

St Andrew's Episcopal Church & School

The Celebration & Administration of **The Holy Eucharist: Rite II**

on

The **Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

12 November 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

Vater unser in Himmelreich, BuxWV 219
(Our Father in Heaven)

Dieterich Buxtehude

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

National Hymn

Hymnal 718

All stand and sing.

THE WORD OF GOD

The Opening Acclamation & Responses

BCP 355

Gloria in excelsis

Allein Gott in der Höb sei Ehr

Hymnal 421

The Collect of the Day: Proper 27

BCP 235

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life:

Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson

Joshua 24:1–3a, 14–25

All sit.

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, “Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many.

“Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.”

Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God.”

But Joshua said to the people, “You cannot serve the Lord, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the Lord and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good.” And the people said to Joshua, “No, we will serve the Lord!” Then Joshua said to the people, “You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the Lord, to serve him.” And they said, “We are witnesses.” He said, “Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to

the Lord, the God of Israel.” The people said to Joshua, “The Lord our God we will serve, and him we will obey.” So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

At the Gradual, Psalm 78:1–7

Simplified Anglican Chant



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1 Hear my teaching, O my | people; *
incline your ears to the words of my | mouth.

2 I will open my mouth in a | parable; *
I will declare the mysteries of | ancient times.

3 That which we have heard and known,
and what our forefathers have | told us, *
we will not hide from their | children.

4 We will recount to generations to come
the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the | LORD, *
and the wonderful works he has | done.

5 He gave his decrees to Jacob
and established a law for | Israel, *
which he commanded them to teach their | children;

6 That the generations to come might know,
and the children yet un|born; *
that they in their turn might tell it to their | children;

(repeat second half of chant)

†7 So that they might put their trust in | God, *
and not forget the deeds of God,
but keep his com|mandments;

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

1 Thessalonians 4:13–18

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

At the Sequence, a Hymn

Libertad

Voices Found 90

All stand and sing.

1 God of free-dom, God of jus-tice, God whose love is strong as death,
2 Rid the earth of tor-ture's ter-ror. God whose hands were nailed to wood;
3 Make in us a cap-tive con-science quick to hear, to act, to plead;

God who saw the dark of pri-son, God who knew the price of faith:
hear the cries of pain and pro-test. God who shares the tears and blood;
make us tru-ly sis-ters, bro-thers, of what-ev-er race or creed;

touch our world of sad op - pres - sion with your Spi - rit's heal - ing breath.
 move us in the power of pi - ty, rest - less for the com - mon good.
 teach us to be ful - ly hu - man, o - pen to each oth - er's need.

* Optional for last verse.

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The Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:1–13

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, “Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ But the wise replied, ‘No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.’ And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I do not know you.’ Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. James M.L. Grace

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

All stand.

The Prayers of the People

Alleluia! Let us join the countless throngs who sing God's praises, praying, "We bless you, O Lord; your praise is ever in our mouths."

God of the pilgrim Church, you love us and call us your children: give your Church a hunger and a thirst for righteousness. Continue to nurture us by the example and fellowship of those saints who have journeyed before us. We bless you, O Lord; **your praise is ever in our mouths.**

God of all people, you love us and call us your children: in a world of violence and war, you bless the peacemakers. Make us instruments of healing and peace. We bless you, O Lord; **your praise is ever in our mouths.**

God of creation, you love us and call us your children: you have given this earth to the meek. May our steps be gentle and leave a small footprint on our earth. As it has been handed on to us, may we carefully preserve this creation for future generations. We bless you, O Lord; **your praise is ever in our mouths.**

God of this city, you love us and call us your children: bless the poor with good things. Visit our impoverished neighborhoods with hope, mercy, and relief. Give us hearts for the poor in our region. We bless you, O Lord; **your praise is ever in our mouths.**

God of the mournful and suffering, you love us and call us your children: comfort and heal those in need. Hear them in their affliction and save them from their troubles. We pray for those on our parish prayer list, including Sarrah, Lynette, Gary, Patty, Stacy, Susan, Jeanne, Lily, Karen, Clorinda, Steve, Andrea, Ron, and the Grace family. We bless you, O Lord; **your praise is ever in our mouths.**

God of the Church at rest, you love us and call us your children: we praise you for the faith and witness of all the saints. May their prayers and presence continue to strengthen us. It is with their triumphant voices that we join our own prayers and praises. Alleluia! We bless you, O Lord; **your praise is ever in our mouths.**

The priest adds a concluding collect.

