time getting to know one another and learning about prayer. For those who are signed up, completed forms and \$60 are due TODAY, **April 29**, to Emily or the church office. Contact Emily Harrow, emily@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529, for more information. Please pray for this group of young people as they learn to pray and build community.

NEXT SUNDAY ~ MAY 6**WORSHIP****WE WELCOME PASTOR ELIZABETH**

RAWLINGS as our Presiding Minister. Pastor Rawlings is the Lutheran Campus Ministry Pastor at the University of Washington, and during the Discipleship Hour, she will talk about ministry with these young adults. Pastor Rawlings was the Director of Youth Ministries at Saint Andrew's from July 2004 - March 2009.

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.

**For Sunday, May 6: Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Acts 10:44-48; Psalm 98; 1 John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17

Servers for May 6

Presiding Minister: Pastor Elizabeth Rawlings

Assisting Ministers:

(I) Sharon Gurtel (II) Sue Short

Communion Assistants:

(I) Judy Gowdy (II) Celeste Ackerbloom

Acolytes:

(I) Grace Cottrell (II) Collin Feldman

Altar Guild:

Donna Nellist, Christine Koch

Greeters:

(I) Lowell and Lois Arneson

Lectors:

(I) Shelly Abner (II) Jessica Allen

Ushers:

(I) George and Judi Miller

(II) The Wilcox Family

Coffee Hosts:

Chad Oftedal

DISCIPLESHIP HOUR...9:45 AM**May 6****Mexico**

Presenter: Pastor Elizabeth Rawlings

301/Fellowship Hall North

Pastor Rawlings is the Lutheran Campus Ministry Pastor at the University of Washington (called The Sanctuary). She has led a group of students from The Sanctuary on an alternative spring break trip to Mexico. She will share her experience and other ways the Sanctuary is sharing the light of Christ in the UW community.

May 6**STEPPING INTO AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM****(Faith Stepping Stones for Parents of Fifth Graders)**

Facilitators: Lois Nelson, Kari Henderson
322/Conference Room

This spring session provides a time for parents to discuss the transition from elementary school to middle school, and to ask questions about academics, time management, and social issues. Session two is held in the fall of the students' sixth grade year, and focuses on the faith development of middle schoolers. Students are presented with a Catechism in the fall of their sixth grade year.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK: Come to Room 212 between 9:30 am and 10:30 am. Health care professionals from Health and Wholeness Ministry will take your blood pressure and discuss concerns.

SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL, AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM/CONFIRMATION, AND CROSSWALK (HIGH SCHOOL) CLASSES
South Hall

FELLOWSHIP

BRIDGE DISABILITY MINISTRIES SUNDAY CELEBRATION DINNER BECOMES A MEDIA EVENT: We need you at the Bridge Disability Ministries Dinner here at Saint Andrew's next Sunday, **May 6**. Bill Munson, the Spiritual Connections Coordinator, recently emailed us that a camera crew from PBS will be filming the dinner for the series, "Visionaries," hosted by Sam Waterston. "Visionaries" produces and distributes media that inspires people and communities to make positive social change. Learn more at <http://www.visionaries.org/>. We gather at 3:30 pm to welcome our Bridge Ministries guests. We need volunteers in the kitchen, greeting people, and just participating. Sign up in the Narthex or contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@salchome.org or 425-746-2529.

Pushing the Envelope...for Montana: The 2018 God Squad Mission Team is Pushing the Envelope for Montana during the month of May! Help support the team to reach this fundraising goal of \$5,050 by purchasing envelopes displayed on the bulletin board in the Narthex. The team will offer 100 envelopes for purchase, numbered 1-100. You pay the number on the outside of the envelope. Want to donate \$30? Grab envelope #30! Alternatively, you may split a large numbered envelope with another congregation member. When all the envelopes are purchased, we will raise \$5,050! Thank you for supporting our students in mission as they prepare to serve and learn on the Blackfeet Reservation this July.

COMING UP

DISCIPLESHIP HOUR...9:45 AM

May 13

I-90 Ministries

Presenter: Pastor Wesley Telyea
301/Fellowship Hall North
Pastor Telyea will lead us through a discussion on ministry within our communities along the I-90 corridor. With fewer Washington residents claiming any religion at all, what advantages do we have in mission? How do we share the light of Christ in the land of the "nones"?

May 13

STEPPING INTO ADULTHOOD

(Faith Stepping Stones for Parents of High School Seniors)

Facilitators: Lois Nelson, Kari Henderson
322/Conference Room
Ongoing discussions include how to support high school seniors in their faith journey as they transition to college or the workplace. We look forward to meeting with our parents to talk about the next steps for their children as they get ready for life after high school. High school seniors are blessed and presented with a quilt/gift from their family on **June 10**, during the 9:30 am worship service.

