St Andrew's Episcopal Church & School

The Celebration & Administration of

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

for

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 8

2 July 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 Meditation on America Janet Linker

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 St. Thomas (Williams) Hymnal 524 All stand and sing.

THE WORD OF GOD

The Opening Acclamation & ResponsesBCP 355Gloria in excelsisPowellHymnal S280

The Collect of the Day: *Proper 8* BCP 230

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson

Genesis 22: 1-19

All sit.

God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.

When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

The angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven and said, "By myself I have sworn, says the LORD: Because you have done this, and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will indeed bless you, and I will make your offspring as numerous as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of their enemies, and by your offspring shall all the nations of the earth gain blessing for themselves, because you have obeyed my voice." So Abraham returned to his young men, and they arose and went together to Beer-sheba, and Abraham lived at Beer-sheba.

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

At the Gradual, Psalm 13

Simplified Anglican Chant



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- 1 How long, O LORD?
 - will you forget me for | ever? * how long will you hide your face from | me?
- 2 How long shall I have perplexity in my mind, and grief in my heart, day after | day? * how long shall my enemy triumph | over me?
- 3 Look upon me and answer me, O LORD my | God; * give light to my eyes, lest I sleep in | death;
- 4 Lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed | over him," * and my foes rejoice that I have | fallen.
- 5 But I put my trust in your | mercy; * my heart is joyful because of your saving | help.
- 6 I will sing to the LORD, for he has dealt with me | richly; * I will praise the Name of the Lord Most | High.

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

Romans 6: 12-23

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

At the Sequence, a Hymn

Nyland

Hymnal 655

All stand and sing.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 10: 40-42

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

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

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

Mighty God, the earth is yours and nations are your people. Take away our pride and bring to mind your goodness, so that, living together in this land, we may enjoy your gifts and be thankful. **Amen.**

For clouded mountains, fields, the woodland; for shoreline and running streams; for all that makes our nation good and lovely; we thank you, God.

For farms and villages where food is gathered to feed our people; we thank you, God.

For cities where people talk and work together in factories, shops, or schools to shape those things we need for our living; we thank you, God.

For explorers, planners, diplomats; for prophets who speak out; for silent, faithful People; and for all who love our land and guard our freedom; **we** thank you, God.

For vision to see your purpose hidden in our nation's history and the courage to seek it in human love exchanged; we thank you, God.

O God, your justice is like a rock and your mercy like pure flowing water. Judge and forgive us. If we have turned from you, return us to your way; for without you we are lost people. From brassy patriotism and a blind trust in power, **deliver us, O God.**

From public deceptions that weaken trust; from self-seeking high political places, **deliver us, O God.**

From divisions among us of class or race; from wealth that will not share and poverty that feeds on the food of bitterness; **deliver us, O God.**

From neglecting rights and from overlooking the hurt, the imprisoned, and the needy among us; **deliver us, O God.**

From a lack of concern for other lands and peoples; from narrowness of national purpose; and from failure to welcome the peace you promise on earth; **deliver us, O God.**

Eternal God: before you nations rise and fall; they grow strong or wither by your design. Help us to repent our country's wrong and to choose your right in reunion and renewal. **Amen.**

Give us a glimpse of the Holy City you are bringing to earth, where death and pain and crying will be gone away and where nations will gather in the light of your presence. **Great God, renew this nation.**

Teach us peace, so that we may plow up battlefields, pound weapons into building tools, and learn to talk across boundaries as brothers and sisters in your love. **Great God, renew this nation.**

Talk sense to us, so that we may wisely end all prejudice and may put a stop to cruelty, which divides and wounds the human family. **Great God, renew this nation.**

Draw us together as one people who do your will, so that our land may be a light to the nations, leading the way to your promised kingdom, which is coming among us. **Great God, renew this nation.**

We pray for those on our prayer list, including Sarrah, Lynette, Gary, Patty, John, Stacey, Louise, Marilyn, Jack, Deborah, Leslie, Natalia, the staff and families of St. Andrew's School, and David.

We pray for those who have died, including Austin. *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.



At the Offertory, an Anthem

God Is Working His Purpose Out

God is working his purpose out as year succeeds to year:
God is working his purpose out, and the time is drawing near;
nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be,
when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.

From utmost east to utmost west, wherever foot hath trod, by the mouth of many messengers goes forth the voice of God; give ear to me, ye continents, ye isles, give ear to me, that the earth may filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

March we forth in the strength of God, with the banner of Christ unfurled, that the light of the glorious gospel of truth may shine throughout the world:

fight we the fight with sorrow and sin to set their captives free, that the earth may filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

All we can do is nothing worth unless God blesses the deed; vainly we hope for the harvest-tide till God gives life to the seed; yet nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be, when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

Words: Arthur Campbell Ainger Music: Martin Shaw

At The Presentation, a Hymn

Pleading Savior

All stand and sing as the offering is brought forward.



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The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer C		BCP 369
Sanctus et Benedictus	Powell	Hymnal S129
The Lord's Prayer		BCP 364
The Breaking of the Bread		
Fraction Anthem	Plainsong	Hymnal S152
Agnus Dei	Powell	Hymnal S163

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 H	ymn Gardiner	Hymnal 609
The Post-Communion Prayer & Blessing		BCP 366
In Procession, a Hymn	Materna	Hymnal 719
The Dismissal		BCP 366
Voluntary	Trumpet Tune in D	David Johnson

Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall on the 2nd floor, which can be accessed by the stairs or elevator.



The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Sara Lewis by Pam Lewis.

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

Rachel Schevtz, granddaughter of DeAnna Bosch

Gary Moseley, parishioner at St. Andrew's

Patty Mejia, spouse of Frank Guevara

John Ibanez, parishioner at St. Andrew's

Stacey Parker-Mustacchia, friend of PJ Arendt-Ford

Louise Ornelas, mother of Margo Ornelas

Marilyn Newman, friend of Debbi Van Etten

Jack Veasey, uncle of Megan Gibbs

Deborah Smith, friend of Kay Lynn Jenkins

Leslie Benitez, friend of Kay Lynn Jenkins

Natalia Terry and all the staff and families of St. Andrew's Episcopal School

David Smith-Malbrough, parishioner at St. Andrew's

We pray for the repose of the soul of:

Austin Smith, father of Mikie Tannous Elizabeth "Betty" Hayes, parishioner at St. Andrew's

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 July 4th, our offices will be closed Tuesday, July 4th.

Church Nursery: New nursery hours start today. The nursery is open from 7:45 AM to 11:45 AM for infants though 3 years.

Loose Plate Collections: The first Sunday of each month, the loose plate collection goes towards St. Andrew's clergy discretionary accounts. Clergy use their discretionary accounts to help people in need of assistance.

Summer Saints: By popular request, Summer Saints returns! Wednesdays at 6 pm, July 5-August 2. A casual Eucharist with a unique liturgy will be followed by pizza. For more information, reach out to Clint. Our first saint is Priscilla and her husband, Aquila.

Food Pantry Volunteers Needed: Summer is a great time to volunteer at the HIM Food Pantry. Lend a hand at Thursday evening or Saturday morning distributions or during prep shifts Wednesday through Friday. Teens age 16 and older can earn community service hours and youth ages 13-15 accompanied by an adult can serve on Friday afternoons. No prior experience needed—just a willingness to help others! Choose your shift and sign up to serve at https://tinyurl.com/4fhwzr8t

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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