

SAINT ANDREW'S Episcopal Church

April 25, 2021 · 8:30 AM The Fourth Sunday of Easter Morning Prayer, Rite II

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

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



If you are not familiar with Episcopal Church worship, we have tried to make our worship bulletin easy to follow. This service of Morning Prayer can be found on page 75 in the Book of Common Prayer. However, all of the prayers and responses for the congregation are printed in the bulletin.



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.



In the midst of this time of social distancing, we are offering this outdoor service of Morning Prayer at 8:30 AM in hopes that it will allow for more individuals to gather on the church grounds to worship together. In order to this safely, however, we are requiring that everyone participating in this service wear **face masks** and maintain at least **six foot social distancing** from anyone who is not a member of your household.

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.

Offering

We will not be taking up an offering within the Morning Prayer liturgy. However, an offering can be placed in the offering container which should be found on the table with the face masks and hand sanitizer. You can also make an online offering via the following link:

www.standrewsgreenville.org/giving

Or by mailing your offering to the Parish Office at 1002 S. Main St. Greenville, SC 29601

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Members of the Vestry

Erin Culbertson, Senior Warden (2022); Scott Chastain, Junior Warden (2023); Rusty Infinger, Clerk (2021); Jim Arnau and Helen Farmer (2021); Cheryl Banks and Ethan Cashwell (2022) John Rhodes and Charles Shields (2023)

Covenant for In-Person Worship

(from Diocesan Guidelines)

Please note that, pursuant to our Diocesan guidelines, those attending worship at this time commit themselves to the following norms:

- If you have any symptoms associated with COVID-19, you will not attend in-person worship.
- If you develop symptoms or are diagnosed after a liturgy, you will report it immediately to the priest.
- You will not attempt to shake hands or hug anyone, and will do your best to maintain a distance of 6 feet from anyone outside of your family group.
- You will wash your hands immediately before coming to worship.
- You will wear a mask at all times while with the worshiping community.

Thank you for helping us worship together as safely as possible!

Morning Prayer, Rite II

As you gather for our service of Morning Prayer, please remember that face masks are required throughout the service and that six foot distancing must be maintained with respect to anyone outside of your household.

After the opening announcements, the Officiant will invite you to stand for the opening of the service.

Opening Acclamation

- Officiant Alleluia! Christ ₱ is risen.
- People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The Confession and Absolution

- Officiant 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.
- *Officiant* 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.**

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Christ ou	r Passover (Pascha nostrum)	1 Corinthians 5:7-8	
Officiant	Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed:		
People	Come let us adore him. Alleluia.		
All	Alleluia.		
	Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; *		
	therefore let us keep the feast,		
	Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, * but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.		
	Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; *		
	death no longer has dominion over him.		
	The death that he died, he died to sin, once fo	or all; *	
	but the life he lives, he lives to God.		
	So also consider yourselves dead to sin, *		
	and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. A	lleluia.	
	Christ has been raised from the dead, *		
	the first fruits of those who have fallen asle	ep.	
	For since by a man came death, *		
	by a man has come also the resurrection of	the dead.	
	For as in Adam all die, *		
	so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.		
Officiant	Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed:		
People	Come let us adore him. Alleluia.		

Please sit for the reading of the Psalm and the First Lesson.

Psalm 23 (antiphonally by whole verse as directed by the Officiant)

- ¹ The Lord is my shepherd; * I shall not be in want.
- ² He makes me lie down in green pastures * and leads me beside still waters.
- ³ He revives my soul * and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- ⁴ Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; * for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- ⁵ You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; * you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- ⁶ Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, * and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: * as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

First Lesson

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

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

Please stand for the reading of the Canticle.

Canticle 16, The Song of Moses (said by all in unison) I will sing to the Lord, for he is lofty and uplifted; * the horse and its rider has he hurled into the sea. The Lord is my strength and my refuge; * the Lord has become my Savior. This is my God and I will praise him, * the God of my people and I will exalt him. The Lord is a mighty warrior; * Yahweh is his Name. The chariots of Pharaoh and his army has he hurled into the sea; * the finest of those who bear armor have been drowned in the Red Sea. The fathomless deep has overwhelmed them; * they sank into the depths like a stone. Your right hand, O Lord, is glorious in might; * your right hand, O Lord, has overthrown the enemy. Who can be compared with you, O Lord, among the gods? * who is like you, glorious in holiness, awesome in renown, and worker of wonders? You stretched forth your right hand; * the earth swallowed them up. With your constant love you led the people you redeemed; * with your might you brought them in safety to your holy dwelling. You will bring them in and plant them * on the mount of your possession, The resting-place you have made for yourself, O Lord, * the sanctuary, O Lord, that your hand has established. The Lord shall reign * for ever and for ever. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: * as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Please sit for the Second Lesson.

Exodus 15:1-6, 11-13, 17-18

Acts 4:5-12

Second Lesson

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

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

Please stand for the reading of the Canticle.

