



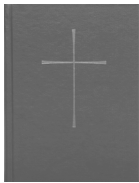
# SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

May 16, 2021 · 8:30 AM

The Seventh Sunday of Easter: The Sunday after the Ascension  
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 **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.

### 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](http://www.standrewsgreenville.org/giving)

Or by mailing your offering to the Parish Office at  
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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

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!*

## Morning Prayer, Rite II

*As you gather for our service of Holy Eucharist, please remember that three 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 Sentence of Scripture

Hebrews 9:24

*Officiant* Christ has entered, not into a sanctuary made with hands, a copy of the true one, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf.

### 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. Christ the Lord has ascended into heaven:

*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. Christ the Lord has ascended into heaven:

*People* **Come let us adore him. Alleluia.**

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

**Psalm 1** (*antiphonally by whole verse as directed by the Officiant*)

- <sup>1</sup> 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!
- <sup>2</sup> Their delight is in the law of the Lord, \*  
and they meditate on his law day and night.
- <sup>3</sup> 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.
- <sup>4</sup> It is not so with the wicked; \*  
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- <sup>5</sup> Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright  
when judgment comes, \*  
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- <sup>6</sup> For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, \*  
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

**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 1:15-17, 21-26

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.

*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**

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.

*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 acclaim 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 17:6-19

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, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected 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 them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do

not belong to 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.”

*Officiant* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Homily

The Rev'd Fr. Gary Eichelberger

*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.**

### Suffrages A

*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, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **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 Korea. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for Church of the Ascension, Seneca.

Lord, in your mercy.

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* For those who are celebrating their birthdays this week, especially Adelaide Gantt, Lucy Quinn, and Adrienne Grubb, 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 ✠ 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 three-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 presence candle is given by Todd Miller  
to the glory of God and in loving memory of his mother.

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## Announcements & Upcoming Events

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**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. Old Pendleton Street Baptist Church Parking Lot (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. Ground Floor of Homewood Suites Parking Garage (across N. Markley Street from Parish Hall)
  - *Weeknights, Weekends, 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. Street Parking on North Markley and South Main 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](http://www.standrewsgreenville.org/parking)**

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## Weekly Schedule

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### 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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