



MORNING PRAYER: RITE II

THE 22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST + PROPER 25: YEAR A

OCTOBER 25, 2026: 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 the blue 1982 Hymnal (in the pew rack) and in this bulletin. 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 up front by the flag, 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

All hail the power of Jesus' name

Hymn #450

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able.

Opening Sentences

BCP, p. 78

Please remain standing as you are able.

Officiant

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

Philippians 1:2

Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.

Psalms 43:3

Confession of Sin

BCP, p. 79

Please remain standing or kneel as you are able.

Officiant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Officiant

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Invitatory

BCP, p. 80

Please remain standing as you are able.

Officiant

Lord, open our lips.

People

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

All

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. Amen. Alleluia.

Officiant

The mercy of the Lord is everlasting:

People

Come, let us adore him.

The Venite

Psalms 95:1-7

Hymn #S35

Please remain standing as you are able and join in the singing of the Venite.

Officiant

The mercy of the Lord is everlasting:

People

Come, let us adore him.

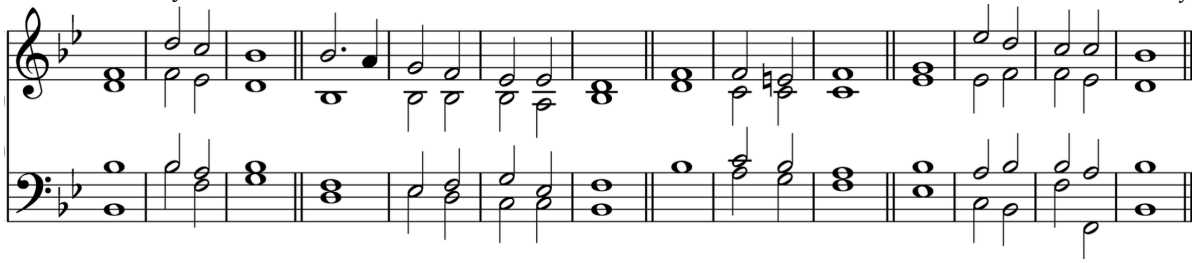
The Psalm

Psalm 1

Text: Psalter for the Christian People

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able.

Tune: Joseph Corfe



- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel | of the wicked, ||
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in | the seats | of the | scornful! ||
 - 2 Their delight is in the law | of the | Lord, ||
and they meditate on | the law | day and | night. ||
 - 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that | do not | wither; ||
every-thing | they do | shall pros- | per. ||
 - 4 It is not so | with the | wicked; ||
they are like chaff which | the wind | blows a- | way. ||
 - 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when | judg-ment | comes, ||
nor the sinner in the | coun-cil | of the | righteous. ||
 - 6 For the Lord knows the way | of the | righteous, ||
but the way of | the wick- | ed is | doomed. ||
- Glory be to the Father, and | to the | Son, ||
and | to the | Ho - ly | Ghost: ||
as it was in the be - | ginning, is | now, ||
and ever shall be, world without | end. A - | men, a - | men. ||

THE LESSONS

The First Lesson

Leviticus 19:1-2,15-18

NRSV

Please remain seated.

A reading from the Book of Leviticus.

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy. You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the Lord. You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Canticle 13

Glory to you

Hymn #S236

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able.

The Second Lesson

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

NRSV

Please be seated.

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn

How lovely is thy dwelling place

Hymn #517

Sung by all.

The Third Lesson

Matthew 22:34-46

NRSV

Please be seated.

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"'? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Officiant The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Homily

Britton Trimble

Please be seated.

The Apostles' Creed

BCP, p. 96

Said by all. Please stand as you are able.

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth; I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 97

Please remain standing or kneel as you are able.

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

All 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 Suffrages

Form A

BCP, p. 97

Please remain standing or kneeling as you are able.

Intercessor Show us your mercy, O Lord;

People And grant us your salvation.

Intercessor Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

People Let your people sing with joy.

Intercessor Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

People For only in you can we live in safety.

Intercessor Lord, keep this nation under your care;

People And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Intercessor Let your way be known upon earth;

People Your saving health among all nations.

Intercessor Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

People Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Intercessor Create in us clean hearts, O God;

People And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Collect of the Day, The Collect for Sundays, and Intercessions

Please remain standing or kneeling as you are able.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We pray for those on our prayer list: Alexandria Bluing, Jayne Jenkins Bowden, Pat Bridgewater, Cathy Creamer, Ellen Field, Mil Floyd, Patrick Getlein, Sandra Heitzler, Tracey Miles, Crystal Munnings, Cathy O'Neil, Deya Porter & family, Lizzie Schrass, Carol Slonaker, the Thompson-White family.

We pray for those who have died and those who mourn.

We pray for those who live, and work, and go to school on Oregon Hill, and for the Laundry Ministry.

We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Lily Birmingham and Ian Smith.

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. **AMEN.**

Please add your own prayers either silently or aloud.

Officiant Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Peace

Please stand as you are able.

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

Welcome and Announcements

Please be seated.

Offertory Anthem

I am bound for the promised land

Words: Samuel Stennett (1727-1795)

Arr: Norman Johnson

Offertory Hymn

Now thank we all our God

Hymn #397, verses 1,3

Concluding Collect

BCP, p. 101

Please stand as you are able.

Officiant Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen.**

A General Thanksgiving

BCP, p. 836

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

All Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love. We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side. We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us. We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone. Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom. Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. **Amen.**

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

BCP, p. 102

Please remain standing or kneeling as you are able.

Officiant Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able.

O God our help in ages past

Hymn #680

The Dismissal

Please remain standing as you are able.

