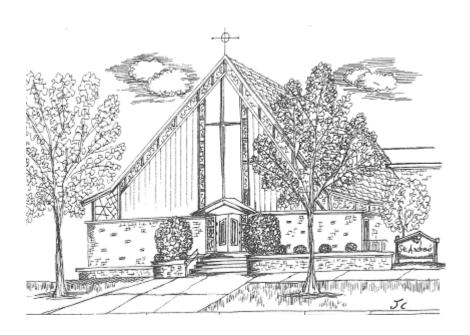
# St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

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 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist 10:30 AM July 6, 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

We gather together

Hymnal 433

## 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 give 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

<sup>10</sup>Thus says the Lord: Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her— <sup>11</sup>that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. <sup>12</sup>For thus says the Lord: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her

Isaiah 66:10-14

knees. <sup>13</sup>As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the Lord is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm Psalm 66:1-8

<sup>1</sup> Be joyful in God, all you lands; \* sing the glory of his Name; sing the glory of his praise.

- <sup>2</sup> Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! \* because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.
- <sup>3</sup> All the earth bows down before you, \* sings to you, sings out your Name."
- <sup>4</sup> Come now and see the works of God, \*
  how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.
- <sup>5</sup> He turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, \* and there we rejoiced in him.
- <sup>6</sup> In his might he rules for ever; his eyes keep watch over the nations; \* let no rebel rise up against him.
- <sup>7</sup> Bless our God, you peoples; \* make the voice of his praise to be heard;
- <sup>8</sup> Who holds our souls in life, \* and will not allow our feet to slip.

The Second Reading

Galatians 6:1-16

<sup>1</sup>My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. <sup>2</sup>Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. <sup>3</sup>For if those

who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. <sup>4</sup>All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. 5For all must carry their own loads. 6Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher. <sup>7</sup>Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. 8If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. 9So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup>So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. ¹See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! 12It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. <sup>13</sup>Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. 14 May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. 15 For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! <sup>16</sup>As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

During the hymn, children will gather in the aisle for the reading of the Gospel.

Gradual Hymn We walk by faith, not by sight Hymnal 209, v 1-2

## People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>1</sup>The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. <sup>2</sup>He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. <sup>3</sup>Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. 4Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. 5Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' 6And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup>Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. 8Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; 9cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' 10 But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 11'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' 16"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me." <sup>17</sup>The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" 18He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. 19See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. <sup>20</sup>Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gradual Hymn We walk by faith, not by sight Hymnal 209, v 3-4

The Children's Moment

The Homily The Rev. Marc Vance

The Nicene Creed BCP p. 358

Bidding the Prayers

Prayers of the People: Litany of Healing

We pray for all who suffer, especially those whom we now name, silently or aloud...

We pray for all who serve in the armed forces, especially Natalie, Caulen, Sarah, Andrew, Alan, Matthew, Tyler, and those whom we now name, silently or aloud...

We give thanks for Dan Waddill, Caroline Rous, and Melissa Sale, celebrating birthdays this week, and we ask for God's blessings upon them.

We pray for our partner school, Sedgefield Elementary. We pray for St. Augustine's, St. George's, and St. Mark's, our sister parishes in the Peninsula Ministry Partnership. In our Staff Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Jeffrey Jones, our building manager. In our Parish Cycle of Prayer, we pray for all of our Pastoral Care ministries. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of Nigeria.

We pray for those who have died, especially Bob Deans, Ken and Nina Hughes, Pen and Sis Deans, and Marguerite Carter, in whose memory today's altar flowers are given, and those whom we now name, silently or aloud...

Leader: God the Father, your will for all people is health and

salvation.

People: We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Leader: God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might

have it more abundantly;

People: We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Leader: God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your

presence;

People: We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Leader: Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our

being;

People: We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Leader: Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or

disabled, that they may be made whole;

People: Hear us, O Lord of life.

Leader: Grant to all who seek your guidance, and to all who are

lonely, anxious, or despondent, a knowledge of your will and

an awareness of your presence;

People: Hear us, O Lord of life.

Leader: Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional

distress to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit;

People: Hear us, O Lord of life.

Leader: Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the

suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and

patience;

People: Hear us, O Lord of life.

Leader: Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by

the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are

bereaved;

People: Hear us, O Lord of life.

Leader: Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in

our lives, in our nation, and in the world;

People: Hear us, O Lord of life.

Leader: Mindful of the harmful and fractious divisions within our

society, Lord, we pray for your healing. Help us to oppose

hatred and violence wherever we encounter them.

People: Hear us, O Lord of life.

Leader: You are the Lord who does wonders;

People: You have declared your power among the peoples.

Leader: With you, O Lord, is the well of life;

People: And in your light we see light.

Leader: Hear us, O Lord of life;

People: Heal us, and make us whole. Amen.

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 Gift of Love, arr. Hal Hopson

The Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly 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-125 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 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.

