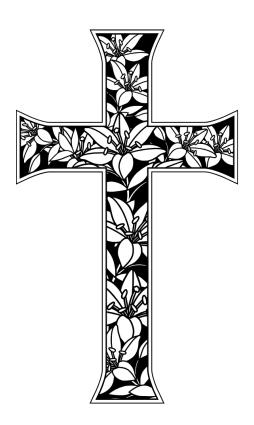
Holy Eucharist Rite II

Fifth Sunday of Easter May 18, 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.

About Today's Communion Celebration for Children

This morning you may notice something special in the front few pews on the pulpit side—our Communion Celebration class of pre-K through 3rd graders are sitting together with their families, ready to celebrate the sacrament of Communion as a group. They've spent the last few weeks hearing special stories, learning their way around the altar and all about the Altar Guild, and about how our priests, deacon, and parish family work together to make it possible for us to share this holy meal together every week. We invite you to say hi, to celebrate with them, and to take a little time today to reflect on the importance of Communion as part of the sacred rhythm of your life.

After worship, we invite our Communion class to continue the celebration with doughnuts and lemonade on the playground!

Prelude

Opening Hymn (Please stand as you are able.) Glorious things of thee are spoken

Hymnal 523

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.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, 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.)

Revelation 21:1-6

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

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

The Psalm (sung by choir)

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; *
praise him in the heights.

Praise him, all you angels of his; *
praise him, all his host.

Praise him, sun and moon; *
praise him, all you shining stars.

Praise him, heaven of heavens, *

and you waters above the heavens.

Psalm 148 *The Anglican Chant Psalter* #357,
by Thomas Attwood Walmisley

Let them praise the Name of the Lord; *

for he commanded, and they were created.

He made them stand fast for ever and ever; *

he gave them a law which shall not pass away.

Praise the Lord from the earth, *

you sea-monsters and all deeps;

Fire and hail, snow and fog, *

tempestuous wind, doing his will;

Mountains and all hills, *

fruit trees and all cedars;

Wild beasts and all cattle, *

creeping things and winged birds;

Kings of the earth and all peoples, *

princes and all rulers of the world;

Young men and maidens, *

old and young together.

Let them praise the Name of the Lord, *

for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.

He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, * the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

Gradual Hymn (Please stand as you are able.)

Take my life, and let it be (v. 1)

Hymnal 707

The Holy Gospel

John 13:31-35

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

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

Gradual Hymn

Take my life, and let it be (v. 2)

Hymnal 707

The Sermon (seated)

The Rev. Gus Chrysson

The Nicene Creed (standing)

BCP p. 358

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

BCP p. 388

The Peace

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

Praise and Glory

Georg Philipp Telemann

Praise and glory and wisdom, thanksgiving, honor, might and pow'r be unto our God forever and forevermore. Amen.

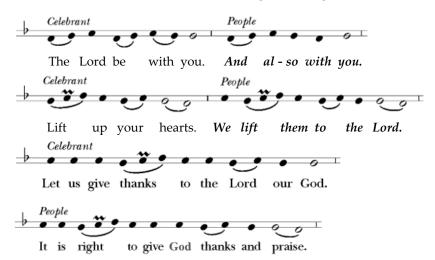
At the Presentation

The Doxology

Hymnal 380, v. 3

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B (standing or kneeling)

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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)

I come with joy to meet my Lord

Hymnal 304

Because he lives LEVAS 43



Postcommunion Prayer

BCP p. 365

Easter Blessing

Closing Hymn

Love divine, all loves excelling

Hymnal 657

The Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude

Acolytes: Molly Anderson, Jonathan Spinks. Readers: (8:30 a.m.) Doug Sanecki; (10 a.m.) Sandy Shelton, Geoff Swan. Chalicists: (8:30 a.m.) Linda Cummer; (10 a.m.) Geoff Swan, Anne Webb. Verger: Debbie Dowd. Ushers: Richard Kpangbai, Richtina Kpangbai, Rob Moore, Amelia Menston-Sambola, Jankoba Sambola, John Sweeney, Celeste Williams. Greeters & Newcomer Hosts: Fran Swan, Lois Washburn. Altar Guild Members: Lisa Garrett, Virginia Haskett, Margaret Ann Horne, Pat Marsh, Johnetta Shablack, Cindy Shane, Barb Watkins. Livestream Team: Jorge Chaires, Virginia Haskett.

The flowers at the altar today are given to the Glory of God by Carolyn Allen in loving memory of Don.

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We Pray For

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Nippon Sei Ko Kai (The Anglican Communion in Japan)

Jesuits and Franciscans brought Christianity to Japan in the mid-16th century, but Christianity was outlawed in 1587, and persecution led to "The Martyrs of Japan" (remembered on our Church calendar on February 6th). In 1640 all foreigners were expelled, and Japanese isolation continued for two centuries. In 1859 our Episcopal Church sent missionaries, and they were followed by those from the Anglican Church of Canada and from England's Church Missionary Society and Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. With greater freedom of religion, by 1906 there were 42 Japanese priests. Not surprisingly, World War II was a difficult time for the Nippon Sei Ko Kai. After the war, it worked to rebuild, and it became a self-supporting province of the Anglican Communion in 1972.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Matthew's, Kernersville; St. David's, Laurinburg

Special concerns: Western North Carolina and all those impacted by natural disasters, including wildfires and hurricanes; participants in the Cursillo weekend

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

Birthdays: Wayne Abraham, Karen Rierson, Jack Sellers, Cindy Shane, Nancy Thornton

Anniversaries: David & Kathryn Crowe, Bill & Kathy Shore, Jeff & Julia Testa

Please send prayer requests to Susan Frye at <u>parish@standrewsgso.org</u> or 336-275-1651, ext. 1.

