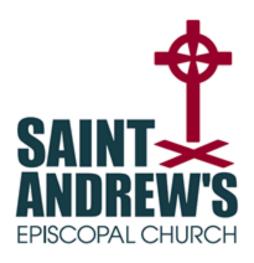
Order of Worship for Holy Eucharist Rite II

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost July 6, 2025



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.*)

Glorious things of thee are spoken

Hymnal 523

The Opening Acclamation

BCP p. 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.*

Song of Praise

Surely it is God who saves me

Hymnal 679

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The Word of God

The First Reading (Please be seated.)

Isaiah 66:10–14

Thus says the Lord: "Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her—that you may nurse and be satisfied

from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. For thus says the Lord: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the Lord is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies."

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

The Psalm (read responsively by whole verse)

Psalm 66:1-8

Be joyful in God, all you lands; * sing the glory of his Name; sing the glory of his praise.

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! * because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.

All the earth bows down before you, * sings to you, sings out your Name."

Come now and see the works of God, * how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.

He turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, * and there we rejoiced in him.

In his might he rules for ever; his eyes keep watch over the nations; * let no rebel rise up against him.

Bless our God, you peoples; *
make the voice of his praise to be heard;

Who holds our souls in life, * and will not allow our feet to slip.

Gradual Hymn (*Please stand as you are able.*) *Christ for the world we sing* (vv. 1–2)

Hymnal 537

The Holy Gospel (standing)

Luke 10:1–11, 16–20

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gradual Hymn

Christ for the world we sing (vv. 3–4)

Hymnal 537

The Sermon (seated)

The Rev. Gus Chrysson

The Nicene Creed

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

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

For the city of Greensboro, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

In the communion of the Blessed Virgin Mary, of Andrew, and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence.

Concluding Collect

The Confession and Absolution

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The Peace

Announcements

The Holy Communion

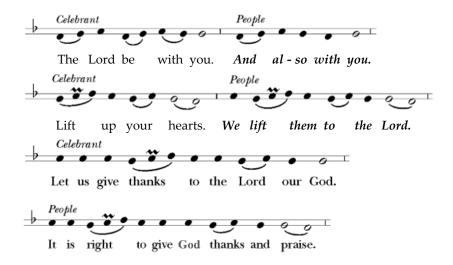
Musical Meditation

At the Presentation

The Doxology Hymnal 380, v. 3

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer 2 (standing or kneeling)

EOW



Celebrant We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Sanctus Hymnal S–130

Celebrant Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners,

healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice;

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Andrew and all your saints, from every tribe, language, people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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.

As we gather at your table

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3. Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that Feast where triumphant Love will welcome those who had been last and least. There no more will envy blind us nor will pride our peace destroy, as we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.

Like the murmur of the dove's song

Hymnal 513

Postcommunion Prayer

FOW

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn

Love divine, all loves excelling

Hymnal 657

The Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia. Let us go forth together rejoicing in the life of Christ.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude

A little chilly? With air conditioning season upon us, prayer shawls are available at the back of the church and chapel, should you find yourself wishing for an extra layer. Use them as needed during the service, then please return them to the back pew on your way out for others to use next week. These shawls will be available throughout the summer for all to enjoy. If you would like to request a prayer shawl for someone, please contact Lynda Sanecki, at lsanecki894@gmail.com.

Readers: Jankoba Sambola, Tommy Webb. Chalicist: Anne Webb. Verger: Debbie Dowd. Ushers: Lee Eanes, Joe Graves, Nancy Kimbrough, Roger Kimbrough, Sandy Shelton. Greeter & Newcomer Host: Jon Anderson. Altar Guild Members: Dottie Clark, Carolyn Hackett, Anne Jones, Shelley Kappauf, Betty Self, Laurinda Stokes, Linda Van Ormer, Gail Walters. Livestream Team: Jorge Chaires, Joe Stultz.

The flowers at the altar today are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Steve Rizzuto's birthdate by wife, Nancy Rizzuto, and daughter, Jennifer Tiller.

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We Pray For

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

The Church of Nigeria is one of the strongest, and largest, of Anglican provinces. Nigeria's Anglican history dates from 1842, mainly led by England's Church Missionary Society. In 1864 Samuel Ajayi Crowther, a Yoruba and former slave, was elected as the first black bishop in the Anglican Communion. The Church of Nigeria grew dramatically during the colonial period except in the largely Muslim north, where the British discouraged Christian evangelism. These days it has taken on its own missionary calling, seeking "to transform all our parishes across the country into missionary sending churches to indigenous, local and foreign missions." Originally part of the Province of West Africa, Nigeria became its own province in 1979. It is the largest Anglican province in Africa, accounting for over 40% of all Anglicans on the continent. Nigeria also has the largest Christian population of any country in Africa.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Michael's, Raleigh; St. Timothy's, Raleigh

