

Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church

April 30, 2006

10:00 AM

Third Sunday of Easter

*The Prayer of Dedication *(In Unison)*

Gracious God, we offer you these gifts as a token of our gratitude and a sign of our desire to be faithful, productive disciples. As sap runs from the heart of a vine to its branches, may Christ's grace flow through our words and our actions, our choices and our commitments. Use these gifts and cultivate our lives, O Lord, so that we may bring you glory. Amen.

The Church Goes Forth to Serve

*The Closing Hymn #499 "Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me" Gerhardt

*The Benediction

* The Congregation Sings in Response #782 "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" vs. 1

Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,
the people of God from His dwelling take leave.

The service is ended; O now be extended the fruits of our worship in all who believe.

The seed of He is teaching, receptive souls reaching,
shall blossom in action for God and for all.

His grace did invite us; His love shall unite us to work for God's Kingdom
and answer His call.

*The Postlude

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~Welcome to Saint Andrews~

The Church Nursery is available for children through kindergarten age.

### **Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church**

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### The Church in Preparation

#### The Prelude

The Lighting of the Candles

Elizabeth Haughey

Welcome and Announcements, Exchange of Greetings

*(Please sign and pass the Friendship Registers, returning them to the center aisle.)*

#### The Introit

"Glorify Thy Name"

Chancel Choir

#### The Call to Worship

Lori Love Franke

Leader: God's love has been revealed to us in this way;  
God sent God's only Son into the world  
so that we might live through him.

**People: In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us.**

Leader: Beloved, since God loves us so much,  
we also ought to love one another.

**People: Let us worship the One whose love has conquered death.**

Leader: Let us worship the One whose love brings new life.

*(Based on 1 John 4: 9- 11)*

#### Opening Prayer *(in Unison)*

**God of Grace, you are the source of all goodness and love. In you, we find our life's purpose and our true joy. In you, we find hope and abundant life. Speak to us in this time of worship. Draw us close so that we may be securely rooted in your eternal love. Shape us into a community that bears the fruit of your truth and grace, through the power of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

\*The Opening Hymn #507 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" Wesley

*(Ushers will collect prayer requests. Please pass them to the center aisle.)*

\*The people will rise in body or spirit

### The Prayer of Confession *(In Unison)*

Loving God, we are as dependent on you as branches are dependent on a living vine. In you, we grow and bear fruit. Apart from you, we wilt and wither. We know this. Yet we often live as if we were vines unto ourselves. We are more interested in self-sufficiency than community. We are more focused on asserting our independence than building a relationship with you. We live as if your will and Word had no claim on our lives. Forgive us, Lord. Help us to acknowledge our deep need and your great grace. Teach us to abide, ever and always, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### A Time of Silent Confession

### The Assurance of Pardon

### The Congregation Sings in Response "Gloria Patri"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.

### The Message to Young Christians

Susan Moon

### The Congregation Sings in Response "He is Lord" #269 vs.1

He is Lord! He is Lord! He is risen from the dead and He is Lord!  
Ev'ry knee shall bow, ev'ry tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

### The Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

### The Church in Proclamation

### Scripture Reading

1 John 4: 7 - 16

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John 15: 1 - 8

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Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### The Anthem

Hymn of Devotion"

Chancel Choir

### The Sermon

"I am the Vine"

Rev. Merry Hope Meloy

### \*The Hymn#460

"Be Thou My Vision"  
Traditional Irish Hymn

(Verses 1 & 2)

### The Church Responds

### The Receiving of New Members

Presentation of New Members

Questions for New Members

\*Corporate Affirmation of Faith - Apostles' Creed *(In Unison)*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer

Welcome

### \*The Hymn#460

"Be Thou My Vision"  
Traditional Irish Hymn

(Verses 3 & 4)

### The Offertory Invitation

When we share our time, talents, and treasure, our lives bear fruit and we become lush and productive branches on the vine of Christ. We give so that others may know the blessing of Christ's community. We give so that others may know the gift of Christ's love. Let us bring before the Lord our tithes and offerings.

