

SAINT ANDREW'S Episcopal Church

May 16, 2021 · 10:30 AM The Seventh Sunday of Easter: The Sunday after the Ascension Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

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



If you are joining us via live-stream, we should "go live" at approximately 10:20 AM (about 10 minutes before the start of the mass). You have two options for viewing the livestream: <u>www.facebook.com/standrewsgvl</u> <u>www.standrewsgreenville.org/video</u> If you arrive on the page prior to 10:20 AM, you may need to reload it once the livestream has started.



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 joining us as one of the limited number who can be with us in person, please note the **Covenant for In-Person Worship** found on the next page, and remember that we are requiring that everyone participating in this service wear **face masks** and maintain at least **three 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.

Link for Online Donations: www.standrewsgreenville.org/giving

Your donations can also be mailed to the Parish Office at 1002 S. Main St. Greenville, SC 29601

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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 3 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!

Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Voluntary

Prayer from Christ ascending towards His Father From L'Ascension Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)

After the opening announcements, the ringing of the bell signals the people to stand for the beginning of the mass. The altar party processes during the Introit.

Introit (sung by cantors)

Consider, O Lord, and hear me, when I cry unto thee, alleluia: unto thee my heart hath said, Thy face, Lord have I sought; thy face, Lord will I seek: O hide not thou thy face from thy servant, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* The Lord is my light, and my salvation: whom then shall I fear? 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.

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ № is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Collect for Purity

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

Gloria

Celebrant and People

Glory be to God on high,

and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee,

we worship thee, we glorify thee,

we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,

have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;

thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory 🏽 of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless, but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Savior Christ is gone before; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

After the Collect, the people sit.

First Lesson

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Psalm 1 (said responsively by whole or half verse, as announced)

- ¹ Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, * nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- ² Their delight is in the law of the Lord, * and they meditate on his law day and night.
- ³ They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; * everything they do shall prosper.
- ⁴ It is not so with the wicked; * they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- ⁵ Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, * nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- ⁶ For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, * but the way of the wicked is doomed.

1 John 5:9-13

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

The people stand.

Second Lesson

Sequence Hymn, No. 215 (organ) See the C

See the Conqueror mounts in triumph

IN BABILONE

The Gospel

GospellerThe Holy Gospel ₱ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.PeopleGlory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus prayed for his disciples saying, "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

GospellerThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise be to thee, O 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.

Prayers of the People, Form VI

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world. <i>The people kneel.</i>
In peace, we pray to thee, Lord God.
Silence
For all people in their daily life and work; For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.
For this community, the nation, and the world; For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.
For the just and proper use of thy creation; For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.
For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.
For the peace and unity of the Church of God; For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Intercessor For Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andrew, our Bishop; Gary, our Rector; Tommy, our Postulant; 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 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].

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

Hear us, Lord;

People For thy mercy is great.

Intercessor We thank thee, O Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for Adelaide Gantt, Lucy Quinn, and Adrienne Grubb, who celebrate their birthdays this week, and for those who celebrate their wedding anniversaries this week.

We will exalt thee, O God our King;

People And praise thy Name for ever and ever.

Intercessor We pray for \blacksquare all who have died, that they may have a place in thine eternal kingdom.

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

Lord, let thy loving-kindness be upon them;

People Who put their trust in thee.

The Celebrant then introduces the Confession.

The Confession and Absolution

- Celebrant We pray to thee also for the forgiveness of our sins.
 - A period of silence is observed.
- All Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in thy compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by thy Spirit that we may live and serve thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- Celebrant Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon № and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Following the Absolution, the people stand for the Peace.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

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

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

After the exchange of the Peace, the Celebrant invites the people to join in the following prayer

All Almighty and gracious God, we give thee thanks for each of these thy 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 thy peace which passes all understanding abide in their hearts all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Holy Communion

After the Birthday and Anniversary Blessings, the Celebrant says an Offertory Sentence and returns to the sanctuary to begin preparing the Altar. The ushers then bring forward the people's offering of bread and wine as the Offertory Hymn begins. After the people's offering have been brought forward, the people may be seated.

Offertory Hymn, No. 483 (cantors) The head that once was crowned with thorns

ST. MAGNUS

As the altar is prepared, other offerings from the people would normally be collected. However, as a precaution, we are not passing the offering plate at this time. Instead, it will remain on the table by the baptismal font. If you would like to make your offering online, you may do so by going to www.standrewsgreenville.org/giving after the mass. Once the altar is set, the altar party is censed. Then, once the Offertory Hymn has concluded, the choir is censed. The people then stand, are censed, and remain standing as the following is said.

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.

People And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving Rite I, Prayer II

The people stand for the opening of the Eucharistic Prayer, which begins as follows.

