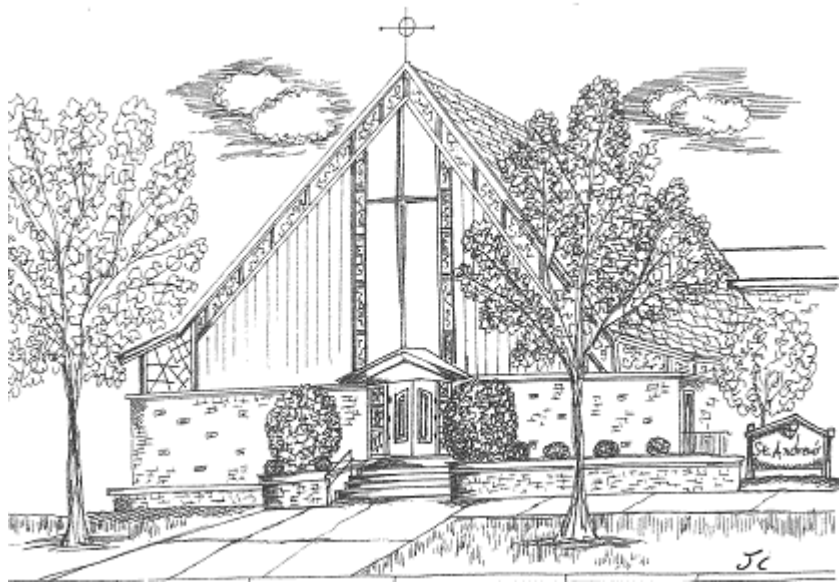


St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

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 Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

Holy Eucharist

10:30 AM

August 24, 2025

45 Main Street, Newport News, VA 23601

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Note on today's liturgy

During August, we are drawing our Eucharistic prayer for each Sunday from A New Zealand Prayer Book. May these fresh words help you experience the good news in new ways!

Thanksgiving for Creation and Redemption The Ministry of Word and Prayer

Prelude *Chant de Paix*, by J. Langlais

Processional Hymn *Father, we praise thee* Hymnal 1

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

The Gathering of the People

Celebrant: In the name of God: Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life.

People: ***Amen.***

Celebrant: Grace to you and peace from God our Creator, the love at our beginning and without end, in our midst and with us.

People: ***God is with us, here we find new life.***

Celebrant: Let us give thanks for the coming of God's reign of justice and love.

People: ***Jesus Christ is good news for the poor, release for the captives, recovery of sight for the blind, and liberty for those who are oppressed.***

Celebrant: Happy are those whose sins are forgiven, whose wrongs are pardoned.

People: ***I will confess my sins to the Lord, I will not conceal my wrongdoings.***

Silence

Celebrant: God forgives and heals us.

People: *We need your healing, merciful God: give us true repentance. Some sins are plain to us; some escape us; some we cannot face. Forgive us; set us free to hear your word to us; set us free to serve you.*

Celebrant: God forgives you. Forgive others; forgive yourself.

Silence

Celebrant: Through Christ, God has put away your sin; approach your God in peace.

The Collect of the Day

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading

Isaiah 58:9b-14

⁹If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. ¹²Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. ³If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own

interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; ¹⁴then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 103:1-8

¹ Bless the Lord, O my soul, *
and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.

² ***Bless the Lord, O my soul, *
and forget not all his benefits.***

³ He forgives all your sins *
and heals all your infirmities;

⁴ ***He redeems your life from the grave *
and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;***

⁵ He satisfies you with good things, *
and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

⁶ ***The Lord executes righteousness *
and judgment for all who are oppressed.***

⁷ He made his ways known to Moses *
and his works to the children of Israel.

⁸ ***The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.***

¹⁸You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰(For they could not endure the order that was given, “If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.”) ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I tremble with fear.”) ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. ²⁵See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.” ²⁷This phrase, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; ²⁹for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

The Christ who has died

Hymnal 447, v 1-2

Response: Praise and glory to God.

¹⁰Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹²When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." ¹³When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." ¹⁵But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" ¹⁷When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Response: Praise to Christ the Word.

Sequence Hymn *The Christ who has died* Hymnal 447, v 3-4

The Sermon The Rev. Anne R. Kirchmier

The Affirmation of Faith

You, O God, are supreme and holy.

You create our world and give us life.

Your purpose overarches everything we do.

You have always been with us. You are God.

You, O God, are infinitely generous, good beyond all measure.