### The Offertory

"Piano Offertory"

Becky Veith

### \*The Congregation Sings in Response

#6 "Praise God,..."

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

### Worship Leadership

**Ushers:** Chuck King Justin Muneix Lila Albert Don Gall  
**Acolyte:** Elizabeth Haughey **Next Week:** Abigail Haughey  
**Liturgist:** Lori Love Franke **Next Week:** Kevin Moon  
**Children's Sermon:** Susan Moon **Next Week:** Laurie Pisani  
**Children's Church:** Ann Cirillo **Next Week:** Becky Thomas  
**Flower Delivery:** Kathy Eamigh **Next Week:** Laurie Festog

**The Flowers** today are given by the Festog Family in honor of Lucas' birthday.  
**Prayer Requests** can be made by using the purple prayer request cards found in the pew racks. Pass your requests to the center aisle during the Opening Hymn. They will be shared during the Prayers of the People and distributed to our Prayer Team to be included in this week's prayers.

**Restrooms:** Please use the left front entrance to the sanctuary and follow the hallway to the right. From the rear of the sanctuary, turn left and go downstairs. The restrooms are at the end of the hallway.

### Reports for last Sunday, April 23, 2006

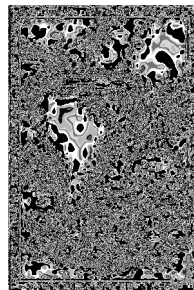
**Giving** ~ Weekly Need: \$4,385 **Attendance:** 112  
 Received: \$3,086

### Next Week, All are invited

### "Blest Be the Tie That Binds: Spring Service and Supper"

- **Sunday, May 7, 4:00 PM**
  - **Communion service will last about 45 minutes.**
  - **Dinner 5:00 PM. Please dress casually.**
- If you would like to stay for the meal, please call the church office at 724-287-4777.**

Those of us who cannot get to church regularly on Sunday Morning can sometimes feel disconnected from our Saint Andrews family. To help keep us connected and to celebrate the ties that bind us together as a community of faith, the Deacons are initiating a special afternoon of worship and fellowship.



### Church activities This week at Saint Andrews Community Activities

#### Sunday April 30, 2006

10:00 AM – Worship Service New Members Join  
 11:15 AM - Dessert Reception for New Members  
 12:15 PM - Nominating Committee Meets  
 Presbytery Youth Riverboat Cruise

#### Monday, May 1, 2006

9:30 – 11:30 AM – Tender Tots 7:00 PM – Pack 22 Meets

#### Tuesday, May 2, 2006

9:30 – 11:30 AM Tender Tots  
 1:15 PM – Staff Meets  
 6:00 PM – Deacons Meet  
 7:00 PM – Children's Education Committee Meets

#### Wednesday, May 3, 2006

9:30 – 11:30 AM – Tender Tots 5:00 PM – Community Dinner – St Andrews

6:30 PM – "Cut N Pastors"

8:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous

#### Thursday, May 4, 2006

9:30 – 11:30 AM – Tender Tots  
 6:15 PM – Hand Bells  
 7:30 PM – Choir

6:00 PM – Cub Scouts

#### Saturday, May 5, 2006

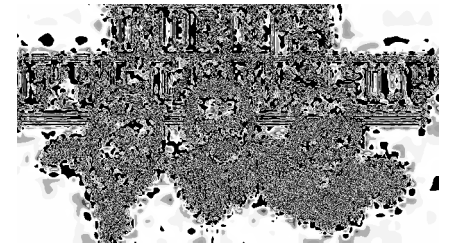
6:00 PM – Dinner with Friends

#### Next Sunday, May 6, 2006

9:00 AM – Sunday School  
 10:00 AM – Worship Service  
 11:00 AM – Church Fellowship Committee  
 4:00 PM – "Blest Be the Tie that Binds; Spring Service and Supper"  
 6:00 PM – Men's Group Rm. 108  
 6:00 PM – Youth Group

### Men's Group to Begin May 7

Starting on Sunday, May 7, at 6:00 PM the Men's Group will meet in room 108 to discuss "12 Presbyterian Myths". All men are welcome!



