

SAINT ANDREW'S Episcopal Church

November 26, 2023 · 8:30 AM The Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King 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: www.standrewsgreenville.org/giving

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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

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.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; 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

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Psalm 100 (said responsively by whole or half verse, as announced)

- Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; * serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.
- ² Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
 he himself has made us, and we are his;
 we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- ³ Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; * give thanks to him and call upon his Name.
- ⁴ For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; * and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

Second Lesson

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

The people stand for the proclamation of the Gospel.

The Gospel

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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.

Ephesians 1:15-23

Matthew 25:31-46

The Rev'd Deacon Tyler Proctor

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.

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, Chuck, Dick, Duane, Emily, Ginger, Gordon, Holly, Jacob, Jane, Jenny, Jim, Jodi, Kathy, Laura, Leigh Ann, Linda, Lucy, Margaret Lee, Marvin, Mary, Mary Beth, +Michael, Millie, Nancy, Patt, Peggy, 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 Bill Brown, friend of Gilberto King-Huerta, 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 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 <u>www.standrewsgreenville.org/giving.</u>) 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

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.CelebrantLet us give thanks to the Lord our God.PeopleIt 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; because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

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
 ^I 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 \mathfrak{B} 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

DeaconGo in peace to love and serve the Lord.PeopleThanks 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 Nancy Barutio to the glory of God and in loving memory of her late husband Bill Barutio on what would have been their twentieth anniversary.

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Canon Stephen Rhoades Guest Celebrant Today | We welcome Canon Stephen Rhoades who is presiding at both masses today in Fr. Gary's stead. We are grateful for his participation in our worship life.

Thank You to Everyone Who Supported Our 2024 Annual Pledge Campaign - We're VERY Close to Meeting Our Goals! | If you have not turned in your pledge yet, please place your completed pledge card in the offering plate or turn it into the Parish Office as soon as possible. We are very close to the finish line - please help us reach our goal of 120 pledges and \$320,00 in dollars pledged! Thank you to all who have already submitted their pledges! The pledge card can be found online at

www.standrewsgreenville.org/pledge

Congratulations to our Newly Elected Vestry Members Thanks to everyone who participated in our Annual Parish Meeting this past Sunday. It was a joyful gathering! We are pleased to announce our newly elected vestry members, beginning in December: Linda Fitzsimmons, Gilberto King-Huerta, Leigh Randall, who were each elected to three-year terms. In addition, Ethan Cashwell was elected to a four-year term as diocesan convention delegate, and Scott Chastain was elected to a fouryear term as convention alternate. Thanks to all our new vestry members, delegate, and alternate for their willingness to serve!

Deacon Tyler Proctor's Service of Ordination to the Priesthood | **Wednesday, December 6** | **6 PM** | Join us at the church for an historic occasion in the life of Saint Andrew's as Bishop Richards ordains Deacon Tyler Proctor, our curate, to the priesthood. Reception to follow in the parish hall.

Saint Andrew's Book Club | Sunday, December 10 | At the Home of Kay Friddle and Lucy Walters (4 Phillips Trail 29609) | Following the 10:30 service | We will be discussing *Briefly, A Delicious Life* by Nell Stevens. Please RSVP to Anne Marie Currier at mapetite1932@ yahoo.com.

Music at Saint Andrew's Concert: An English Carol Christmas | Friday, December 15 | 7 PM | Chicora Voices presents a concert celebrating the humble Christmas carol, from medieval origins to cathedral standards to Benjamin Britten's A Ceremony of Carols. Beloved classics, sing-a-longs, and something for everyone! The concert is open to the public free of charge. Reception to follow in the parish hall. There is an optional suggested donation of \$20 that will benefit Canterbury Counseling. Reserve your seat at www.standrewsgreenville.org/ tickets **ECW Drive for Greenville's Gift** | As their Christmas project, ECW is sponsoring a donation drive for Greenville's Gift, seeking clothing and/or money for newborns in need. A collection box is in the church narthex. Items (all seasons) needed: clothing (size 0-12 months), baby blankets, socks, hats, bibs, and burp cloths.

Clergy-Led Weekly Bible Study: Book of Romans | Tuesdays at 4 PM | Sign up here: <u>www.tinyurl.com/</u> <u>clergyledbiblestudy</u>

Ordo Kalendars Available | The 2024 Ordo Kalendars are available in the Parish Office for \$5 each. Reserve yours today by emailing office@standrewsgreenville. org or calling 864-235-5884.

Poinsettias for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Poinsettia dedication forms can be found in your bulletins this week. Deadline for orders is Thursday, December 14. Suggested donation for each plant is \$15. You can also email the Parish Office with your order and dedication.

Weekly Schedule

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

> **Tuesdays** 8:30 AM Morning Prayer, Rite I

Wednesdays 5:30 PM, Healing Mass, Rite II

Thursdays 8:30 AM Morning Prayer, Rite I

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 (moved to 11/29)



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