

SAINT ANDREW'S Episcopal Church

July 25, 2021 · 8:30 AM The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Everyone is Welcome at Saint Andrew's

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



Saint Andrew's is a parish of the **Episcopal Church within the Diocese of Upper South Carolina.** Over time, our identity as a parish has come to be defined by our commitment to **worship** in the distinctive splendor of Anglo-Catholic tradition, to **witness** through word and deed to the life changing implications of Jesus Christ's reconciling love, and to **welcome** unreservedly all God's children into Christ's Body, the Church.



If you are not familiar with Episcopal Church worship, we have tried to make our worship bulletin easy to follow. All of the prayers and responses for the congregation are printed in the bulletin. Page numbers that are prefaced by **"BCP"** reference pages in the **red Book of Common Prayer** found in the rack on the back of the pew in front of you. Hymns are referenced by hymn number and can be found in the **blue Hymnal** also in the pew rack.



We are continuing to relax the masking, distancing, and other public health protocols. Though we no longer require three foot social distancing between households, please make every effort to respect the wishes of those who desire to continue to maintain such distancing. Moreover, though we are no longer requiring masks for fully vaccinated individuals, we do ask that unvaccinated individuals continue to wear masks in church.

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

The Rt. Rev'd Andrew Waldo, Bishop

The Rev'd Gary Eichelberger, Rector rector@standrewsgreenville.org

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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)

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, ₱ Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

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

Kyrie

CelebrantLord, have mercy.PeopleChrist, have mercy.CelebrantLord, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

After the Collect, the people sit.

First Lesson

2 Samuel 11:1-15

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem. It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, "This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite." So David sent messengers to get her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, "I am pregnant." So David sent word to Joab, "Send me Uriah the Hittite." And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, "Go down to your house, and wash your feet." Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. When they told David, "Uriah did not go down to his house," David said to Uriah, "You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?" Uriah said to David, "The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing." Then David said to Uriah, "Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back." So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house. In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. In the letter he wrote, "Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die."

LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Psalm 14 (said responsively by whole or half verse, as announced)

- ¹ The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." * All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.
- ² The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all, * to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks after God.
- ³ Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad; * there is none who does good; no, not one.
- ⁴ Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers * who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord?
- ⁵ See how they tremble with fear, * because God is in the company of the righteous.
- ⁶ Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, * but the Lord is their refuge.
- ⁷ Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! * when the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad.

Second Lesson

Ephesians 3:14-21

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

The people stand for the proclamation of the Gospel.

The Gospel

GospellerThe Holy Gospel ₱ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

GospellerThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

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 III

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

The people kneel.

Intercessor Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People That we all may be one.

Intercessor Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

- People That your Name may be glorified by all people.
- *Intercessor* We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andrew, our Bishop; Gary, our Rector; Tommy, our Postulant; and all other bishops, priests, and deacons;

People That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

- Intercessor We pray for Joseph, our president; Henry, our governor; Knox, our mayor; and all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
- People That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

The Rev'd Fr. Gary Eichelberger

Intercessor Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People That our works may find favor in your sight.

Intercessor Have compassion on Aiden, A.J., Annie, Barbara, Bella, Bill, Brett, Chuck, Darrell, David, Derrick, Dick, Easton, Elsie, Ephraim, Genna, Ginger, Hailey, Hannah, Inge, Jane, Jim, Joanne, Jodi, Justin, Ken, Kevin, Larry, Leigh Ann, Levi, Linda, Margaret Lee, Marvin, Mary, Mendy, Nancy, Paul, Peter, Ray, Raymond, Ruth, Sandy, Sara, Susie, Theresa, Tommy, Weesie, Windell, Winnie, as well as those whom you are invited to name now, either silently or aloud [*pause for people to add names*], and all those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People That they may be delivered from their distress.

Intercessor As we remember all those who have died in your faith and fear, especially Gloria Larkin, and those whom you are invited to name now, either silently or aloud [pause for people to add names], give to the departed Φ eternal rest.

People Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Intercessor We praise you for Blessed Mary, Mother of God; Blessed Joseph, her spouse; Blessed Andrew, our patron; and all your saints who have entered into joy;

People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Intercessor Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

After any additional prayers of intercession and thanksgiving are offered, the Celebrant says a concluding collect before introducing the Confession.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant 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.
- *Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you № all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Following the Absolution, the people stand for the Peace.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

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

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

After the Announcements, the Celebrant invites those celebrating their birthdays or anniversaries to come forward. If anyone comes forward, the Celebrant invites the people to join in the following prayer

All Almighty and gracious God, we give you thanks for each of these your servants as they celebrate their special day. Watch over them as they begin another year, and give them grace to keep the vows and promises they have made. Bless and guide them wherever they may be; strengthen them when they stand; raise them up if they fall; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; and may your peace which passes all understanding abide in their hearts all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Holy Communion

The Offertory

After the opportunity for Birthday and Anniversary Blessings, the Celebrant says an Offertory Sentence and returns to the altar. Then, after the people's offering of bread and wine are brought forward, the people sit as the altar is set. At this time, we are not collecting the other offerings by passing a plate. Instead, an offering can be placed in the offering plate located on the table in the aisle by the font. (An offering can also be made online at <u>www.standrewsgreenville.org/giving</u>.) After the altar is set, the people stand as the offerings received in the plate are brought forward.