#### 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.

After receiving communion, you are invited to come to the healing station in the cloak room or St. Nicholas Chapel.

Hymns for Choir and Congregation

Let us break bread together Hymnal 325
I come with joy to meet my Lord Hymnal 304
Amazing grace! How sweet the sound Hymnal 671

## 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

Recessional Hymn God of our fathers Hymnal 718

Dismissal

Response: Thanks be to God.

Voluntary *Patriotic Medley*, arr. Johnson

Chad Lenz, handbells; Lois Reese, flute

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 Bob Deans, Ken & Nina Hughes, Pen & Sis Deans, and Marguerite K. Carter

#### **Service Participants**

The Rev. Anne R. Kirchmier The Rev. Marc Vance The Rev. Carol Chamberlain The Rev. Katherine T. Gray

Lector: Sarah Charlock

Prayers: Cris Oman

Chalicers: Diana Skelton, Nora Ann Lambiotte

Acolytes: Bill Wilds, Olivia Goodwin, Rachel Edquist,

Edward Fulcher, Allen Fulcher

Ushers: Rick Donaldson, Chris Robinson, Bob Wharton

Greeter: Gloria and Corky Brooks

Sound: Sarah Clifford

Camera: Channing Guvernator

#### This Week at St. Andrew's

Tue., July 8	1:00 PM	Crafters group (parish library)
Wed., July 9	5:00 PM	Centering Prayer (parish library)
Thu., July 10	7:30 AM	Centering Prayer (parish library)
	1:00 PM	Games (Senior Lounge)
Sat., July 12	10:30 AM	Funeral for Sydney Johnson

#### Announcements

#### New session of chair yoga starts today

Chair yoga begins a new eight week session today, July 6, at 5 PM. This class is open to adults of all ages and abilities. Cost is \$40. Please bring a mat (This is for chair stability; we don't get down on the floor!), block, strap, and resistance band. Please join us for this session, or plan now to attend the next session, which will begin after Labor Day.

#### **Book Study continues today**

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 on Sundays July 6, July 20, August 3, and August 17.

**Preparing for** Sunday, July 13, 2025 – Fifth Sunday After Pentecost Readings: Deuteronomy 30:9-14; Psalm 25:1-9; Colossians 1:1-14; Luke 10:25 -37. Question for reflection: How does the story of the compassionate Samaritan expand your understanding of who your neighbor may be? With whom do you identify most in this parable?

#### Summertime Children's Chapel

Beginning next Sunday, July 13, we will resume children's chapel but in a shorter format than what is offered during the school year. Children will begin worship in the sanctuary with their families, then, at the end of the first hymn and at the invitation of the clergy, follow the little cross to the Parish Hall for a short lesson and snack. Members of the parish representing various ministries at St. Andrew's are scheduled each Sunday to engage the children in learning about their area of ministry (for instance prayer shawls, liturgical dance, hospitality). On July 13th, Ginny Chilton is giving a Godly Play lesson on the Good Samaritan. Children will return to the sanctuary at the usual time, during announcements.

## Parish Retreat September 12-14 at Chanco

Everyone in our St. Andrew's community is invited to join in the magic of our annual parish retreat at Chanco on the James. The weekend will include intergenerational as well as age-appropriate programming, fellowship, devotion, recreation, and rest. We will conclude with Holy Eucharist on Sunday morning. Registration is online—just scan the



QR code or visit the St. Andrew's website. Financial assistance is available. For more info or help with registration, contact Ginny Chilton (music.minister.saec@gmail.com) or Charles Fulcher (charles.fulcher@gmail.com). Please register as soon as possible to ensure that there is room for you and your family. Becky and Charles Fulcher will be in the Narthex after both services on Sunday, July 13 to help folks register. Registration deadline is July 15.



## Hilton Area Churches Vacation Bible School

## July 28-31 5-8 pm Kid-Friendly Dinner Included!

Hilton Presbyterian & St. Andrew's Episcopal Churches - 34 & 45 Main Street

Our travelers will be taking a very special journey this summer as they learn the good news of God's love for all! Come enjoy wonderful crafts, music, recreation, science, and storytelling!

Help out by guiding our travelers from station to station throughout the evening.

Scan the QR code to volunteer.

Adults and youth age 12-17 are needed.

NOTE: Those older than 16 must have current Safe Church training, which is provided.





Registration is open from June 1 - July 11, but groups may close earlier if full. Scan the QR code to register.

VBS is open to children age 3 (and fully potty trained) to those who have just completed 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

We are seeking old road maps and street signs to help decorate for VBS. Be sure to put your name on any items you lend to VBS so we may return them.









#### **Items needed for VBS Decorations!**

We're taking a road trip this summer, and we'd love to decorate our spaces with items like the ones below. We're looking for large toy cars, old license plates or tires, empty bottles of car maintenance solutions, road signs (real or crafted), attraction brochures, and car tools/jumper cables.