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; Terry Meyer; Betsy Murray; Derek; Fred Johnson; E. MacKenzie; Carolyn Ritchie; Paula Boothby; Kelly Jordan; Glenna Ohaver; Susan Seaton; Karl Towle; Heidi Dohmeier; Carol Phillips; Donnie Robertson; Barbara Van Cleve; Janice Hall; Karen Kim; Nancy Antrim; Robert Morris; Bert and Bev; Charles Kelshaw; Rhonda Weaver; Carolyn Hackett; Mary Lou Strohl; Frank and Sandy Tatem; Alison Phillips

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

Birthdays: Evie Fowler, Holly Grant, Beth Hair, Cecil Haynes, Steve Love, Tracy Siegmund, Laura Slaughter

Anniversaries: John and Tricia de Beer, Don Mackey and David Messelink

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

St. Andrew's Summer of Sabbath and Solidarity

This summer, you are invited to prioritize the rhythm of loving God and neighbor that sustains us. Keeping the sabbath is part of the fabric of creation and one of God's Ten Commandments. Sabbath provides us intentional time and space to breathe deeply, to return to God, and to be renewed. Whether sabbath for you means spending time with friends and family, basking in God's creation, or simply slowing down to savor the joys of summer, carve out time to reconnect with God in the months ahead. As author Tricia Hershey puts it, rest is also resistance—to a world that is always demanding that we do and buy and become more. Sabbath reminds us that we are created in God's image and that we are enough.

When our spiritual cup is full, we are better able to serve others, to speak out and show up. There will be a variety of ways to show solidarity for our neighbors this summer through efforts to support Abundant Life and the food pantry, call leaders about legislative priorities, wash the feet of refugees and immigrants, or tutor children who need extra educational support. We have gifts of healing and hope and a commitment to justice that are needed in this hurting world.

We hold together the inner journey of faith and the outer journey of discipleship. Look for possibilities for sabbath and solidarity in future eNews editions. We will break bread together after church in August and share our summer experiences.

A Little Jesus Goes a Long Way!

On Pentecost, we gave everyone a little Jesus to carry as a reminder of God's love that goes with us wherever we go. We are all called to share Jesus, and a little Jesus goes a long way. If you did not get one, know that we always have more Jesus to give (and you can pick one up in the church office). This summer, all are invited to take pictures of you and Jesus and send them to Susan Frye at parish@standrewsgso.org. We will be sharing the pictures and stories online and in the Parish Hall.

Announcements

Help Share God's Love: Cook for Abundant Life's Community Dinner, Tuesday, July 8

Summer can be especially hard for families who count on school meals. One simple way we can help our neighbors is by cooking for Abundant Life's weekly dinners where hospitality, fellowship, and good food abound. Our next turn is July 8, and here's how to help: Use a disposable 9x13 pan for your dish, and label it with your name and the name of the dish. If you brought a dish today to put in the church freezer, thank you! If not, you may bring it to Barbara Cooke's home (near Guilford College) on the afternoon of July 8. See our June 26th eNews for the signup sheet, and contact Barbara with any questions (bjcooke58@gmail.com, 336-521-0040). Thank you for being a part of this ministry of hospitality, comfort, and care.

Pardon Our Dust — Renovations Begin July 7 in the Parish Hall Restrooms

Our Parish Hall restrooms have benefited from many loving improvements and repairs over the years. The time has now come for a significant renovation effort to make them more accessible and functional for many more years to come. On July 7, work will begin in the men's restroom, which will be out of use for at least a month. When it is complete, the project will continue in the women's restroom. Please expect work to be underway for eight weeks to complete the overhaul on both spaces. Throughout, we hope always to have access to one of the restrooms, which will function as a unisex restroom, with a locking door for privacy. We are grateful to parishioners Tim & Sally Marion and the team at Marion Tile for their expertise and guidance in this needed improvement.

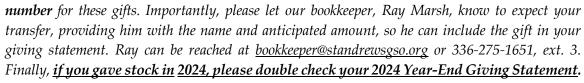
Compassion Camp VBS Needs Volunteers! — July 28–August 1 (9 a.m.–12 p.m.)

Compassion Camp VBS is a huge success with our littlest parishioners and friends thanks to the many loving St. Andrew's folks who volunteer their time and talent to make it happen. Adult volunteer storytellers, craft supervisors, singers, dancers, shepherds, and general lovers of kids aged 4–9 are invited to sign up now by emailing martha@standrewsgso.org. Campers and youth Buddies are also invited to sign up ASAP! Registration links for Campers (ages 4–9) and Buddies (youth 10+who want to help new friends who need an extra hand) are in this week's eNews. Come join us!

Thank You for Your Generous Gifts – Updates on Gifts of Stock in 2024 & 2025

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mail a check to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Bookkeeper, 2105 W. Market St., Greensboro, NC 27403. <u>If you would like to make a gift with a stock or fund transfer</u>, please see the instructions in this week's eNews, including a new account



St. Andrew's received an unexpected gift of shares of Robert Half International, and we would like to be able to credit the donor's account.

