

FEEDING THE HUNGRY
WELCOMING THE STRANGER
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Order of Worship for Holy Eucharist Rite II

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 17, 2025

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.*)

When morning gilds the skies

Hymnal 427

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

How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise!

Hymnal 533

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Word of God

The First Reading (Please be seated.)

Philippians 1:1–26

Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus,

To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

I want you to know, beloved, that what has happened to me has actually helped to spread the gospel, so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to everyone else that my imprisonment is for Christ; and most of the brothers and sisters, having been made confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, dare to speak the word with greater boldness and without fear.

Some proclaim Christ from envy and rivalry, but others from goodwill. These proclaim Christ out of love, knowing that I have been put here for the defense of the gospel; the others proclaim Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely but intending to increase my suffering in my imprisonment. What does it matter? Just this, that Christ is proclaimed in every way, whether out of false motives or true; and in that I rejoice.

Yes, and I will continue to rejoice, for I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will result in my deliverance. It is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be put to shame in any way, but that by my speaking with all boldness, Christ will be exalted now as always in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary

for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm (read responsively by whole verse)

Psalm 82

God takes his stand in the council of heaven; * he gives judgment in the midst of the gods:

"How long will you judge unjustly, * and show favor to the wicked?

Save the weak and the orphan; * defend the humble and needy;

Rescue the weak and the poor; * deliver them from the power of the wicked.

They do not know, neither do they understand; they go about in darkness; * all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

Now I say to you, 'You are gods, * and all of you children of the Most High;

Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, * and fall like any prince.'"

Arise, O God, and rule the earth, * for you shall take all nations for your own.

Gradual Hymn (*Please stand as you are able.*) *Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!* (vv. 1–2)

Hymnal 438

The Holy Gospel (standing)

Luke 12:49-56

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and

two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

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

Gradual Hymn

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord! (vv. 3–4)

Hymnal 438

The Sermon (seated)

The Rev. Ginny Bain Inman

The Nicene Creed BCP p. 358

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

BCP p. 360

The Peace

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

Rejoice in the Lord alway

Anonymous (attr. John Redford)

Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say, rejoice.

Let your softness be known unto all men: the Lord is e'en at hand.

Be careful for nothing: but in all prayer and supplication,

 $let\ your\ petitions\ be\ manifest\ unto\ God\ with\ giving\ of\ thanks.$

And the peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds thru Christ Jesu. Amen.

At the Presentation

The Doxology Hymnal 380, v. 3

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

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.

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 BCP p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

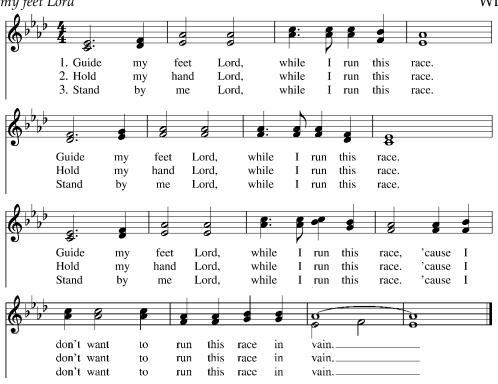
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

We are offering Communion in both kinds. If you do not want to receive Communion but would like to come forward for a blessing, please 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)

O God, unseen yet ever near Like the murmur of the dove's song Guide my feet Lord

Hymnal 332 Hymnal 513 WLP 819



Postcommunion Prayer

EOW

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

God of grace and God of glory

Hymnal 594

The Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude

* Our liturgy this morning features prayers from Enriching Our Worship (EOW), an authorized resource of the Episcopal Church meant to be used in tandem with the Book of Common Prayer. The season after Pentecost is a wonderful time to explore the different ways in which the Spirit speaks to the Church; we hope that you find these beautiful prayers meaningful.

Acolyte: Levi Haynes, Jonathan Spinks. Readers: (8:30 a.m.) Virginia Haskett; (10 a.m.) Cheri Courtright, David Stokes. Chalicists: (8:30 a.m.) Linda Cummer; (10 a.m.) Barbara Lawless, Spencer Musick. 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: Phil Barrineau, Joe Stultz.

The flowers at the altar today are given to the glory of God by Betty Self in honor of the Self and Holton families.

