



SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

January 2, 2022 · 8:30 AM
The Second Sunday after Christmas
Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Everyone is Welcome at Saint Andrew's

A special welcome to all visitors. We are delighted you have joined us for worship!



Saint Andrew's is a parish of the **Episcopal Church within the Diocese of Upper South Carolina**. Over time, our identity as a parish has come to be defined by our commitment to **worship** in the distinctive splendor of Anglo-Catholic tradition, to **witness** through word and deed to the life changing implications of Jesus Christ's reconciling love, and to **welcome** unreservedly all God's children into Christ's Body, the Church.

If you are not familiar with Episcopal Church worship, we have tried to make our worship bulletin easy to follow. All of the prayers and responses for the congregation are printed in the bulletin. Page numbers that are prefaced by "**BCP**" reference pages in the **red Book of Common Prayer** found in the rack on the back of the pew in front of you. Hymns are referenced by hymn number and can be found in the **blue Hymnal** also in the pew rack.

As you depart worship, we hope you will enter your name and contact information in our **visitor's book** located on a stand in the narthex (the little room that you pass through on your way in and out of the main doors of the church). We would also love to have you join us for **coffee hour** in the Parish Hall immediately after the 10:30 AM mass. Thank you for blessing us with your presence!

Restrooms

are located on the first floor of the Parish House.
Use the door to the left of the church,
closest to the parking lot.

Link for Online Donations:

www.standrewsgreenville.org/giving

Your donations can also be mailed to the Parish Office
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Allison Giambrone-Wilson,
Riley Owens, and Kelly Proffitt (2024)

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Upon the ringing of the sanctuary bell, the people stand.

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Kyrie

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

People **Christ, have mercy.**

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

After the Collect, the people sit.

First Lesson

Jeremiah 31:7-14

Thus says the Lord: "Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, 'Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel. See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. Hear the word of the Lord, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, 'He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock.' For the Lord has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the Lord, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty," says the Lord.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 84:1-8 *(said responsively by whole or half verse, as announced)*

- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! *
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the
Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *
by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- 5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a
place of springs, *
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- 6 They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.
- 7 Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; *
hearken, O God of Jacob.
- 8 Behold our defender, O God; *
and look upon the face of your Anointed.

Second Lesson

Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand for the proclamation of the Gospel.

The Gospel

Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

Gospeller The Holy Gospel ☩ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After the wise men had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son." When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, "He will be called a Nazorean."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev'd Fr. Gary Eichelberger

After the Sermon, all stand and say together the words of the Creed.

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life X of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People for Christmastide

Celebrant Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

The people kneel.

Intercessor Almighty and ever living God, who shines the light of Christ on all creation, grant us grace so that we might join with the angels and shepherds as we celebrate with joy the birth of your Son Jesus Christ. We beseech you to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto your divine Majesty. Lord, in your mercy;

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For the Church in all places, remembering especially Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Daniel, our Bishop-Elect; Gary, our Rector; Tommy, our Seminarian; that our worship and praise may give glory to you, and that our witness and ministry may promote peace on earth. Lord, in your mercy;

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For this Parish Family, that by the grace of Christ's coming among us we may live upright and godly lives, and bear witness to your love. Lord, in your mercy;

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For all who live in Bethlehem and the hill country of Judah, for Christians throughout the Holy Lands, and for all those who live and work in places of trouble and violence, that your Holy Spirit will open pathways of peace and bring forth hope to all who live in danger and fear. Lord, in your mercy;

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world, that the Prince of Peace will ever guide their hearts to serve justice, seek reconciliation, and promote the dignity of every human being. Lord, in your mercy;

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For all who find the Christmas season difficult due to pain, loss, or brokenness, for those whose lives are touched by fear, anxiety or depression, and for the sick and the suffering, remembering especially Barbara, Bella, Bill, Brett, Charles, Dan, Debbie, Dick, Ephraim, Ginger, Jahnyah, Jane, Jennie, Jim, Jodi, Ken, Leigh Ann, Levi, Lori, Margaret Lee, Marvin, Mary, Meredith, Mike, Miles, Nancy, Parker, Patt, Peter, Ray, Raymond, Sandy, Sheila, Steve, Susan, Theresa, Weesie, and Winnie, as well as those whom you are invited to name now, either silently or aloud [*pause for people to add names*], that the light of Christ will ease their suffering so that they may live in joy, peace, and health. Lord, in your mercy;

People **Hear our prayer.**

After any additional prayers of intercession and thanksgiving, the Intercessor concludes with the following.

Intercessor And we also bless your holy Name for all your servants departed X this life in your faith and fear, especially Donald Flood, brother-in-law of Jeff Peer; and Desmond Tutu, former Archbishop of Cape Town; and those whom we now name [*pause for people to add names*], beseeching you to grant them continual growth in your love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of Blessed Mary, Mother of God; Blessed Joseph, her spouse; Blessed Andrew, our patron, and of all your saints, that with them we may be partakers of your heavenly kingdom. Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

People **Amen.**

After any additional prayers of intercession and thanksgiving are offered, the Celebrant says a concluding collect to the prayers before introducing the Confession.

The Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A period of silence is observed.

