



HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II
THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: YEAR A
MAY 3, 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 this bulletin, or you can refer to 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 temporarily at the back of the church, 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

O praise ye the Lord!

Hymn #432

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able.

Opening Acclamation

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

Please remain standing as you are able.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

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:

All **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

Hymn #S280

Sung by all. Please remain standing as you are able

THE WORD OF GOD

The Collect of the Day

BCP, p. 225

Please remain standing as you are able.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson

Acts 7:55-60

NRSV

Please be seated.

A reading from the book of the Acts of the Apostles.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!"

But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he died.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Response

Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16

Psalter for the Christian People

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able.



1. In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be | put to | shame; ||
 deliver me | in your | right- eous - | ness. ||
2. Incline your | ear to | me; ||
 make haste | to de - | li - ver | me. ||
3. Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and | my strong - | hold; ||
 for the sake of your name, | lead me | and guide | me. ||
4. Take me out of the net that they have secretly | set for | me, ||
 for you | are my | tower of | strength. ||
5. Into your hands I com - | mend my | spirit, ||
 for you have redeemed me, O | LORD, O | God of | truth. ||
15. My times are | in your | hand; ||
 rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from | those who | perse - cute | me. ||
16. Make your face to shine u - | pon your | servant, ||
 and in your loving | kind - ness | säve | me. ||
 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 Epistle

1 Peter 2:2-10

NRSV

Please be seated.

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: “See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.” To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, “The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner” and “A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.” They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who

called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

Come, my Way

Hymn #487

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able.

The Gospel

John 14:1-14

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.**

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Canon Dr. Lynn Collins

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.

Intercessor Siblings in Christ, once we were not a people, but now we are God's people. Let us pray to our good God, saying, make your face to shine upon us,

***People* And in your loving kindness save us.**

Intercessor In you, O Lord, does your Church take refuge. Strengthen us by your Holy Spirit to do great works in Jesus' name. May your Church glorify you in all our doings. Make your face to shine upon us,

***People* And in your loving kindness save us.**

Intercessor Ancient of Days, rescue the innocent from the hands of those who persecute them. Hold in your strong hands the oppressed and the abused. Make your face to shine upon us,

***People* And in your loving kindness save us.**

Intercessor God, our strong rock, give us eyes to see your hand at work in our world. Lead us and guide us that we may be good stewards of your creation. Make your face to shine upon us,

***People* And in your loving kindness save us.**

Intercessor Tower of Strength, assure those who are unemployed or living in poverty that they are precious in your sight. Make your face to shine upon us,

***People* And in your loving kindness save us.**

Intercessor Merciful God, incline your ear to those in need of deliverance. Calm the troubled hearts of the suffering and the sorrowful, of the sick, and the anxiety-plagued. We pray for those who live and work on Oregon Hill and for those who celebrate birthdays this week, especially: Cathy O'Neil, Jerry Gernhard, Micheal Williams, Rosa Finch. Make your face to shine upon us,

***People* And in your loving kindness save us.**

Intercessor God of truth, we commend the dying and the dead into your hands. We rejoice in Jesus' promise that he has prepared for us a place in your eternal home. Make your face to shine upon us,

***People* And in your loving kindness save us.**

Intercessor 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.

Intercessor At this time we invite you to share your prayers of intercession and thanksgiving silently or aloud.

The celebrant adds the concluding collect.

The Peace

BCP, p. 360

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant The peace of 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 be seated.

Offertory Anthem

Please remain seated.

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer D

BCP, p. 372

Please remain standing as you are able.

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 our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and forever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord

Hymn #S129

Please remain standing or kneel as you are able.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior.

Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose, he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

All **We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with matriarchs and patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Andrew and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and 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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Please remain standing or kneeling as you are able.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Healing Prayer is being offered in the chapel during Communion.

Communion Hymn

I love thy kingdom, Lord

Hymn #524

Postcommunion Prayer

BCP, p. 365

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Easter Blessing

Closing Hymn

Christ is made the sure foundation

Hymn #518

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able.

The Dismissal

Celebrant He is not here. He is risen. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People In the name of Christ, our Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude

THIS MORNING'S LEADERS

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Canon Dr. Lynn Collins *Organist & Choirmaster:* Demas Boudreaux

Reader: Elaine Baur *Crucifer:* Dwight Johnson *Altar Guild:* Dale Holcomb

Healing Prayer: Pat Bridgewater *Intercessor:* Ally Getlein *Lead Greeter:* Mike Culver *Teller:* Tracey Miles

Sunday Steward of the Day: Chris Prior *Email your vestry:* vestry@standrewsoregonhill.org

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

- Tom Breeden, Pat Bridgewater, Cathy Creamer, John Cyrus, Jim Evans, Sarah Farber, Ellen Field, Mil Floyd, Patrick Getlein, Maddie Gross, Sandra Heitzler, Bill Jackson, Crystal Munnings, Deya Porter & family, Brick Quinn, Lizzie Schrass, Carol Slonaker, the Thompson-White family, Tim Williams, Jim Uzel, Chris Vega.
- 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 those who live and work and go to school on Oregon Hill and for the ministry of the Shelter Lunches.
- Pray for health care in Metropolitan Richmond: For persons living with terminal illnesses and for their families, friends, and communities. For persons working to find cures for diseases.
- Pray for those who are celebrating birthdays this week, especially Cathy O'Neil (5/3), Jerry Gernhard (5/7), Micheal Williams (5/8), Rosa Finch (5/9).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Our leaders have finalized our 2026 budget, 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.
- **Organ Removal & Repairs:** Contractors were in the church April 20-24 and removed the organ. It has been transported to their workshop for the repair work. We expect the organ to be reinstalled by early 2027. In the meantime, things will look and sound a little different. We are very excited the restoration of our historic organ is underway! Please see Demas Boudreaux or Dwight Johnson if you have questions.



- **Updated Directory Available:** If you still have a 2025 or older directory, have changes to your information, or have questions or concerns, please see or email Britton Trimble for the new, updated directory 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

- **Shelter Lunches:** On the second Saturday of each month at 8:30 a.m., St. Andreans gather in the chapel to assemble and deliver eighty-five lunches to three different local shelters. If you'd like to help on this coming *Saturday, May 9*, or have questions, please contact Chris Prior. If you can't make it in to pack lunches, you can always donate! Please go to tinyurl.com/stagivenow to donate (please choose Shelter Lunches in the dropdown menu). Thank you for your support of Shelter Lunches!

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

Sunday, May 3: The Fifth Sunday of Easter

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

Wednesday, May 6

- **Laundry Ministry:** 1:30 p.m., corner of Cary & Meadow Streets

Saturday, May 9

- **Shelter Lunches:** 8:30 a.m., chapel

Sunday, May 10: The Sixth Sunday of Easter

- **Holy Eucharist 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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