

WELCOME TO SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sunday, September 1, 2024

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 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

The Rev. Daryl T. Hay, Rector
Dr. Linda Patterson, Director of Music
The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 17
Sunday, September 1, 2024

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

The Word of God

OPENING VOLUNTARY:

Prelude on "Immortal, Invisible"

Michael Burkhardt (b. 1957)

OPENING HYMN 541 Come, Labor On

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.*

OPENING ANTHEM OR SONG OF PRAISE S 280 *Glory to God (Canticle 20) (Powell)*

The following is sung, all standing

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus

Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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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 stand.

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.**

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Song of Solomon 2:8-13

The people sit.

A Reading from Song of Solomon.

The voice of my beloved!

Look, he comes,

leaping upon the mountains,

bounding over the hills.

My beloved is like a gazelle

or a young stag.

Look, there he stands

behind our wall,

gazing in at the windows,

looking through the lattice.

My beloved speaks and says to me:

"Arise, my love, my fair one,

and come away;

for now the winter is past,

the rain is over and gone.

The flowers appear on the earth;

the time of singing has come,

and the voice of the turtledove

is heard in our land.

The fig tree puts forth its figs,

and the vines are in blossom;

they give forth fragrance.

Arise, my love, my fair one,

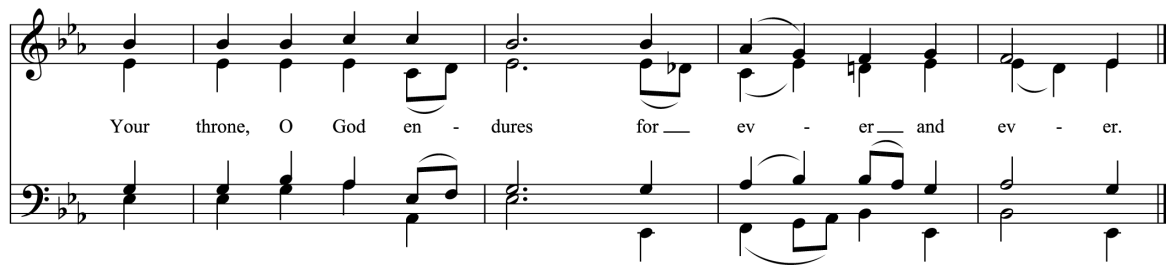
and come away."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 45:1-2, 7-10

Remain seated.



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¹ My heart is stirring with a noble song;
let me recite what I have fashioned for the king; *
my tongue shall be the pen of a skilled writer.

² You are the fairest of men; *
grace flows from your lips,
because God has blessed you for ever.

ANTIPHON

⁷ Your throne, O God, endures for ever and ever, *
a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of your kingdom;
you love righteousness and hate iniquity.

⁸ Therefore God, your God, has anointed you *
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

ANTIPHON

⁹ All your garments are fragrant with myrrh, aloes, and cassia, *
and the music of strings from ivory palaces makes you glad.

¹⁰ Kings' daughters stand among the ladies of the court; *
on your right hand is the queen,
adorned with the gold of Ophir.

ANTIPHON

SECOND READING: James 1:17-27

A Reading from the Book of James.

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a

mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN 423 Immortal, Invisible

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

GOSPEL: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

All stand.

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

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

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

‘This people honors me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me;
in vain do they worship me,
teaching human precepts as doctrines.’

You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile." For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

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

THE SERMON

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.

Open our eyes to see that all we are and all we have comes from you, O God. We ask you now to increase in us a spirit of generosity and holy imagination.

