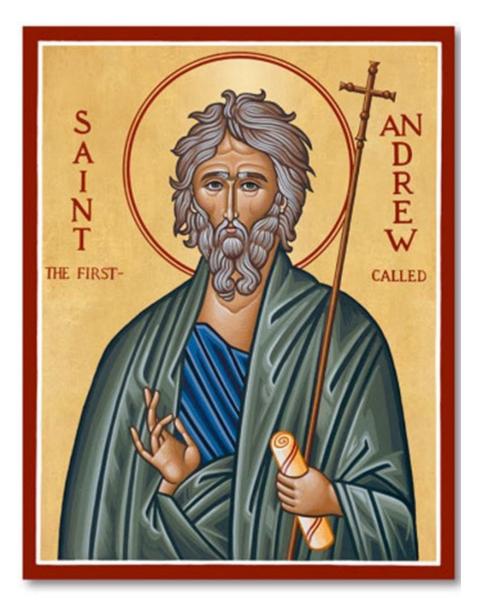
# The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost Saint Andrew's Day

November 17, 2024



## PRAYER OF MEDITATION

As people gather before the service begins, we encourage you to use the following prayer for meditation.

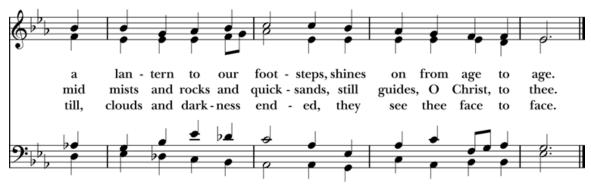
God of abundant love, refresh us in the deep places of our being. Help us to find that still place where we can sense your presence and hear your call to us. Attune our senses to the beauty of your creation. Let us hear you in the healing sounds of winds and waters, and see your majesty in vistas of mountain peaks and valleys. Help us to know how deeply we are loved, and to rest in that love. Amen.

## **ENTRANCE HYMN**

O Christ, the Word Incarnate

Hymnal 632





Words: William Walsham How (1823-1897), alt. Music: Munich, melody from Neu-vermehrtes und zu Übung Christl. Gottseligkeit eingerichtetes Meiningisches Gesangbuch, 1693; adapt. and harm. Felix Mendelssohn (1807-1847).

## **OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY**

All standing, the Celebrant says

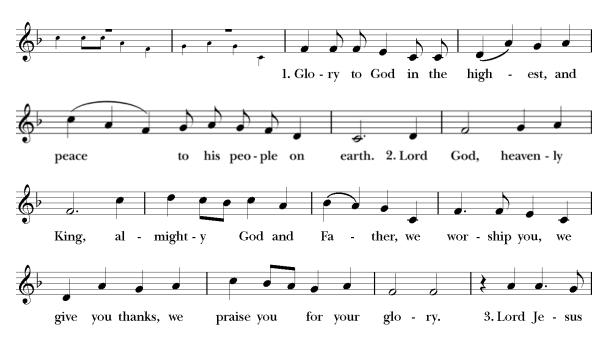
Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

The Celebrant says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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*.

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## **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who gave such grace to your apostle Andrew that he readily obeyed the call of your Son Jesus Christ, and brought his brother with him: Give us, who are called by your holy Word, grace to follow him without delay, and to bring those near to us into his gracious presence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

*The congregation is seated for the reading of the lessons.* 

FIRST READING - 1 Samuel 1:4-20

A Reading from the First book of Samuel.

On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the Lord had closed her womb. Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the Lord had closed her womb. So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the Lord, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?" After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the Lord. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the Lord. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: "O Lord of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head." As she continued praying before the Lord, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. So Eli said to her, "How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine." But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled: I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time." Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him." And she said, "Let your servant find favor in your sight." Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer. They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the Lord; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the Lord remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the Lord."

