Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024

Holy Eucharist Rite II



St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Feeding the Hungry – Welcoming the Stranger Being Transformed by God

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.

Prelude

Introit (sung by choir ensemble) Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

Saunder Choi Words by Percy Deamer

Draw us in the Spirit's tether, For when humbly in your name, Two or three are met together, You are in the midst of them; Alleluia, alleluia! Touch we now your garment's hem. As the brethren used to gather In the name of Christ to sup, Then with thanks to God the Father Break the bread and bless the cup, Alleluia, alleluia! So knit thou our friendship up.

r meals and all our living as sacraments of thee, ry caring, helping, giving, ay true disciples be. ia, alleluia! ill serve thee faithfully.

Opening Hymn (*Please stand as you are able.*) *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia. Almighty God to you all bearts are open all desires known

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.*

Hymnal 390

BCP p. 355

Song of Praise

Celtic Alleluia

Sung by choir and congregation as follows: Refrain (all), Verse (cantor), Refrain (all)



Verse 1 (cantor): The Word of the Lord lasts forever. What is the Word that is living? It is brought to us through his Son Jesus Christ.

Refrain (all): (See above.)

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Children's Procession

Children in grades K–5 are invited to a children's ministry time. They will process out of the church together and go to the classroom hall for Godly Play (K–2) and Kids of the Kingdom (3–5), returning for the Eucharistic Prayer.

Jesus loves me (sung by all)

The Word of God

The First Reading

1 John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 98 (sung by ensemble) Anglican Chant Psalter #223, by George A. Macfarren Sing to the Lord a new song, * for he has done marvelous things. With his right hand and his holy arm * has he won for himself the victory. The Lord has made known his victory; * his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations. *He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel,* * and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; * lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing. Sing to the Lord with the harp, * with the harp and the voice of song. With trumpets and the sound of the horn * shout with joy before the King, the Lord. Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, * the lands and those who dwell therein. Let the rivers clap their hands, * and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth. In righteousness shall he judge the world * and the peoples with equity.

Gradual Hymn (*Please stand as you are able.*) God is love, and where true love is (vv. 1–2)

The Holy Gospel

Deacon The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

Hymnal 577

John 15:9–17

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

CelebrantThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

Gradual Hymn

God is love, and where true love is $(v. 3)$	Hymnal 577
The Sermon (seated)	The Rev. Tricia de Beer
The Nicene Creed (Please stand as you are able.)	BCP p. 358
The Prayers of the People Form III (standing or kneeling)	BCP p. 387

Throughout the Great Fifty Days of Easter the Confession of Sin is omitted.

The Peace

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

あしたこそ(Tomorrow we will)

相澤直人作曲 (Music by Naoto Aizawa) 工藤直子作詩 (Words by Naoko Kudo)

ひかりを おでこに	With light on
くっつけて	Its brow
はなひらく ひを	Dreaming of
ゆめにみて	The day of blooming
たんぽぽわたげが	Dandelion fluffs
まいあがります	Soar into the sky
とんでいこう どこまでも	Let's fly as far as we can
あした	To meet
たくさんの「こんにちは」に	Lots of "Hello"s
であうために.	Tomorrow

At the Presentation

The Doxology

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

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, two times)



The Lord's Prayer

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 (sung by all)

I come with joy to meet my LordHymnal 304God has spoken to his peopleHymnal 536Lord, make us servants of your peaceHymnal 593

Postcommunion Prayer

Easter Blessing

God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us eternal life, give you joy and peace in your faith; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

BCP p. 367

WLP 785

BCP p. 365

The Dismissal

Postlude

We welcome the Rev. Tricia de Beer as preacher today.

Music Notes: Today's worship music highlights the rich musical contributions of Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) composers. Chosen in honor of AAPI Heritage Month, the works represent East Asia (Japan) and Pacific Islands / Southeast Asia (Philippines), two of the many regions under the AAPI banner. You can learn more about the composers of today's selections in our Weekly eNews, posted on our website.

Acolytes: Sam Inman, Lindy Taylor. Readers: Ashley Ellin, Tommy Webb. Chalicists: Barbara Lawless, Anne Webb. Verger: Debbie Dowd. Ushers: Lee Eanes, Joe Graves, Nancy Kimbrough, Roger Kimbrough, Sandy Shelton. Greeter & Newcomer Host: Jon Anderson. Altar Guild: Carolyn Hackett, Judy Hackett, Anne Jones, Linda Van Ormer, Gail Walters. Livestream Team: Jorge Chaires, Tim Fleming.

The flowers at the altar today are given to the Glory of God by Pat and Joe Stultz in thanksgiving for their grandchildren.

