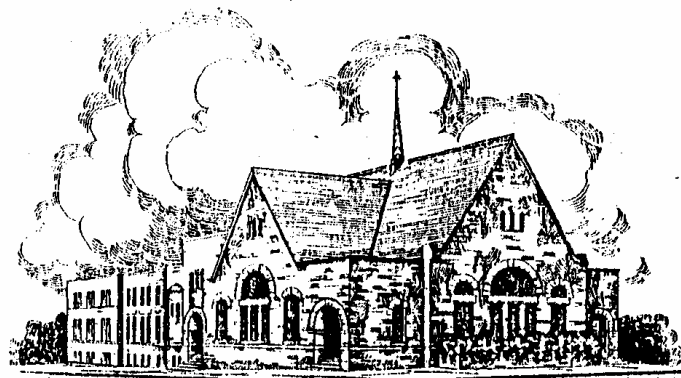


**\*The Congregation Sings in Response #782 "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" vs. 1**  
 Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,  
 the people of God from His dwelling take leave.  
 The service is ended; O now be extended the fruits of our worship in all who believe.  
 The seed of He 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** ~~~~~



~Welcome to Saint Andrews~

The Church Nursery is available for children through kindergarten age.

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# Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church

**March 12, 2006**

**10:00 AM**

**Girl Scout Sunday,  
 Second Sunday in Lent**

**The Church in Preparation**

**The Prelude**

The Lighting of the Candles

Seth Cotton

Welcome and Announcements, Exchange of Greetings

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

**The Introit**

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

Chime Choir

**The Church in Adoration**

**The Call to Worship**

Abigail Haughey

Leader: We gather this morning to worship God, whose words and ways challenge us.

**People: Christ calls us to take up our cross and follow him.**

Leader: Christ urges us to imitate his sacrificial love.

**People: God saves us so that we may serve and liberates us so that we may love.**

Leader: Let us respond with willing hearts and joyful spirits. Let us worship God!

**Opening Prayer (in Unison)**

Abigail Haughey

**God of might and mercy, we stand in the shadow of the cross, astonished at the depth of your love and grace. You have the strength to move mountains and the power to topple empires. Yet you choose to reshape and renew our world through the power of your sacrificial love. In Christ, you come not as a conquering leader but as a suffering servant, ready to give your life to save ours. Empower us to embrace your gift of salvation. Open our hearts and strengthen our faith so that we may love you with the same selfless passion that you have shown us, through the grace of Christ. Amen.**

**\*The Opening Hymn #115 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"**

Bateman

*(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)*

Bonnie Martin

Loving God, when we look at our lives we realize how shallow our faith can be. We are quick to heed your call when it leads us through smooth and level places. But when the path gets rocky and the road grows steep, we pause and question your guidance. While you speak of service and self-denial, we seek easy blessings and self-promotion. We struggle to sacrifice a few hours for you, let alone our lives. Forgive us Lord. Give us the courage to take up our cross and follow you. Give us the wisdom to see what is truly important. 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**

“Open Our Eyes”

# 459

Open our eyes, Lord; we want to see Jesus, to reach out and touch Him, and say that we love Him. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen. Open our eyes, Lord; we want to see Jesus.

**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**

Genesis 17:1 - 8

O.T. Page 13

Mark 8:31 - 38

N.T. Page 44

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**The Anthem**

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

Olivia Mulniex, flute Girls Scout Troop #487

**The Sermon**

“Cross Words”

Rev. Merry Hope Meloy

**\*The Hymn #239**

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Watts

**The Church Responds**

**\*The 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.

**The Offertory Invitation**

We demonstrate our priorities in every decision we make—in how we choose to use our time, our talents, and our resources. Christ gave his all for us. Christ calls us to give our all for God. Let us bring before the Lord our tithes and offerings.

**The Offertory**

“Amazing Grace”

Elizabeth Haughey, flute Girl Scout Troop #469

**\*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!

**\*The Prayer of Dedication** *(In Unison)*

Glorious God, we dedicate these gifts as an expression of our faith. You alone know how much we share and how much we withhold. You alone know the depth of our commitment. May this act of giving draw us closer to you and extend your blessing to all who are touched by these gifts. Amen.

**The Church Goes Forth to Serve**

**\*The Closing Hymn #489**

“Where He Leads Me”

Blandy

**\*The Benediction**

### Worship Leadership

**Ushers:** Scott O'Day      Travis Grossman      Rick Kelley      Dave Landis  
**Acolyte:** Seth Cotton  
**Liturgist:** Abigail Hughey and Bonnie Martin  
**Children's Sermon:** Susan Moon  
**Children's Church:** Becky Thomas  
**Flower Delivery:** Lois Clement

**The Flowers** today are given by Greg Hockenberry in memory of Janice Hockenberry.

**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 for 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.

**Next Week:** Alex Cirillo  
**Next Week:** Jon Mckay  
**Next Week:** Laura Pisani  
**Next Week:** Esther Radvinski  
**Next Week:** Carol Isreal

### Reports for last Sunday, February 12, 2006

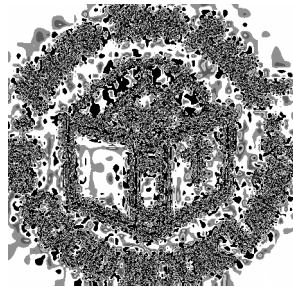
**Giving** - Weekly Need: \$4,385  
 Received: \$

**Attendance:** 94

### I Can't Believe I Read the Whole Thing!

The 4th grade Sunday School class would like to challenge you to read the whole Bible. A reading calendar is available to help you stay on track. Find one in your Newsletter or pick one up in the Narthex.

