

**Fourth Sunday in Lent  
March 19, 2023, 10:00 a.m.  
Holy Eucharist Rite II**



*Welcome to this morning's worship!*

*Thank you for joining us today. If you are new to our service, please take a moment to fill out our visitor's card so we can get to know you. Please use this bulletin, the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP), and the blue Hymnal to follow along in worship. Nursery care is available down the stairs at the back of the church. Activity bags are available at the back of the church to keep little hearts and hands engaged.*

**St. Andrew's Episcopal Church**  
*Feeding the Hungry — Welcoming the Stranger*  
*Being Transformed by God*

## An Invitation to a Holy Lent

**The Season of Lent** is set aside as a time of renewal, repentance, and remembrance. During Lent, we are invited to deepen our awareness of God's presence in our lives, and to draw closer to God. Traditionally, Christians have done this by choosing to make sacrifices or add disciplines of Bible reading and study, fasting, or prayer. Lent is also a time for reflection, a time to discover and remove the self-made barriers that keep us from experiencing God more fully. Throughout Lent, the worship services are still joyful, but more subdued. The church hangings are purple, the word "Alleluia" is not used in the liturgy or the hymns, and our altars are not adorned with flowers. These practices help the worshipping community mark this as a season for remembering God's gifts of mercy and grace.

### Prelude

#### **Opening Hymn** (*Please stand as you are able.*)

*O for a thousand tongues to sing*

Hymnal 493

#### **The Opening Acclamation**

BCP p. 355

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People* ***God's mercy endures for ever. Amen.***

### **Kyrie**

Hymnal S-96

#### **The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

#### **The Children's Procession**

*Jesus loves me*

*Children in Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to a children's ministry time. They will process out of the church for Godly Play, a Montessori-based teaching method using stories from the Bible.*

## The Word of God

**The First Reading** (*Please be seated.*)

Ephesians 5:8–14

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 23** (*sung by all*)

Tone VII



- 1 *The Lord is my / shepherd; \*  
I shall / not be in want.*
- 2 *He makes me lie down in green / pastures \*  
and leads me be- / side still waters.*
- 3 *He revives / my soul \*  
and guides me along right pathways / for his Name's sake.*
- 4 *Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no / evil; \*  
for you are with me; your rod and your / staff, they comfort me.*
- 5 *You spread a table before me in the presence of those who / trouble me; \*  
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is / running over.*
- 6 *Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of / my life, \*  
and I will dwell in the house of the / Lord for ever.*

## Gradual Hymn

*Amazing Grace* (v. 1)

Hymnal 671

**The Holy Gospel** (*standing*)

John 9:1-41

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

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

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As

long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet."

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains."

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

### **Gradual Hymn**

*Amazing Grace (v. 4)*

Hymnal 671

**The Sermon** (*seated*)

The Rev. Pamela Haynes

**The Nicene Creed** (*standing*)

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**The Prayers of the People (Form IV)**

BCP p. 388

*O Lord, Hear My Prayer (sung by all)*

*Taizé*

*O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer; when I call answer me.*

*O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer; come and listen to me.*

*(Sing three times.)*

**The Confession and Absolution**

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**The Peace**

**Announcements**

### **The Holy Communion**

**Offertory Anthem**

*If ye love me*

David Ashley White

*If ye love me keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father and he shall give you another*

*Comforter, that he may abide with you forever: Even the Spirit of truth.*

*If ye love me, keep my commandments.*

Choir Ensemble

**At the Presentation**

*The Doxology*

Hymnal 380, v. 3

## The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

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*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 God thanks and praise.***

## Sanctus

*Holy, holy, holy (sung by all)*

WLP 785

*(Sing three times.)*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dore you! My  
heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.

## The Lord's Prayer

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## The Breaking of the Bread

*We are offering Communion in both kinds. If you do not want to receive Communion but would like to come forward for a blessing, come to either side of the altar rail and place your arms across your chest in the form of an "X" or cross.*

## Communion Hymns

*I heard the voice of Jesus (sung by all)*

Hymnal 692

*O splendor of God's glory bright (sung by choir)*

Hymnal 5

*My shepherd will supply my need (sung by all)*

Hymnal 664

## Postcommunion Prayer

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## Lenten Blessing

May the One who suffers with the sin of the world pour grace upon you that your life may reveal the power of God's love, and the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you this day and forever. *Amen.*

## Closing Hymn

*Let us all with one accord*

Hymnal 147

## The Dismissal

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## Postlude

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**Acolytes:** Matthew Anderson, Molly Anderson, Levi Haynes, Jonathan Spinks. **Readers:** Jorge Chaires, AmyRuth McGraw. **Lay Eucharistic Ministers:** Linda Cummer, Ann Herman. **Verger:** George Hanna. **Ushers:** Charles Kappauf, Rob Moore, Amelia Menston-Sambola, Jankoba Sambola, Richtina Kpangbai. **Greeters and Newcomer Hosts:** Fran Swan, Lois Washburn. **Altar Guild Members:** Dottie Clark, Lisa Garrett, Margaret Horne, Cindy Shane, Johnetta Shablack, Barb Watkins.

