Order of Worship for Holy Eucharist Rite II

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 14, 2025, 10:00 a.m.





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.)

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

Hymnal 423

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.*

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, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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). They will return for the announcements.

Jesus loves you (sung by all)

Jesus loves you, this we know, for the Bible tells us so.
Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves you. Yes, Jesus loves you; the Bible tells us so.

The Word of God

The First Reading (Please be seated.)

1 Timothy 1:12–17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm (sung by all)

Psalm 51:1-11

Chant by Matthew Cambridge



- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving kindness; * in your great compassion blot out my of fenses.
- 2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I know my trans gressions, * and my sin is ever be fore me.
- 4 Against you only have I sinned *
 and done what is evil in your sight.
- 5 And so you are justified when you speak and upright in your judgment.
- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, *
 a sinner from my mother's womb.
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep with in me, * and will make me under ständ wisdom secretly.
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; * wash me, and I shall be clean in deed.

- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, *
 that the body you have broken may re joice
- 10 Hide your face from my sins *
 and blot out all my in iquities.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, * and re new a right spirit with in me.

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

Come, thou fount of every blessing (vv. 1-2)

Hymnal 686

The Holy Gospel (standing)

Luke 15:1-10

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gradual Hymn

Come, thou fount of every blessing (v. 3)

Hymnal 686

The Sermon (seated)

The Rev. Ginny Bain Inman

The Way of Love: Covenant

Priest Jesus' way is the way of love. In him we find more love, freedom, and abundant

life. You are invited to turn toward Jesus and to commit to follow his Way of Love in the context of Christian community, trusting in his power to change

each of our lives and to change this world.

Will you turn and center your life on Jesus, falling in love with our Lord again and again and again?

People By the Spirit's power, we will.

Priest Will you ground your life in the life and teachings of Jesus, as revealed in scripture? And will you pray and simply listen for God's voice in your life and

in the world?

People By the Spirit's power, we will.

Priest Will you gather together in worship, to break bread and to thank and praise

God? And will you bless this world with your story, your resources, and your

labor?

People By the Spirit's power, we will.

Priest Will you cross boundaries and fearlessly become God's Beloved Community?

And will you take rest, receiving God's gift of grace and restoration, and letting

God be God?

People By the Spirit's power, we will.

Priest May the God who formed all things in Love, draw you near to God's own heart,

empower you by the power of the Spirit to live the Way of Love with fellow travelers, and send you to participate in the resurrection and healing of God's

world.

And may the blessing of our Lord—loving, liberating, and life-giving—be with

us and remain with us forever and ever.

All Amen.

The Peace

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

The Lord is My Shepherd

Frank Tatem based on Psalm 23

At the Presentation

The Doxology Hymnal 380, v. 3

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer 1 (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 It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus Hymnal S–124

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, 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, and when he had given thanks, he 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Andrew and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

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)





I am the bread of life Surely it is God who saves me My Shepherd will supply my need Hymnal 335 Hymnal 679 Hymnal 664

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

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound

Hymnal 671

The Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia. Let us go forth, walking in love like Christ.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude

* Our liturgy today 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.

Acolyte: Sam Inman. Reader: Doug Sanecki. Chalicists: Linda Cummer, Stephen Inman. Verger: Debbie Dowd. Ushers: Mitzi Bond, Laurinda Stokes, Craig Taylor. Greeters & Newcomer Hosts: Anne Jones, Stephen Martin. Altar Guild Members: Pat Baker, Nancy Bishop, Susan Brannan, Mary V. Compton, Nancy Kimbrough, Barbara Lawless, Sandy O'Briant. Livestream Team: Don Mackey, David Messelink.

The flowers at the altar today are given to the glory of God by Doug and Lynda Sanecki in celebration of their 53rd wedding anniversary; and by Barbara Van Cleve in loving memory of her parents, Christina Carlyle Dublin and Thomas David Dublin.

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We Pray For

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Anglican Church of South America

British expatriates began Anglican worship in Buenos Aires in 1825, leading now to the bicentennial celebration of the Anglican Diocese of Argentina. Meanwhile, in the 1840s, the South American Missionary Society began work among indigenous peoples in Patagonia. Eventually these churches, spread over an enormous geographic area, became the Province of the Southern Cone. Since 2014 under the name of the Anglican Church of South America, the province consists of Argentina, Bolivia, Paraguay, Peru, and Uruguay (and Chile, until it became its own province in 2018). Numbers are small, and most Anglicans still live around Buenos Aires. There, Anglo-Argentines found themselves struggling with the theological teachings about peace and love in an atmosphere of intense nationalism during the 1982 Falklands war.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Calvary, Wadesboro; St. John's, Wake Forest

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; John Bald; Keats; Nancy; Anna Marie; Alicia; Gloria; Jo; Julia Davis

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:** Allen Marple, uncle of Susan Frye

Birthdays: Ken Byrd, David Crowe, Adam Frahm, Danny Frye, Brenda Ganim, Scott Hill, Catherine Johnson, Roger Kimbrough, Jill Lowe, Don Mackey, Pat Marsh, Vince Morton, Mary Cathryn Murray, Bill Shore, Tommy Testa, Tim Wilcox

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

Today

The Way of Love—Fall Formation Starts Today!—Sundays, right after Worship (Cloister) Join us this fall for a new faith formation series at St. Andrew's, exploring The Way of Love—a



journey initially outlined by the wider Episcopal Church and Bishop Michael Curry. Grounded in our theme "Walk in Love," this series invites us to deepen our daily walk with Christ through intentional spiritual practices. Each week, we will focus on one of these seven practices: Turn, Learn, Pray, Worship, Bless, Go, Rest. We'll meet after worship in the Cloister. All are welcome—come walk the Way of Love with us!

