



MORNING PRAYER: RITE TWO
THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST: YEAR A
DECEMBER 25, 2025: 10:00 A.M.
THE CHANCEL OF 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.

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

Christmas Welcome

Britton Trimble

Opening Hymn

The Wexford Carol

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able.

1. Good peo-ple all, this Christ-mas time, Con-sid-er well, and bear in mind,
2. The night be-fore that hap-py tide, The no-ble Vir-gin and her guide
3. Let all your songs and prais-es be, Un-to his Heav'n-ly Ma-je-sty;
What our good God for us has done, In send-ing his be-lov-ed Son.
Were long time seek-ing up and down To find a lodg-ing in the town.
And ev-er-more, amongst our mirth, Re-member Christ our Savi-our's birth.
With Ma-ry ho-ly, we should pray To God with love this Christmas day;
But mark how all things came to pass: From ev-'ry door re-pelled A-las!
That night the Vir-gin Ma-ry mild, Was safe de-liv-er'd of a child;
In Beth-le-hem up-on that morn, There was a blessed Mes-si-ah born.
As long fore-told their ref-uge all Was but a hum-ble ox's stall.
Ac-cord-ing un-to Heav'n's de-cree, Man's sweet sal-va-tion for to be.

Opening Sentence

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 75

Please remain standing as you are able.

Officiant Behold, I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born
this day in the city of David, a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. *Luke 2:10,11*

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 Alleluia. To us a child is born:

People Come, let us adore him. Alleluia.

The Jubilate

Psalm 100

BCP, p. 80

Please remain standing as you are able and join in reading the Jubilate.

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *

serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; *

he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; *

give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; *

and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

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.

Officiant The mercy of the Lord is everlasting:

People Come, let us adore him.

The Psalm

Psalm 97

Psalter for the Christian People

Please be seated and join in the reading of the Psalm responsively by whole verse.

1. The LORD is Sovereign; let the earth rejoice; *
let the multitude of the isles be glad.
2. Clouds and darkness are round about you, *
righteousness and justice are the foundations of your throne.
3. A fire goes before you *
and burns up your enemies on every side.
4. Your lightnings light up the world; *
the earth sees it and is afraid.
5. The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the LORD, *
at the presence of the LORD of the whole earth.
6. The heavens declare your righteousness, O LORD, *
and all the peoples see your glory.

7. Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! *
Bow down before the LORD, all you gods.
 8. Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, *
because of your judgements, O LORD.
 9. For you are the LORD, most high over all the earth; *
you are exalted far above all gods.
 10. The LORD loves those who hate evil; *
the Lord preserves the lives of the faithful and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.
 11. Light has sprung up for the righteous, *
and joyful gladness for those who are true-hearted.
 12. Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous, *
and to the holy name of the LORD give your praise.
- 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.**

THE LESSONS

The First Lesson

Isaiah 62:6-12

NRSV

Please remain seated.

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have posted sentinels; all day and all night they shall never be silent. You who remind the Lord, take no rest, and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it renowned throughout the earth. The Lord has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm: I will not again give your grain to be food for your enemies, and foreigners shall not drink the wine for which you have labored; but those who garner it shall eat it and praise the Lord, and those who gather it shall drink it in my holy courts. Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples. The Lord has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to daughter Zion, "See, your salvation comes; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him." They shall be called, "The Holy People, The Redeemed of the Lord"; and you shall be called, "Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn

Angels we have heard on high

Hymn #96, verses 1-3

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able.

The Second Lesson

Titus 3:4-7

NRSV

Please remain seated.

A reading from the Book of Titus.

When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn

The first Nowell

Hymn #109, verses 1,2

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able.

The Third Lesson

Luke 2:8-20

NRSV

Please sit.

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see- I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!" When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn

The first Nowell

Hymn #109, verse 6

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able.

The Homily

Britton Trimble

Please sit.

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.

Leader Show us your mercy, O Lord;

People And grant us your salvation.

Leader Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
People **Let your people sing with joy.**
Leader Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
People **For only in you can we live in safety.**
Leader Lord, keep this nation under your care;
People **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**
Leader Let your way be known upon earth;
People **Your saving health among all nations.**
Leader Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
People **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**
Leader Create in us clean hearts, O God;
People **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

Please add your own prayers either silently or aloud.

The Collect of the Day

BCP, p. 212

Please remain standing or kneeling as you are able.

Officiant O God, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Prayer for Mission

BCP, p. 100

Please remain standing or kneeling as you are able.

Officiant O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.

Hymn

Away in a manger

Hymn 101

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able.

Concluding Collect

BCP, p. 100

Please stand as you are able.

Officiant O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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

Sing we now of Christmas – “Noël Nouvelet”

verses 1-3

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able.

Unison

1 Sing we now of Christ-mas, No-el, sing we
2 An-gels called to shep-herds, “Leave your flocks at
3 In Beth-le-hem they found him; Jo-seph and Ma-ry

4 here! Hear our grateful prais-es to the Babe so dear.
rest, jour-ney forth to Beth-le-hem, find the lamb-kin blest.”
mild, seat-ed by the man-ger, watching the ho-ly child.