The Great Thanksgiving Rite II, Prayer A

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus/Benedictus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he A who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel or remain standing, and the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us ₱ also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All **AMEN.**

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

The Lord's Prayer

All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept before the following is said

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Invitation to Communion

The Celebrant then faces the people and says the following Invitation Celebrant The Gifts of God \mathfrak{A} for the People of God.

After the priest and the server have received, all are welcome to come forward to the altar rail. At the altar rail, all baptized Christians are invited to receive the Blessed Sacrament, and those who are not yet baptized are invited to indicate a desire to receive a blessing by crossing their arms upon arrival at the altar rail. (Our rector is always eager to speak with anyone who is not yet baptized about preparing for and receiving the sacrament of Baptism.)

For those receiving the Blessed Sacrament, a wafer will be placed in the palm of your hand or upon your tongue after which the chalice is offered. If you need a gluten-free wafer, you may request one from the priest at the altar rail. Should you wish to receive wine by intinction (dipping), allow the chalice bearer to take the wafer from your open palm and intinct for you. Should you be unable to manage the steps, please notify the usher so that Holy Communion can be administered at your pew.

Postcommunion Prayer

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

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

Blessing

Celebrant The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, ₱ the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

After the Blessing, the people stand.

Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. You are invited to either take your bulletin home or to place it in the recycle bin in the narthex.

The altar flowers are given by Michael Comer and Charles Warder to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for Saint Andrew's, Father Gary, and Dr. Tommy Watson.

The presence candle is given by Father Gary to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the friendship and ministry of Mtr. Mia McDowell.

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Sending Forth Sunday for Dr. Tommy Watson with Former St. Andrew's Seminarian Mtr. Mia McDowell as Guest Preacher | Today during 10:30 AM Mass | Next week, our Postulant for Holy Orders, Tommy Watson, will be moving to New Haven, Connecticut, to start his seminary studies at the Berkeley Divinity School & the Institute of Sacred Music at Yale. In recognition of this significant milestone in the life of our parish-and our continued work of calling, preparing, and sending forth faithful priests in service to the wider church, we welcome one of our former seminarians, Mtr. Mia McDowell (who is also responsible for helping to introduce Dr. Watson to St. Andrew's), to preach at the 10:30 AM Mass. After the 10:30 Mass, we will gather in the Parish Hall for a parish lunch, which Patty Slay and Riley Owens have organized in honor of this historic occasion. Tommy's new mailing address will be:

Dr. Tommy Watson 352 Canner Street Apt 508 New Haven, CT 06511

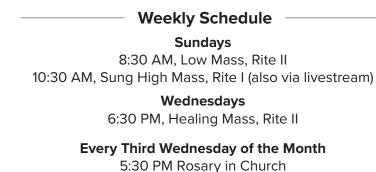
Summer Choir | We always need additional singers to reinforce our sections, so please consider joining the Summer Choir. We gather on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM (and not on Wednesday evenings), to prepare the music for each Sunday 10:30 AM Mass. With this limited time commitment the Summer Choir is an excellent opportunity for prospective new members of the choir to "try us out." Questions? Contact the Parish Office--or just show up on Sunday morning! Mid-week rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, September 7, at 7:30 PM.

Supply Priest Schedule During Rector's Vacation Father Gary will be away on vacation from Tuesday, July 27 to Sunday, August 8. Father Bob Chiles will preside at the Sunday masses on August 1 and August 8, and Mother Mia McDowell will preside at the Wednesday masses on July 28 and August 4. We are grateful to both Father Chiles and Mother Mia for their continued participation in our worship life. Father Gary will return to the office on Tuesday, August 10.

Saint Andrew's Book Club | Sunday, August 1 | After 10:30 AM Mass | Home of Kay Friddle & Lucy Walters We will discuss *This Is How It Always Is* by Laurie Frankel. Questions? Contact Kay Friddle at 864-505-2339.

Blessing of the Backpacks | Sunday, August 15 | 10:30 Mass (tentative) | We are hoping to be able have children and teachers bring their backpacks to church to be blessed on August 15—the Sunday prior to the start of school. Since many of the children of the parish are not yet eligible to be vaccinated, we will continue to evaluate whether community conditions warrant inclusion of the blessing in the 10:30 Mass versus offering it in another setting in the weeks ahead.

Next Rebuild Upstate Workday Saturday, September 11, 2021 | **8 AM - 4 PM** | Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church is teaming up with Rebuild Upstate to create healthy, sustainable home environments for disabled, low-income, and elderly people. Any skill level and all ages are welcome. You may work for as long as your schedule permits on the work day. Sign up at <u>www.</u> <u>standrewsgreenville.org/signup</u>



Every Fourth Wednesday of the Month Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

follows the 6:30 PM Mass

