

# WELCOME TO SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sunday, March 23, 2025

9 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 Third Sunday in Lent  
Sunday, March 23, 2025

The Rev. Benjamin Sánchez, Church Planter

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two  
9:00 AM

## The Word of God

OPENING VOLUNTARY: Prelude in A Minor (The Great), BWV 543  
Connor Brubaker, Organist

OPENING HYMN 427 When Morning Gilds the Skies

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People* **His mercy endures for ever.**

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

*The Celebrant says*

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.*

### OPENING ANTHEM OR SONG OF PRAISE *Kyrie eleison*

*The following is sung, all standing*

*Cantor, then assembly:*



Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son.

*Cantor, then assembly:*



Chri - ste, e - le - i - son.

*Cantor, then assembly:*



Ky - ri - e, e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e, e - lei - son.



Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son.

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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant*        The Lord be with you.

*People*            **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*        Let us pray.

*The People kneel.*

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; 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: Exodus 3:1-15

*The People sit.*

A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

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."

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

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

PSALM 63:1-8

*Remain seated.*



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<sup>1</sup> O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; \*  
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,  
as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.

<sup>2</sup> Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, \*  
that I might behold your power and your glory.

*Antiphon*

<sup>3</sup> For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; \*  
my lips shall give you praise.

<sup>4</sup> So will I bless you as long as I live \*  
and lift up my hands in your Name.

*Antiphon*

<sup>5</sup> My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, \*  
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,

<sup>6</sup> When I remember you upon my bed, \*  
and meditate on you in the night watches.

*Antiphon*

<sup>7</sup> For you have been my helper, \*  
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.

<sup>8</sup> My soul clings to you; \*  
your right hand holds me fast.

*Antiphon*

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual

drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

*Reader*           The Word of the Lord.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN 439 What Wondrous Love is This

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

GOSPEL: Luke 13:1-9

*All stand.*

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

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

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them--do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did."

Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

*Priest*        The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*        **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON                      Dr. Amy Brunt Thompson, Iona School of Ministry student

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

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear us when we pray in the name of your Son. Therefore in confidence and trust, we call out your name saying, "Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer."

In the mystery of communion with Christ, we pray for the church and its mission throughout the world. We pray 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. John's, Columbus; St. John's, Sealy; St. Mary's, Bellville; and St. Paul's, Navasota. We remember our Church Plant, Espiritu Santo, its volunteers and supporters, and those that they minister with. Strengthen them as they reach out to you in prayer and hope. God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those in positions of authority, for our nation and the world, that God may inspire those whose decisions affect the lives of others. We pray that all may act with integrity and courage. God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who are sick, bereaved, oppressed, homeless or in any other adversity. We pray especially for: Charlie, Randy, Clarissa, Don, Tom, Harriet, Mark, and Joe. God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the broken and torn fabric of the earth and we yearn for its healing. God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We give thanks for Sabbath times of rest and for all your blessings, especially for Jennifer, Henry, Madison, Tim, Rachel, Patty, and Susie, who are celebrating birthdays this week. God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We remember with thanksgiving all who have died, especially Joe Jaros, Linda Catalena, and Michele Poe, and we rejoice at the faithful witness of your saints in every age, praying that we may, with blessed Andrew and all the saints, enter the unending joy of your heavenly realm. God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray that we may become increasingly one with your Christ, that, through our own lives, we may share his life with the world. God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

*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: "We Hasten, O Jesu" from Cantata 78 J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

DOXOLOGY

Hymn 380, verse 3

*The people stand.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*The Celebrant says*

*The People remain standing.*

*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.**

*Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.



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

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 *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*

*Celebrant and People*

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord,  
Lord God of hosts. Heav - en and earth are full of your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na, ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na, ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



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*The People kneel.*

*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:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

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. **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: Lamb of God *Agnus Dei*

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of Lamb of  
God, you take a - way the sins of the world,  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

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INVITATION

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COMMUNION HYMN 685 Rock of Ages

WLP 825 Bless the Lord, My Soul

Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord my soul, Who leads me in - to life.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in 4/4 time, G major. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the hymn, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are printed below each staff.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

SOLEMN PRAYER

*The priest says.*

Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN 680 O God, Our Help in Ages Past

DISMISSAL

CLOSING VOLUNTARY: Prelude in C Minor, BWV 549

Connor Brubaker, Organist

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LONG TERM PRAYER LIST: Sharon, Suzan, Beth, Elaine, Joshua, Penni, Tia, Barbara, Carmen, Gary, Stu, Erica, Bill, Charlie, Randy, and Clarissa.

NOTES ABOUT THE MUSIC: This Sunday's Voluntaries by J. S. Bach celebrate his 340<sup>th</sup> birthday this month. In addition, the Offertory Anthem is a movement from one of his many Cantatas. We are delighted to hear Connor Brubaker share these pieces with us.

## LOOKING AHEAD

To receive "The Line," our weekly e-newsletter, please email: [office@standrewsbcs.org](mailto: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.

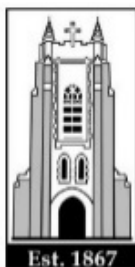
The 9 AM & 11:15 AM Sunday services are also live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube and found on our website: [www.standrewsbcs.org](http://www.standrewsbcs.org)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 23     Lenten Series: Forgiveness of Self, 10:15 AM  
                 Introduction to the Episcopal Church, 10:15 AM  
                 Passion Play Practice begins, 10:15 AM  
                 Jr. DOK Informational Meeting, 1 PM
- March 25     The Annunciation with the Holy Eucharist, 12:15 PM  
                 Youth Conversation Café resumes, 6:30 PM at Starbucks in Kroger
- March 26     The Holy Eucharist at Arbor Oaks, 1:30 PM  
                 Lenten Supper Series: Bread of Life, 6 PM
- March 28     The Holy Eucharist, 12:15 PM + Self-Guided Stations of the Cross  
                 W.I.N.E.©, 6 PM at The Owl
- March 30     Blood Drive, 8 AM until 12:30 PM  
                 Coffee & Conversation, 10:15 AM  
                 Bluebonnet Children's Choir performance, 11:15 AM
- April 2        Lenten Supper Series: Bread of Life, 6 PM
- April 4        The Holy Eucharist, 12:15 PM + Self-Guided Stations of the Cross  
                 First Friday Open Doors, 6 PM  
                 Choral Compline by Candlelight, 8:30 PM
- April 6        Make Palm Crosses, 10:15 AM  
                 Plass Recital Series: Prairie View A&M Choir, 3 PM

## WEEKLY MINISTRIES

- Sunday      The Holy Eucharist, 7:30 AM, 9 AM & 11:15 AM  
Faith Formation for all ages, 10:15 AM
- Monday      Brotherhood of St. Andrew Bible Study, 6 PM at St. Francis Church
- Tuesday      Good Grief Group, 9:30 AM in the Parlor  
Youth Conversation Café, 6:30 PM at Starbucks in Kroger
- Wednesday      Choir Practice, 3 PM & 7 PM in the Music Room  
Bell Choir, 5:15 PM in the Sharp Room  
20/30 Vision, 6 PM in the Upper Room
- Thursday      Men's Breakfast, 7:00 AM in the Parish Hall  
Ladies Breakfast, 8:30 AM at Toasted Yolk
- Friday      Music Play with Ms. Patty, 9:30 AM in the Parish Hall



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