

WELCOME TO SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sunday, May 25, 2025

9:00 AM



In the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, welcome! I am honored and delighted that you have chosen Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church as a place to worship this morning. If this is your first time to visit I encourage you to fill out a **Connect Card** on the back of the pew in front of you, and drop it in one of the offering plates so we can learn about you and thank you for worshipping with us. Please also pick up one of the red folders which includes information about Saint Andrew's life and ministry. I invite you to participate in today's worship service and thank you for joining us this morning.

Daryl T. Hay+
Rector

The Rev. Daryl T. Hay, Rector
Dr. Linda Patterson, Director of Music
The Sixth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, May 25, 2025

The Rev. Benjamin Sánchez, Church Planter
The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
9:00 AM

The Word of God

OPENING VOLUNTARY: Procession

June Nixon (b. 1942)

OPENING HYMN 174 At the Lamb's High Feast

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The People standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

OPENING ANTHEM OR SONG OF PRAISE WLP 880 Christ our Passover (*Williams*)

The following is sung, all standing



1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;
2. Now Christ is raised and will not die a - gain;
3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:



There - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for -
death has no more do - min - ion o - ver him; Through
though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in



sak - ing sin, we share the bread of truth. Al -
him we die to sin and live to God. Al -
Christ's new life shall all be made a - live. Al -



le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The People kneel.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Acts 16:9-15

The People sit.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 67

Remain seated.



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¹ May God be merciful to us and bless us, *
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

² Let your ways be known upon earth, *
your saving health among all nations.

Antiphon

⁴ Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.

⁵ Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.

Antiphon

⁶ The earth has brought forth her increase; *
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

⁷ May God give us his blessing, *
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

Antiphon

SECOND READING: Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

A Reading from the Revelation to John.

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day--and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.

Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN 513 Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

Children and youth are invited to follow the Processional Cross to Children's Chapel.

GOSPEL: John 14:23-29

All stand.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

Jesus said to Judas (not Iscariot), "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

The Reverend Daryl T. Hay

THE CREED

All stand.

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 of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The People kneel.

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Christ, have mercy"

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord. **Christ, have mercy.**

For Sean, the Presiding Bishop; Andy, Hector, Jeff, Kai, and Brian, our Bishops; Daryl, our Rector; Benjamin, our Church Planter; Amy and Michael, our Iona School students; and those discerning a call to ministry. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Mary's, Hillsboro; St. Stephen's, Hurst; and Trinity, Fort Worth. We remember our Church Plant, Espíritu Santo, its volunteers and supporters, and those that they minister with. Strengthen them as they reach out to you in prayer and hope, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord. **Christ, have mercy.**

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord. **Christ, have mercy.**

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord. **Christ, have mercy.**

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord. **Christ, have mercy.**

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person. We especially remember those who have laid down their lives in the armed services of our country. We pray for military families who have mourned their fathers and mothers, daughters and sons. We pray for those who have returned home from war wounded in mind, body, and spirit, that they may know your grace, we pray to you, O Lord. **Christ, have mercy.**

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, especially Charlie, Janet, Fran, Nancy, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord. **Christ, have mercy.**

For favorable weather, temperate rains, and fruitful seasons, that there may be food and drink for all your creatures, we pray to you, O Lord. **Christ, have mercy.**

For your blessing upon the lands and waters, and all who work upon them to bring forth food and all things needful for your people, we pray to you, O Lord. **Christ, have mercy.**

For all who care for the earth, the water, and the air, that the riches of your creation may abound from age to age, we pray to you, O Lord. **Christ, have mercy.**

For this congregation, for those who are present, and for those who are absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord. **Christ, have mercy.**

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; for those who have birthdays this week, especially Michael, Isaac, and Julie, that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord. **Christ, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, especially Spencer Baen, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord. **Christ, have mercy.**

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-Blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Andrew, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. **To you, O God our Creator.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

**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.**

The Priest stands and says

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.**

THE PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: I Will Not Leave You Comfortless William Byrd (1540-1623)

I will not leave you comfortless, Alleluia

I go, and I will come to you, Alleluia.

and your heart shall be joyful, Alleluia.

DOXOLOGY

Hymn 380, verse 3

The People stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Celebrant says

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

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Here a proper preface is said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing (say),

SANCTUS S 125 Holy, holy, holy (*Proulx*)

Celebrant and People

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The People continue standing.
The Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

**We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs and matriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Andrew and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

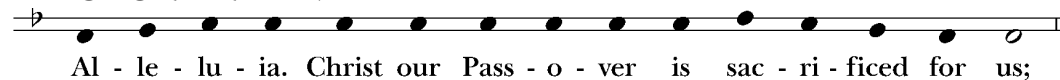
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

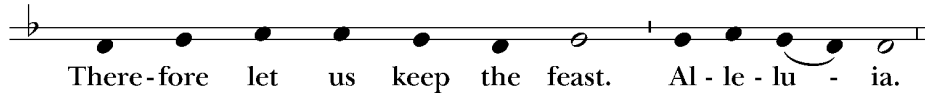
People and Celebrant

**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,
forever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM





INVITATION

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION ANTHEM: "If Ye Love Me"

Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

*If ye love me, keep my commandments.
And I will pray the Father,
and he shall give you another comforter,
that he may 'bide with you forever;
E'en the sp'rit of truth.*

COMMUNION HYMN 213 Come Away to the Skies

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.
Celebrant and People

**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.**

EASTER BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, makes you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN 544 Jesus Shall Reign

DISMISSAL

CLOSING VOLUNTARY: Prelude in Classic Style

Gordon Young (1919-1998)

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LONG TERM PRAYER LIST: Sharon, Suzan, Beth, Elaine, Penni, Barbara, Carmen, Gary, Stu, Bill, Charlie, Randy, Munive family, Mark, Diane, and Altreyu

*The flowers are given to the Glory of God in thanksgiving for our wedding anniversary by
Bonnie Harris-Reynolds.*

NOTES ON THE MUSIC: This Sunday's anthem by William Byrd uses the text set by later composers, such as Everett Titcomb, for this season. We have sung the Titcomb anthem using this text in earlier years, and learned a new, much earlier setting. Byrd wrote this anthem in 1607 during the time of Queen Elizabeth I. His music for the Catholic church was hidden and not performed under penalty of imprisonment, but this anthem (and his compositions written for the Anglican church) has been performed continuously for over four centuries. It is an example of Renaissance polyphony that predates the Baroque period.

"If Ye Love Me" by Thomas Tallis is another Anglican masterpiece, and one that fits this part of the Easter season in this lectionary year. Tallis' work is earlier than Byrd's, but from the same era.

Our organ rewiring project is almost completely finished! I am indebted to Dr. Connor Brubaker and Michael Thompson for doing the wiring work in-house, saving us thousands of dollars and allowing us to do more to improve the console. In celebration of the Zimbelstern stop being rewired this week, I will be playing my favorite piece that uses the Zimbelstern, Gordon Young's Prelude in Classic Style. When I was in high school, I was captivated when my teacher played the piece and engaged the Zimbelstern, a rotating wheel with bells that is used in Germany and its neighboring countries, especially at Christmas and Easter. Ours was silent for Easter, but is operational again.

Across the country, professional Episcopal musicians have been working to include music by women composers throughout the year. As I am finding new compositions by female composers, I am learning and including them. Today's example is the Closing Voluntary by Australian composer June Nixon, who for 40 years was the organist and choir director of St. Paul's Anglican Cathedral in Melbourne. She has published choral and organ works in both the United States and England, and was recognized by the Royal School of Church Music as a Fellow of the RSCM, and by the Archbishop of Canterbury with an honorary doctorate.

LOOKING AHEAD

To receive “The Line,” our weekly e-newsletter, please email: office@standrewsbcs.org

Morning Prayer is offered Tuesday through Friday, 8 AM in the church.

Evening Prayer is offered Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 5 PM in the church.

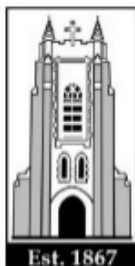
The 9 AM & 11:15 AM Sunday services are also live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube and found on our website: www.standrewsbcs.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 26	Memorial Day: Church Office Closed
May 28	The Holy Eucharist at Arbor Oaks, 1:30 PM
May 29	Ascension Day with The Holy Eucharist, 12:15 PM
May 30	W.I.N.E. Group, 6 PM at Casa Monarca Mexican Cantina
May 31	VBS Workday, 9 AM
June 1	VBS Workday, 1 PM
June 2	VBS Workday, 5 PM
June 3- 5	True North VBS for ALL ages, 5:30 to 7:30 PM
June 7	ECW Luncheon, 11:30 AM at Billie Elmendorf’s Home
June 8	Pentecost at 7:30 AM, 9 AM, 11:15 AM (bilingual service with Espíritu Santo)
June 8-13	Diocesan Music Camp
June 10	Vestry Meeting, 6 PM
June 11	Feast of Saint Barnabas the Apostle, 12:15 PM
June 15	Summer Schedule Begins – The Holy Eucharist at 7:30 AM & 10 AM

WEEKLY MINISTRIES

- Sunday The Holy Eucharist, 7:30 AM, 9 AM & 11:15 AM through June 8
June 15 starts Summer Schedule: 7:30 AM & 10 AM
Coffee & Conversation, 10:15 AM through June 8
June 15 starts Summer Schedule: 9:15 AM
- Monday Brotherhood of St. Andrew Bible Study, 6 PM at St. Francis Church
(no meeting on Memorial Day)
- Tuesday Good Grief Group, 9:30 AM in the Parlor
- Wednesday Choir Practice, 3 PM & 7 PM in the Music Room
20/30 Vision, 6 PM in the Upper Room
- Thursday Men's Breakfast, 7 AM in the Parish Hall
Ladies Breakfast, 8:30 AM at Cracker Barrel
- Friday Church Office Closed Fridays from May 30 until August 8



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