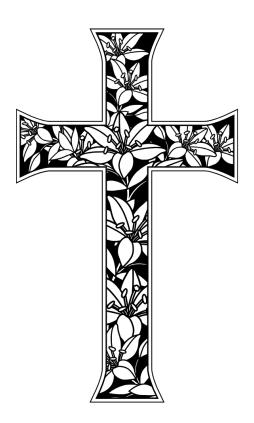
Holy Eucharist Rite II

Fourth Sunday of Easter May 11, 2025



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. 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

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

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee Hymnal 376

The Opening Acclamation

BCP p. 355

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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.*

Gloria Hymnal S–277

Hymns beginning with S are found in the Service music in the front pages of the Hymnal.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The Children's Procession

Children in grades K–5 are invited to 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 announcements. Jesus loves you (sung by all)

The Word of God

The First Reading (*Please be seated.*)

Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made

while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm (sung by choir)

The Lord is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.

Psalm 23
The Anglican Chant Psalter #49,
by John Goss

He makes me lie down in green pastures * and leads me beside still waters.

He revives my soul *

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

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.

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.

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 (Please stand as you are able.)

God of the Women (vv. 1–3)

 God of the women who answered your call, Trusting your promises, giving their all, Women like Sarah and Hannah and Ruth — Give us their courage to live in your truth. Sung to tune of Be thou my vision, Hymnal 488

- 2. God of the women who walked Jesus' Way, Giving their resources, learning to pray, Mary, Joanna, Susanna, and more— May we give freely as they did before.
- 3. God of the women long put to the test, Left out of stories, forgotten, oppressed, Quietly asking: "Who smiled at my birth?" — In Jesus' dying you show us our worth.

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The Holy Gospel John 10:22–30

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to

him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

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

Gradual Hymn

God of the Women (vv. 4–5)

- 4. God of the women who ran from the tomb, Prayed with the others in that upper room, Then felt your Spirit on Pentecost Day — May we so gladly proclaim you today.
- 5. O God of Phoebe and ministers all, May we be joyful in answering your call. Give us the strength of your Spirit so near That we may share in your ministry here.

The Sermon (seated)

The Rev. Ginny Bain Inman

The Nicene Creed (standing)

BCP p. 358

The Prayers of the People (Form IV) (standing or kneeling)

BCP p. 388

The Peace

Announcements

Blessing of Prayer Shawls

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

Alleluia! Ralph Manuel

At the Presentation

The Doxology Hymnal 380, v. 3

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B (standing or kneeling) BCP p. 367

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift 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 S-130

The Lord's Prayer BCP p. 364

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)

Come, thou fount of every blessing
All things bright and beautiful
The King of love my shepherd is

Hymnal 686 Hymnal 405

Hymnal 645

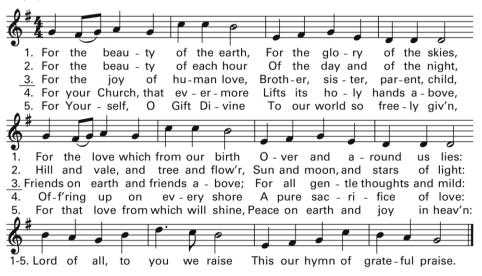
Postcommunion Prayer

BCP p. 365

Easter Blessing

Closing Hymn

For the beauty of the earth



The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go in peace together to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude

Acolytes: Sam Inman, Holden Troutman. Readers: Doug Sanecki, Joe Stultz. Chalicists: Stephen Inman, John Walton. Verger: Debbie Dowd. Ushers: Mitzi Bond, Charles Kappauf, Laurinda Stokes, Craig Taylor. Greeters & Newcomer Hosts: Anne Jones, Stephen Martin. Altar Guild Members: Lisa Garrett, Virginia Haskett, Margaret Ann Horne, Pat Marsh, Johnetta Shablack, Cindy Shane, Barb Watkins. Livestream Team: Don Mackey, David Messelink.

The flowers at the altar today are given to the Glory of God by the Martinelli family in loving memory of Eloise Martinelli.

