St Andrew's Episcopal Church & School

The Celebration & Administration of

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

for

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8 October 2023 at 10:30 am

Concerning the Liturgy

This bulletin provides page numbers for *The Book of Common Prayer* (the book with the cross) and *The Hymnal 1982*. Hymns that are marked with "S" are found at the beginning of the hymnal. The italicized words are rubrics, or directions, to let you know when to stand, sit, kneel, and sing.

VOLUNTARY Fantasia in G Major Henry Purcell

THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Blessing of Birthdays & Anniversaries

Those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries are invited to come forward for a blessing prayed by the priest and congregation:

May God guard your joy and keep you in holy grace; may God meet you in your celebration and give you the Spirit's peace; may God bless you and at the last, bring you into Christ's everlasting Kingdom. Amen.

In Procession, a Hymn

Leoni

Hymnal 372

All stand and sing.

THE WORD OF GOD

The Opening Acclamation & ResponsesBCP 355Gloria in excelsisAllein Gott in der Höh sei EhrHymnal 421

The Collect of the Day: Proper 22 BCP 234

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us

the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

All sit.

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die." Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin."

Reader The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

Sung by all.



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- 1 The heavens declare the glory of | God, * and the firmament shows his | handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale to a | nother, * and one night imparts knowledge to a | nother.
- 3 Although they have no words or | language, * and their voices are not | heard,
- 4 Their sound has gone out into | all lands, * and their message to the ends of the | world.
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the | sun; * it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its | course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it a | gain; * nothing is hidden from its burning | heat.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the | soul; * the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the | innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the | heart; * the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the | eyes.



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- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for | ever; * the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous alto | gether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine | gold, * sweeter far than honey, than honey in the | comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant en | lightened, * and in keeping them there is great re | ward.
- 12 Who can tell how often he of | fends? * cleanse me from my secret | faults.
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over | me; * then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great of | fense.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your | sight, *
 O LORD, my strength and my re | deemer.

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

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circum-

cised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

At the Sequence, a Hymn

Tallis' Ordinal

Hymnal 489

All stand and sing.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:33-46

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.'' So

they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time."

Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures:

'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'?

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls."

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Jeff Bohanski

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

All stand.

The Prayers of the People

People of God, the law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul. So let us appeal to our Lord God, saying, "Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, O Lord our strength and our redeemer."

Lord our God, you command us to have no other gods before you: give your Church such singleness of mind that we might not be distracted by the rubbish of our lives, but may strive to know Christ and the power of his resurrection. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our

hearts be acceptable in your sight, **O Lord our strength and our redeemer.**

Lord our God, you command us to bear not false witness against others: Help us to live in peace with one another. In a world of harmful rhetoric, may we use our words to encourage and love-especially those whom we consider different. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, **O Lord our strength and our redeemer.**

Lord our God, you command us to keep a holy Sabbath: make us generous stewards of this planet that it may be renewed and refreshed. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, **O** Lord our strength and our redeemer.

Lord our God, you command us to covet nothing that belongs to our neighbor: give us kind and generous hearts for those with whom we share our neighborhoods. May a loving spirit rule this region. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, **O** Lord our strength and our redeemer.

Lord our God, you desire that your people be not afraid: Pour on the sick, suffering, and struggling the abundance of your mercy. Bless them with goodness and healing through Jesus Christ. We pray for those on our parish prayer list, including Sarrah, Lynette, Gary, Patty, Stacy, Susan, Enrique, John, Stanley, Louise, Kara, Fernando, Maged, the Bartecchi family, Lisa, Jeanne, Dante, and Kathy. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, **O Lord our strength and our redeemer.**

Lord our God, you have made us your own: may we, and those who have run the race of faith before us, attain the resurrection from the dead through the abundant mercy of your Son. We pray for those who have died. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, **O** Lord our strength and our redeemer. The priest adds a concluding collect.

The Confession of SinBCP 360The PeaceBCP 360

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

Ms. Kay Lynn Jenkins St. Andrew's Parishioner

A Collect for Stewardship

Loving God, you have given us everything we possess.

Grant us wisdom that we would honor you with our substance, and remembering the account which we must one day give, find us faithful stewards of your bounty.

In Jesus Christ's name we pray. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Giving to St. Andrew's

To make a contribution to the ministry of St. Andrew's, please drop your offering in the plate or scan this QR code to give securely online.



