

SAINT ANDREW'S

Episcopal Church

December 4, 2022 · 10:30 AM The Second Sunday of Advent Holy Eucharist, Rite I

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.

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www.standrewsgreenville.org/giving

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Scott Chastain, Junior Warden (2023);
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Cheryl Banks and Ethan Cashwell (2022);
Charles Shields (2023);
Allison Giambrone-Wilson,
Riley Owens, and Kelly Proffitt (2024)

Vestry elect: Phil Buck, Lee Gray, Jenny Peer (2025)

Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Voluntary

Two Preludes on the chorale *Come, Savior of the Nations* 1. (S. 659) 2. (S. 660)

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

After the opening announcements, the ringing of the bell signals the people to stand for the beginning of the mass.

Advent Prose (sung by choir)

Antiphon: Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness. *Verse 2 (Cantor).* We have sinned, and are as an unclean thing, and we all do fade as a leaf: and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away: thou hast hid thy face from us: and hast consumed us, because of our iniquities. *Antiphon.*

The Word of God

Opening Hymn, No. 59

Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding

MERTON

After the opening procession, as the hymn continues, the Celebrant will asperge the people with holy water.

Opening Acclamation

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

Collect for Purity

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



The Collect of the Day (chanted)



The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit. Let us pray.

Celebrant Merciful God, who sent thy messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All

A - men.

After the Collect, the people sit.

First Lesson Isaiah 11:1-10

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 72: 1-7, 18-19 (sung by the choir)

- Give the King your justice, O God, * and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- That he may rule your people righteously * and the poor with justice;
- That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, * and the little hills bring righteousness.
- ⁴ He shall defend the needy among the people; * he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- ⁵ He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, * from one generation to another.

Plainsong Tone II.2

- ⁶ He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, * like showers that water the earth.
- In his time shall the righteous flourish; * there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
- Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, * who alone does wondrous deeds!
- ¹⁹ And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! * and may all the earth be filled with his glory. Amen. Amen.

Second Lesson Romans 15:4-13

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn, No. 65

BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN

The Gospel Matthew 3:1-12

Gospeller The Holy Gospel ₱ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'" Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The SermonThe Rev'd Fr. Gary Eichelberger

After the Sermon, all stand and say together the words of the Creed.

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life Φ of the world to come. Amen.

After the Nicene Creed, the Celebrant introduces the prayers as follows.

Prayers of the People, Form I

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

The people kneel.

Intercessor With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us

pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andrew, our Bishop; Gary, our

Rector; Tommy, our Seminarian; and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord;

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For Joseph, our president; Henry, our governor; and Knox, our mayor; for the leaders of the nations, and for

all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

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Intercessor For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For Ari, Barbara, Bella, Bill, Dick, Didi, Duane, Frances, Emily, Ginger, Jane, Jean, Jodi, Joyce, Kathy, Ken, Kurt, Leigh Ann, Lucy, Margaret Lee, Marvin, Mary, Nancy, Patt, PK, Robert, Sandy, Shawn, Stacy, Steve, Sylvia, Theresa, Weesie, and Winnie, as well as those whom you are invited to name now, either silently or

aloud [pause for people to add names], let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for

all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For all who have died \(\mathbb{P} \) in the hope of the resurrection, especially those whom you are invited to name now, either silently or aloud [pause for people to add names], and for all the departed, let us pray to the

Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

After any additional prayers of intercession and thanksgiving, the Intercessor continues with the following commendation.

Intercessor In the communion of Blessed Mary, Mother of God; Blessed Joseph, her spouse; Blessed Andrew, our patron; and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People To thee, O Lord our God.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Then the ministers and people may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

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

Holy Communion

After the 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 during the Offertory Anthem 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.)

Offertory Anthem

Lord, we beseech thee

Adrian Batten (1591-1637)

Lord, we beseech thee give ear unto our prayers; and by thy gracious visitation lighten the darkness of our hearts,

by our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

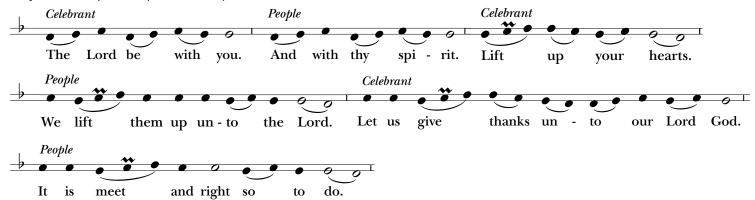
After the Offertory Anthem, the choir is censed. Then the people stand, are censed, and remain standing as the other offerings are brought forward and received with the following words.

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.