Reader People Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

## PSALM 16



### Conserva me, Domine

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take *refuge in you*; \* I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all *other*."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the *land*, \* upon those who are noble among the *people*.
- 3 But those who run after other gods \* shall have their troubles multiplied.

- 4 Their libations of blood I will not **offer**, \* nor take the names of their gods upon my **lips**.
- 5 O Lord, you are my portion and my *cup*; \* it is you who uphold my *lot*.
- 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant *land*; \* indeed, I have a goodly *heritage*.
- 7 I will bless the Lord who gives me **counsel**; \* my heart teaches me, night after **night**.
- 8 I have set the Lord always bef**ore me**; \* because he is at my right hand I shall not **fall**.
- 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit re**joices**; \* my body also shall rest in **hope**.
- 10 For you will not abandon me to the *grave*, \* nor let your holy one see the *Pit*.
- 11 You will show me the path of *life*; \*
  in your presence there is fullness of joy,
  and in your right hand are pleasures for ever*more*.

## **SECOND READING**

- Hebrews 10:11-25

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds," he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

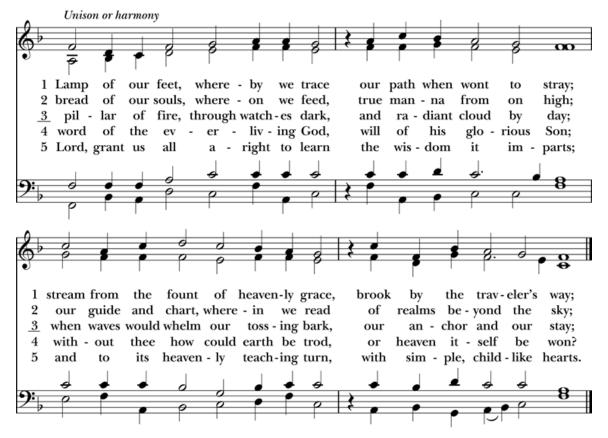
People Thanks be to God.

# **SEQUENCE HYMN**

All stand.

Lamp of our feet, whereby we trace

Hymnal 627



Words: Bernard Barton (1784-1849). Music: Nun danket all und bringet Ehr, melody att. Johann Cruger (1598-1662), alt.

HOLY GOSPEL -Mark 13:1-8

All stand.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware

that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**SERMON** 

The Very Rev. Peter Browning

## **NICENE CREED**

All stand and together say

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 became truly human. 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], who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All remain standing.

The images of cosmic disaster in today's readings fill us with fear, but also with hope. Terrifying as the signs may be, the time of Michael will bring life to those who have been faithful, just, and wise. Aware of the need for a new order, let us pray that God's reign will come in its fullness, saying: May your reign come;

# Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for the leaders of this world, that, abandoning the terrible power of nuclear weapons, they may trust instead to ways of peace. May your reign come;

# Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for the church, that it may always be a sign of your loving presence and sign of hope even in the darkest times. May your reign come;

## Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for victims of warfare and natural disasters that you may comfort them in their suffering. May your reign come;

# Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for all those who suffer from despair, especially young people, that you may give them the courage to build for the future. May your reign come;

# Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for this community of faith, that we may learn to respond to the signs of the times with wisdom and grace. May your reign come;

# Lord, hear our prayer.

Almighty God, today we seek to honor your sons and daughters who have served our country. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Let us pray to the Lord for ourselves and on behalf of others, and let us offer our thanksgivings.

Other intercessions may now be offered.

The Celebrant continues

Loving God, you know our hopes and fears even before we speak them; hear the prayers of your people. Help us in our struggle to stay alert that we may be ready for the hour of

your coming. We ask this through Jesus, your Son. Amen.

### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence.

Minister and People together say

God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

#### **PEACE**

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** See back of bulletin for announcements.