At the Offertory, an Anthem "Since by man came death" from Messiah

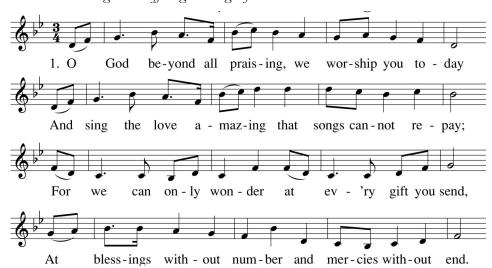
Since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

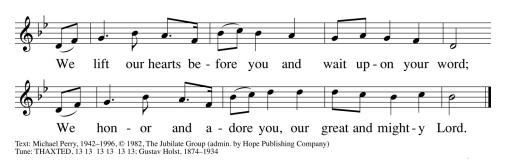
Words: I Corinthians 15:21-15:22 Music: Georg Frideric Handel

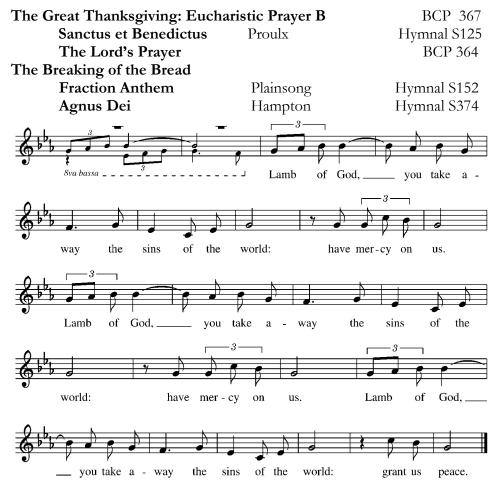
At The Presentation, a Hymn

Thaxted

All stand and sing as the offering is brought forward.







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All are welcome to receive communion in the Episcopal Church. At the altar rail, you may elect to dip (intinct) your wafer in the wine or drink from the chalice as it passes you.

If you desire to receive a blessing instead of communion, please cross your arms over your chest. If you would prefer to receive a gluten-free wafer, please clasp your hands together, and one of the clergy will offer a gluten free wafer to you. If you require communion be brought to you, please let the usher know.

At the Distribution, a Reflection

"Allemande" from Cello Suite No.1 in G Major, BWV 1007 Music: Johann Sebastian Bach

At the Distribution, an Anthem

"Come, sing unto the Lord"

Come, sing unto the Lord, sing all ye people. Let us rejoice in the strength of our salvation. Come before God's presence with thanksgiving and a song.

Words: Psalm 95:1,2 Music: Henry Purcell

At the Distribution, a Hymn Cornwall Hymnal 422

The Post-Communion Prayer & Blessing BCP 365

In Procession, a Hymn Rockingham Hymnal 474

The Dismissal BCP 366

VOLUNTARY Fughetta super 'Dies sind die heilgen zehn Gebot', BWV 679 Johann Sebastian Bach

Please join us for Coffee Time hosted by the Wittpenn family in the Parish Hall, which can be accessed by the stairs or elevator.

Today's Musicians are presented through a partnership between St. Andrew's & La Speranza.

Joanna Becker & Maria Lin, violin Yvonne Smith, viola Fran Koiner, cello



The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of Contessa Moore's birthday by Lisa Moore.

To dedicate flowers, please sign up using the flower dedication list on our bulletin board.

ST. ANDREW'S PRAYER LIST

"Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family."

Please keep these individuals in your prayers this week:

Sarrah Moseley, parishioner at St. Andrew's

Lynette Edwards, parishioner at St. Andrew's

Gary Moseley, parishioner at St. Andrew's

Patty Mejia, spouse of Frank Guevara

Diane McCormick, friend of St. Andrew's

Stacy Jenkins, parishioner at St. Andrew's

Susan Peterson, parishioner at St. Andrew's

Enrique Carrillo, friend of Susan Peterson

John Hammerschimdt, friend of Susan Peterson

Stanley Malbrough, parishioner at St. Andrew's

Louise Ornelas, mother of Margo Ornelas

Kara Mathis, parishioner at St. Andrew's

Fernando Capdevila, friend of Frank Guevara

Maged Kamel, uncle of Sally Kirk

The Bartecchi Family, family of Lisa Moore

Lisa Cunningham, sister of Helen Sestak

Jeanne Ingraham, parishioner at St. Andrew's

Dante Marzetta, parishioner at St. Andrew's

Kathy Griffith, sister of Jamie Martin-Currie

As part of their work the Daughters of the King offer prayers daily for those on our parish prayer list. If you would like to add someone to the published parish prayer list above, please notify Carrie Conti, Office Manager, at cconti@saecheights.org. If you would like your prayer request to be confidential, please let Carrie know.