May 20**Trivial Pursuit: Sunday Server Style**

Facilitator: Sherry Grindeland
301/Fellowship Hall North

Join us for a trivia game about Sundays at Saint Andrew's. We'll play an interactive game to find out what's involved in putting our services together and the secrets behind what you see and do. *Note:* This replaces the scheduled Sunday Servers training. Questions? Contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland at 425-746-2529 or sherry@salchome.org.

May 27**Fellowship**

301/Fellowship Hall North
Coffee, chatting, confections!

May 27**Constitution Bylaw Change Discussion**

322/Conference Room

In preparation for a vote on proposed Bylaw changes at the Semi-Annual Congregation Meeting on Sunday, **June 10**, Art Gurtel and Linda Powell will be facilitating a discussion regarding the changes. The proposed changes include a new Bylaw which modifies the Council member election procedures and a committee name wording change.

FELLOWSHIP

YOUNG ADULTS (those who have graduated high school and older): Young adults of Saint Andrew's get together for dinner on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm. Our next dinner is Wednesday, **May 9** at Bento Box in Overlake. Contact Carolyn McKenna by Monday, **May 7**, if you would like to join us.

THANK OUR TEACHERS/VOLUNTEERS:

The last day of Sunday Church School, Affirmation of Baptism, and CrossWalk is **May 20**. On Sunday, **May 13**, during worship, we'll honor our teachers and volunteers.

LITTLE LAMBS FELLOWSHIP

(children under age two and their parents): Sunday, **May 13**, 9:45 am, 210/Nursery
Please join us 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.

KNITWITS (Knitting as Witnesses)

Sunday, **May 13**, 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.

O.W.L.S. (Older Wiser Lutheran Saints)

is a fellowship of members and friends of the congregation who meet on the third Tuesday of every month for friendship and an delicious potluck.

May 15: Discard, Donate or Dollars!

Find out how to declutter your office, home, garage and life with expert Katie Munoz. Katie, founder of Moving Forward, Inc., will have you laughing while teaching you tricks to get a handle on 'your stuff.' Whether you're getting ready to move or just cleaning your closets, her humorous talk will give you the tools to take control of the process. Potluck and social begin at 11:45 am in 301/Fellowship Hall. No sign-up or RSVP required. Just come and if you can, bring a dish to share.

GOD SQUAD (youth in grades 9-12): **Holden Village**: We are headed back to Holden Village **May 18-20, 2018** for an unplugged weekend of fun and fellowship. Please pray for this group of young people as they engage in service and build community.

BOOKS ABOUT INDIA: What would happen if everyone in our congregation read a book about India between now and **May 31**? Would we have more conversations about India? Would we make connections with other members? Let's try it and see! See the poster in the Narthex for suggested books. Sign up for the book you are reading to get conversations started.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE: Our summer worship schedule -- one worship service at 9:30 am, followed by a time of fellowship hosted by committees and groups -- begins Sunday, **June 3**.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING of the Congregation is Sunday, **June 10**, at 10:45 am (following the 9:30 am worship service.) Updates on ministries and initiatives will be shared, and proposed changes to the Saint Andrew's Constitution will be discussed and voted upon. A quorum is needed and every voice and vote counts. Please plan to attend.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS):

God's Gardeners:

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Respond

Monday-Friday: **July 9–13, 2018**

- For 4-year-olds (birth date between 9/1/2013 and 8/31/2014) through youth entering 7th grade.
- There are plenty of volunteer opportunities available!
- VBS will be held at Saint Andrew's and is co-sponsored by Saint Andrew's and Our Savior Lutheran Church in Issaquah.
- See pages 12-13 for more information. Registration and volunteer forms are in the Narthex and online at vbs.SALChome.org.
- Questions? Contact Emily Harrow, emily@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.

VBS EXTENDED CARE: Extended Care for the week of Vacation Bible School (**July 9-13**) is available from 7:00 am - 5:00 pm for members of Saint Andrew's. Extended care is intended for families whose parents work full time. Please refer to the extended care form in the Narthex for more information or contact Emily Harrow. Cost: \$100 per child.

ALL CHURCH RETREAT: Our annual All Church Retreat is Friday-Sunday, **August 17-19**, at Mt. Rainier National Park! For those who do not wish to tent camp, we recommend reserving an RV spot at Cougar Rock Campground, or a room at the National Park Inn at Longmire, <http://mtrainierguestservices.com/accommodations/national-park-inn/> *as soon as possible*.

