



HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 28, 2025: 10:00 A.M.

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Seekers, believers, and doubters of all ages, welcome home to St. Andrew's! Everything you need for the Liturgy of the Word is found in your bulletin. Music may be found in this bulletin and in the blue 1982 Hymnal (in the pew rack). Restrooms are downstairs in the undercroft; our greeters can direct you to a more accessible restroom in the parish house as well.

Children of all ages are welcome to join us in our Soft Space, located by the St. Andrew's flag up front, during worship. Please move around our space as you and your children are most comfortable. Visitors, we would love to get to know you, and we invite you to fill out one of our welcome cards and place it in the offering plate or hand it to one of our greeters. *We are so glad you are here!*

Prelude

Opening Hymn

Once in royal David's city

Hymn #102, verses 1-3

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able. Children of all ages are invited to follow the celebrant up to the soft worship space towards the front of the church.

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 355

Please remain standing as you are able.

Celebrant The glory of the Lord has been revealed.

People And all flesh shall see the salvation of our God.

The Collect for Purity

Please remain standing as you are able.

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:

People 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

Angels we have heard on high

Hymn #96, verses 1-3

Sung by all. Please remain standing as you are able

1 An - gels we have heard on high, sing - ing sweet - ly through the night,
2 Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why these songs of hap - py cheer?
3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;

and the moun - tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their brave de - light.
What great bright - ness did you see? What glad tid - ings did you hear?
come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.

Refrain

Glo - - - - - ri - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo - - - - -

- - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

The Collect of the Day

BCP, p. 213

Please remain standing as you are able.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson

Isaiah 61:10-62:3

NRSV

Please sit.

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations. For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Response

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able.

Psalm 147:13-21

Psalter for the Christian People



- 13 Worship the Lord, O Je- / rusalem; *
 praise your God, O / Zion;
- 14 For God has strengthened the bars of your / gates *
 and blessed your children within / you.
- 15 God has established peace on your / borders; *
 and satisfies you with the finest / wheat.
- 16 God's command is sent out to the / earth, *
 and the word of the Lord runs very / swiftly.
- 17 God gives snow like / wool; *
 and scatters hoarfrost like / ashes.
- 18 God scatters his hail like / bread crumbs; *
 who can stand against the cold of the / Lord?
- 19 God's word I sent forth and / melts them; *
 God's stormwinds blow, and the waters / flow.
- 20 God's word is declared to / Jacob, *
 God's statutes and judgments to / Israel.
- 21 The Lord has not done so to any other / nation; *
 to them God's judgements have not been revealed. Halle - / lujah!
 Glory to the Father, and to the / Son,
 and to the Holy / Spirit:
 as it was in the beginning, is / now,
 and will be for ever. A- / men.

The Second Lesson

Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

NRSV

Please sit.

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Galatians.

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming

Hymn 81, verses 1-2

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able.

The Gospel

John 1:1-18

NRSV

Please remain standing as you are able.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

Britton Trimble

Please be seated.

The Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 358

Said by all. Please stand as you are able.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Praying the Scriptures

Please remain standing or kneel as you are able.

Leader The Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. We are witnesses, praying, Shine forth in our lives, O Lord.

People Hallelujah!

Leader Abba, Father, you have received us as your children. Make our hearts shine ever brighter with the pure light of Christ, that all people might witness your all-encompassing love. Shine forth in our lives, O Lord.

People Hallelujah!

Leader Almighty God, let all the nations witness your glory. Cause righteousness and praise to cover the earth. Shine forth in our lives, O Lord.

People **Hallelujah!**

Leader Great Lord, you are mighty in power: you graciously make the earth to burst forth with green plants; you provide food for flocks and herds; you give us the resources to thrive on this planet. May we be thankful in our hearts and generous in our lives. We pray especially for those celebrating birthdays this week, including: Crystal Munnings, Sharlee Adams, Laura Boucher, and Aimee Johnson. Shine forth in our lives, O Lord.