**STEWARDSHIP** (Congregants will bring their pledge cards to the Altar during the offertory hymn.)

## **OFFERTORY HYMN**

By all your saints still striving

Hymnal 232



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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Verse

All praise, O Lord, for Andrew,
the first to follow you;
he witnessed to his brother,
"This is Messiah true."
You called him from his fishing
upon Lake Galilee;
he rose to meet your challenge,
"Leave all and follow me."

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

-Enriching Our Worship Eucharistic Prayer 2

The people remain standing.

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

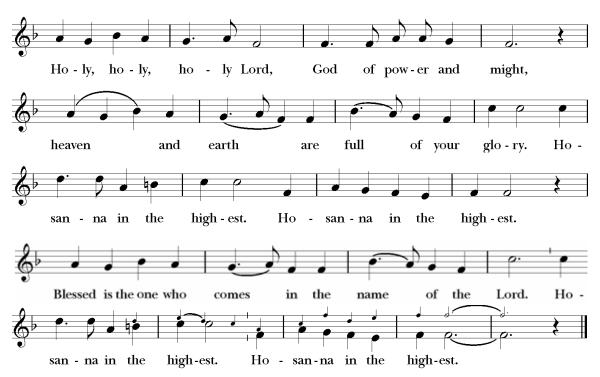
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

### Celebrant continues

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say):

# **SANCTUS** (8AM Said, 10AM Sung)

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### The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN**.

The Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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.

## **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia Christ our Passover is sa

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.** 

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. We love you above all things, and long for you in our souls. Since some of us are not able now to receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into all of our hearts. As though you have already come, we embrace you and unite ourselves entirely to you; never permit us to be separated from you. Amen.

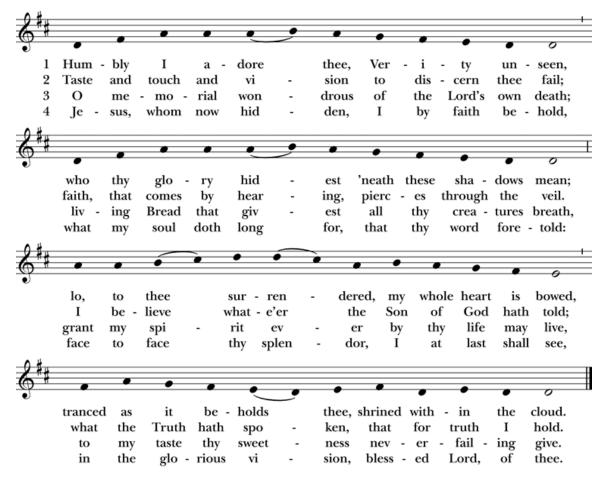
(St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787; from Bishop Curry)

Everyone is invited to come to the altar. If you do not wish to receive either bread or wine, simply cross your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

## **COMMUNION HYMN**

Humbly I adore thee, Verity unseen

Hymnal 314



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## **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

God of abundance,
you have fed us with the bread of life
and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

