

WELCOME TO SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sunday, May 25, 2025

11:15 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 worshiping 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

La Santa Eucaristía se está celebrando en el Salón Principal de la Iglesia St. Andrew's, ubicado en la entrada por el parqueadero.

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 One
11:15 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.

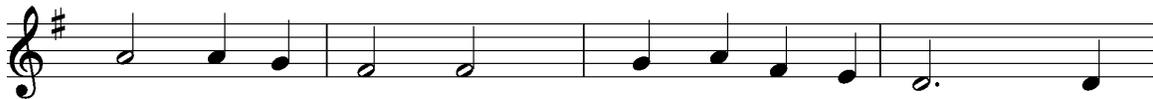
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

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

Officiant *People* *Officiant*

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit. 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

GOSPEL: John 14:23-29
All stand.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

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 be to thee, O 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.**



The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

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

Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -

- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth -

- in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The People continue standing
The Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls

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

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.

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 Altreju

*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.

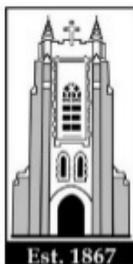
The 9 AM & 11:15 AM Sunday services are also live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube and found on our website: www.standrewsbcs.org

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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