

WELCOME TO SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sunday, March 8, 2026

10:15 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 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 worshipping with us. Please also pick up one of the red folders, which includes information about Saint Andrew's life and ministry. A nursery is available for children ages 0-4, should you wish to make use of it during the service. 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 8, 2026

The Rev. Benjamin Sánchez, Vicar of Espíritu Santo

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
10:15 AM

The Word of God

OPENING VOLUNTARY: Solemn Melody

Henry Walford Davies (1869-1941)

OPENING HYMN 343 Shepherd of Souls

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:

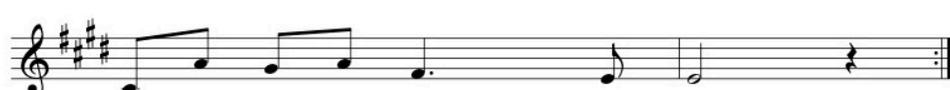


Chri - ste, e - le - i - son.

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 17:1-7

The People sit.

A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

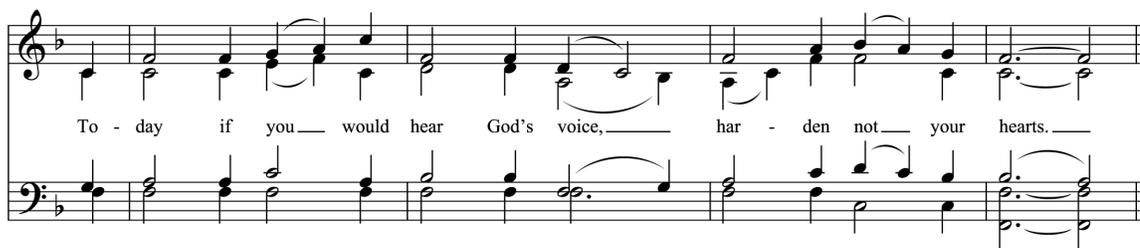
From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 95

Remain seated.



To - day if you would hear God's voice, har - den not your hearts.

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- ¹ Come, let us sing to the LORD; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation. *Antiphon*
- ² Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
- ³ For the LORD is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
- ⁴ In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.
- ⁵ The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land. *Antiphon*
- ⁶ Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the LORD our Maker.
- ⁷ For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice! *Antiphon*
- ⁸ Harden not your hearts,
as your forebears did in the wilderness, *
at Meribah, and on that day at Massah,
when they tempted me.
- ⁹ They put me to the test, *
though they had seen my works.
- ¹⁰ Forty years long I detested that generation and said, *
"This people are wayward in their hearts;
they do not know my ways."
- ¹¹ So I swore in my wrath, *
"They shall not enter into my rest." *Antiphon*

SECOND READING: Romans 5:1-11

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son,

much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN 658 As Longs the Deer for Cooling Streams

Children in PreK through second grade are invited to follow the Processional Cross to Children's Chapel.

GOSPEL: John 4:5-42

All stand.

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

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

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" Then the woman left her water jar

and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him.

Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Benjamin Sánchez

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.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Maker. With thankful hearts, let us pray to the Lord saying, "Great God and King, *hear our prayer.*"

Lord, give us eyes to see that the fields are ripe for harvesting. May the Church reap what has been sown by our forebears and sow the seeds that will bring forth the fruit of the future. 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 Epiphany, Calvert; Espiritu Santo, Bryan; Holy Innocents, Madisonville; and St. Andrew's, Bryan. We also pray for our Church Plant, Espiritu Santo.

Great God and King, **Hear our prayer.**

Lord, reveal the strength of your love to those around the world who are asking, "Is the Lord among us or not?" We pray for comfort and peace for all people.

Great God and King, **Hear our prayer.**

Lord, you hold the caverns of the earth and the heights of the hills; your hands have formed the seas and the dry land. Bless and keep your creation.

Great God and King, **Hear our prayer.**

Lord, where there is suffering in our city, produce endurance; where there is endurance, produce character; where there is character, produce hope. And where we place our hope in you, let us not be disappointed.

Great God and King, **Hear our prayer.**

Lord, we remember your mercy and faithfulness toward those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Mary Anne, Tim, Mariann, and Bridget. Thank you for the gift of their lives and the joy they bring to our community. Bless them in the year ahead with health, happiness, and a deepening awareness of your love.

Great God and King, **Hear our prayer.**

Lord, we pray for those who are sick or suffering, especially for Charlie, Julia, Bill, and Bob. Give them that living water that comes only through your Son Jesus Christ, that their needs may be met and all their thirsts quenched.

Great God and King, **Hear our prayer.**

Lord, we pray for the dying and the dead. We pray in the assurance that all have been reconciled to you through the death of your Son and saved by his new life.

Great God and King, **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: "Give Me"

Carson Cooman

O God, give me a heart that I can pour out in thanksgiving. Give me life so I can spend it working for the salvation of the world.

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

FRACTION ANTHEM

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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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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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.

Grant, most merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve you with a quiet mind; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN 594 God of Grace and God of Glory

DISMISSAL

CLOSING VOLUNTARY: Gigue In G Major

G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

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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 10:15 AM Sunday service is live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube as well as found on our website: www.standrewsbcs.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 15 Pastoral Care Council Meeting, 11:30 AM in the Sharp Room
- March 17 Bach's Lunch with Dr. Daniel Johnson, bass-baritone, 12:15 PM
- March 18 Public Service of Healing with the Holy Eucharist, 5:30 PM
Lenten Supper Series: A Walk Through Holy Week, 6 PM
- March 20 Self-guided Stations of the Cross
- March 21 Church Workday, 9 AM
ECW Round Top Festival Institute Lunch & Tour, leave at 11 AM
- March 22 Faith in Action Council Meeting, 11:30 AM in the Sharp Room
Forks & Forté at Papa Perez, 11:30 AM
Plass Recital Series featuring the Brazos Valley Big Band, 2 PM
- March 24 Vestry Meeting, 6 PM
- March 25 The Annunciation of our Lord Jesus Christ to the Blessed Virgin Mary, 12:15 PM
Lenten Supper Series: A Walk Through Holy Week, 6 PM
- March 27 Self-guided Stations of the Cross
- March 29 The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday, 8 and 10:15 AM
Children and Youth Passion Play Performance, 10:15 AM

WEEKLY/MONTHLY MINISTRIES

As plans occasionally shift, we encourage you to check the Saint Andrew's online calendar for the most current information and a complete list of upcoming events.

Sunday – The Holy Eucharist: 8 AM and 10:15 AM | Faith Formation, 9:15 AM

Monday – Brotherhood of St. Andrew Bible Study, 6 PM (offsite at St. Francis)

Tuesday – Good Grief Group, 9:30 AM | Youth Café Conversations, 6 PM (offsite at St. Francis)

Wednesday – Choir Practice, 3 & 7 PM | Handbell Rehearsal, time varies (contact Linda for more details) | Public Service of Healing (3rd Wednesday of the month) | 20-30 Vision, 6 PM

Thursday – Men's Breakfast, 7 AM | Ladies Breakfast, 8:30 AM (offsite at Cracker Barrel) | Card Committee (3rd Thursday of the month)

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

Saturday – DOK, 9 AM (2nd Saturday of the month) | Flower Guild: Flower Arranging, 10 AM | Brazos Church Pantry Volunteer Day (3rd and 4th Saturday of the month)



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