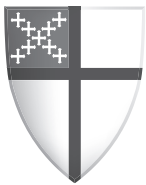


# SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

August 20, 2023 · 8:30 AM  
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost  
Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Called to **Worship**. Sent to **Witness**. Led to **Welcome**.

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.

As you depart worship, we hope you will enter your name and contact information in our **visitor's book** located on a stand in the narthex (the little room that you pass through on your way in and out of the main doors of the church). We would also love to have you join us for **coffee hour** in the Parish Hall immediately after the 10:30 AM mass. Thank you for blessing us with your presence!

## 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.

## Nursery

is available during the 10:30 AM Mass  
on the second floor of the Parish House.

## Link for Online Donations:

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## Members of the Vestry

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# 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

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy.

*People* **Christ, have mercy.**

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy.

### The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*After the Collect, the people sit.*

### First Lesson

Genesis 45:1-15

Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

**Psalm 133** *(said responsively by whole verse)*

- <sup>1</sup> Oh, how good and pleasant it is, \*  
when brethren live together in unity!
- <sup>2</sup> It is like fine oil upon the head \*  
that runs down upon the beard,
- <sup>3</sup> Upon the beard of Aaron, \*  
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
- <sup>4</sup> It is like the dew of Hermon \*  
that falls upon the hills of Zion.
- <sup>5</sup> For there the Lord has ordained the blessing: \*  
life for evermore.

**Second Lesson**

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

*The people stand for the proclamation of the Gospel.*

**The Gospel**

Matthew 15:10-28

Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile." Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

*Officiant* The Word of the Lord.

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

**The Sermon**

Deacon Tyler Proctor

*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  $\text{X}$  of the world to come. Amen.

*After the Nicene Creed, the Deacon introduces the prayers as follows.*

### Prayers of the People, Form III

*Deacon* 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; Daniel, our Bishop; Gary, our Rector; Tyler, our Curate; Tommy, our Seminarian; 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.**

*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 Bella, Bob, Charlie, Dick, Duane, Emily, Ginger, Jacob, Jane, Jenny, Jim, Jodi, Kathy, Laura, Leigh Ann, Linda, Lucy, Margaret Lee, Marvin, Mary, Mary Beth, Millie, Nancy, Patt, Sam, Sandy, Shawn, Stacy, Steve, Sylvia, and Weesie, 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 those whom you are invited to name now, either silently or aloud [*pause for people to add names*], give to the departed  $\text{X}$  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 the Deacon introduces the Confession.*

## Confession and Absolution

*Deacon* 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 in the name of the Lord.*

## 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 sanctuary. Then, after the people's offering of bread and wine are brought forward, the people sit as the altar is set and other offerings are collected from the people. (An offering can also be made by placing it in the offering plate located on the table in the aisle by the font or online at [www.standrewsgreenville.org/giving](http://www.standrewsgreenville.org/giving).) After the altar is set, the people stand again as the other offerings are brought forward and remain standing for the eucharistic prayer.*

### 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

*All* **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he ✠ 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.**

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has 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.*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People*    **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

### **Invitation to Communion**

*The ministers then face the people as the following Invitation is offered*

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God ✠ for the People of God.

*After the ministers 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**

*Deacon* 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.*



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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 upstairs of the Parish House following today's 10:30 AM Sung High Mass.

**Music at Saint Andrew's Next Quarterly Concert | Concert for the Human Family | Thursday, August 24 | 7 PM** | We are pleased to announce that Saint Andrew's has been awarded a Matthew 25 grant from our diocese for a concert aimed at fostering social justice in our community! A cross-genre effort that can be described as "Hamilton meets Appalachia." Wordsmith's hip hop urban lyricism is joined by composer and jazz pianist Kory Cauldwill's Appalachia-inspired arrangements. All woven with sacred stories to launch conversation around reconciliation, healing and justice in our community. *It's the power of music, for the sake of love.* This concert will be offered to the congregation and wider community free of charge. For those who are able, there will be a \$20 suggested free-will donation that will be given to GOAL Justice. Due to limited seating capacity, please reserve your tickets today: [www.standrewsgreenville.org/tickets](http://www.standrewsgreenville.org/tickets)

**Ways you can support this event:**

- **Reserve** your tickets today!
- **Invite** your neighbors and friends!
- **Post** posters or flyers around Greenville. (contact office for copies)
- **Volunteer** to help with the reception afterwards. (sign up at [www.standrewsgreenville.org/signup](http://www.standrewsgreenville.org/signup))

**Back to School Party for Saint Andrew's Children, Youth, and their Parents | Tubing on the Saluda River with the Saluda Outdoor River Company | Sunday, August 27 | 4 PM to 6:30 PM** | For this year's Back to School Party, we will be going tubing on the Saluda River (with the Saluda Outdoor River Company), and the Eichelbergers will be leading the excursion. Please plan to join us as we kick off another year of monthly gatherings for Saint Andrew's youth! More details will be sent out via e-mail this next week!

**Save the Dates:**

- **Wednesday Night Supper Classes | Starting back on Wednesday, September 13 | 6:30 PM**
- **Next Rebuild Upstate Workday | Saturday, October 7 | More details coming soon!**

**Saint Andrew's Book Club Next Meeting | Sunday, September 3 | Following the 10:30 AM Mass | At the home of Anne Marie Currier (22 Arcadia Circle, 29605)** We will be discussing *The Secret Place*, the sequel to Tana French's novel *Faithful Place*, which we reviewed at our July meeting. RSVP to Anne Marie: [mapetite1932@yahoo.com](mailto:mapetite1932@yahoo.com)

**Newcomer's Gathering at the Rector's House Sunday, September 10 | 5 to 7 PM** | All newcomers, both recent visitors and new members, are invited to a casual get together with the vestry, Father Gary, and leaders of various church ministries, at the Eichelbergers' house. If you are a newcomer, please take a printed invitation with you today. RSVP to the office at 864-235-5884 or [office@standrewsgreenville.org](mailto:office@standrewsgreenville.org).

**Saint Andrew's Goal Justice House Meeting | Monday, September 25 | 6 PM | Parish Hall | St. Andrew's will continue our partnership this year with Greenville Organized for Accountable Leadership (GOAL). Founded in 2022, GOAL uses the power of large numbers of people to hold public officials accountable and solve critical community problems. St. Andrew's was one of the 25 founding congregations last year, and we look forward to participating again in this vitally important work of the Gospel. Please save the date for Monday, September 25th at 6 pm in the Parish Hall. We will be hosting a wine and cheese party where everyone involved will spend time discussing the problems you see people facing in the Greenville community. We will be moving forward from there to the wider GOAL community to decide on two problems to tackle and actionable steps to take to make effective change. We hope you will all join us on the journey toward justice for all in the Greenville community! A registration link will be sent closer to the event to let us know how much wine and cheese to have prepared.**

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### Weekly Schedule

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**Sundays**

8:30 AM, Low Mass, Rite II  
10:30 AM, Sung High Mass, Rite I (also via livestream)

**Wednesdays**

5:30 PM, Healing Mass, Rite II

**Every Third Wednesday of the Month**

5:00 PM Rosary in Church

**Every Fourth Wednesday of the Month**

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament  
follows Healing Mass



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