Names remain on Parish Prayer List for four Sundays unless the request is renewed.

PARISH LIFE & NEWS

* In observance of Indengenious People's Day, the church office will be closed Monday, October 9th

La Speranza: Today, October 8 at the 10:30am liturgy, La Speranza will be joining forces with our choir to embellish our music for the morning. La Speranza is a string quartet specializing in early music that is currently in residence at St. Andrew's, performing ticketed concerts throughout the year. This Sunday, they will perform on period instruments---that is to say instruments built as they were in the 17th and 18th centuries. We are so pleased to be their music home and are delighted to have them enhance our liturgies throughout the year. Their next concert is October 28 and tickets are available on their website la-speranza.com.

Confirmation with Bishop Monterroso: Come support our confirmands as they affirm their faith. Please note the special time this coming Saturday, October 14, 7 pm. A reception will follow in the parish hall.

Four Parishes Festival Choral Evensong: The St. Andrew's Choir will join forces with the parish choirs from St. Mark's, Bellaire; Trinity, Midtown; and St. Thomas', Meyerland on Sunday October 22 at 5pm for the Four Parishes Festival Choral Evensong at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church. There is a reception following the Evensong. This is a great opportunity to connect with parishioners outside of our church and to hear some inspiring music in a beautiful space. Featured music is a setting of the Magnificat & Nunc dimittis by American composer David Hogan, composed for the completion of Washington National Cathedral and the monumental anthem Hear My Words, Ye People by Sir Charles Hubert Hasting Parry!

All Hallows Eve: Join us on Sunday, October 29th, at 5:30 PM in the church for a liturgy and spooky music followed by pizza and trick-ortreating in the Parish Hall.

Rector's Book Club: No meeting today On Sunday mornings this Fall (beginning September 10) we will read, discuss, and learn from Richard Rohr's book *Falling Upward.* The class will meet in the Youth Room Sunday mornings at 9:30. In *Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life*, Richard Rohr helps us to understand the tasks of the two halves of life and teaches us that those who have failed, or gone down, are the only ones who can really understand "up." Those who have somehow fallen, and fallen

well, are the only ones who can grow spiritually and not misuse "up." What looks like falling down can largely be experienced as "falling upward!" To sign up for this class, please email the Rector at igrace@saecheights.org

Sunday Story for Children in PreK through 5th Grade: A committed group of adults lead Sunday School during the 9:30 am Education Hour Sunday Story, for children in Pre K through 5th grade, incorporates stories from the Bible, lessons on church traditions and seasons, interactive play, and art experiences to offer children the opportunity to explore our faith. Children in this large age range find ways to help and learn from one another, encouraging them to become ministers to their friends. We hope your child will become a part of this community of young learners.

Episcopal 101: Join us Sunday mornings at 9:30 for Episcopal 101! This class explores the basic beliefs of the Episcopal Church, what makes Episcopalians unique, and what it means to live a life of faith in the Episcopal way. This class also serves as a "confirmation class" for anyone wishing to be confirmed. We meet in the Chapel of the Good Shepherd.

Bible Study Resumes: Our weekly bible studies have resumed on Zoom. Men's Bible Study will be at 6 AM and Women's Bible Study will now be at 12 PM.

Weekly Newsletter: If you are not receiving our weekly newsletter and would like to please email Carrie at cconti@seacheights.org to be added to the email distribution list.

Church Nursery: The nursery is open from 8:15 AM to 12:15 PM for infants though 3 years.

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA): Meetings are offered at St. Andrew's every week. Primary Purposes Group meets Tuesday nights at 7:30 PM in the Parish Hall. Tradition 5 Group meets Wednesday nights at 7 PM in the Parish Hall. Friday Night Survivors Group meets at 7 PM in the Parish Hall. Al-Anon Group meets at 11 AM Saturday mornings in the Parish Hall. We are Not Saints Group meets at 7 PM Saturday nights in St. Andrew's House. For questions about these groups, contact the Rector at jgrace@saecheights.org



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