Canticle 21, You are God *Te Deum laudamus (said by all in unison)* You are God: we praise you; You are the Lord; we acclaim you; You are the eternal Father: All creation worships you. To you all angels, all the powers of heaven, Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise: Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. The glorious company of apostles praise you. The noble fellowship of prophets praise you. The white-robed army of martyrs praise you. Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you; Father, of majesty unbounded, your true and only Son, worthy of all worship, and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide. You, Christ, are the king of glory, the eternal Son of the Father. When you became man to set us free you did not shun the Virgin's womb. You overcame the sting of death and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. You are seated at God's right hand in glory. We believe that you will come and be our judge. Come then, Lord, and help your people, bought with the price of your own blood, and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting. Please sit for the Lesson and Homily. Whereas, in a Holy Eucharist service, we stand for the proclamation of the Gospel, it is

appropriate to sit for the Gospel reading in a Morning Prayer service.

The Gospel

John 10:11-18

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away-and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

OfficiantThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Homily

After the Homily, all are invited to stand for the Creed followed by the Prayers.

Apostles' Creed (said by all in unison)

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.

The Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

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.

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Intercessor Show us your mercy, O Lord;

People And grant us your salvation.

Intercessor Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

- People Let your people sing with joy.
- *Intercessor* Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
- People For only in you can we live in safety.

Intercessor Lord, keep this nation under your care;

People And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Intercessor Let your way be known upon earth;

- People Your saving health among all nations.
- Intercessor Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

People Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Intercessor Create in us clean hearts, O God;

People And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Collect of the Day

Officiant O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Collect for Mission

Officiant O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Parish Prayers

Officiant Let us now pray for the special needs and concerns of this parish.

Intercessor For those individuals who have been commended to the prayers of this parish, especially Arianna, Barbara, Bella, Bill, Brett, Broughton, Chuck, Corinne, Daryl, Dick, Duane, Ena, Gail, Genna, Ginger, Hannah, Isaac, Jane, Jerry, Joanne, Jodi, Ken, Kevin, Kurt, Leigh Ann, Levi, Linda, Margaret Lee, Marvin, Mary, Nancy, Paul, Ray, Raymond, Ruth, Sandy, Shawn, Steve, Theresa, Weesie, Windell, Winnie, and Yvonne, as well as those whom you are invited to name now, either silently or aloud *[pause for people to add names]* Lord, in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor For all those who have died ₱ in the communion of your Church, especially those whom you are invited to name now, either silently or aloud [pause for people to add names] Lord, in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the Church of Japan. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for Church of the Good Shepherd, Columbia, Church of the Good Shepherd, Greer, and Church of the Good Shepherd, York.

Lord, in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

- Intercessor For those who are celebrating their birthdays this week, especially Nancy Molleson and John Gilbert, and for those who are celebrating their wedding anniversary.
- Lord, in your mercy.
- People Hear our prayer.

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

After the parish prayers have concluded, the Officiant 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.

General Thanksgiving (said by all in unison)

All Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Dismissal and Closing Sentence of Scripture

Romans 15:13

- Officiant Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.
- People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.
- *Officiant* May the God of hope fill us A with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. Please maintain six-foot social distancing as you depart. You are invited to either take your bulletin home or to place it in the recycle bin by the table with masks and sanitizer.

The altar flowers are given by Ginger Blankenship to the glory of God and in honor of Bunny's 72nd birthday.

The presence candle is given by Chuck Evans to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for Dr. Blanche Wallace Evans.

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Outdoor Youth Group | **Today** | **5-7 PM** Continuing this month, Saint Andrew's youth and their friends in elementary through high school will have the opportunity to gather outside for a time of fun and fellowship on the fourth Sunday evening of each month. This month, the Shields will lead the gathering in the church courtyard. We will begin with a devotion, have dinner, and play games.

Quarterly Planning Meeting | **Wednesday, April 28 Noon** | Our next quarterly planning meeting with the leaders of all parish ministries will meet on Wednesday, April 28, at noon. We are currently planning for this to be an in person meeting, but, if requested, we will make it available via Zoom as well. Wednesday Healing Masses No Longer Live-Streamed Starting last week, given that we have more than enough in-person seating available in the church to accommodate our regular attendance patterns on Wednesday evenings (when we generally have less than 15 people in attendance), we are no longer regularly live-streaming the 6:30 PM Wednesday Healing Mass. We will, however, continue to live-stream our 10:30 AM Mass on Sundays (as well as any high feasts observed other days of the weeks).

Art in the Churchyard | Saturday | May 8 | 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM | Saint Andrew's will be sponsoring "Art in the Churchyard" which will provide space for local artists of any medium to display and sell their work. 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.

Weekly Schedule

Sundays

8:30 AM, Morning Prayer, Rite II (outside) (Low Mass, Rite II, on First Sundays) 10:30 AM, Low Mass, Rite I (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

