

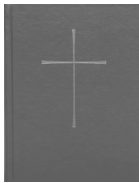


SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

May 9, 2021 · 8:30 AM
The Sixth 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 to allow for more individuals to gather on the church grounds to worship together. In order to do this safely, however, we are requiring that everyone participating in this service wear **face masks** while gathering and departing 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
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Jim Arnau and Helen Farmer (2021);
Cheryl Banks and Ethan Cashwell (2022)
John Rhodes and Charles Shields (2023)

Covenant for In-Person Worship

Please note that 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 when inside church buildings.

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

Morning Prayer, Rite II

As you gather for our service of Holy Eucharist, please remember that six foot distancing should be maintained with respect to anyone outside of your household. Once you are at your seat for the service, you are invited to remove your mask if desired.

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 our Passover (*Pascha nostrum*)

1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22

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 for 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. Alleluia.
Christ has been raised from the dead, *
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.
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 98 (*antiphonally by whole verse as directed by the Officiant*)

- ¹ Sing to the Lord a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
- ² With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.
- ³ The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- ⁴ He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- ⁵ Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- ⁶ Sing to the Lord with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.
- ⁷ With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
- ⁸ Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.
- ⁹ Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.
- ¹⁰ In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.

**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

Acts 10:44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

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)*

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

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.

Second Lesson

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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, 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 15:9-17

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

Officiant The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, 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 A.J., Arianna, Barbara, Bella, Bill, Brett, Chuck, Daryl, Dick, Duane, Genna, Ginger, Hannah, Jane, Jodi, John, Ken, Kevin, Leigh Ann, Levi, Linda, Margaret Lee, Marvin, Mary, Nancy, Paul, Ray, Raymond, Ruth, Sandy, Theresa, Tommy, Weesie, Windell, and Winnie, 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 Anglican Church of Kenya. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for the Diocesan Commission on Ministry and Seminarians of the Diocese.

Lord, in your mercy.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For those who are celebrating their birthdays this week, especially Asa Fulton, Mikki Hargrave, Charles Cannon, Bradly Allamon, and Charles Warder, and for those who are celebrating their wedding anniversary, especially Tim and Cynthia Henry, William and Carol McCoy, John and Cindy Blackburn, and Doug Barrett and Tim Gossett.

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 ☩ 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 Scott Chastain
to the glory of God and in memory of his mother, Bernice Smith, and in honor of all mothers.

The presence candle is given by Chuck Evans
to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for our Daughters of the King.

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Second Sunday Harvest | Today | At Both Services (No Drive-Thru Drop-Offs) | 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. (Note: Due to a Greenville Drive game that day, the parking lot will not be available for drive-thru drop-offs on Sunday.) The food pantry is currently low on these items:

- Cans of vienna sausages (pop top)
- Potted meat (pop top)
- Powdered milk (individual packets)
- Cereal
- Hotel-sized soap, shampoo, and lotion
- Small bottles of hand sanitizer
- Q-tips

Parish Mission & Outreach Support In Honor of Mother's Day | Happy Mother's Day to all of the mothers connected to this parish! | In recognition of Mother's Day, our Mission & Outreach leadership has made donations from Saint Andrew's Mission & Outreach annual budget to the following local non-profits that serve mothers and children in our community:

- Greenville's Gift - www.greenvillesgift.com
 - Family Effect (Serenity Place) - www.familyeffect.org
 - Little Steps - www.littlestepssc.org
 - Greenville First Steps - www.greenvillefirststeps.org
- Our Mission & Outreach team encourages parishioners to learn about and support the good work that these groups are doing!

Vestry Meeting | Next Sunday, May 16 | 12:30 PM | Our monthly vestry meeting will take place in the Parish Hall following next Sunday's 10:30 AM Mass.

Saint Andrew's Book Club Resumes! | Sunday, May 23 After 10:30 AM Mass | Parish Hall | Please bring your snack and preferred beverage. We will discuss books we have read in the past year and choose a book to read next month. Contact Kay Friddle for more information at 864-505-2339. Please note: Given the benefits of being able to meet in person for these discussions—and the ease with which vaccinations can now be obtained regardless of age, Fr. Gary has requested that this Book Club gathering be limited to fully vaccinated individuals for now. (If you are not yet fully vaccinated and are interested in participating in Book Club, please let Fr. Gary know—so that the possibility a forming a second club can be investigated.)

Outdoor Youth Group | Sunday, May 23 | 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. More details to come.

Art in the Churchyard Thank You | Thank you to everyone who participated in the Art Show in the Churchyard event yesterday! A special thank to Riley Owens for organizing it; to parish artists, Råken Smith and Leslie Leuthold, for coordinating with other local artists; and to all of the parishioners, including our youth, for volunteering!

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



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