All **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you ✠ all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Following the Absolution, the people stand for the Peace.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the ministers and people may greet one another with words of Peace and/or a slight bow.

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

After the Announcements, the Celebrant invites those celebrating their birthdays or anniversaries to come forward. If anyone comes forward, the Celebrant invites the people to join in the following prayer

All **Almighty and gracious God, we give you thanks for each of these your servants as they celebrate their special day. Watch over them as they begin another year, and give them grace to keep the vows and promises they have made. Bless and guide them wherever they may be; strengthen them when they stand; raise them up if they fall; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; and may your peace which passes all understanding abide in their hearts all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Holy Communion

The Offertory

After the opportunity for Birthday and Anniversary Blessings, the Celebrant says an Offertory Sentence and returns to the altar. Then, after the people's offering of bread and wine are brought forward, the people sit as the altar is set and other offerings are collected from the people. (An offering can also be made by placing it in the offering plate located on the table in the aisle by the font or online at www.standrewsgreenville.org/giving.) After the altar is set, the people stand again as the other offerings are brought forward.

The Great Thanksgiving Rite II, Prayer B

The people remain standing for the Eucharistic Prayer, which begins as follows.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus/Benedictus

All **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he ✠ who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The people kneel or stand, and the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All **We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us ✠ to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Blessed Mary, Mother of God; Blessed Joseph, her spouse; Blessed Andrew, our patron, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

All **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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept before the following is said

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Invitation to Communion

The Celebrant then faces the people and says the following Invitation

Celebrant The Gifts of God ✠ for the People of God.

After the priest and the server have received, all are welcome to come forward to the altar rail. At the altar rail, all baptized Christians are invited to receive the Blessed Sacrament, and those who are not yet baptized are invited to indicate a desire to receive a blessing by crossing their arms upon arrival at the altar rail. (Our rector is always eager to speak with anyone who is not yet baptized about preparing for and receiving the sacrament of Baptism.)

For those receiving the Blessed Sacrament, a wafer will be placed in the palm of your hand or upon your tongue after which the chalice is offered. If you need a gluten-free wafer, you may request one from the priest at the altar rail. Should you wish to receive wine by intinction (dipping), allow the chalice bearer to take the wafer from your open palm and intinct for you. Should you be unable to manage the steps, please notify the usher so that Holy Communion can be administered at your pew.

Postcommunion Prayer

Upon the Celebrant's invitation to prayer, the people kneel.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

Christmas Season Blessing

Celebrant May Christ, who by his Incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, fill you with his joy and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

After the Blessing, the people stand.

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. You are invited to either take your bulletin home or to place it in the recycle bin in the narthex.

Please see insert for list of poinsettia dedications.

The presence candle is given by Father Gary to the glory of God,
and in honor of his wife, Kacey, in celebration of her birthday later this week.

Announcements & Upcoming Events

The Feast of Epiphany | Thursday, January 6 | 6:30 PM

The Feast of Epiphany, one of the Principal Feasts of the Church Year, is when we remember the visit of the Magi to the Christ Child. At our evening mass, we will include the Blessing of the Chalk, an Epiphany tradition.

The Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord (Baptismal Sunday) | January 9

Next Sunday, we will celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord, where we remember Our Lord's baptism by John in the River Jordan. Although we do not have any baptisms planned, it is a baptismal feast -- so, in lieu of the Nicene Creed, we will say the Renewal of Our Baptismal Vows.

Second Sunday Harvest | Next Sunday, January 9 | At Both Masses

As is our custom on the Second Sunday of each month, we will be collecting food and personal hygiene products as well as financial donations designated to United Ministries.

Coffee Hour Is Back! | After the 10:30 AM Mass

Please sign up to provide refreshments and set up in the weeks ahead. We currently need volunteers for January 23, and 30. A sign up sheet can be found in the Parish Hall or via online at www.standrewsgreenville.org/signup

Nursery During Worship to Reopen | We are hoping to reopen our nursery in the near future. While we plan to have one staff member in the nursery during the 10:30 AM Mass, we will need at least one parish volunteer each Sunday to serve as our second nursery caregiver. If you have gifts for working with infants and young children – and have “Safe Church” training (and are fully vaccinated), we could use your help! If you are interested, please e-mail office@standrewsgreenville.org. More details to come!

Sunday Altar Flower and Presence Candle Dedications

On Sundays, we have the opportunity to offer a special dedication of the altar flowers or presence candle in honor, memory, or celebration of loved ones. If you would like to sign up for a Sunday, please call or email the office, or sign up online at www.standrewsgreenville.org/signup, by the preceding Tuesday. You may mail or place a check in the offering plate with “Altar Flowers” or “Presence Candle” noted in the memo. Alternatively, you can pay online at www.standrewsgreenville.org/giving and note that it is for altar flowers or presence candle. (\$50-\$100 for altar flowers, \$10 for presence candle.)

Weekly Schedule

Sundays

8:30 AM, Low Mass, Rite II
10:30 AM, Sung High Mass, Rite I (also via livestream)

Wednesdays

6:30 PM, Healing Mass, Rite II

Every Third Wednesday of the Month

5:30 PM Rosary in Church

Every Fourth Wednesday of the Month

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
follows the 6:30 PM Mass



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