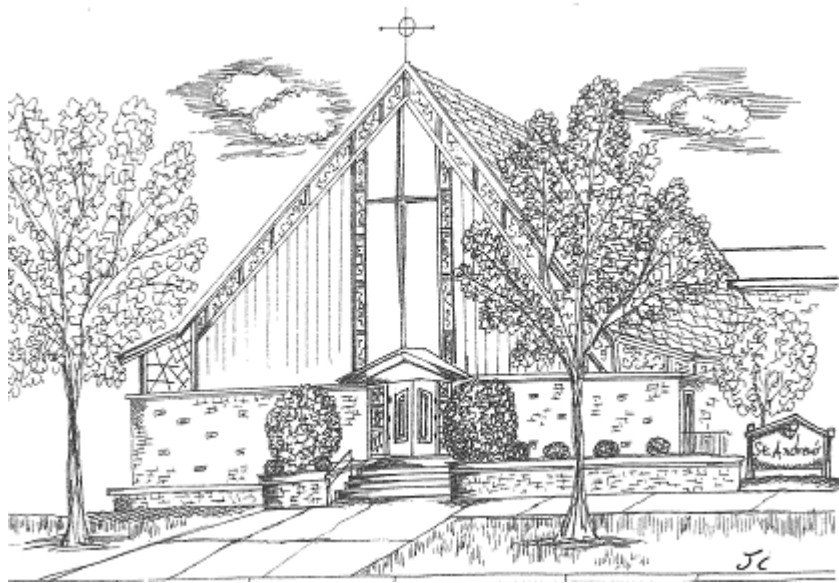


St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Building God's Kingdom through Worship, Outreach, and Fellowship

Our Vision: Devoted to sharing the transforming power of God's love
in our lives, our communities, and our world.



The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist

10:30 AM

July 20, 2025

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Note on today's liturgy

During July, we are drawing our Eucharistic prayer for each Sunday from Enriching Our Worship, a book of supplemental liturgies from The Episcopal Church. May these fresh words help you experience the good news in new ways!

10:30 AM Holy Eucharist

Prelude

Processional Hymn *Christ is the world's true light* Hymnal 542

After the hymn, children ages 4 through rising 5th graders are invited to follow the small cross to Children's Chapel in the parish hall.

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: ***Glory to God for ever and ever.***

Canticle B

A Song of Pilgrimage

Before I ventured forth, even while I was very young, *

I sought wisdom openly in my prayer.

In the forecourts of the temple I asked for her, *

and I will seek her to the end.

From the first blossom to early fruit, *

she has been the delight of my heart.

My foot has kept firmly to the true path, *

diligently from my youth have I pursued her.

I inclined my ear a little and received her; *

I found for my self much wisdom and became adept in her.

To the one who gives me wisdom will I give glory, *

for I have resolved to live according to her way.

*From the beginning I gained courage from her, *
therefore I will not be forsaken.
In my inmost being I have been stirred to seek her, *
therefore have I gained a good possession.
As my reward the Almighty has given me
the gift of language, *
and with it will I offer praise to God.*

Salutation

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God our shield and armor of light, whom we adore with all the angelic host: defend us from evil; watch over any who are in danger this day and give your angels charge over them; and grant that we may always rejoice in your heavenly protection and serve you bravely in the world; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

The First Reading

Genesis 18:1-10a

¹The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ²He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. ³He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." ⁶And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." ⁷Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who

hastened to prepare it.⁸ Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. ⁹ They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." ¹⁰ Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 15

¹ Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? *
who may abide upon your holy hill?

² Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, *
who speaks the truth from his heart.

³ There is no guile upon his tongue;
he does no evil to his friend; *
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.

⁴ In his sight the wicked is rejected, *
but he honors those who fear the Lord.

⁵ He has sworn to do no wrong *
and does not take back his word.

⁶ He does not give his money in hope of gain, *
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.

⁷ Whoever does these things *
shall never be overthrown.

¹⁵Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. ²¹And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him— ²³provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. ²⁴I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

King of glory, King of peace

Hymnal 382

The Gospel

Luke 10:38-42

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

³⁸As Jesus and his disciples went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." ⁴¹But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴²there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Anne R. Kirchmier

The Nicene Creed

BCP p. 358

Bidding the Prayers

Prayers of the People: Form III

BCP p. 387

Collect

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins to God.

Minister and People:

*God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.*

Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Announcements

Offertory Sentence

The Holy Communion

Offertory

The Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

The Great Thanksgiving

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 our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus

Hymnal S-130

Hymn numbers that begin with "S" can be found at the very front of the Hymnal.

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and the ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Andrew and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Blessed are you now and for ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: This is the true bread which comes down from
heaven and gives life to the world.

All: Whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Administration of Communion

Communion Stations

- To receive the common cup or just the wafer, come to the lectern side of the altar rail.
- To receive an intincted wafer, come to the pulpit side of the altar rail.

Gluten-free wafers are available. Just let clergy know that you need one.
In lieu of communion, you may receive a blessing at any station.

