



Order of Worship for Holy Eucharist Rite II

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 24, 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.)*

O bless the Lord, my soul!

Hymnal 411

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.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; 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.*)

Philippians 2:1–18

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Do all things without murmuring and arguing, so that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, in which you shine like stars in the world. It is by your holding fast to the word of life that I can boast on the day of Christ that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. But even if I am being poured out as a libation over the sacrifice and the offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with all of you—and in the same way you also must be glad and rejoice with me.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

The Psalm (*read responsively by whole verse*)

Psalms 103:1–8

Bless the Lord, O my soul, *

and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, *

and forget not all his benefits.

He forgives all your sins *

and heals all your infirmities;

*He redeems your life from the grave *
and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;*

He satisfies you with good things, *
and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

*The Lord executes righteousness *
and judgment for all who are oppressed.*

He made his ways known to Moses *
and his works to the children of Israel.

*The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.*

Gradual Hymn

Servant Song (vv. 1–3)

David Haas

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| 1. <i>Will you let me be your servant?</i> | 2. <i>We are pilgrims on the journey</i> |
| <i>Let me be as Christ to you</i> | <i>We are travellers on the road</i> |
| <i>Pray that I may have the grace</i> | <i>We are here to help each other</i> |
| <i>To let you be my servant too</i> | <i>Walk the mile and bear the load</i> |
| 3. <i>I will hold the Christ light for you</i> | |
| <i>In the night time of your fear</i> | |
| <i>I will hold my hand out to you</i> | |
| <i>Speak the peace you long to hear</i> | |

The Holy Gospel (standing)

Luke 13:10–17

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

People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When

he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

Gradual Hymn

Servant Song (vv. 4–6)

David Haas

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| <p>4. <i>I will weep when you are weeping</i>
<i>When you laugh, I'll laugh with you</i>
<i>I will share your joy and sorrow</i>
<i>Till we've seen this journey through</i></p> | <p>5. <i>When we sing to God in heaven</i>
<i>We shall find such harmony,</i>
<i>Born of all we've known together</i>
<i>Of Christ's love and agony.</i></p> |
| <p>6. <i>(repeat of v. 1) Will you let me be your servant?</i>
<i>Let me be as Christ to you</i>
<i>Pray that I may have the grace</i>
<i>To let you be my servant too</i></p> | |

The Sermon (*seated*)

The Rev. Ginny Bain Inman

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

Back to School Blessing

All school-aged children are invited to come forward for a blessing for the start of a new school year.

Commissioning of Children's Formation Leaders

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

How Can I Keep from Singing?

Words and Music by R. W. Lowry
arr. Mark Patterson

My life flows on in endless song; above earth's lamentation.

I hear the real, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.

Refrain: No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging;

Since Love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

What though my joys and comforts die? I hear the truth: it liveth.

And though the darkness gather round, songs in the night it giveth. (Refrain)

Through all the tumult and strife, I hear the music ringing.

It sounds an echo deep within my soul. How can I keep from singing? (Refrain)

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

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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, 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)

Rejoice! rejoice, believers


Hymnal 68

In my life, Lord

Bob Kilpatrick



1 In my life, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied.
2 In our homes, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied.
3 In your Church, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied.
4 In your world, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied.



In my life, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.
In our homes, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.
In your Church, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.
In your world, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.

Let us break bread together on our knees

Hymnal 325

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

Christ for the world we sing!

Hymnal 537

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.*

Acolytes: Sam Inman, Holden Troutman. **Readers:** Stephen Inman, Marcia Moore. **Chalicians:** Stephen Inman, Buster Lewis. **Verger:** Debbie Dowd. **Ushers:** Tim Fleming, Mark Kaley, Linda Van Ormer, Mike Van Ormer. **Greeters & Newcomer Hosts:** Nancy Bishop, Jonathan Stephens. **Altar Guild Members:** Lisa Garrett, Virginia Haskett, Margaret Ann Horne, Pat Marsh, Johnetta Shablack, Cindy Shane, Barb Watkins. **Livestream Team:** Tim Fleming, Sandy Shelton.

The flowers at the altar today are given to the glory of God by Ernie Dishner and Paula Boothby, in sincere appreciation for all who contribute to the outstanding music that enriches our worship service each week, and by the family of Dana Gaspar, in memory of Dana and with thanksgiving for her life.

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We Pray For

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church of the Province of South East Asia

This province consists of three dioceses in Malaysia and one for the island city state of Singapore, although its mission work extends into Indonesia, Vietnam, Nepal, Laos, Thailand, and Cambodia – quite a geographical spread! Anglicanism first came to the region through British East India Company chaplains centuries ago. Then, first under the Bishop of Calcutta (now Kolkata) and later directly under

the Archbishop of Canterbury, these Anglican churches eventually became their own province in 1996. A minority in a diverse culture, Anglicans here have consulted and worked with many other faiths, including Buddhism, Hinduism, Sikhism, and Taoism, as well as among the majority Muslim population. Many of the Anglicans are Chinese and Tamil. Parishes often also have English language services for expatriates.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Emmanuel and Chapel of the Transfiguration, both of Southern Pines

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; 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; Alicia

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

The departed: Linda Heller

Birthdays: Robin Bartlett, Jennifer Bennett, Gus Chrysson, Archer Hill, Betty Self, Ken Sisk, Fran Swan

Announcements

Resilient Joy: Our Summer Sermon Series on Philippians Continues

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.

