

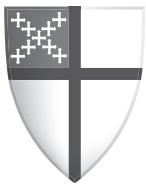


# SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

September 3, 2023 · 8:30 AM  
Fourteenth 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:

[www.standrewsgreenville.org/giving](http://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

*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.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; 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

Exodus 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I am who I am." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I am has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations."

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

**Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c** *(said responsively by whole verse)*

1 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; \*  
make known his deeds among the peoples.

2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, \*  
and speak of all his marvelous works.

3 Glory in his holy Name; \*  
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

4 Search for the Lord and his strength; \*  
continually seek his face.

5 Remember the marvels he has done, \*  
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, \*  
O children of Jacob his chosen.

23 Israel came into Egypt, \*  
and Jacob became a sojourner in the land of Ham.

24 The Lord made his people exceedingly fruitful; \*  
he made them stronger than their enemies;

25 Whose heart he turned, so that they hated his people, \*  
and dealt unjustly with his servants.

26 He sent Moses his servant, \*  
and Aaron whom he had chosen.

45 Hallelujah!

**Second Lesson**

Romans 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

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

**The Gospel**

Matthew 16:21-28

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel ✠ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

*Officiant* The Word of the Lord.

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

**The Sermon**

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

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

### 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; 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, Jacob, Jane, Jenny, Jim, Jodi, Kathy, Laura, Leigh Ann, Linda, Lucy, Margaret Lee, Marvin, Mary, Mary Beth, + Michael, 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 Celebrant introduces 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 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,  $\times$  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.*

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## Announcements & Upcoming Events

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**Rescheduled! Back to School Party for Saint Andrew's Children, Youth, and their Parents | Tubing on the Saluda River with the Saluda Outdoor River Company Tomorrow | 10 AM to 12:30 PM** | We had to reschedule our original trip due to weather concerns (and are going to start a little earlier this time for cooler temperatures), but we hope that you will join us as we kick off another year of monthly youth gatherings. The Eichelbergers will be leading the excursion. If you have not yet RSVP'd, please speak to Fr. Gary after the mass.

**Saint Andrew's Book Club | Today | 12:45 PM | At the home of Anne Marie Currier (22 Arcadia Circle, 29605)** We will be discussing *The Secret Place*, by Tana French. RSVP to Anne Marie: mapetite1932@yahoo.com

**PLEASE NOTE: Office Closed Tomorrow for Labor Day.**

**West End Association Meeting | Tuesday, September 5 | 6:30 PM | Parish Hall** | Saint Andrew's will host the monthly West End Neighborhood Association meeting. All are invited.

**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.

**Fall Wednesday Night Supper Class | Risen Life: Finding Our Calling Through the Waters of Baptism | Starting Wednesday, September 13, and continuing through Wednesday, November 15 | 6:30 PM in the Parish Hall** | At Saint Andrew's, we have had — and continue to have — the wonderful blessing of getting to journey with many individuals — including Mia McDowell, Melanie Rowell, Tommy Watson, and now Tyler Proctor (who is preparing to be ordained a priest in December) — at various stages in their journey of answering God's calling to ordained ministry. However, it is important to remember that, through the waters of baptism, we are all called to be ministers of the Church—lay and ordained—and each of us brings different gifts to that work. Through this Fall's 10-week class, Fr. Gary and Deacon Tyler look forward to leading the parish in a consideration of how the baptismal liturgy offers both a starting point and an ongoing guide for discerning each of our particular callings to ministry in God's Church. Register here: <https://tinyurl.com/supperclass>

**Next Rebuild Upstate Workday | Saturday, October 7** | More details coming soon!

**Saint Andrew's GOAL Justice House Meeting | Monday, September 25 | 6 PM | Parish Hall** | Greenville Organized for Accountable Leadership (GOAL) Justice uses the power of large numbers of people to hold public officials accountable and solve critical community problems. Saint 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 join us for a wine and cheese party where everyone involved will spend time discussing the problems you see people facing in the Greenville community. Register here: <https://tinyurl.com/goaljustice>

**Curate Pilgrimage to the Holy Lands** | Our curate, Deacon Tyler Proctor, is in the midst of a two week pilgrimage to the Holy Lands, Please continue to keep Deacon Tyler in your prayers.

**Regular Weekly Wednesday Evening Choir Rehearsals Resume | Wednesdays | 7:30 PM | Parish Hall** | Regular weekly Wednesday evening Choir Rehearsals will resume for the fall season on Wednesday, September 6, at 7:30 PM in the Parish Hall. Please let me know if you plan on singing with us via e-mail: John Gilbert (gilbert\_john@bellsouth.net). I hope to see you all there!

**Music at Saint Andrew's Upcoming Concert:**

• **Sunday, October 8 at 3:00 PM** | Asheville Baroque presents *The Return of Zephyrus: Airs for voice, lute, and viol* | Molly Quinn, soprano, Daniel Swenberg, lute, Gail Ann Schroeder, viola da gamba

The Music at Saint Andrew's concert series is offered to the public free of charge through the generosity of sponsors. If you are interested in helping us with upcoming concerts—and beyond, please contact Marie Ridolfo or a member of the Music at Saint Andrew's Committee (John Conrad, Jim & Gilberto Huerta-King, and Leigh Randall). If making a donation by check, please indicate "Concert Series" in the memo line.

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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