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We Pray For

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East

The Anglican Bishopric in Jerusalem, established in 1841, was intended to assert a "Protestant" presence in the Holy Land, not to create Anglican congregations. But there were missionary endeavors—controversially, an effort to convert Jews, and growing interest in Anglicanism by Palestinians. Eventually an archbishop presided over Anglicans in all of the Middle East. In 1976 the Diocese of Jerusalem came into being, including Palestine, Jordan, Israel, Lebanon, and Syria; Jerusalem is its center. The province now consists of three dioceses: Jerusalem, Cyprus and the Gulf, and Iran. Since 2014 Jerusalem's bishop has been named Archbishop in Jerusalem, acknowledging his role representing the Anglican Communion in the Holy Land. Anglicans have not been immune to the ongoing crises in the Middle East. The 1948 war was devastating, and Anglicans joined other Palestinians as refugees throughout the region. The Christian population west of the Jordan has dwindled from more than 25% a century ago to less than 2% today.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Mark's, Huntersville; Church of the Saviour, Jackson

Special concerns: Western North Carolina and all those impacted by natural disasters, including wildfires and hurricanes

Those on our parish prayer list: Norma Bullock; Traci and Erik; Jeff Cummer; David McGraw; Betty Atwell; Mack Baker; Lauren; Downs Brown, Jr.; Martha and Jim Kaley; Nancy O'Donnell; Tina Sink Gangi; Heather; Victoria; Johnetta Shablack; Pauline Tatum; Jim Tatum; Pia; Henry, Arwyn, and Christine Davis-Potter; Linda Heller; Katelyn Flowers; Jeannie Phillips; James; Madeline Colavito; Hilary Towle; Charlotte Lloyd; Sarah Sellers; Jack; Mary Rose; Sue Keith; Anne Franklin and family; Myra Stephens; Maria Alicia Huarcaya Hermoza and Kathy Hinshaw; Daniel; Terry Meyer; Betsy Murray; Earnest Graham; Derek; Fred Johnson; E. MacKenzie; Carolyn Ritchie; Pam Haynes; Paula Boothby; Kelly Jordan; Glenna Ohaver; Susan Seaton; Karl Towle; Heidi Dohmeier; Carol Phillips; Donnie Robertson; Barbara Van Cleve; Janice Hall

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: Linda Cooper, Steve Chappell

Birthdays: Susan Gallimore, Charles Kappauf, Richtina Kpangbai, John Redding

Anniversaries: Rob & Lane Brown, Martha-Wade & Jorge Chaires, John & Becca Redding

Today & Tomorrow

New and Continuing Buildings & Grounds Team Members—Join Us Today after Worship (Library)

At St. Andrew's, we are blessed with a beautiful church and grounds. Their ongoing maintenance requires substantial TLC. We are also fortunate to have a core buildings and grounds team, and we are seeking additional members with skills, experience, or simply a desire to serve. Led by our Junior Warden, Jonathan Stephens, the team helps with needed care and improvements, organizes spring and fall workdays, and assists in responding to emergent maintenance needs. Join us for a brief meeting in the Library. Interested but can't meet today? Email stephens.jonathan.r@gmail.com to let him know.

All Are Invited to the Funeral for Jimmye Olivey—Monday, May 12, at 11 a.m.

Please join us tomorrow to remember beloved St. Andrew's parishioner Jimmye Olivey. The funeral will be at 11 a.m. in the Chapel, and a reception will follow in the Parish Hall.

Announcements

Mother's Day (and Every Day) is a Good Day to Feed the Hungry

Support Needed for Greensboro Urban Ministry's Episcopal Breakfasts

Each Tuesday, Episcopal volunteers gather before dawn at Greensboro Urban Ministry (G.U.M.) to cook and serve a welcoming hot breakfast to 150+ people who are struggling through the deprivations of life without stable housing. If you are looking for a meaningful way to honor a mother figure in your life this Mother's Day, please consider a gift supporting this ministry. The cost to sponsor a Tuesday breakfast is \$312. Gifts can be made by mail (Greensboro Urban Ministry, 305 W. Gate City Blvd., Greensboro 27406); online (greensborourbanministry.org/donate), and by phone (at 346-271-5959, ext. 320). However you give, please make sure to note "Episcopal Breakfast" as recipient.