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We Pray For

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Scottish Episcopal Church

While the Scottish Episcopal Church traces its roots back to the beginnings of Christianity in Scotland, it only came into its own after the "Glorious Revolution" (William and Mary and all that) in 1689. Afterwards, the Church of Scotland, Presbyterian in nature, became the established ("official") church, and the Scottish Episcopal Church became the non-established independent "Anglican" church. Scottish Episcopal Church bishops consecrated Samuel Seabury as the first bishop in the newly-independent United States in 1784, since—unlike Church of England bishops—they did not require that Seabury swear loyalty to the King.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Mary Magdalene, Seven Lakes; St. Paul's, Smithfield; San Jose, Smithfield

Those on our parish prayer list: Norma Bullock; Traci and Erik; Jeff Cummer; David McGraw; Betty Atwell; Mack Baker; Lauren; 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; Donnie Robertson; Barbara Van Cleve; Nancy Antrim; Robert Morris; Bert and Bev; Charles Kelshaw; Rhonda Weaver; Carolyn Hackett; Mary Lou Strohl; Frank and Sandy Tatem; Faye Thompson; Ethan Shoffner; Paul; Pam Haynes; Michael Clapp; Karen; Sabrina; Sophie; John Bald; Keats; Nancy; Anna Marie

Special concerns: The people of Gaza and Israel, Ukraine and Russia

Those serving in our military: Tom Stauffer, Paul Zeigler, Stephen Johnson, Benjamin Phillips, Kenneth Gearhart, Alex Reyes, Michael McNeil, Jordan Payne, Catharyn Nosek **Birthdays:** Nathan Barrett, Emmanuel Chineyenwa, Dottie Clark, Chuck Covarrubias, Tim Fleming, Sam Moss

Anniversaries: Alan and Betty Atwell, Ed and Barbara Lawless

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

Announcements

Resilient Joy: Our Summer Sermon Series on Philippians Begins!

Beginning today and continuing over the coming weeks, we will explore Paul's letter to the Philippians. Written while Paul was imprisoned, it is a profound and practical reflection on faith and joy in the face of suffering. Paul stresses that to live in Christ means to be transformed, while highlighting the significance and challenges of community. We will engage the history, exegetical background and theology of the letter and consider how it can connect to and inform our lives today.

St. Andrew's Acts on Affordable Housing

St. Andrew's is stepping out in faith to **do something** to combat homelessness in Greensboro. In 2023, faith communities from all quarters of the city began working together as Interfaith Affordable Housing Initiative, now known as IHI, and exercised the new strength that came with collaboration. This spring, IHI gained nonprofit status and committed to its first building project—six, two-

bedroom rental units in an established affordable housing development. The big step of the commitment is raising \$650,000 toward the \$1.2 million cost of the project. Without hesitation, St. Andrew's has made a generous contribution of \$30,000, including Mission & Outreach funds and a major gift from an anonymous parishioner. St. Paul says in Galatians 2:10, "They asked only one thing, that we remember the poor, which was actually what I was eager to do." There will be many ways for you to help in the months ahead. In the meantime, please learn more about IHI and read a wonderful overview of the IHI collaboration with Partnership Homes in this week's eNews.

All are Invited to the Funeral for Dana Gaspar—Friday, August 22, at 11 a.m.

Please join us to remember beloved St. Andrew's parishioner Dana Gaspar. The funeral will be August 22 at 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.

Support our Parish Hall and Education Wing Upgrades

Work on the updates to the Parish Hall restrooms is well underway! When complete, the restrooms will be accessible and welcoming for parishioners and our guests. A generous donor has made a gift of \$12,000 toward the total cost of this work. The remaining cost is approximately \$35,000. In June, the Vestry unanimously approved this project, and now we ask that you consider a special gift to reduce the net cost to the church. The Vestry is also considering replacing worn carpeting and tile in the education wing with new flooring similar to that in the sanctuary, depending on the funding we receive. These projects demonstrate the St. Andrew's care and welcoming spirit that we all love, so please consider making a gift today to support this important work!

Let's Meet Up for a Fall Parish Work Day! — Saturday, August 23, 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

It is time for a quarterly spruce-up to prepare our campus for the new program year. Please join us for a work day, August 23, at 9:30 a.m. We will have a variety of projects inside and out and are happy to put any willing souls to work. There is a job for everyone! Please sign up using the <u>Signup Genius linked</u> in this week's eNews to help us plan our work! Questions? Contact your Junior Warden, Jonathan Stephens, at <u>stephens.jonathan.r@gmail.com</u>.

Join Us for Breakfast at GVG—<u>Thursday</u>, August 28, 8:30 a.m.—RSVP by August 23
Our next informal Green Valley Grill gathering is <u>Thursday</u> August 28. Please join St. Andrew's friends for food and fellowship. RSVP to Charles at <u>drgandolf2003@yahoo.com</u> or 336-987-7086.