People **Hallelujah!**

Leader O God, it is you who establishes peace. Comfort your people with safety and security; assure us that it is not by our own strength, but by your goodness, that we can rest in quiet confidence. Shine forth in our lives, O Lord.

People **Hallelujah!**

Leader Loving God, you are the healer of the brokenhearted; it is you who binds up their wounds; you lift up the lowly. Clothe your children with the garments of health and salvation. Shine forth in our lives, O Lord.

People **Hallelujah!**

Leader O God, you sent your Son to redeem us from sin and death: draw us closer to your Son Jesus-into your heart, both now and in the life to come. Shine forth in our lives, O Lord.

People **Hallelujah!**

Leader God of wisdom who knows our path, we humbly ask you to guide our discernment committee: Christine, Patrick, Shar, Steve, and Vivien by the Holy Spirit towards the priest whom you have raised up to lead us. Quiet their hearts, keep them from sin, and strengthen Your gifts within them so they may better listen and respond to Your perfect counsel. We pray also for our future priest, that You may prepare them to aid us in continuing the mission of the church, began in the apostles, continued in Grace Arents, us, and all St. Andreans, and perfected in the return of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Until that day, be close to St. Andrew's and strengthen our spirits, so we may continue in doing Your good work.

Celebrant Splendor of eternal glory, grant that we may be faithful witnesses to the light that shatters the power of darkness, proclaiming in acts of justice and mercy the peace and salvation of Christ.

People **Hallelujah!**

The Peace

BCP, p. 360

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant The peace of the Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

Please sit.

Offertory Anthem

Please remain seated.

Presentation Hymn

Hark! The herald angels sing

Hymn #87

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able. Children of all ages are invited to come forward and worship with the celebrant at the altar.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP, p. 367

Please remain standing as you are able.

Celebrant *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant *People*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord

Hymnal S-129

Sung by all. Please remain standing or kneel as you are able.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and

might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. _____

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father:

All **We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Andrew and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

Said by all. Please remain standing or kneeling as you are able.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Said by all. Please remain standing or kneeling as you are able.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us your peace.

Fraction Anthem

Please remain standing or kneeling as you are able.

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Invitation to Communion

All are welcome at Christ's table. Communion is offered in both kinds, bread and wine. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Those who do not wish to receive the Eucharist may come forward and simply cross their hands over their chest to receive a blessing or a healing prayer. Please let a greeter know if you would prefer to have communion brought to you in your seat.

Communion Hymn

In the bleak midwinter

Hymn #112

Post-Communion Prayer

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Almighty God, whose Word has come among us in the Holy Child of Bethlehem: may the light of faith illumine our hearts and shine in our words and deeds; through him who is Christ the Lord. Amen.**

The Christmas Blessing

Please remain standing as you are able.

Celebrant May Christ, who by his Incarnation gathered into one thing earthly and heavenly, fill you with his joy and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always

People **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Go tell it on the mountain

Hymn #99

Sung by all. Please remain standing as you are able and turn to face the cross as it passes you.

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!
People Thanks be to God!

Postlude

THIS MORNING'S LEADERS

Celebrant: The Rev. Canon Dr. Lynn Collins *Homilist:* Britton Trimble *Organist & Choirmaster:* Demas Boudreaux
Crucifer: TBD *Altar Guild:* Aimee Johnson *Lay Reader:* Tim Williams
Soft Space Volunteer: Susie McKay *Intercessor:* Sue Barrett *Vestry Person of the Day:* Dwight Johnson
Lead Greeter: Mike Culver *Teller:* Tracey Miles

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

- Pat Bridgewater, Barbara Butler, The Comissiong and Williams family, Tom Davis, Ellen Field, Patrick Getlein, Sandra Heitzler, Bill Jackson, Brick, Steve Kincer, Crystal Munnings, Lizzie Schrass, Carol Slonaker, Chris Vega.
- Pray for those who live and work and go to school on Oregon Hill and for the ministry of the Blessings Fence.
- Pray for the families of Metropolitan Richmond: For an end to child abuse. For families going through divorce; for all in the midst of life transitions. For peace, reconciliation, and forgiveness among family members, whatever the distance and however old the hurt or grievance.
- Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Crystal Munnings (12/31), Sharlee Adams (1/1), Laura Boucher (1/1), Aimee Johnson (1/3).