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We Pray For

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

The Portuguese permitted the Church of England to establish chaplaincies in Brazil (for Anglo-Brazilians only) in 1810. Only after the separation of church and state in Brazil in 1889 was the Virginia Theological Seminary able to send missionaries to Brazilians in Porto Alegre, and the Anglican church began to emerge. Anglicans in Brazil remained a missionary diocese of the Episcopal Church in the United States until 1965, when it became its own province within the Anglican Communion. In recent years its stance as an "inclusive" church has led to schism, and the Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil, our sister province, is not to be confused with the Anglican Church in Brazil.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Christopher's and St. Mary's, High Point; St. Matthew's, Hillsborough

Those on our parish prayer list: Mary Stalter; Norma Bullock; Moira Ermentrout; Maria Wilmoth; Jimmye Olivey; Patrick and Margaret Miller; Ed Morea; Julie Dameron; Traci and Erik; Barbara Cernansky; Ella Janssen; Gabriel; Charles Claunch; Libby Eberhard; Gwen Snead; Barbara Van Cleve; David Heflin; Jeff Cummer; Charles Kelshaw; David McGraw; Maureen Morea; Carolyn Ritchie; Betty Atwell; Eva Harris; Harold Johnson; Bob Emmaus; Judy Gecinger; Liz Wert; Carol Phillips; Leslie Deaton; Ed Phelps; Tom Walton; Mack Baker; Amber Morales; Lauren; Downs Brown Jr.; Martha and

Jim Kaley; Nancy O'Donnell; Tina Sink Gangi; Florine; Vickie; Heather; Victoria; Dean Barrett; Bob; Leslie; Johnetta Shablack; Doug Baker; Erik Flak; Elizabeth Nevius; Frank Tatem; Pauline Tatum; Jim Tatum; Kenya; Terrance Horne; Margaret Ann Horne; Pia; Henry, Christine, and Emily Davis-Potter; Harry Barrineau; Linda Heller; Macy Maness and Palmer Rose; Katelyn Flowers

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

The departed: Phillip Marion, father of Tim Marion; Donald Chase, brother of Clotelle Goring

Birthdays: Beth Berger, Lisa Garrett, Charles Kappauf, Sandy Shelton, Tommy Webb

Anniversary: John and Becca Redding

Prayer requests can be sent to Susan Frye, Parish Administrator, at parish@standrewsgso.org or 336-275-1651, *ext. 1. Please also contact Susan with birthdays and anniversaries for the bulletin.*

Today & Tonight

Join us for Coffee Hour & "Celebrating Women in Ministry" – All-Parish Formation Offering

In preparation for *The Philadelphia Eleven*,* we will host a special program today after worship. Join us for coffee, refreshments, and a panel discussion celebrating women's ministry, with Rev. Julie Peeples, the Rev. Tricia de Beer, and the Rev. Barbara Cooke (panelists) and Rev. Ginny as moderator. We look forward to this discussion and Thursday's screening event as opportunities to celebrate our women bishops, priests, and deacons, and to acknowledge what it has taken for them to get where they are.

EYC Field Day, Mellow Mushroom Pizza, & Ice Cream-Tonight at 5 p.m., Rain or Shine

Ten ridiculous games are ready to go, pie pans are filled with whipped cream, and Mellow Mushroom delivery is scheduled. All this can only mean one thing—our third annual EYC Field Day is here! Join us tonight at 5, *rain or shine*, for fun, friendly competition and all the pizza and ice cream your heart could desire! *Wear clothes that you can move in and prepare to get silly*.

Announcements

Join us Thursday for *The Philadelphia Eleven** Film Screening—May 9 in Our Parish Hall *Film begins at 7 p.m. — Light refreshments will be served at 6 p.m.*

In celebration of the 50th anniversary of women's ordination in the Episcopal Church, we will host a screening of *The Philadelphia Eleven*. The **Rev. Marie Moorefield Fleischer**, one of the original eleven will join us. All are invited. *Please contact the Rev. Barbara Cooke at bjcookenc@me.com with questions*.

* **About the story and the film:** In 1974, in an act of civil disobedience, a group of eleven women and their supporters organized their ordination to become Episcopal priests. The Philadelphia Eleven is a new film that documents their story. Watch the trailer at <u>philadelphiaelevenfilm.com</u> and join us May 9!

RSVP by May 8 for Dinner at Bravo! with St. Agatha / St. Mary's ECW-May 13

As a May tradition, the St. Agatha & St. Mary's chapter of the Episcopal Church Women will be going out for dinner on **Monday**, **May 13**, our last get-together until September. RSVP is required for this event, which will be at 6:00 p.m. at **Bravo! Italian Kitchen** in the Shoppes at Friendly. *RSVP by phone*, *text, or email to Betty Atwell by May 8, at* 336-706-7375, *or* <u>*blmatwell@aol.com*</u>.

The New Day Singers' Return in Concert—May 12 at 6 p.m. in St. Andrew's Sanctuary

Come hear our favorite a cappella ensemble perform in St. Andrew's sanctuary on May 12 at 6 p.m. Join The New Day Singers as they present *Echoes of Eternity: Melodies for a New Day*. This collection of classic and newfound pieces explores the different aspects of what makes us all human—love, loss, connection, joy, humor, and hope. The concert is free, and donations are welcome. We hope to see you there!