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with thy spirit.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them up unto the Lord.CelebrantLet us give thanks unto our Lord God.PeopleIt is meet and right so to do.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant continues

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, but chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his glorious resurrection manifestly appeared to his disciples; and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus/Benedictus

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts; heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he A that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel or stand as the Celebrant continues, speaking the Eucharistic prayer on behalf of the people (full text found on page 340 of the prayer book). As the prayer is concluding, the Celebrant says the following, and the people respond with the Great Amen.

- *Celebrant* By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.
- *All* **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

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

After the Celebrant receives the Blessed Sacrament, it is then distributed in one kind (the Bread) to any baptized Christians present who desire to receive. After distributing the Sacrament to the altar party, the Celebrant will stand at the bottom of the chancel steps, where those desiring the Sacrament can come forward up the center aisle one at a time while continuing to wear their masks. The Celebrant will then place the wafer into the communicants open palm. After receiving the wafer into your open palm, please turn and walk the length of the front aisle along your respective side of the nave before stopping to lift your mask and consume the wafer. Please then return to your pew via the outer side aisle. Please maintain three-foot social distancing from other participants as you await your turn to receive.

Communion Hymn, No. 336 (organ) Come with us, O blessed Jesus

WERDE MUNTER

Postcommunion Prayer

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Blessing for Ascensiontide

Celebrant May the risen Christ, who has passed into the heavens, clothe you with power from on high; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

After the Blessing, the people stand.

Retiring Processional Hymn, No. 494	Crown him with many crowns	DIADEMATA
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The Angelus (sung)

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Voluntary

Fugue in C Major

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

Blue Pew Card

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. For those who are worshipping with us in person, please maintain three-foot social distancing as you depart. Though we would love to stand at the door and speak with everyone as they depart (as has been our custom in the past), the altar party and the ushers will step away from the doors to allow worshippers plenty of space as they depart. If you would like to speak with the Rector after exiting the church, he will be in the churchyard immediately after the mass and would be happy to speak with you there.

The presence candle is given by Todd Miller to the glory of God and in loving memory of his mother.

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Vestry Meeting | **Today** | **12:30 PM** | Our monthly vestry meeting will take place in the Parish Hall following today's 10:30 AM Mass. After a year of meeting via Zoom, we are grateful for the opportunity to return to in-person vestry meetings today – with a 100% vaccinated vestry!

Day of Pentecost, Sunday, May 23 | Next Sunday, we will celebrate the Day of Pentecost, when we recall how the gift of the Holy Spirit descended upon those early disciples gathered in Jerusalem after Jesus' Ascension, as recorded in the second chapter of Acts. Pentecost, which means "the fiftieth day," is always celebrated on the fiftieth day of the Easter Season—marking the end of the Easter Season and the beginning of the long Season after Pentecost. Pentecost is also a day on which the church traditionally provides the opportunity for Holy Baptism, and, though we do not have any baptisms scheduled for next Sunday, we will join in the renewal of our baptismal vows in recognition of that aspect of Pentecost.

Saint Andrew's Book Club Resumes! | Next 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.)

End-of-the-Year Youth Group Bowling | Next Sunday, May 23 | 5-7 PM | In celebration of the upcoming end of a very unusual school year, Saint Andrew's youth and their friends in elementary through high school will be gathering for an afternoon of fun and fellowship bowling together. Cynthia Boswell is coordinating this month's gathering, and we will be sending out additional details early next week. We hope that all of our youth will be able to participate!



Reminder: Parking Options at Saint Andrew's

- 1. <u>Old Pendleton Street Baptist Church Parking Lot</u> (immediately beside and behind the church property)
- *Sundays* All available spots are open to folks who are coming to Saint Andrew's for worship.
- Weeknights & Saturdays All available spots are open to folks who are coming to Saint Andrew's for worship or other church-related activities. (Availability may be limited due to baseball or other events.)
- Weekday Business Hours Up to five open spots (preferably the spots closest to the stairs from the parking lot—numbered 101 to 105) are available for Saint Andrew's parishioners and staff here for church-related events.
- 2. <u>Ground Floor of Homewood Suites Parking Garage</u> (across N. Markley Street from Parish Hall)
- Weeknights, Weeknights, Weekends (including Sunday mornings), and Holidays (NOT during Weekday Business Hours - If you have a church parking decal on your car window—and you are coming to worship or any other church event, you can park in the ungated ground floor of the Homewood Suites Parking Garage outside of regular business day hours. Make sure to park in the spots with red and white signs that say "Warning: Permit Parking Only." Your Saint Andrew's decal is considered your permit. If you need a decal, please contact the office.
- 3. <u>Street Parking on North Markley and South Main</u> Please note that some of the spots on North Markley have signage indicating "Church Parking SUN 9:30 AM-2:00 PM, WED 5:30 PM-8:00 PM. If you park in those spots without a Saint Andrew's Church window decal, you may receive a parking fine.

There is a parking lot map illustrating the above directions posted on our website at:

www.standrewsgreenville.org/parking

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