**The Read the Bible Challenge Began on Wednesday, March 1st. Start with today's reading.**



### Church activities

### This Week at Saint Andrews

### Community Activities

**Sunday March 12, 2006**

**Girl Scout Sunday**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent**

10:00 AM – Worship Service  
 11:15 AM – New Members Class  
 6:00 PM – Youth Group  
 6:30 PM – Adult Study – “Chocolate for Lent”

**Monday, March 13, 2006**

9:30 – 11:30 AM – Tender Tots  
 7:30 PM – Task Force Meeting  
 10-11 AM, 2-3 PM, & 4-5:30 PM – Taco Talk

**Tuesday, March 14, 2006**

9:30 – 11:30 AM Tender Tots  
 7:00 PM – Children's Education Committee Meeting  
 4-7:30 PM – Taco Talk

**Wednesday, March 15 2006**

9:30 – 11:30 AM – Tender Tots  
 6:00 PM – K.I.C.K  
 6:30 PM – “Cut N Pastors”  
 10-11 AM, 2-3 PM, & 4-5:30 PM – Taco Talk  
 5:00 PM – Community Dinner – Trinity Church  
 8:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous

**Thursday, March 16, 2006**

9:30 – 11:30 AM – Tender Tots  
 6:15 PM – Hand Bells  
 7:30 PM – Choir  
 4-5:30 PM – Taco Talk  
 6:00 PM – Cub Scouts

**Friday, March 17, 2006**

9:30 – 11:30 AM – Tender Tots

**Saturday, March 18, 2006**

9:00 AM – Cub Scouts Rocket Derby

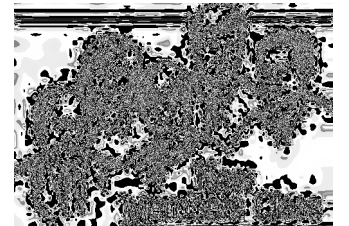
**Next Sunday, March 19, 2006**

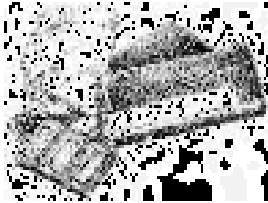
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent**

9:00 AM – Sunday School  
 10:00 AM – Worship Service  
 11:15 AM – New Members Class  
 6:00 PM – Youth Group  
 6:30 PM – Adult Study – “Chocolate for Lent”

### New Members Class Begins This Morning 11:15 in the Memorial Room

This class is for anyone wishing to join the church, or for those who would like to learn more about the Presbyterian Church in general and Saint Andrews Church in particular. Please join us.





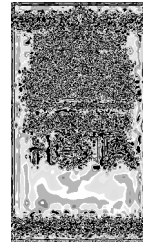
**“Chocolate for Lent”  
Adult Study Begins Today  
6:30 PM in Room 108**

Lent is often experienced as a time of self-denial, a time when we give up a favorite food or activity. This Lent, do something different!

Indulge the cravings of your soul with “Chocolate for Lent.” Using both Scripture and excerpts from the 2000 film “Chocolat,” this five-week study will encourage us to reflect on the themes of self-discipline, self-giving, conversion, acceptance, and maturing in Christ. We will be meeting on Sunday evenings, beginning today at 6:30 in Room 108. Chocolate will be served. If you would like to order a book, please see Pastor Merry or call the church office.

**VBS 2006 Fiesta!**

Where kids are FIRED up about Jesus!  
This year Vacation Bible School will be held July 24 – 28 from 6:00 – 8:30. Think about how you will be able to help this year and sign up on the sheet outside the Memorial Room.



**K.I.C.K.**

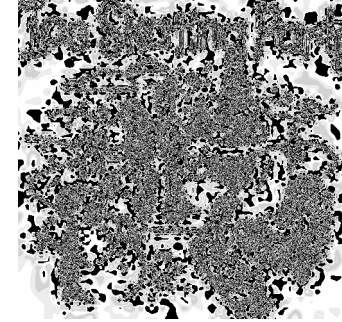
**Kids In Christ’s Klub**

We meet on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 – 7:30.  
See you on the farm as we continue to grow the good fruit!



**Cut 'N' Pasters**

Join us and be part of a fun group of crafty people who meet on Wednesday nights in the Memorial Room. Drop your kids off at K.I.C.K. and meet us to scrapbook, quilt, knit, etc. Whatever your talent, drop in, and craft with us! It is a great opportunity to meet with others while finishing that project you've been working on!



[e95a98@zoominternet.net](mailto:e95a98@zoominternet.net)

**Where: Ice Connection  
When: Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>  
Time: 1:30 – 3:30**

**Cost: \$5.00 admission, \$2.00 skate rental**  
Slide on in for a fun afternoon! Don't worry if you can't skate! There are plenty of friends to lend a helping hand! R.S.V.P. to Mrs. Haughey by March 16<sup>th</sup> either by phone (724)282-7991 or email

**56<sup>th</sup> Annual YMCA Good Friday Breakfast  
April 14, at 7:00 AM**

Bring the whole family and start your Good Friday off right with breakfast and fellowship at the Y. For tickets, contact Dale Hutchison at 724-285-4194.

**Order Your Lilies Now!  
Order Forms are in the Narthex.**

We will once again be ordering Easter Lilies to be used to decorate the church Easter Morning. The cost is \$6 per plant, and you may take them home after Easter Morning Service