Share a Dish with Abundant Life Community Dinner—Tuesday, May 14

At St. Andrew's we are committed to "feeding the hungry, welcoming the stranger, and being transformed by God." We help fulfill this mission by partnering with Episcopal churches in Greensboro to cook for Abundant Life's community dinners at the Church of the Holy Spirit. Our next turn is **May 14**, and we are now seeking cooks! To help, simply fill a 9x13 disposable pan with a favorite dish, put it in the church kitchen freezer by the morning of *May 12*, and you will have fed the hungry, welcomed the stranger, *and* been transformed by God. *Sign up at <u>https://bit.ly/AbundantLifeStA</u>. Questions? Contact Barbara Cooke at 336-521-0040 or bjcooke58@gmail.com.*

Get Ready for Pentecost & Our All-Parish Picnic Potluck-May 19

On Pentecost, we celebrate the birthday of the Church and the coming of the Holy Spirit. Join us for worship and stay for our all-parish party and potluck on May 19. We'll have food, fellowship, and festivities for kids young and old. On this special Sunday, we'll also offer **church tours** and an opportunity to take or update your **church directory photo**. Wear red and **bring a dish to share, according to the first letter of your last name – A–J: Main Dishes; K–R: Sides & Salads; S–Z: Desserts.**

Who in Your World is Graduating? Send Us Your Grads' Names by May 28

As part of our Youth Sunday service on June 9, we will pray for and recognize all Class of 2024 high school and higher ed graduates. *Please help us complete our list of graduates. Email the first and last name, school name, and degree to parish@standrewsgso.org, subject line "Class of 2024," by May 28 for inclusion in the June 9 bulletin.* You are also welcome to include a sentence about your grad's hopes, dreams, or next steps. We look forward to celebrating these milestones.

There's No Youth Sunday without You! Be Part of Our Service & Celebration of Seniors-June 9

On June 9 we will celebrate our youth, especially our graduating seniors, with Youth Sunday. We have a few special projects in mind but we're calling all *readers, musicians, and singers* to step up to the plate. We need *you* to help make this celebration truly special. If you've ever wanted to read in church, wondered what it might be like to pass the offering plates, or even wanted to sing in the choir, reach out to Martha Chaires at <u>martha@standrewsgso.org</u>, and she'll make it happen.

VBS Signup is Live for Compassion Camp-What Every Living Thing Needs, August 5-9

Hours: 9 a.m.–12 p.m. Ages: 3–10 yrs. old Cost: \$50 / child (scholarships available) All kids ages 3-10 are invited to join us for our Vacation Bible School offering for 2024, Compassion Camp—What Every Living Thing Needs. Volunteer storytellers, craft supervisors, singers, dancers, shepherds, and general lovers of kids aged 3– 10 are also needed! If you would like to volunteer for a wonderful week of worship, compassion, learning, and fun, contact <u>martha@standrewsgso.org</u>. To sign up your camper scan the QR Code or visit <u>https://bit.ly/StAVBS2024</u>.



Episcopal Breakfasts at Greensboro Urban Ministry-Your Support is Vital

Episcopal volunteers gather before dawn every Tuesday to prepare and provide breakfast to 150 people who are struggling through the deprivations of life without stable housing. The cost to provide each meal is currently \$312 and donations are needed. Gifts can be made by mail (Greensboro Urban Ministry, 305 W. Gate City Blvd., Greensboro 27406); phone (to Tori Kallam, 346-271-5959, ext. 320); and online (greensborourbanministry.org/donate). Be sure to note "Episcopal Breakfast" as recipient.

Bedding and Blankets Needed for YWCA Family Shelter—Look for the "D.O.K. Donation Stations" The Daughters of the King have accepted responsibility for supplying bedding for the YWCA Family Shelter. New families experiencing homelessness are provided fresh bedding on arrival at the shelter, and take the bedding with them to their eventual "real" home. *Please bring bagged donations of new and gently used twin, double, and queen bedding to our new "D.O.K. Donation Stations"* (1) on the classroom hall by the Godly Play Room, and (2) in the room next to the nursery, downstairs.

Some Souper Good News

Our soup sale was a success and enabled us to transfer \$2,800 to the Mission and Outreach account for the Safi family from Afghanistan. We value their life experiences and work together to help the parents and five young girls to have a happy life in their new home. We also were able to donate 18 quarts of soup to Abundant Life Ministries. A big **Thank You** to our soup chefs (including chef John Drees from The Corner Farmers Market), our soup sellers, and our soup buyers. Together you made it happen!

Thank You for Your Gifts to St. Andrew's

Our mission and ministry are sustained by your giving. To give to St. Andrew's you may scan the QR code at right, visit **abundant.co/standrewsepiscopalch/give**, or mail a check to *St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Bookkeeper*, 2105 W. *Market St., Greensboro, NC* 27403. For questions about your giving, contact Ray Marsh at **bookkeeper@standrewsgso.org**.



Save these Dates – Details Coming Soon!

EfM Graduation Asheville Youth Mission Week St. Andrew's Baseball Outing Courageous Conversations June 2 during 10 a.m. Worship June 9–14 June 20 at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays beginning May 30 at 10:30 a.m.

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