Today

Join Us for a Welcome Reception for Rev. Gus Following Worship in the Parish Hall

On May 1, we officially welcomed the Rev. Gus Chrysson to St. Andrew's as Associate Rector. Please join us in celebrating the occasion at a reception today after our 10 a.m. worship. Then plan to stay for our discussion on vocation, when we will hear from Gus as one of four panelists sharing their stories.

Part 2 of Career, Calling, Coincidence: Stories of Vocation and Faith—Today after Worship (Parish Hall) Each of us has a unique story—and all of our stories have similarities. Today we will hear more of the fascinating stories in our beloved parish family as Rev. Ginny moderates a discussion with Rev. Gus, Jorge Chaires, Catherine Clifton Hardman, and Barbara Watkins. The panelists include a musician (or two), a construction engineer / project manager, a designer and builder of structural steel sculptures, and an editor of a professional journal. Can you guess who's who? We hope you will join us in the Parish Hall as we celebrate how we're all part of the ongoing story of God's people.

EYC, Let's Love on the Families at the Pathways Center with a Cookout!—Tonight, 5-6:30 p.m.

We will have a special EYC tonight when we return to the Pathways Center to make dinner, serve, and dine with the amazing families working hard to transition out of homelessness while living there. This time we're coming with reinforcements—Sandy Shelton will be bringing his giant grill so we can host an awesome cookout for the residents! We'll have burgers, hot dogs, and chicken wings on the grill, and there will be work to do in the kitchen, too, because we'll be serving all the fixings, plus potato and pasta salad, watermelon, and dessert. We've let the families at Pathways know we're coming to celebrate them and would love to spend time with the sweet kiddos in residence there, so come ready to cook, serve, and play! Dropoff and pickup are at Pathways, at 3517 N. Church St. Email martha@standrewsgso.org for directions or if you need a ride.

Announcements

Last Call! 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! 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.

Pentecost is Coming! Save the Date for Worship and Our Potluck Picnic-June 8

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 June 8. 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. More details will be coming soon!

Support Our Greensboro Refugees: Toiletries Drive at Congregational UCC, June 5, 6, & 7

As a proud refugee resettlement community, Greensboro is hosting a special event at Hester Park for World Refugee Day on June 21. In preparation, our neighbors at Congregational United Church of Christ are working with the city and other partners to fill hundreds of gift bags with toiletry and hygiene items to distribute to new arrivals attending the event. Here's how you can help! *First*: Review the wish list at the link in this week's *eNews* for Donations Dos and Don'ts. *Then*: Either take your gifts to Congregational UCC (400 W. Radiance Dr.) on the collection days (June 5, 6, or 7, from 4-6 p.m.), *OR* order your donations from the online wish list (also in this week's *eNews*) for delivery to CUCC by June 7. Thank you for helping welcome the stranger.

News for Children, Youth, & Families

There's No Youth Sunday without You! Be Part of Our Service & Celebration of Seniors—June 1

On June 1 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 youth 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-Wade Chaires at martha@standrewsgso.org, and she'll make it happen.

EYC Field Day is Coming on a *New Date*—June 1, 5–6:30 p.m.

Field Day was originally scheduled for May 25, but since that's Memorial Day weekend, we're moving it to June 1. Ten absolutely ridiculous games are in the works, the pie pans are ready for the losing team's faces, and cheese pizza will be on deck for dinner. Meanwhile, parents can head down the block to Craig and Anna Taylor's house for a fun grownup gathering. The festivities for youth and adults will last from 5-6:30 pm.

It's Time to Sign Up for Our Parent Gathering at the Taylors'!—June 1, 5-6:30 p.m.

A spring Parent Gathering at Anna and 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. Come join us June 1 at 5 p.m. Please RSVP to let us know you'll be there, using the signup link in this week's *eNews*. Craig's grilling burgers, and you can also sign up to bring something to share, if you like. Email martha@standrewsgso.org with questions.

Costa Rica Pilgrimage News

Let's Get Packing (and Planning) for Costa Rica – Join Us for Meetings on May 21 & June 1

Our trip to Costa Rica is just a few weeks away, and we know everyone has lots of questions. So let's meet to make planning, packing, and preparing a little easier. We are hosting two mandatory, in-person meetings on May 21 and June 1:

- On Wednesday, May 21, we will meet in the Parish Hall at 6 p.m. to talk through the logistics of the trip: itinerary, packing list, and all the other details. We'll have answers to all of your burning questions, and some you probably haven't even thought to ask yet!
- On Sunday, June 1, we'll gather again at 4 p.m. (before EYC Field Day and the Parent Party at the Taylors'). Mother Ginny and Rev. Gus, who has family living in Costa Rica and has traveled there many times, will talk us through the cultural context of our trip, what we'll be doing there, and the importance of pilgrimage.

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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.

Save These Dates

EfM Graduation Youth Pilgrimage Blessing & Sendoff Youth Pilgrimage to Costa Rica Compassion Camp VBS

June 15, 10 a.m. Worship June 15, 10 a.m. Worship June 17–24 July 28–August 1

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