Welcome to "Sundae Sunday!"—Enjoy Ice Cream and a Little Jesus after Worship (Parish Hall)

Our whole church family is invited to the Parish Hall after church today. Come share summer photos and stories of you and a Little Jesus, and build your own sundaes with all the festive toppings and treats.

Last Call for School Supplies—Drop Off Donations in the Narthex & Parish Hall TODAY!

*Along with school supplies for our neighbors at Lindley Elementary, we're 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—tomorrow! **Thank you for helping!***

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. 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 project cost. **Without hesitation, St. Andrew's has led the way with a generous contribution of \$30,000, including Mission & Outreach funds and a major gift from an anonymous parishioner.** 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.*

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!

Bring Your Lunch and Join Us for Book Club—August 26

St. Andrew's Brown Bag Book Club meets this Tuesday at 12 p.m. in the Cloister. All are invited! Please bring your sandwich or snack and beverage. We hope to see you there!

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 jfadde@gsohoppers.com. 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!*



Get Ready for Our Fall Kickoff— September 7!

***Let's Gather for Worship at 10 a.m.
Followed by an All-Parish Potluck Picnic***

*Our Fall Kickoff Event is 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. Programs for children youth will also kick off on this date! Read on for more details about all of these offerings. **Please bring a dish to share, according to the first letter of your last name: A–H: Main Dishes; I–R: Sides; S–Z: Desserts.***

Calling All Youth! Come to Our Acolyte Training Meetup—September 7 at 12 p.m.

Are you a 6th–12th grader who is looking for a way to lead, serve, and grow in your faith? The Acolyte Ministry at St. Andrew's offers middle and high school students a meaningful way to be part of worship while developing responsibility, teamwork, and leadership. Whether you've served before or you're just getting started, this is a great opportunity to step into a visible and vital role in our church community. Stick around after the parish potluck to learn how to carry torches, lead processions, and serve in the various available roles which are a part of our worship services. Come be a part of a long-standing tradition at St. Andrew's with purpose and impact! Questions? Contact Debbie Dowd.

EYC* Kicks into Gear with a Kickoff Cookout—September 7, 5:00–6:30 p.m.

We're kicking off a fabulous year of EYC on September 7 from 5:00 to 6:30 pm! Bring your favorite cookout side (hot dogs, burgers, and veggie burgers will be provided), and come ready to feast and have fun with friends old and new. Please join us!

** EYC stands for Episcopal Youth Community and is open to all **middle and high school** youth.*

Children's Ministry Returns—with Popsicles!—September 7 during 10 a.m. Worship

*Children's Ministry will resume for fall with a children's open house for Godly Play and Kids of the Kingdom followed by popsicles and fun on the playground. **Pre-K through fifth graders** are invited to process out of church after the Collect to spend time learning about Godly Play, Kids of the Kingdom, and all about what we'll be working on and learning this semester. Our friends downstairs in the nursery will join us, too! We'll settle into our regular schedule of lessons and learning the following week, and we can't wait to get back into the wonder and joy of our Sunday morning routine.*

Help Spread God's Love—Cook for Abundant Life's Community Dinner on September 9!
One simple way we can help our northeast Greensboro neighbors is by cooking for Abundant Life's weekly dinners where hospitality, fellowship, and good food abound. **St. Andrew's next turn is Tuesday, September 9**, and we're invited to provide 9x13 pans of entrees and vegetable sides. Here's how to help:

- **Use a disposable pan**, label it with your name and the name of the dish.
- **Drop off your dish in one of two easy ways:**
 1. Freeze your dish and place it in the church's pantry freezer by Sunday morning, Sept 7.
 2. Bring it to Barbara Cooke's home (near Guilford College) on September 9.

See our eNews to sign up. Questions? Please reach out to Barbara. Thank you for being part of this ministry of hospitality. Your cooking brings encouragement to our struggling neighbors!

Women of St Andrew's, You're Invited!—September 8 & 10

All women of the church are invited to our women's meetings in September. Part of the larger Episcopal Church Women organization, or ECW, chapters are similar to women's circles in other denominations. St. Andrew's has two active chapters which meet monthly during the program year for fun, fellowship, a program, and / or an outreach activity. The Sts. Agatha and Mary Chapter meets on second Mondays at 2 p.m., and the Donnell and St. Anne's Chapter meets on second Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. If you would like to learn more about these groups—or if you are interested in the possibility of an evening chapter meeting—please contact Cheri Courtright (Monday chapter) at 336-706-0911; or Sandy O'Briant (Wednesday chapter) at 336-337-9584. **We can't wait to see you on September 8 at 2 p.m. (Parish Hall) or September 10 at 10:30 a.m. (Library)!**

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