Get Ready for "Sundae Sunday!"—Our All-Parish Ice Cream Social with a Little Jesus August 24, Right after Worship (Parish Hall)

Our whole church family is invited to enjoy ice cream sundaes in the Parish Hall after worship on August 24. Come share summer photos and stories of you and a Little Jesus, and build your own sundaes with all the festive toppings and treats.

All Students are Invited for a Back to School Blessing—August 24, during 10 a.m. Worship Next Sunday we hope students of all ages will join us in church for our annual Back to School Blessing. This will also be the culmination of our **School Supplies Drive** (see next announcement).

Last Call for School Supplies for Lindley Students, GCS Nurses—Bring ALL Items August 24 Along with school supplies for our neighbors at Lindley Elementary, we're also collecting hygiene and clothing items for Guilford County Schools nurses to distribute to kids in need. Dropoff is in the narthex and the Parish Hall. Supplies will be delivered to Lindley and to GCS nurses on the first day of school, August 25. Please shop from the list below, which comes straight from the schools and nurses and includes the items needed most. Thank you for helping!

SCHOOL SUPPLIES SHOPPING LIST

- 12- & 24-packs Crayola colored pencils Fat Expo dry erase markers
- 8- and 24-packs of Crayola crayons
- 8-packs of Crayola markers
- Ticonderoga #2 pencils, pre-sharpened Wide-ruled notebook paper
- Skinny black Expo dry erase markers Over-the-ear headphones
- Whiteboard erasers
- Fiskars student scissors
- *Small glue sticks*
- Any size zip lock bags

Hygiene Products & Clothing

- Deodorant
- Period pads (No tampons, please, based on student requests.)
- Shampoo & conditioner
- Body soap
- Socks & underwear (all sizes boys' & girls' 5T-XL for grades K–12)
- Toothbrushes, toothpaste, & floss
- Tissue boxes & small packs

Supplies for School Nurses serving GCS Students

- *Latex gloves* (*small & medium*)
- Hand sanitizer
- Disinfecting wipes & sprays
- Gauze
- Bandaids
- Thermometers & probe covers
- Medical tape

Food for students in clinic experiencing low blood sugar:

- *Non-perishable snacks (with* extended expiration dates)
- Apple juice boxes or small bottles (with extended expiration dates)
- Smarties & Lifesaver candies

Let's Go to the Hoppers on August 29—Sign Up Today!

Following June's rainout, we rescheduled our night at the Hoppers to Friday, August 29, which will include fireworks after the game. If you did not book in June but want to join us on August 29, please sign up at https://tinyurl.com/hoppers0829. The price for tickets is \$15. If you have any trouble booking your ticket, contact Jack Fadde at <u>ifadde@gsohoppers.com</u>. If you signed up for the June game, see our eNews announcement for instructions. Come join us for a great night of fun and fellowship!

Your Gifts Sustain Us

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 at right, or mail a check to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Bookkeeper, 2105 W. Market St., Greensboro, NC 27403.



Save the Date for Our Fall Kickoff—September 7!

Let's Gather for Worship and an All-Parish Potluck Picnic—Sunday, September 7

Mark your calendar for our Fall Kickoff Event, September 7. This is always a joyous time to gather as a parish after summer, welcome new friends, and prepare for a fall season full of fellowship, formation, and worship. We will have a potluck picnic after church with activities for kids, and we will offer a special training opportunity after lunch for those interested in serving in worship as acolytes, readers, and chalicists. Morning programs for children and EYC for youth will also kick off on this date! Look for more details about all of these offerings soon. Meanwhile, be thinking about a dish to share, according to the first letter of your last name: A–H: Main Dishes; I–R: Sides; S–Z: Desserts.

From Our Diocese

Bearing Witness: Learn About Gaza and Jerusalem – Tuesdays in September (Zoom)

Bearing Witness, a free, video-based program from the American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem (AFEDJ), shares the stories of people living in Palestine and Israel and the remarkable ministries of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem that bring hope and healing in this volatile part of the world. If you are wondering how to understand the complexities of the Holy Land, consider signing up for this 5-week study, offered on Tuesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 6:00-7:30 p.m. via Zoom. See eNews for signup link.

Help Recent High School Graduates Find Their Next Church Home

Finding a church home in a new place can be daunting. Our campus ministers depend on parents and youth leaders to let them know who is coming from our church to campuses and parishes in this diocese and across the country. If you have a recent graduate, please fill out the **Just One** Thing form in this week's eNews to connect your student with one of the diocese's campus ministers who will help them find a campus ministry, chaplain, or church near their new home.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church ▼ The Rev. Ginny Bain Inman, Rector