Serving Others by Cooking for Abundant Life's Community Dinner—Tuesday, May 13

St. Andrew's provides meals on the second Tuesday of each month for Abundant Life's weekly community dinners. Our next day to serve is May 13. To help, sign up using the link in this week's eNews, and prepare an entree for 8 or a veggie side for 6. Use disposable pans labeled with your name and the dish. If you put your dish in the church's freezer today, thank you! Volunteers can also drop off on May 13 at the address on the signup. In providing this meal, you are serving God by serving others. If you have questions about helping, please contact Barbara Cooke at 336-521-0040 or at bjcookenc@me.com.

An Invitation to Learn More about Our Prayer Shawl Ministry—Join Us May 14 at 2 p.m. (Library)

St. Andrew's Prayer Shawl Ministry is dedicated to providing comfort and solace as well celebration and joy. The making and giving of knitted or crocheted shawls, blankets, and scarves is a personal outreach from the creators to the recipients. Following the original Prayer Shawl Ministry model (shawlministry.com), our group meets every other Wednesday, 2–4 p.m., with some members working from home. All are welcome to join us, and lessons, materials, and patterns are available. Once shawls are completed, they are blessed, and then are ready for delivery wherever the need is greatest in our parish and beyond—including our regular donations to High Point Regional Hospitals' chaplaincy programs. To learn more, contact Lynda Sanecki at lsanecki894@gmail.com or join us on May 14.

Join Us Next Sunday for a Welcome Reception for Rev. Gus and Part 2 of Career, Calling, Coincidence: Stories of Vocation & Faith—May 18 after Worship (Parish Hall)

On May 1, we welcomed the Rev. Gus Chrysson to St. Andrew's as Associate Rector. We will celebrate the occasion at a reception on May 18—when Rev. Gus also will be a panelist for our series on vocation. Come welcome Rev. Gus, then take in Part 2 of our series, moderated by Rev. Ginny, about some of the fascinating stories in our parish family. We'll hear from Rev. Gus, Jorge Chaires, Catherine Clifton, and Barbara Watkins. Can you guess which of these folks is a construction engineer / project manager? A designer and builder of structural steel sculptures? An editor of a professional journal? Is there more than one musician? Come learn their stories and how we're all part of the ongoing story of God's people.

Middle & High Schoolers, Join Us for Our Cookout at Pathways Center-May 18

We will have a special EYC next Sunday, when we return to Pathways Center—this time to prepare and share dinner with the residents in cookout style! Sandy Shelton will help us cook burgers, hot dogs, and more outside by the center's playground. Join us for this night of fellowship and service.

Send Us Your Class of 2025 Graduates' Names - Submit by May 21

As part of our Youth Sunday service on June 1, we will pray for and recognize all Class of 2025 high school and higher ed graduates. Please help us complete our list of graduates. Email each graduate's first and last name, school name, and degree to parish@standrewsgso.org by May 21 for inclusion in the June 1 bulletin. You are also welcome to include a sentence about your grad's hopes, dreams, or next steps if you would like. We look forward to celebrating all of our Class of 2025's milestones.

Mark Your Calendars for Our Annual Parent Gathering at the Taylors'!- June 1

A spring Parent Gathering at Anna & Craig Taylor's house has become a favorite tradition over the past few years, and we can't wait to gather again on their awesome covered porch to meet with old and new members of the St. Andrew's grown-up crew. Save the date—June 1 at 5 p.m.—and look for details soon.

Parents, Education for Ministry: Core Practices Might Be for You!

This fall we hope to offer a special *Education for Ministry (EfM): Core Practices* class. While the traditional EfM is a four-year program requiring three hours per week of study and preparation, *Core Practices* is a condensed, one-year program requiring about an hour per week of study, plus a weekly meeting (inperson or online). We are in the process of forming this exciting opportunity in a way that we hope will benefit St. Andrew's parents, and we would love your input! If you are interested in learning more or attending a Q & A session, please email <u>martha@standrewsgso.org</u>.

Thank You for Your Generous Support

We are grateful for your gifts that sustain St. Andrew's mission and ministry. If you have questions about your giving, please email Ray Marsh (bookkeeper@standrewsgso.org), or call him at 336-275-1651, ext. 3. Ray is in the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays. To make a new or pledged gift, visit abundant.co/standrewsepiscopalch/give, scan the QR code, or mail a check to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Bookkeeper, 2105 W. Market St., Greensboro, NC 27403.





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