BCP, p. 102

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine:
Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

Ephesians 3:20,21

Postlude

THIS MORNING'S LEADERS

Officiant & Homilist: Britton Trimble *Organist & Choirmaster:* Demas Boudreaux

Reader: Tim Williams *Intercessor:* Jim Evans *Crucifer:* Dwight Johnson *Altar Guild:* Aimee Johnson

Tellers: Ricky Gorrell & Andawen Sauder *Lead Greeter:* Mike Culver

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**The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God
and in memory of Gilbert Comissiong Senior by the Comissiong and Williams Families.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

- Alexandria Bluing, Jayne Jenkins Bowden, Pat Bridgewater, Cathy Creamer, Ellen Field, Mil Floyd, Patrick Getlein, Sandra Heitzler, Tracey Miles, Crystal Munnings, Cathy O'Neil, Deya Porter & family, Lizzie Schrass, Carol Slonaker, the Thompson-White family.
- Pray for those who live and work and go to school on Oregon Hill and for the Laundry Ministry.
- Pray for our discernment committee: 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.
- Pray for those in our armed forces, especially those deployed to combat zones.
- Pray for public, non-profit, and religious social service work and ministries in Metropolitan Richmond: For emergency shelters, women's shelters, clinics, and feeding programs. For recreation programs, youth programs, juvenile counseling, and young people's shelters.
- Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week: Lily Birmingham (10/27), Ian Smith (10/30).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Halloween Candy Needed:** As you shop for Halloween candy, will you grab an extra bag of individually-wrapped Halloween candy for our Oregon Hill neighbors? Please drop your donations in the basket in the nave as we prepare for Halloween at St. Andrew's. We expect hundreds of visitors, so bulk donations are appreciated.
- **Halloween at St. Andrew's:** We hope you are planning to join us at St. Andrew's on Halloween evening to watch the All the Saints Theater's 21st Annual Halloween Parade through Oregon Hill and give out candy to trick-or-treaters. *Scan or click the QR code to the left to help set-up, clean-up, and give out candy and help during the parade.* The parade begins at 7:00 p.m.; parking can be difficult on Oregon Hill on Halloween, so you are encouraged to arrive early!

- **Commemorations & Celebrations on All Saints' Sunday, November 1:** During the service on All Saints' Sunday, we will continue our tradition of commemorating those who have gone on before us. You are invited to email Britton at office@standreworegonhill.org the names of your loved ones who have died so that we may join with them in prayer (*please do so by October 27*).
- **Pride Shirts for PACE – Turning Welcome Into Action:** Support St. Andrew's Fellowship Ministry by purchasing a Pride shirt that gives back to our community. Proceeds from every shirt sold are used exclusively to purchase food ingredients for homemade soup donations through the PACE Center's Gather • Eat • Share program, serving VCU students experiencing food insecurity. *Click here* or scan the QR code to order. Questions? Please email fellowship@standrewsoregonhill.org. Thank you for helping us turn welcome into action!

- **Organ Restoration Project: How Can I Help?** While most of the project work is being handled by our Organ Committee or the contractors we have hired, members of the congregation can still get involved if you have an interest in photography, which can help document the various phases of the project by creating accurate and lasting records of the process. As other opportunities arise to give of your time, talent, and treasure during the organ restoration, we will let you know. Please contact [Dwight Johnson](#) or Dale Holcomb if you are interested in lending a hand.

Sunday Christian Formation - Fall 2026

** *Wisdom Over Fear* - St. Andrew's House, 11:30 a.m. -12:15 p.m.

TODAY, October 25 - *Engagement/Disengagement*: Facilitator: Mike Culver

** November 15: *Guest Storyteller Denise Bennett* - *God is With Us, Wherever We Go*

** November 29: *Annual Advent Wreath Workshop* in the chapel

** December 6, 13: *The Sacraments*

Tuesday Evening Bible Study - Fall 2026 - The Prophets

Tuesdays through November 10, On Zoom, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.



Join us for this Bible study led by Rev. Lynn! We'll use the study guide *Embracing the Prophets* by the Rev. Walter Bruggeman, though you need not purchase the study guide. Kindly register in the chapel; forms are on top of the small organ. Scan the QR code or click the following link to join the meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86726194284?pwd=yolSksZ1MpwjtuSU02cymo3U2ASOQD.1>

Meeting ID: 867 2619 4284 ~ Passcode: 798023220

What future formation offerings would you like to see? What are you curious about? What would help support you on your faith journey? What might help deepen your prayer life or strengthen your commitment to serve others? Tell us - write your ideas on the white board in the chapel!

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 25, October 25

- **Choir Rehearsal:** 9:00 a.m., undercroft
- **Morning Prayer Rite II:** 10:00 a.m., church and on Facebook Live
- **Coffee Hour:** directly following the service, chapel
- **Formation:** 11:30 a.m., St. Andrew's House

Tuesday, October 27

- **Bible Study:** 7:00 p.m., Zoom

Saturday, October 31

- **Halloween at St. Andrew's:** setup begins at 5:00 p.m., parade begins at 7:00 p.m. - join us on the steps!

All Saints' Sunday, November 1

- **Choir Rehearsal:** 9:00 a.m., undercroft
- **Holy Eucharist & Holy Baptism Rite II:** 10:00 a.m., church and on Facebook Live
- **Coffee Hour:** directly following the service, chapel



Seekers, believers, and doubters of all ages:

Welcome home to St. Andrew's!

Together we are building a community in Christ that gathers to
worship joyfully, love abundantly, and serve wholeheartedly.

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