9 Refrain
Sing we No-el, the King is born, No-el!

13 Sing we now of Christ-mas, sing we now No-el!

The Dismissal

Please remain standing as you are able.

BCP, p. 102

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Officiant May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13

People Amen.

Postlude

THIS MORNING'S LEADERS

Officiant & Homilist: Britton Trimble Pianist & Choirmaster: Demas Boudreaux
Reader & Altar Guild: Belinda Brugh Lead Greeter: Mike Culver

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ST. ANDREW'S CALENDAR

Parish Office Closed: December 25 - January 4

Thursday, December 25: Christmas Day

- **Morning Prayer & Carols:** 10:00 a.m., chapel

Sunday, December 28: The First Sunday after Christmas

- **Holy Eucharist with Beloved Carols:** 10:00 a.m., church and on Facebook
- **Coffee Hour:** 11:15 a.m., chapel

Sunday, January 4: The Second Sunday after Christmas

- **Holy Eucharist with the Pageant:** 10:00 a.m., church and on Facebook
- **Coffee Hour:** 11:15 a.m., chapel
- **Epiphany Lessons and Carols:** 5:30 p.m., church

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Parish Office Closed for Christmas:** Staff will be on break for Christmas through January 3. Work-from-home resumes on Monday, January 5; normal office hours resume Wednesday, January 7, at 10:00 a.m. We wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!
- **The Pageant:** Our annual pageant will take place during the 10:00 a.m. service on Sunday, January 4. All children are welcome to participate, and we may need a few adults, too! We will meet in the undercroft at 9:00 a.m. on January 5 to get everyone in costumes and do a walk-through.
- **Epiphany Lessons & Carols:** Our beloved Epiphany Lessons & Carols returns on Sunday, January 4, at 5:30 p.m. We hope you'll join us for this beautiful service that wraps up the Christmas season, which will include a festive reception in the chapel after the service.
- **Candlemas Evensong:** Mark your calendars now and plan to join us on Sunday, February 1, at 5:30 p.m. for this lovely, contemplative service.

The Poinsettias are given to the Glory of God ...

- by Philip Scranage

... and in memory of:

- Cathy MacLeod by Sue Barrett
- Charles and Elizabeth Baur by Elaine and Chuck Baur
- David Baur by Elaine and Chuck Baur
- Karen Evans by Fynleigh Baur-Millward
- David Baur, Elaine McKee, Gran'ma and Gran'daddy Baur, and Craig Millward by the Baur-Millward family
- Danny Curran by Laura Boucher
- My mother and father, Mac and Sarah Bridgewater by Pat Bridgewater
- Wayne Clark by Belinda Brugh
- Jayne and Bernie Catanzaro by Chris Catanzaro

- Larry Dale and Josephine Hall by Patrick Hall and Chris Catanzaro
- George and Mary Chess by Rick, Diane, and Andrew Chess
- Edward Francis and Shirley Ferguson Dolan by Rick, Diane, and Andrew Chess
- Charles, Elizabeth, and David Baur by Cathy and Buddy Creamer
- Edna and Charles Creamer by Cathy and Buddy Creamer
- Karen Evans and Don Riefner by The Evans Family
- Mr. Mario Xavier Rodríguez González by The Rosa and Allen Finch Family
- Karen Evans by Ally, Patrick, and Sasha Getlein
- Eric Wilkerson by Ally, Patrick, and Sasha Getlein
- Jack Pollard by Jill Pollard
- Jerry Allen by Steve and Karen Salter
- C. L. Slonaker by Carol Slonaker and family

... and in thanksgiving for:

- Christine, Brian, Nayeli, Fynleigh, and Teagan Elaine Baur-Millward by Elaine and Chuck Baur
- The Rev. Canon Dr. Lynn Collins by Elaine and Chuck Baur
- Karen and Steve Salter and Carleen Griffin by Teagan Baur-Millward
- Carlos Alvarez by Nayeli Baur-Millward
- St. Andrew's families - both old and new - and all parishioners by Belinda Brugh
- Mr. and Mrs. Jerald Allen Finch by The Rosa and Allen Finch Family
- Patrick and Sasha Getlein by Ally Getlein
- Sue Barrett by Ally, Patrick, and Sasha Getlein
- Demas Boudreaux and the Chancel Choir by Ally, Patrick, and Sasha Getlein
- The Rev. Canon Dr. Lynn Collins by Ally, Patrick, and Sasha Getlein
- Britton Trimble by Ally, Patrick, and Sasha Getlein
- Megan and Brad Gardner and Ian Leyen by Chris Leyen
- Tom and Shannon Leyen by Chris Leyen
- Demas Boudreaux by Steve and Karen Salter
- Britton Trimble by Steve and Karen Salter
- Britton, Paula, and Demas by St. Andrew's Vestry
- The Rev. Canon Dr. Lynn Collins by St. Andrew's Vestry

Merry Christmas from St. Andrew's!



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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