

WELCOME TO SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sunday, September 7, 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 visiting, 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.

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Rector

The Rev. Daryl T. Hay, Rector
Dr. Linda Patterson, Director of Music
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 18
Sunday, September 7, 2025

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

The Word of God

OPENING VOLUNTARY: Adagietto

Gerald Near (b. 1942)

OPENING HYMN 9 Awake, Awake to Love and Work (verses 4-6 only)

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant may say

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.**

SONG OF PRAISE Gloria (*English Folk Song Mass*)

The following is sung, all standing

To God be the glo - ry, all glo - ry in the
Lord Je - sus, the on - ly be - got - ten of the
high - est and peace to his peo - ple who dwell here be - low. Our
Fath - er We praise and we bless you, the Son and the Lamb The
hea - ven - ly Fath - er, our Lord and our Sov - 'reign, to you, the Al -
sin of the world you have ta - ken up - on you, Have mer - cy up -
migh - ty, our prais - es be - stow. We wor - ship and a -
'on us, the Great I AM. For ho - ly, you

dore you, we bow here_ be - fore you with grate - ful_ thanks -
meet us, yet low - ly, you_ greet us The Lord in_ the_

- gi - ving, our song let us raise. All glo - ry and_
high - est, the Ho - ly One All glo - ry to the

ho - nour and glad a - do - ra - tion to God in_ the_
Fath - er, the Son, and_ the_ Spir - it, From a - ges_ ev - er -

high - est, ho - san - na and praise.
last - ing, the Three_ in One.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The people kneel.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 18:1-11

The People sit.

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: "Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words." So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

Then the word of the Lord came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a

kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

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

PSALM 139:1-5, 12-17

Remain seated.



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¹ LORD, you have searched me out and known me; *
 you know my sitting down and my rising up;
 you discern my thoughts from afar.

² You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
 and are acquainted with all my ways.

Antiphon

³ Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
 but you, O LORD, know it altogether.

⁴ You press upon me behind and before *
 and lay your hand upon me.

⁵ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
 it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

Antiphon

¹² For you yourself created my inmost parts; *
 you knit me together in my mother's womb.

¹³ I will thank you because I am marvelously made; *
 your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

Antiphon

¹⁴ My body was not hidden from you, *
 while I was being made in secret
 and woven in the depths of the earth.

¹⁵ Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
 all of them were written in your book; *
 they were fashioned day by day,
 when as yet there was none of them.

Antiphon

¹⁶ How deep I find your thoughts, O God! *
how great is the sum of them!

¹⁷ If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; *
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours. *Antiphon*

SECOND READING: Philemon 1-21

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to Philemon.

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love-- and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother-- especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN 675 Take Up Your Cross

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

GOSPEL: Luke 14:25-33

All stand.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. 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.

Let us offer our prayers to God saying, "Hear our prayer."

At this time of changing seasons, we thank you, O Lord, for the beauty of our earth.
Hear our prayer.

We pray for the Church in all times and places. Strengthen our faith as we seek to do your will and become more and more your people. We pray especially for Sean, the Presiding Bishop; Andy, Hector, Jeff, Kai, and Brian, our Bishops; Daryl, our Rector; Benjamin, our Church Planter; Amy, our Iona School student; and those discerning a call to ministry. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Christ the King, Humble; Good Shepherd, Kingwood; and Good Shepherd, Tomball. We also pray for Middleway Urban Monastery, that it may provide space for those seeking hope, comfort, and peace.
Hear our prayer.

Guide the leaders of our land that we may be a people at peace among ourselves and a blessing to other nations of the earth.
Hear our prayer.

Grant that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that we may live in justice and peace.
Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land so to use our public and private wealth that all may find suitable and fulfilling employment, and receive just payment for their labor.
Hear our prayer.

O God, the strength of those who labor, grant that we may never forget that our common life depends upon each other's toil.

Hear our prayer.

Remember, O Lord, in mercy all those who suffer or are in any trouble, knowing that you do not willingly afflict or grieve us. We pray especially for Charlie, Julia, Fran, John, Mary, Lani, Sarah, Olivia, Devy, Dixie, and Jody.

Hear our prayer.

Grant your blessing to all who have died in the hope of resurrection; grant them rest from their labors, especially Pete Catalena and Jane Anderson.

Hear our prayer.