People And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving Rite I, Prayer II

The people remain standing for the opening of the Eucharistic Prayer, which can be found on page 340 in the Book of Common Prayer. The responsive portions are provided below.



Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant continues

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, because thou didst send thy beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus/Benedictus Hymnal S117 James McGregor

All Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts; heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he 4 that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

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

All A-men

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

The Lord's Prayer Hymnal S119 Plainsong

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 sung.

Fraction Anthem Hymnal S169 Ray W. Urwin

Cantor My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.

My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.

Cantor Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood dwell in me, and I in them.

My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.

Prayer of Humble Access

ΑII

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

After the Blessed Sacrament has been distributed to the altar party and the choir, all are welcome to come forward to the altar rail at the direction of the ushers. 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 one of the ushers so that Holy Communion can be administered at your pew.

Communion Hymn, No. 597

O day of peace that dimly shines

JERUSALEM

Sending Forth of Lay Eucharistic Visitors

Upon the Celebrant's invitation, the people kneel for the Sending Forth followed by the Postcommunion Prayer.

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

ΑII

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

Advent Blessing

Celebrant May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father 4, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

After the Blessing, the people stand.

Retiring Processional Hymn, No. 534 God is working his purpose out

PURPOSE

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary Chor

Choral Prelude on Come, Savior of the Nations (S. 661)

J. S. Bach

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.

Given the penitential nature of the season, we do not have flowers on the altar during Advent with the exception of the Third Sunday, Gaudete Sunday.

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Thank You to Everyone Who Supported Our 2023
Annual Pledge Campaign! 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. Help us reach our goal of 110 pledges! Thank you to all who have already submitted their pledges! The pledge card can be found online at www.standrewsgreenville.org/pledge

"Our Faith, Our Worship, Our Calling" | Wednesday Night Supper Class | 6:30 PM | This week, which will be our final Wednesday night supper class of the year, our topic will be "Sharing God's Love: Living Lives that Continue the Story." Plan to join us! Sign up at www.standrewsgreenville.org/signup

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

ECW Teaming with Greenville's Gift for Newborns In Need | ECW is sponsoring a donation drive as their fall project. Our congregation is asked to donate clothing and/or money for newborns in need that will be distributed through Greenville's Gift. A box is in the church narthex. Items needed: clothing (size 0-12 months), baby blankets, socks, hats, bibs, and burp cloths. All seasons needed.

Project Host Non-Profit Holiday Market | Thursday, December 8 | 5-7 PM | At Project Host (525 S. Academy Street) | Project Host's Nonprofit Holiday Market is designed to help customers find unique holiday gifts while supporting local nonprofits and the clients they serve. Vendors at this nontraditional market represent Greenville-area agencies that serve the community through various avenues, including by providing hunger relief, child and youth development services, health services, and economic development support. Tickets are available in advance and at the door for \$5 and beverages, including beer, wine, and hot chocolate, are complimentary as you peruse our vendors' offerings. More info at www.projecthost.org

Ordo Kalendars Available I The 2023 Ordo Kalendars are available in the Parish Office for \$5 each. Reserve yours today by emailing office@standrewsgreenville. org or calling 864-235-5884.

Fourth Sunday of Advent with Bishop's Visitation and Confirmation | December 18 | 10:30 AM Mass | We are looking forward to welcoming our new bishop, The Rt. Rev. Daniel Richards, for his first visit to Saint Andrew's. At our 10:30 AM Mass, we are currently planning to present the following individuals to Bishop Richards for confirmation or reception: Johnny Buck, Phil Buck, Larie Buck, Anne Culbreath, Grace Culbreath, Andrew Culbreath, Virginia Eichelberger, Gilberto Huerta-King, Mary Mays, and Delaney Townsend. If there are others desiring to be confirmed or received who are not listed here — or if anyone is desiring to come forward for reaffirmation of their baptismal vows, please speak with Father Gary as soon as possible so that we can prepare accordingly. More details about the gathering in the Parish Hall after the 10:30 Mass will be forthcoming.

Choir Has Returned to Regular Rehearsal Schedule Wednesdays at 7:30 PM | We are always seeking additional volunteers for the Saint Andrew's choir, which has returned to our regular weekly rehearsal schedule of Wednesday evening rehearsals at 7:30 PM in the Parish Hall. If you know of any prospective new choir members, bring them along with you! If you need transportation to rehearsal and or church, or if you have questions, please e-mail office@standrewsgreenville.org.

Nursery Volunteers Needed | If you have gifts for working with infants and young children — and have "Safe Church" training (and are fully vaccinated), we could use your help! Please sign up for an upcoming Sunday at www.standrewsgreenville.org/signup

Weekly Schedule

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

Every Fourth Wednesday of the Month Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament follows Healing Mass