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ST. ANDREW'S CALENDAR

Sunday, December 28: The First Sunday after Christmas

- Holy Eucharist Rite II: 10:00 a.m., church and on Facebook Live
- Coffee Hour: directly following the service, chapel

Parish Office Closed through January 4 for Christmas

Sunday, January 4: The Second Sunday after Christmas

- The Pageant & Holy Eucharist Rite II: 10:00 a.m., church and on Facebook Live
- Coffee Hour: directly following the service, chapel
- Epiphany Lessons & Carols: 5:30 p.m., church, followed by a light reception

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We celebrated ingathering already, but it's not too late to pledge! Pledge cards are available in the narthex or you can [pledge online](#) using this QR Code to the right.
- Vestry Nominations are Open: We will elect three new vestry members at the Annual Meeting on January 25, 2026. The nominating process for election remains open until 5 p.m. on Wednesday, January 7. Nominating forms are available in the narthex or on our website at tinyurl.com/stavestry. A list of qualified nominees will be published on Wednesday, January 14, in the E-News and on our website.
- Parish Office Closed for Christmas: The Parish Office will be closed through January 4. Britton resumes her normal work-from-home schedule of Mondays and Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., on January 5 and will return to her normal in-office schedule of Wednesdays and Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., on January 7.
- Bishop Harris' Upcoming Visit: We are excited to welcome the Rt. Rev. Gayle E. Harris, Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia, on Sunday, January 18, 2026! She will preside over our 10:00 a.m. service. Several St. Andreans are planning to be confirmed or renew their baptismal vows during this service. We invite your prayers for them as they prepare. Their remaining meetings with Rev. Lynn via Zoom are at 6:30 p.m. on 12/30, 1/5, and 1/13. If you have questions about the bishop's visit, please reach out to Rev. Lynn!
- Updated Directory Available: If you would like a copy, have changes to your information, or have questions or concerns, *please see or email Britton Trimble for the new, updated link* at office@standrewsoregonhill.org. Please do not share your copy of the directory and please do not distribute information contained in this directory outside of our parish family.



SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- Blessings Fence: You are invited to bring in new socks, gloves, hats, and scarves, and new or very gently worn and cleaned jackets of all sizes. All items get put on our fence for any in need to take. Knitters and crocheters: there is plenty of yarn for your use in the undercroft across from the choir area. We have a box in the narthex for collecting your donations. Please let the office know if you are bringing in a jacket - we don't have much storage room and will likely need put it right out on the fence. Thanks for your support of one of our longest-running ministries!
- Coffee Hour Sign-Up: We invite you to sign up to bring snacks for a coffee hour! Snacks can be as simple as you'd like, home-made or store-bought, and you don't have to worry about providing or setting up drinks. The sign-up sheet is available on the organ or the snack table in the chapel.

SPECIAL EVENTS AT ST. ANDREW'S

- **January 4 – the *Second Sunday of Christmas* –**
 - We continue our celebration of the Christmas season with our **annual pageant** during the **10:00 a.m.** church service.
 - We wrap up our celebration of the season with our beloved service of **Epiphany Lessons & Carols** at **5:30 p.m.**
- **January 18 – *The Second Sunday after the Epiphany* –** join us as we welcome The Rt. Rev. Gayle E. Harris, Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia, on her first official visit to St. Andrew's!
- **January 25 – Annual Meeting during the 10:00 a.m. service –** join us as we reflect on 2025 and look forward to all that 2026 has in store for St. Andrew's!

Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year
from St. Andrew's!



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