I invite any other prayers of intercession or thanksgiving, silently or aloud. This week, we especially give thanks for the birthdays of Brandy, Mark, Sara, Alison, Phil, and Eliza. **Hear our prayer.**

As we begin our annual pledge campaign, strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church.

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: Heart's Offering Southern folk melody, arr. Antony Baldwin
As I rise with the dawn, may my soul be reborn, take this heart all forlorn, and refresh me in the morn. Alleluia!

In the warmth of the day, I consider thy way; May thy love ever stay in my heart, O Lord I pray. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

In the still of the night, as I think on the light in my heart burning bright, keep me precious in thy sight. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

God of each living thing, bless the gift that we bring; take our hearts' offering while in joyful praise we sing Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

DOXOLOGY

Hymn 380, verse 3

The people stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Celebrant says

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 (*English Folk Song Mass*)

Celebrant and People

Ho - ly Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord -
 God of pow'r and might. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho -
 - san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed 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 kneel.

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Andrew and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

This setting is not used in Lent.

There-fore let us keep the feast. Al-le-lu-ia.

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LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: Suzan, Beth, Penni, Barbara, Carmen, Gary, Stu, Bill, Charlie, Randy, Mark, Atreyu, Fran, Alex, Nathan, Mary, and John.

The flowers are given to the Glory of God in celebration of the birthdays of grandchildren Trip and Mary Katherine by Kate and Bob Thomas, and in honor of Anne Orrell's birthday, September 4th, by Denise Parker.

NOTES ABOUT THE MUSIC: Today's Voluntaries are opposite in style, tempo, and origin. The Opening Voluntary is a meditative piece by contemporary American composer Gerald Near. Its opening theme reminds me of the first interval in our Opening hymn. We will close with a loud, joyful Baroque trumpet work by English composer John Stanley, who succeeded Handel to important music positions in London in the 1700s.

We will start with the 4th verse of the Opening Hymn. In our Hymnal, verses with asterisks may be omitted, so we can begin with "Awake, awake to love and work." Some of the poet Geoffrey Studdert-Kennedy's imagery in this hymn is among the most evocative texts in the Hymnal, and it is perfect for a Fall day as we kick off our Stewardship Campaign today. If you have time, read the first three verses – "the royal robes of autumn moors," and other images that remind us to be grateful – as they are worth reading.

LOOKING AHEAD

To receive "The Line," our weekly e-newsletter, please email: office@standrewsbcs.org
Morning Prayer is offered Tuesday through Friday at 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 live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube as well as found on our website: www.standrewsbcs.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 7	Adult Formation - Hildegard von Bingen: Her Life, 10:15 AM Safeguarding Training, 12:30 PM in Sharp Room
September 9	Vestry Meeting, 6 PM Youth Café Conversations at Starbucks returns, 6:30 PM
September 10	20-30 Vision returns, 6 PM
September 12	AGO Opening Service with Evening Prayer and Installation of Officers, 7 PM

September 13	DOK, 9 AM Jazz Brunch, 10:30 AM
September 14	Adult Formation - Hildegard von Bingen: Her Call to Ministry, 10:15 AM Second Sunday Lunch, 12:30 PM Plass Recital Series: Abner Caraballo, operatic tenor, 2 PM
September 16	Bach's Lunch, 12:30 PM
September 17	The Holy Eucharist at Arbor Oaks, 1:30 PM Public Service of Healing with the Holy Eucharist, 5:30 PM
September 20	Youth Confirmation Retreat, 9 AM Brazos Church Pantry, 10 AM
September 21	Adult Formation - Hildegard von Bingen: Her Spiritual Practices & Mentoring, 10:15 AM
September 28	Confirmation Sunday with Bishop Ryan, 9 AM

WEEKLY MINISTRIES

Sunday – The Holy Eucharist: 7:30, 9, 11:15 AM | Adult Confirmation, 10:15 AM | Faith Formation, 10:15 AM

Monday – Brotherhood of St. Andrew Bible Study, 6 PM

Tuesday – Good Grief Group, 9:30 AM | Youth Café Conversations, 6:30 PM

Wednesday – Rector's Bible Study, 10 AM | Choir Practice, 3 & 7 PM | 20–30 Vision, 6 PM | Handbell Rehearsal, 6 PM (resumes late September)

Thursday – Men's Breakfast, 7 AM | Ladies Breakfast, 8:30 AM

Friday – Music Play with Ms. Patty, 9:30 AM

Saturday – Flower Guild: Flower Arranging, 10 AM



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