

SAINT ANDREW'S

Episcopal Church

April 24 2022 · 8:30 AM The Second Sunday of Easter Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Alleluia! He is Risen!

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

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Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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.

Gloria in excelsis

Celebrant Glory to God in the highest,

All and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father:

receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

After the Collect, the people sit.

First Lesson Acts 5:27-32

When the captain and the temple police had brought the apostles out of the temple, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 150 (said responsively by whole or half verse, as announced)

¹ Hallelujah!

Praise God in his holy temple; * praise him in the firmament of his power.

- Praise him for his mighty acts; * praise him for his excellent greatness.
- Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; * praise him with lyre and harp.
- Praise him with timbrel and dance; * praise him with strings and pipe.
- Praise him with resounding cymbals; * praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.
- Let everything that has breath * praise the Lord. Hallelujah!

Second Lesson Revelation 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Lector The Word of the Lord. People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand for the proclamation of the Gospel.

The Gospel John 20:19-31

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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 Φ of the world to come. Amen.

After the Nicene Creed, the Celebrant introduces the prayers as follows.

Prayers of the People, Form VI

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

The people kneel.

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Intercessor For all people in their daily life and work;

People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world;

People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Intercessor For the just and proper use of thy creation;

People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Intercessor For Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Daniel, our Bishop; Gary, our Rector; Tommy, our Seminarian; and for all bishops and other ministers;

People For all who serve God in his Church.

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially we pray for Bella, Bill, Charles, Concetta, Dick, Emma, Ephraim, Ginger, Jahnyah, James, Jane, Jim, Jodi, Joyce, Kelly, Ken, Kentrell, Leigh Ann, Margaret Lee, Marvin, Mary, Parker, Patt, PK, Ray, Russell, Sandy, Stacy, Steve, Weesie, and Winnie, as well as those whom you are invited to name now, either silently or aloud [pause for people to add names].

Additional prayers of intercession on behalf of the worldwide and local church are offered.

Hear us, Lord;

People For your mercy is great.

Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Additional prayers of thanksgiving are offered.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Intercessor We pray for \(\mathbb{H} \) all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The people may add their own petitions on behalf of those who have died.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People Who put their trust in you.

The Celebrant then introduces the Confession.

The Confession and Absolution

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

A period of silence is observed.

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 in the name of the Lord.

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 and remain standing for the eucharistic prayer.

The Great Thanksgiving Rite II, Prayer D

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 says

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we say:

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 \mathbb{H} who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel or stand, and the Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

All We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

Celebrant Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend ₱ upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become Φ one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. (Additional prayers of remembrance may be offered.) And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Blessed Andrew, our patron, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

All AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has 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.

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

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.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Easter Blessing

Celebrant The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father 虫 the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia. People

The altar flowers are given by Fr. Gary to the glory of God, and in gratitude for all of the members of the St. Andrew's choir, altar guild, liturgical ministers, grounds volunteers, and staff, who served so faithfully and joyfully over the course of Holy Week.

Announcements & Upcoming Events

NEW OFFERING ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS IN EASTER SEASON: Washed & Fed with Love: How Baptism & Eucharist Teach Us Who We Are & What We Are Called to Be | Wednesdays at 6:30 PM (Healing Mass will move to 5:30 PM) | As we seek to return to a fuller experience of our life in Christ together, we have returned to the example of the early church - devoting ourselves to "the apostles' teaching and fellowship" (Acts 2:42) - through this opportunity to deepen our understanding of the "two great sacraments given by Christ to his Church" (Catechism, BCP 858). Thus, on Wednesday nights in Easter season, the Healing Mass has shifted to 5:30 PM so that, following the Mass, we can gather in the Parish Hall for an hour of fellowship and learning (with light supper provided) starting at 6:30 PM. (Choir practice will follow at 7:30 PM.) Please join us – sign up at www.standrewsgreenville.org/signup if you plan to attend so we can get a head count for food purposes.

Youth Group | Today | 5-7 PM | Saint Andrew's youth and their friends in elementary through high school will have the opportunity to gather for a time of fun and fellowship. This month, the Shields will lead the gathering. Please speak to Fr. Gary after the service today if you plan to attend, but have not yet RSVP'd.

Quarterly Planning Lunch Meeting | Wednesday, April 27 | Noon | Our next quarterly planning meeting with the leaders of all parish ministries will meet in the parish hall this Wednesday at noon.

Next Rebuild Upstate Work Day | Saturday, May 14 Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church is once again teaming up with Rebuild Upstate to help create and sustain healthy, sustainable home environments for disabled, low-income, and elderly people in the neighborhoods surrounding our church. Any skill level and all ages are welcome. You may work for as long as your schedule permits on the work day. (Workdays have generally run from 8 AM to 4 PM in the past.)

Sign up at www.standrewsgreenville.org/signup



Newcomer's Gathering at the Rector's House Sunday, May 1 | 5 to 7 PM | All newcomers, both recent visitors and new members, are invited to a casual get together with the vestry, Father Gary, and leaders of various church ministries, on the evening of Sunday, May 1, at the Eichelbergers' house. If you are a newcomer, please make sure that you take a printed invitation with you today. RSVP to the office at 864-235-5884 or office@standrewsgreenville.org.

Art in the Churchyard | Saturday | May 7 | 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM | Saint Andrew's will be sponsoring "Art in the Churchyard," featuring the artwork of Saint Andrew's artists and as well of local artists of all types of medium. This event coincides with Artisphere Weekend, which will take place on South Main Street ending in front of the church at Markley Street. Contact Riley Owens at wrileyowens@gmail.com for more information, or call the office at 864-235-5884.

Volunteers Needed | Feed Thy Neighbor Has Resumed Serving Indoors | Founded in 2010, Feed Thy Neighbor is a cooperative effort of the Episcopal community in Greenville. Parish volunteers from Saint Andrew's, St. Peter's, St. James, and Christ Church feed the hungry each Saturday from 7:30 to 8:30 AM. At the onset of the pandemic, Feed Thy Neighbor suspended indoor seating and distributed brown bag meals, but recently they have resumed indoor gathering. As a result, we are seeking more volunteers to help serve and clean up. Please contact the office if you would like to volunteer.

Coffee Hour Has Resumed | We have resumed our regular coffee hour fellowship following the 10:30 AM mass. A sign up sheet can be found on the "Welcome" bulletin board in the Parish Hall or via online at www.standrewsgreenville.org/signup

Weekly Schedule -

Sundays

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

Wednesdays in Easter Season

5:30 PM, Healing Mass, Rite II (new time for Easter Season)

Every Third Wednesday of the Month

5:00 PM Rosary in Church (in Easter Season)

Every Fourth Wednesday of the Month

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament follows Healing Mass