*You came to us before we came to you.
You have revealed and proved your love for us in Jesus Christ,
who lived and died and rose again.
You are with us now. You are God.
You, O God, are Holy Spirit.
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.
You are our God. We worship you.*

Prayers of the People

We pray for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Susan, our bishop; Anne and Marc, our priests; Carol, John, Bernard, and Travis, our associate clergy; and Kathy, our deacon.

We give thanks for Maricar Whitley, Margaret Bivins, Mary Poole, and Scott Sawyer, celebrating birthdays this week; and we ask for God's blessings upon them. In our Staff Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Kurt Manos, our IT Director.

We pray for the children, staff, and families of 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 Parish Cycle of Prayer, we pray for all of our Finance Ministries. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, for the Church of the Province of South East Asia.

Blessed are you eternal God,
to be praised and glorified for ever.

Heavenly Father, hear us as we pray for the unity of the Church.
May we all be one that the world may believe.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you,

that the life of Christ may be revealed in us.

We pray for those who have died, especially those we now name, silently or aloud.... Father, into your hands

we commend them.

Remembering St. Andrew, we praise you for all your saints who have entered your eternal glory.

May we also come to share your heavenly kingdom.

Have compassion on those who suffer from sickness, grief or trouble.

In your presence may they find strength.

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

Look with your kindness on our homes and families.

Grant that your love may grow in our hearts.

Make us alive to the needs of our community.

Help us to share one another's joys and burdens.

We pray for Donald our president, and Glenn our governor. Inspire and lead those who hold authority in the nations of the world.

Guide us and all people in the way of justice and peace.

Strengthen all who minister in Christ's name.

Give us courage to proclaim your Gospel.

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

We pray in silence for our own needs....

Collect

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of God be with you all.

People: *In God's justice is our peace.*

Celebrant: Brothers and sisters, Christ calls us to live in unity.

People: *We seek to live in the Spirit of Christ.*

Announcements

Offertory Sentence

The Ministry of the Sacrament

Offertory *The Lord's My Shepherd*, by Bob Chilcott
Lindsey Nicolai, soprano

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 Preparation of the Gifts

Celebrant: God of all creation, you bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. By your Holy Spirit this bread and wine becomes for us the body and blood of Christ.

People: *All you have made is good. Your love endures for ever.*

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Spirit of God be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Lift your hearts to heaven

People: *where Christ in glory reigns.*

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to God.

People: *It is right to offer thanks and praise.*

It is right indeed to give you thanks most loving God, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, the first born from the dead, the pioneer of our salvation, who is with us always, one of us, yet from the heart of God. For with your whole created universe, we praise you for your unfailing gift of life. We thank you that you make us human and stay with us even when we turn from you to sin.

God's love is shown to us:

while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

In that love, dear God, righteous and strong to save, you came among us in Jesus Christ, our crucified and living Lord. You make all things new. In Christ's suffering and cross you reveal your glory and reconcile all peoples to yourself, their true and living God.

In your mercy you are now our God. Through Christ you gather us, new-born in your Spirit, a people after your own heart. We entrust ourselves to you, for you alone do justice to all people, living and departed.

Now is the acceptable time, now is the day of salvation.

Therefore with saints and martyrs, apostles and prophets, with all the redeemed, joyfully we praise you and say:

Sanctus

Hymnal S-130

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

All glory to you, Giver of life sufficient and full for all creation. Accept our praises, living God, for Jesus Christ, the one perfect offering for the world, who in the night that he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup; 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, to forgive sin. Do this as often as you drink it to remember me.

Therefore, God of all creation, in the suffering and death of Jesus our redeemer, we meet you in your glory. We lift up the cup of salvation and call upon your name. Here and now, with this bread and wine, we celebrate your great acts of liberation, ever present and living in Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come.

Amen! Come Lord Jesus.

May Christ ascended in majesty be our new and living way, our access to you, Father, and source of all new life. In Christ we offer ourselves to do your will. Empower our celebration with your Holy Spirit, feed us with your life, fire us with your love, confront us with your justice, and make us one in the body of Christ with all who share your gifts of love.

***Through Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Creator God. Amen.***

As Christ teaches us, we pray

***Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.***

The bread we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

***We who are many are one body,
for we all share the one bread.***

The cup of blessing for which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

The Invitation

Celebrant: Bread and wine; the gifts of God for the people of God.

***People: May we who share these gifts be found in Christ
and Christ in us.***

Administration of Communion

Communion Stations

- To receive the common cup or just the wafer, come to the lectern side of the altar rail.
- If you would rather not drink out of the common cup, come to the pulpit side of the altar, where the clergy person will dip your wafer in the wine.