In today's meeting, Rev. Inman will offer an overview of the Way and lead a conversation about the first practice, TURN.

TURN Pause, listen, and choose to follow Jesus

As Jesus was walking along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. – Mark 2:14

Like the disciples, we are called by Jesus to follow the Way of Love. With God's help, we can turn from the powers of sin, hatred, fear, injustice, and oppression toward the way of truth, love, hope, justice, and freedom. In turning, we reorient our lives to Jesus Christ, falling in love again, again, and again.

Helping the Unhoused in Guilford County—Come to a Forum Today at 1:00 p.m.

Please join our neighbors at Congregational United Church of Christ (CUCC) and from all over Guilford County at 1 p.m. today to learn about efforts to assist our unhoused citizens. CUCC is hosting this educational event, which will include presentations by panelists from Greensboro Urban Ministry, Guilford County Schools, the Interactive Resource Center, and other area agencies actively working to support the unhoused and end homelessness in our community. Time for Q&A is also planned. The event runs 1:00–3:30 p.m. at CUCC, 400 W. Radiance Drive.

Finding Balance in the Back-to-Everything Season—EYC Tonight, 5–6:30 p.m. (Herman Hall) School, sports, classes, events, friends, church, lessons, and all!! the things are back with a vengeance in the first weeks of fall! It can be tons of fun to dive back into everything, but how do we find rest, manage stress, and find ways to take care of ourselves during this busy season? Let's find out during a fun, interactive, self-care scavenger hunt! We'll continue the fun with pulled pork sandwiches (gluten-free and vegetarian options available) for dinner. Join us at 5! Please use the covered entrance on the Kensington side of church.

Announcements

Funeral for Linda Heller—Tuesday, September 16, 11 a.m.

All are invited to remember beloved St. Andrew's parishioner Linda Heller. The funeral for Linda will be Tuesday, September 16, at 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary, with a reception afterward in the Parish Hall.

Come Visit or Volunteer with St. Andrew's at Greensboro Pride—Saturday, September 20

St. Andrew's will be joining other Episcopal churches in Greensboro to celebrate and support our LGBTQ+ siblings at the Greensboro Pride Festival on Saturday, September 20. We'll be there 11 a.m.— 6 p.m. to share God's love and let everyone know they are welcome—fully and joyfully—into the beloved community. Come visit our booth, show your support, and help us share the message: The Episcopal Church welcomes you! Please contact <u>Father Gus</u> with questions. To sign up to volunteer at our booth, visit the <u>Signup Genius link</u> in this week's eNews.

Save the Date for Sprouts Brunch Bunch! – September 21, Right after Worship

Our first Sprouts Brunch Bunch of the school year will be after church on Sunday, September 21, at <u>Cugino Forno</u> (1160 Revolution Mill Dr.). Sprouts Brunches are held monthly at a kid-friendly location and are a fun way to get to know and catch up with fellow St. Andrew's families with preschool and elementary aged children. This month we'll be enjoying Cugino Forno's delicious pizza, giant picnic tables, and awesome atmosphere. We hope to see you there!

Fall Foyers are Coming! Sign Up for Our Next Groups (Yes, You Can Meet at Restaurants!)

We are now taking signups for our next round of foyer dinner groups. **Foyer Dinners** are a wonderful way to get to know fellow parishioners. Groups of 6–8 members meet monthly in members' homes or restaurants to share a meal and get to know each other outside of our parish life. Sign up online at the link in this week's eNews or on the signup sheet in the Parish Hall. **To learn more, talk to Ralph and Laura Bricker after worship, or contact them at lbbricker@gmail.com** or 843-263-3288.

Tell Fido to Sit & Save the Date—Our Animal Blessing is <u>SATURDAY</u>, October 4, at 10 a.m. On October 4, the Feast Day of St. Francis, you are invited to bring your well-behaved pets for our annual Blessing of the Animals. Come gather on the front lawn at 10 a.m. to share God's love with the creatures who love us through life's ups and downs. Attire for pets: leash or carrier. The event is on Saturday so all can participate in the CROP Walk on Sunday, October 5. (See next announcement.)

Join Your Parish Family in Walking to End World Hunger—Sunday, October 5, at 2:00 p.m. We are inviting all parishioners and friends to join us as you are able at Greensboro's CROP Hunger Walk on October 5 at Barber Park. We will meet at the park at 2 p.m. at the St. Andrew's banner. The walk begins at 2:30. Please wear a red shirt if you have one. Sign up today at the link in our eNews. Questions? Contact parishioner Marianne Morales (Mmorales50@outlook.com), who is coordinating our participation. St. Andrew's will once again make a church-wide donation supporting the walk. If you are moved to make an individual gift too, see our eNews announcement for instructions. CROP Hunger Walks support the overall ministry of Church World Service (CWS), especially grassroots, hunger-fighting development efforts around the world. Greensboro's CROP Hunger Walk is the 5th largest in the nation! In addition to helping CWS's work worldwide, our local walk returns 25% of funds raised to Greensboro Urban Ministry's Potter's House Community Kitchen.

Your Gifts Sustain Us

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