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## **We Pray For**

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

*What comes to many minds when seeing a reference to Anglicans in South Africa is the late Archbishop Desmond Tutu and the Church's witness to end apartheid, and that's fair enough. But the Anglican Church in South Africa has a long, rich, and sometimes controversial history. (Its variation on the perennial "Christ and culture" debate led to the first Lambeth Conference of Anglican bishops worldwide in 1867, called to stem the potential schism... and led to our hymn 525, "The church's one foundation" – see verse 3.) Moreover, this province extends beyond South Africa; it also includes Namibia, Lesotho, and Eswatini (formerly Swaziland).*

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** St. Stephen's, Erwin; Trinity Church, Fuquay-Varina

**Those on our parish prayer list:** Mary Stalter, Norma Bullock, Moira Ermentrout, Maria Wilmoth, Johnetta Shablack, Jimmye Olivey, Patrick and Margaret Miller, Ed Morea, Cindy Shane, Julie Dameron, Traci and Erik, Barbara Cernansky, Ella Janssen, Dick Montgomery, Gabriel, Carol Phillips, Charles Claunch, Libby Eberhard, Gwen Snead, Ali Avery, Martha Barrineau, Barbara Van Cleve, George Ellison, David Heflin, Jeff Cummer, Charles Kelshaw, David McGraw, Mark Martin, Jeff Richardson, Dorcus Payne, Maureen Morea, Carolyn Ritchie, Sadique Jaffer, Betty Atwell, Eva Harris

**Those serving in our military:** Tom Stauffer, Paul Zeigler, Stephen Johnson, Benjamin Phillips, Kenneth Gearhart, Alex Reyes, Catharyn Nosek

**Those expecting:** Lindsay Eanes Schipper and Keith Schipper, daughter and son-in-law of Lee Eanes

**Birthdays:** Owen Carter, Carolyn Hackett, Pam Haynes, Henry Klett, Michael Klett, Corinth Milikin, Bob Mills, Jacob Perkins, Kacy Ramirez

**Anniversaries:** Danny and Susan Frye

*Please send prayer requests to Susan at [parish@standrewsgso.org](mailto:parish@standrewsgso.org) or 336-275-1651, ext. 1. Names remain on our parish prayer list for six weeks. If you would like a name to be on the list for longer, please let Susan know. Please also tell Susan if a birthday or anniversary has been missed in the bulletin.*



## Today

### **Called to Compassion Class:** *The Cloister, 11:15 a.m.*

This Lent, we are considering together our call to compassion as a critical part of the Christian life. Compassion literally means “to suffer with.” Human history and our own experience make clear that compassion is not our natural state of being, but a choice about how to live in and engage the world. This class is designed to help us grow in compassion as individuals and a community that follows Christ. We have an excellent teaching team and will meet in the Cloister at 11:15 a.m. on Sundays. The Rev. John de Beer will be teaching today on self-compassion in the midst of turmoil.

### **Wholehearted Parenting Class:** *Herman Hall (downstairs), 11:15 a.m.*

*If you missed a class or cannot attend all classes, please attend on the Sundays you can.*

*We will have handouts from previous classes available each week.*

How do we grow healthy, resilient children, youth, and young adults who seek and serve Christ in all persons, who love their neighbors, who strive for justice and peace, and who respect the dignity of others? Our Wholehearted Parenting class explores the research of Dr. Brené Brown on vulnerability and authenticity, integrating science and spirituality into positive parenting practices. The offering includes time for shared reflection and conversation and is a great forum for meeting other St. Andrew’s parents. We will gather right after worship, and childcare is provided. Please contact Martha Chaires ([martha@standrewsgso.org](mailto:martha@standrewsgso.org)) with questions.



*“Be kind and compassionate to one another,  
forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.”*

*Ephesians 4:32*

### **Offerings in Lent**

#### ***Sundays***

Worship, 10 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Called to Compassion class, 11:15 a.m. (Cloister)

Wholehearted Parenting class, 11:15 a.m. (Herman Hall)

#### ***Wednesdays***

Lenten Wednesday Eucharists, 12 p.m. (Chapel)

#### **March Madness 2023: Compassion Edition Food Drive is Underway**

It is that time of year again! The NCAA championship has begun. Instead of filling out a bracket, vote for the conference that will win the National Championship, and love your neighbor at the same time by participating in our Lenten food drive. Please bring non-perishable food items to the Parish Hall and put them in the box marked with the conference of your choice. The food will be delivered to One Step Further food pantry, one of our partners in ministry. Let’s show compassion for those who are hungry and see if St. Andrew’s can pick this year’s winner. Drop off on Sundays and during office hours, Tuesday-Thursday, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

#### **Sign Up by Monday for Our Lenten Soup Supper—Wednesday, March 22, 6 p.m.**

We will gather for a light meal of soup and grilled cheese sandwiches this Wednesday, March 22, at 6 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Come enjoy supper and conversation with your church family. There is no charge; love offering donations will be given to Abundant Life Ministries. **Please sign up at <https://bit.ly/LentenSoupSupper2023> by tomorrow, March 19, to help us plan.**

## Announcements

### **Parish Seniors & Youth—Save the Date for a Get-Together Sunday, March 26!**

Our church's youth would like to invite all parish seniors to a dinner and game night hosted by the EYC and everyone's favorite chef, Charles Kappauf. Come enjoy a selection of the youth group's favorite Glory Ridge dinners and give us a chance to get to know you better. We hope to see you there. Details coming soon!