The Confession of Sin

BCP 360

The Peace

BCP 360

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

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.



In honor of Veteran's Day, the loose plate collection will be donated to Operation: Finally Home, a non-profit which provides mortgage free housing to American Veterans, First Responders, and their families. More information may be found here: www.operationfinallyhome.org

At the Offertory, an Anthem

O Savior of the World

O Savior of the World,
who by thy cross and precious blood hast redeemed us.
Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.
Amen

Words: Anthem for the Veneration of the Cross


Music: John Goss

At The Presentation, a Hymn

Thaxted

All stand and sing as the offering is brought forward.

1. O God be-yond all prais-ing, we wor-ship you to - day
And sing the love a - maz-ing that songs can - not re - pay;
For we can on - ly won - der at ev - 'ry gift you send,



At bless-ings with - out num-ber and mer-cies with-out end.

We lift our hearts be - fore you and wait up - on your word;

We hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might - y Lord.

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| The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B | | BCP 367 |
| Sanctus et Benedictus | Proulx | Hymnal S125 |
| The Lord's Prayer | | BCP 364 |
| The Breaking of the Bread | | |
| Fraction Anthem | Plainsong | Hymnal S152 |
| Agnus Dei | Hampton | Hymnal S374 |



8va bassa - - - - - Lamb of God, you take a -

way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the

world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you

take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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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 Hymn	<i>York</i>	Hymnal 462
	<i>Sursum Corda</i>	Hymnal 306
The Post-Communion Prayer & Blessing		BCP 365
In Procession, a Hymn	<i>Llangloffan</i>	Hymnal 68
The Dismissal		BCP 366
VOLUNTARY	<i>Postlude in D</i>	Healey Willan

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



The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of their 40th anniversary by Diana and Gary Burton.

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, bear 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*
Stacy Jenkins, *parishioner at St. Andrew's*
Susan Peterson, *parishioner at St. Andrew's*
Jeanne Ingraham, *parishioner at St. Andrew's*
Lily Menconi, *grandmother of Lara Arsola*
Karena Kelly, *parishioner at St. Andrew's*
Clorinda Peterson, *family of Susan Peterson*
Steve Peterson, *family of Susan Peterson*
Andrea Peterson, *family of Susan Peterson*
The Grace Family

We pray for the repose of the soul of:

David Bartecchi, *family of Lisa Moore*

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@saccheights.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

Loose Plate Collections: In honor of Veteran's Day, all loose plate collections will go to Operation Finally Home, an organization that provides homes to Veterans.

Parish Elections: Today following the 10:30 AM service, join us in the Parish Hall to elect leaders for 2024 ministry at St. Andrew's. You may also submit a ballot at any time throughout the morning. Please place ballots in the basket at the front of the church.

Faith and Film: Please join us Monday, November 13th at 7pm as we discuss the film *Newton's Grace*. Email lpuccio@saecheights.org for Zoom information.

Heights Community Thanksgiving: On Sunday, November 19th, all are invited to the Heights Community Thanksgiving service hosted by St. Mark's United Methodist Church. The soup and salad potluck will be 5:00 - 5:45 PM followed by a 6 PM worship service. Attendees are asked to bring something to share—soup, salad, sandwiches or dessert. St. Mark's will provide drinks and serving ware.

“What to know about...”: In this class we will look ahead to Year B (starting just around the corner on the First Sunday of Advent) to explore the Gospel According to Mark. It is significant that this was the first Gospel to be written. This brief survey will introduce you to its background, structure, and major themes so you can get the most out of hearing it read through the coming year. Sundays at 9:30 am in the Oak Table Room.

Church Nursery: The nursery is open from 8:15 AM to 12:15 PM for infants through 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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