Hymns for Choir and Congregation

Morning has broken

Hymnal 8

There's a wideness in God's mercy

Hymnal 470

Postcommunion Prayer

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

God's blessing be with you, Christ's peace be with you,
the Spirit's outpouring be with you, now and always. ***Amen.***

Recessional Hymn *The Church's one foundation* Hymnal 525

Dismissal

Response: Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

If you choose to leave during the voluntary, please depart in reverent quiet.

*Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Carla Shamblen*

Service Participants

The Rev. Anne R. Kirchmier

The Rev. Marc Vance

The Rev. Carol Chamberlain

Lector: James Wilcox
Prayers: Nora Ann Lambiotte
Chalicers: James Wilcox, Nora Ann Lambiotte
Acolytes: Becky Fulcher, Edward Fulcher, Gwyneth Hinson,
Allen Fulcher
Ushers: Doug Vaughan, Al Roby
Greeter: Merrill and Ted Hemmert
Sound: Doug Burgoyne
Camera: Channing Guvernator

This Week at St. Andrew's

Tue., July 22	1:00 PM	Crafters group (parish library)
	7:00 PM	Vestry meeting (Parish Hall)
Wed., July 23	5:00 PM	Centering Prayer (parish library)
Thu., July 24	7:30 AM	Centering Prayer (parish library)
	1:00 PM	Game Day (Senior Lounge)

Announcements

Welcome, Matthew Frey!

Please join us in welcoming organist Matthew Frey who is filling in for Ginny Chilton today.

Summertime Children's Chapel

Summer Children's Chapel "Lite" is underway! Children ages 4 through rising 5th graders are dismissed to follow the small cross to children's chapel after the processional hymn. The theme for this Sunday is liturgical dance, presented by Vicki Lanier.

Summertime Forum: Humor in the Old Testament

Join John Herbst July 27 at 9:15 AM for the final installment of his summer Adult Forum: Humor in the Old Testament.

Book Study

A book study led by parishioner Chris Stewart is taking a critical look at the nuances of disability and the church. We are reading and discussing *My Body Is Not a Prayer Request* by Amy Kenny. The study meets in the library at 12 PM today and August 3, 17.

Preparing for Sunday, July 27, 2025 – Seventh Sunday After Pentecost. Readings: Genesis 18:20-32; Psalm 138; Colossians 2:6-19; Luke 11:1-13. Question for reflection: This week's lectionary texts all say that the sins of Sodom and Gomorrah were arrogance, excess food and leisure, injustice and inhospitality, and not helping the poor and oppressed. Why do you think rich and powerful church leaders in the Middle Ages and in modern times went against the Bible and taught that the sin of Sodom and Gomorrah was "homosexuality" (a word not invented until the late nineteenth century)?

Short vacation

Anne and John will be away Wednesday, July 23 through Saturday, July 26, visiting friends in Washington DC. They will be back in church next Sunday.

Response to Racism Team meets July 27

The Response to Racism Team will meet on Sunday, July 27, at 12 PM in the parish library. All are invited and encouraged to attend!

VBS Volunteer Orientation

There will be an orientation for Vacation Bible School volunteers on Sunday, July 27, at 1:00 PM at Hilton Presbyterian Church. Everyone volunteering at VBS should plan to attend!

School supply drive for Sedgefield Elementary

St. Andrew's is collecting school supplies to donate to our partner school, Sedgefield Elementary, where 91% of students come from low-income families. Boxes and signs are already in place in the Main Street lobby. If you want to take advantage of the Virginia Sales Tax Holiday for your purchases, it is August 1-3 this year. Supplies are due early--August 14--so Sedgefield staff has plenty of time to organize and distribute them. THANK YOU! Needed items:

crayons (24-pack)

markers

headphones

Clorox wipes

tissues

hand sanitizer

gallon or quart-sized Ziploc bags

clear backpacks in Elementary size (roughly 17"x12"x6")

Prayer Shawl Ministry news

A Prayer Shawl is a wonderful way someone can wrap up in a tangible reminder of our Lord's love and comfort, and that of this church family. The shawls are available for you to give to someone in situations of illness, stress, transition, or grief. Very few people are now making shawls and we are looking for new recruits. I know people value this ministry and we need help! You can join us at our Tuesday afternoon crafting group, but that is not required. Want to learn how to make a prayer shawl? We can teach you! To learn more about this ministry and get involved, contact Carol Chamberlain, mothercarolee@yahoo.com.

Confirmation classes begin Sept. 7

For a person who was Baptized at an early age, Confirmation provides an opportunity to make a “mature public affirmation of faith and the commitment to the responsibilities of Baptism,” (BCP 412). The new Confirmation class will meet in the library beginning on Sunday, September 7, between services, beginning at 9:15 AM. The process lasts approximately three months and covers things that are particular to the Episcopal tradition, basic theology, and the exercise of spiritual gifts. This class is appropriate for adults and teens nearing or recently passed age sixteen, for those who were Confirmed in another tradition, but have recently become Episcopalians (Reception), for those who feel compelled to reaffirm the commitment they made at some earlier time in their life (Reaffirmation) or for those who just want to know more about our Episcopal tradition. Please call the office or let Marc know if you have questions or are interested in making this important commitment to your faith.