Open our lips with your praise as we gather as the body of Christ. Keep the leaders of our faith communities deeply connected to you that you may guide their course as we journey together. We pray especially for Michael, the Presiding Bishop; Sean, the Presiding Bishop-Elect; Andy, Hector, Jeff, and Kai, our Bishops; Daryl, our Rector; Benjamin, our Church Planter; Michael, our Seminarian, and those who discern a call. In

the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Christ the King, Humble; Good Shepherd, Kingwood; and Good Shepherd, Tomball. 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. We celebrate with those who have birthdays this week, especially Kim, Andrew, Jane, Michael, and Tyler.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Open the hearts of the leaders of the world. Give them courage to work for a better future for their people, which reflects justice, kindness, and connection with each other. Open the path to peace in the world.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Open the hands of your people to reach out in love to those around the world who are in fear for their lives, who face violent weather, whose daily lives are made difficult by their circumstances. May your love be made manifest through us.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Open our lives and deliver us in our various occupations from the service of self alone, that we may do the work you give us to do in truth and beauty and for the common good.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Open a path to wholeness for those who live in fear of any kind, who have lost their way, whose spirits are restless, whose bodies are hurting, especially Lawrence, Gayle, John, and Alex.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Open your arms to embrace those who have died, especially Ann Sifers and James Frieda. Grant them entrance to your eternal kingdom, where there is no pain or grief.

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.

<i>Celebrant</i>	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
<i>People</i>	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

DOXOLOGY

The people stand.

Hymn 380, verse 3

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.

Celebrant
People

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
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 S 129 *Holy, holy, holy (Powell)*

Celebrant and People

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

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.

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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

INVITATION

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMNS

HYMN 213 Come Away to the Skies

HYMN 513 Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

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.**

BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION HYMN 344 Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

DISMISSAL

CLOSING VOLUNTARY: A Trumpeting

Michael McCabe (b. 1941)

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*The flowers are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of James Frieda
by the Frieda Family.*

NOTES ABOUT THE MUSIC: Today's Opening Voluntary is by Michael Burkhardt, a contemporary Lutheran composer who studied at SMU. He quotes Vivaldi's "Domine Fili" from the Gloria against the tune of our Sequence hymn today, "Immortal Invisible."

"Come, Labor On" is a classic Episcopal hymn, penned by T. Tertius Noble, who served at St. Thomas Church, Fifth Avenue in New York. Noble was the Cathedral Organist of Ely and Durham Cathedrals before moving to the United States. His hymn is in the English Cathedral style, though written in the United States. It fits our theme today of blessing our labors and time and treasures during this Stewardship season, as well as for Labor Day weekend.

LOOKING AHEAD

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

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

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

The 9:00 AM & 11:15 AM Sunday services are also live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube and found on our website: www.standrewsbcs.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept 1 Return to three worship services, 7:30 AM, 9 AM, and 11:15 AM
Faith Formation returns for Adults, Children, & Youth, 10:15 AM
- Sept 2 Church Office Closed in observance of Labor Day
- Sept 4 Rector's Bible Study: The Book of Genesis, 10 AM
First Wednesday Potluck & Program, 6 PM
- Sept 6 First Friday Open Doors, 6 PM
Amanda J. Sisk's Art Exhibition: FROM THE SKETCHBOOKS, 6 PM in the
Parish Hall
Choral Compline by Candlelight, 9 PM
- Sept 8 Confirmation Class, 10:15 AM
Second Sunday Luncheon, 12:30 PM at Cilantro's
- Sept 9 Brotherhood of St. Andrew Bible Study Begins, 6 PM at St. Francis Church
- Sept 10 Vestry Meeting, 6 PM
- Sept 13-15 Daughters of the King: Diocese of Texas Fall Assembly at Camp Allen
Discovery Weekend at Camp Allen
- Sept 14 Daughters of the King, 9 AM
- Sept 15 Baptism, 9 AM
Confirmation Class, 10:15 AM
Plass Recital Series: Daniel Pardo, flute, accompanied by Dr. Vicki Seldon
Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month, 2 PM

WEEKLY MINISTRIES

- Sunday La Santa Eucaristía, 11:15 AM
- Monday Brotherhood of St. Andrew Bible Study, 6 PM at St. Francis Church
- Tuesday Good Grief Group, 10 AM
- Wednesday Choir Practice, 3 PM
20/30 Vision, 6 PM
Choir Practice, 7 PM
- Thursday Men's Breakfast, 7:00 AM
Ladies Breakfast at Toasted Yolk, 8:30 AM
- Friday Music Play with Ms. Patty, 9:30 AM



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