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

O very God of very God

Hymnal 672

Pass it on

Words and Music by
Kurt Kaiser

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It on - ly takes a spark to get a fi - re go - ing,
What a won - drous time is spring when all the trees are bud - ding.
I wish for you, my friend, this hap - pi - ness that I've found.

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and soon all those a - round can warm up to its glow - ing; That's
The birds be - gin to sing, the flow - ers start their bloom - ing. That's
You can de - pend on Him, it mat - ters not where you're bound; I'll

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how it is with God's love, once you've ex - per - i - enced it: You
how it is with God's love, once you've ex - per - i - enced it: You
shout it from the moun - tain - top, I want my world to know: The

Em7

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spread His love to ev - 'ry - one, you want to pass it on.
want to sing, it's fresh like spring, you want to pass it on.
Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on.

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant: Most loving God, creator and redeemer, we give you thanks for this foretaste of your glory.

All: *Through Christ, and with all your saints, we offer ourselves and our lives to your service. Send us out in the power of your Spirit, to stand with you in your world. We ask this through Jesus Christ, the servant, our friend and brother. Amen.*

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn *Singing songs of expectation* Hymnal 527

The Dismissal of the Community

Clergy: Grace be with you.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Clergy: Go in peace.

People: *Amen. We go in the name of Christ.*

Voluntary *Prelude to Medieval Suite, by J. Langlais*

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 honor of Mary Poole*

Service Participants

The Rev. Anne R. Kirchmier

The Rev. Marc Vance

The Rev. Katherine T. Gray

Ginny Chilton, *Minister of Music*

Lector: Nora Ann Lambiotte
Prayers: James Maxwell
Chalicers: Nora Ann Lambiotte, Becky Fulcher
Acolytes: Becky Fulcher, Oscar Clifford, Brianna Clifford
Ushers: Graham Ferguson, Walter Deal, Greg Edwards
Greeters: Susan and Ron Nixon
Sound: Cris Oman
Camera: Channing Guvernator

This Week at St. Andrew's

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| Tue. Aug. 26 | 1:00 PM | Crafter's Group |
| | 7:00 PM | Vestry meeting |
| Wed., Aug. 27 | 5:00 PM | Centering Prayer |
| Thur., Aug. 28 | 7:30 AM | Centering Prayer |
| | 1:00 PM | Games in the Sr Lounge |

Announcements

Summertime Children's Chapel

During the 10:30 service, children ages 4 through rising 5th graders are dismissed to follow the small cross to children's chapel after the processional hymn. Today's theme is the Prodigal Son, led by Ginny Chilton.

Response to Racism Team meets today

Our Response to Racism Team will meet today following the 10:30 service in the parish library. All are encouraged to join us!

Quilt blessing today

This morning we will have the privilege of blessing quilts made by Peninsula Angel Quilters, an organization that makes and donates quilts to local kids in need. The quilts are distributed by agencies such as Social Services, and fire and police departments. The quilters are all volunteers and funded solely through donations. They meet every Tuesday and Thursday from 10 AM to 4 PM in the basement here at St. Andrew's. To learn more, stop by on a Tuesday or Thursday or email pen.angelquilters@gmail.com.

Children's Chapel teaching team meeting today

The teachers and assistants for children's chapel will meet after the 10:30 service in the parish hall for our bi-annual planning meeting. This includes teachers for our weekly children's chapel for ages 4-10 as well as our new monthly tween class.

Preparing for Sunday, August 31, 2025 – Sunday, August 24, 2025 – Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost. Readings: Isaiah 58:9b-14; Psalm 103:1-8; Hebrews 12:18-29, 15-16; Luke 13:10-17. Question for reflection: The writer of Hebrews says that God is a “consuming fire” (Heb. 12:29). Why is this good news?

Cub Scouts return to St. Andrew's!

Scouting is returning to St. Andrew's! Pack 242 of Newport News, in existence since 1942, has decided to make St Andrews their new home church. Cub Scouts, part of Scouting America (previously Boy Scouts of America) has about 40 active cubs, both boys and girls. James Maxwell & Ginny Chilton and their children have been active in this pack for four years and James is the current Cub Master. The Pack will be meeting on Monday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 starting September 8. If you know a boy or girl in kindergarten through 5th grade who might be interested in joining, please contact Ginny Chilton, music.minister@standrews-episcopal.org.