### **We Did It! Coins of Compassion Has Surpassed Our Goal!**

Thank you to all who have donated change and bills to our EYC's coin drive to pay off Lindley Elementary School's student lunch debt. Thanks to your generosity, the youth have collected over \$778, surpassing their goal of \$750, which was the amount of the lunch debt when the drive began. Although they will not continue collecting coins on Sunday mornings, donations still will be accepted and will be applied to the debt, which has increased and will accrue through the school year. **Please contact Martha Chaires [martha@standrewsgso.org](mailto:martha@standrewsgso.org) to donate or bring your gift to the parish office during office hours.**

### **Support the Altar Guild with Easter Flower Dedications**

One of the duties of St. Andrew's Altar Guild is to decorate our worship space for special services, including Easter. On this festive day, we would like the church altar to be full of beautiful flowers, especially lilies. We invite you to support the Altar Guild with an honorary or memorial Easter Flower Offering. The bulletin for Easter Sunday will list all donors and dedications. Gifts should be received by **Thursday, March 30**, and may be made online at <https://bit.ly/2023AGEasterFlowers>, at church using the special flower envelopes in the pews, or by mail (see our website or eNews for instructions).

### **Let's Gather for Breakfast on Thursday, March 30**

All are invited to a (second!) monthly breakfast gathering at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 30, at Green Valley Grill. RSVP to Charles Kelshaw (336-549-7652, [drgandolf2003@yahoo.com](mailto:drgandolf2003@yahoo.com)) or Jean Phelps ([4jwphelps@gmail.com](mailto:4jwphelps@gmail.com)). We have reserved a men's table and a women's table, and all are invited to gather for food and fellowship.

### **No Fooling! Join Us for Work & Lunch on April 1 — Please Sign Up!**

#### ***Saturday, April 1, 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m., Followed by Lunch***

We will have a parish workday on the morning of April 1, followed by lunch for all workers. Your help is needed! We will spread pine needles in bedding areas and mulch on the playground, move pine straw bales and mulch, and tackle lighter jobs such as cleaning the small porches. There is no shortage of jobs for everyone and every skill level. **Please sign up at <https://bit.ly/StAWorkday2023> to help us plan for our work and meal.**

## **Join Us for Our Youth Summer Mission 2023**

### ***June 11–16, Asheville Youth Mission***

We have exciting summer plans for our youth. This year we will go to Asheville Youth Mission, June 11–16. The opportunity is open to youth in seventh grade and older. If your child is interested in attending, please contact Martha Chaires ([martha@standrewsgso.org](mailto:martha@standrewsgso.org)) to sign up.

### **An Invitation to Attend Cursillo – April 20–23, Camp Walter Johnson in Denton, NC**

The word Cursillo means “a short course.” It is a spiritual renewal ministry in the Episcopal Church that presents a short course to help men and women understand their calling to grow deeper in their relationship with God, and it supports an ongoing development of Christian leadership. During the weekend, participants experience community as they pray, sing, and learn how the community of faith experiences God’s love. To learn more, email Deacon Pam ([deacon@standrewsgso.org](mailto:deacon@standrewsgso.org)) or [NorthCarolinaCursillo@gmail.com](mailto:NorthCarolinaCursillo@gmail.com). Visit [nccursillo.org](http://nccursillo.org) to apply and to see a video message from Bishop Curry about Cursillo. Scholarships are available.

## **Supporting St. Andrew’s**

### **Everything We Do is Because of You**

Thank you for your continued gifts that sustain St. Andrew’s and our outreach in the community. Please contact Ray Marsh ([bookkeeper@standrewsgso.org](mailto:bookkeeper@standrewsgso.org)) with any questions about your giving. To make a new gift or to continue your pledge, visit [abundant.co/standrewsepiscopalch/give](http://abundant.co/standrewsepiscopalch/give) or scan the QR code at right. Checks may be mailed to St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church Bookkeeper, 2105 W. Market St., Greensboro, NC 27403.



## **Join Us for Holy Week and Easter**

- April 2 Palm Sunday Service, 10 a.m.
- April 6 Maundy Thursday Service, 7 p.m.
- April 7 Good Friday Service, 12 p.m.
- April 9 Easter Sunday Service, 10 a.m.  
Easter Egg Hunt after church

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