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

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 April, we are collecting **cold cereal** and **oatmeal** (both canisters and boxes of instant packets.) In May, we'll collect **baby food** and **size 6 diapers**. For more information, contact Debbie Szabo.

DORCAS CIRCLE NEEDS SHEETS: Dorcas Circle uses sheets to back quilts that we create for Lutheran World Relief. We particularly appreciate colored sheets and sheets with patterns. New sheets and used sheets in good condition - all sizes - may be placed in the Dorcas collection basket in the Narthex. Contact Linda Willenberg if you have any questions.

CONGREGATIONS FOR THE HOMELESS:

CFH (Congregations for the Homeless) will be closing the EWS (Emergency Winter Shelter) on **April 30**. The EWS has been providing beds for about 100 men each night as well as hot dinners, showers, and laundry. The CFH Day Center is open year-round providing breakfast and lunch for homeless men. Once a week they distribute clothing to the men and are currently needing more donations. If you have any gently used men's clothing, please put them in the basket marked "CFH" near the elevator in the Narthex.

- Items needed: jeans, belts, new underwear, t-shirts, light jackets, sweatshirts, fleece jackets, socks, athletic shoes, casual pants and shirts, towels for showers, sweat pants, and sleeping bags.

For more information, contact Cheryl Jurrus.

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 Tara, 425-463-6285.
- The Sophia Way welcomes donations of clothing, personal items, food, and other essentials. A current list of needed items can be found at www.sophiaway.org/immediate-needs/. Drop off your donations at Sophia's Place (lower level of St. Luke's Lutheran Church).
- Meals are also needed; visit www.sophiaway.org/donate-meals/ to sign up or for more information.

Contact Joyce Arnold for more information.

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. Contact coordinator Jill Nichols-Hicks for more information.

EASTSIDE BABY CORNER (EBC) - OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP: EBC supplies diapers, clothing, baby furniture and other things to needy and underserved families. They welcome donations of new and gently used items at several EBC sites. Check the EBC website, www.babycorner.org, for specific locations and hours. Volunteers are needed for a variety of things. For more information go to www.babycorner.org.

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

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.) If you would like to be involved with the Project Bihar/LWR Working Group 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**



God's Gardeners: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Respond

July 9-13, 2018
9:00 am-12:00 pm

Extended Care at Saint Andrew's is available from at 7:00 am-5:00 pm for members of Saint Andrew's. Extended care is intended for families whose parents work full time. Please refer to the extended care form for more information.
Cost: \$100 per child.

Programs for 4-year-olds through entering 7th grade:

4-year-olds: Birth date between 9/1/2013 and 8/31/2014 (for VBS 2018)

Students entering 5th, 6th, and 7th grade will be involved in VBS Camp and will be leaving Saint Andrew's to various places in the area (transportation provided).

Costs	Before July 1	After July 1
4-year-olds to 4th Grade	\$15	\$20
Camp (5th-7th Grade)	\$25	\$35
Family maximum	\$35	\$45

Financial assistance available upon request.

Complete a VBS Registration form found in the Narthex and return it to the VBS box in the Narthex with payment

Or complete the Online form found at vbs.salchome.org

VBS is co-sponsored by Saint Andrew's and Our Savior Lutheran Churches.

Questions?

Contact Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church's Director of Discipleship Ministries, Emily Harrow (Emily@salchome.org or 425-746-2529)

If you are interested in VOLUNTEERING, complete a form in the Narthex or online.

Our Savior and Saint Andrew's Lutheran Churches'
Vacation Bible School

God's Gardeners

Reduce · Reuse · Recycle · Respond

July 9—13, 2018
MONDAY—FRIDAY

There are plenty of volunteer opportunities available!
Please indicate where you can help.

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Email address: _____

I can help BEFORE VBS:

- Help Decorate Prepare/ purchase snacks
- Prepare Craft projects (cutting, making patterns, etc.)

I can help DURING VBS:

- Teacher...Grade preference (if any) _____
- Teacher Assistant ... Grade preference (if any) _____
- Camp Leader (5-7th grade) Craft Helper
- Registration Table Games
- Music Assistant Music Director
- Snack Coordinator Snack Helper

Please return this form to the VBS box in the Narthex or the church office of
Saint Andrew's (2650 148th AVENUE SE, Bellevue, WA 98007).

Questions? Contact Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church's
Director of Discipleship Ministries Emily Harrow
(Emily@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529)