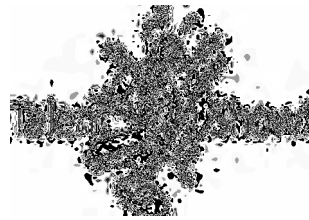
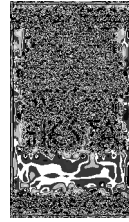
### Dessert Reception today

Join us after worship and personally welcome our newest members to the Saint Andrews family.

## VBS 2006 Fiesta!

### Where kids are FIRED up about Jesus!

Vacation bible school planning is underway! We are still in need of volunteers to help this year. The areas that still need leaders are **GAMES, CHADDER THEATER, and REGISTRATION.** We are also in need of volunteers to help with these positions. If you would be interested, please sign up on the sheet outside the Memorial Room. If would like to know what leading any of these entails, please give Lori a call at home (724) 282-7991, and she will be happy to answer any questions!



## A Church Wide TALENT SHOW!

**Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup> Sign Up Now**

**We Need Talent and we use the word loosely!**

Shine up your dancing shoes, dust off your magicians hat, practice your jokes! We also need set up crews and clean up crews, publicists, and planners. For all you great cooks out there, pull out your favorite recipes! We will be auctioning off baked goods between acts! There is something for everyone! Look for the sign up sheets and sign up to perform, help plan, or both!

## All in the Family

### Welcome to:

**Lily Esther Hawks**, born on Thursday, April 20, 2006 and weighing in at 7'2". It is a joy to welcome her to our Saint Andrews family! Congratulations to mom Denise, dad Dan, big brother Kyle, and grandparent Dave and Peggy Pisani!! The entire Hawks family is recovering and doing well, and they would like to thank everyone for all the help, food and prayers that they have received over the last weeks and months.

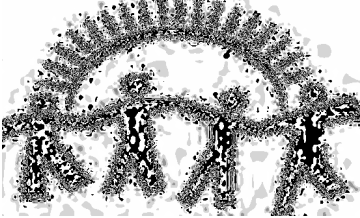


**Benjamin James Grossman**, born Thursday, April 27, 2006, at 10:12 AM and weighing 10'5". Congratulations to mom Dawn, dad Travis, big brother Nathaniel, and grandparents Barb and Dale Hutchison. Mother and baby are doing well.



## Meet Our Newest Members

### Natalie McKay



Natalie McKay lives in Center Township with her husband, dog, and three cats. She works at Beverly Healthcare's Central Billing Office in Pittsburgh. In her spare time, she volunteers with the Butler County Humane Society, paints, knits, and gardens. Natalie is coming from a Roman Catholic tradition; however, she has been attending St. Andrews since 1997, with her then boyfriend Jon and his father Bill McKay

### John Minich

My wife is Amy and we have three sons, Joe, John and Nick. We live in Marshall Township and I am employed by Allegheny Ludlum. My hobbies include outdoor activities and I enjoy travel to experience other cultures. I was raised in Butler and was previously a member of the Hill U. P. Church.

### Susan Race

My local consists of four dogs (Chelsea, Army, Lyric and Posie) and five cats (Winkity, Willie, Boston, Biscuit and Monkey). I am an Administrative Assistant for the two Officers in charge of Treasury Retail Securities at the Federal Reserve Bank. Every savings bond that is issued or redeemed comes through the Pittsburgh Branch! My hobbies/interests include helping animals by volunteering for many animal organizations, writing short stories (about animals), speaking and landscaping. I am transferring to St. Andrews U.P. Church from First Presbyterian Church of Bakerstown.

### Susan Ragan

Susan Ragan is the daughter of Shirley Hilliard and grew up in Saint Andrews. She is married with four grown children and two grandchildren. Another grandchild is expected to arrive this week! She and her husband own their own business: Farm Equipment. Susan enjoys reading, gardening (especially flowers), knitting, and crocheting.

**Welcome to our Saint Andrews Family!!!**