## **BLESSING**

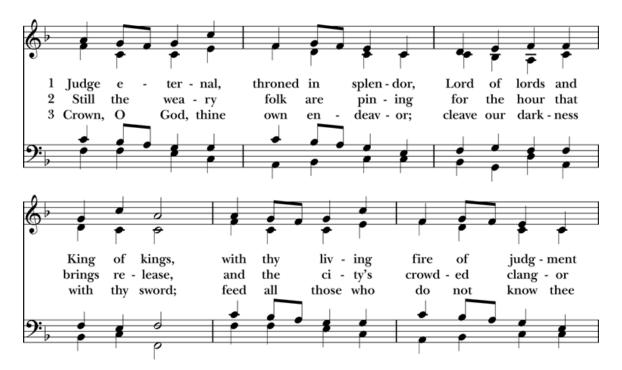
The priest blesses the people, saying

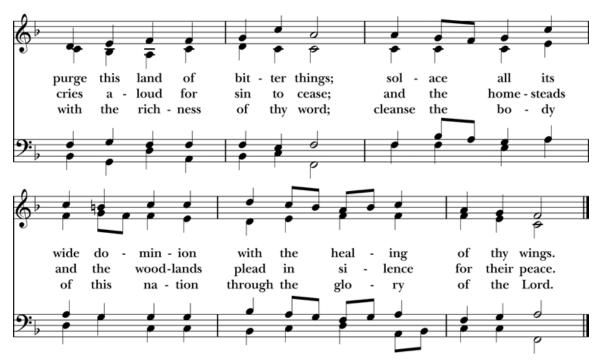
Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor everyone; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. And the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen*. (adapted from early Episcopal Prayer Books and inspired by 1 Thessalonians 5:13-22)

## **POST COMMUNION HYMN**

Judge eternal, throned in splendor

Hymnal 596





Words: Henry Scott Holland (1847-1918), alt. Music: Komm, o komm, du Geist des Lebens, melody from Neu-vermehrtes und zu Ubung Christl. Gotteligkeit eingerichtetes Meiningisches Gesangbuch, 1693.

## **DISMISSAL**

LEM People Let us go forth in the name of Christ. *Thanks be to God*.

# Prayer List Please take this list home to remember those who need your daily prayers.

### For the Church

Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury For the Vestry

Sean, Presiding Bishop

John, Bishop of the Diocese

Kathy, Grace, Wardens
Peter, Thomas, Priests

Hosam E. Naoum, Archbishop of Jerusalem

Ministry of Canterbury Irvine
Saint Andrew's Children's Center

## For the Government and the Nations of the World:

Joseph, our President Congress of the United States

Supreme Court of the United States Gavin, our Governor

For Those in College: Audrey, Tess, Allece, Aidan, Zachary, Jonathan, Caitlin, Matthew,

Gram, Emma, Haven, Catherine, Bryce

Guidance: Andrea, Jacob, Rebecca, Jose, Dominick

## Healing

Corinne Lakes Judi Matthews Mary Baker Charlie Jemma & Emma

Kelli Grace Mitsuye Jim B Shirley Tonv Vivian Cook Mollie Anthony Francey Grossman Linda Sandy Wilson Susan Deb John Salistean Peter Luft Stephanie Digette Trask Carole Hurst Tim Walker Dirk

Katrina Sandy Christiansen Lisa R Ethan Lockwood Todd

Bernice Louise

## **Long Term Needs**

AA Groups Carl Nancy Perrin
Bob Mitchell Stacy Watson Tyler Hudson
Chris Bennett Sue Lawyer Mike Savee
Donna Westlund Jan Wingerter Mike Catalano
Hilda Rubin Nora Leslie Eppis

Hilda Rubin
Jack Selman
John Selman
Patti Patel
Merrilee Gardner
Patti
Dana Hollinger
Susan D'Zmura

Nora
Leslie Ennis
Dominick Pellegino
Patti Patel
Brian Kingsfield
Rich & Libby Cook
Mel Ricketts
Lynne Raftery

Susan D'Zmura Wanda Lay Lynne Raftery
Lyle Menzel Ann Hitchcock Roy Nichols
Jerry Lay Our Refugee Family Peggy E.

Julie Scott Perrin Kevin & Cole Madden

Pets: Smudges, Maggie, Wolfie, Chloe, Marcel, Barnaby, Luna, Pippa, Shiso

Repose of the Soul: Sue Selman, Muriel Comfort for: Susan, Selman family

For those in the Military: 1st LT. Ryan Hane Celebration of Birth: Rylee Ellerie Mae Hamilton

# **Ongoing Scheduled Activities**

# Monday

10:30am Volunteer at Woodbridge Manor

St. Andrew's volunteers staff a Food Bank for approximately 85 residents at this apartment complex for low-income seniors and disabled adults. We receive food donated by local grocers, unpack it and organize it on tables for the residents to "shop" for their groceries. We have a group of loyal volunteers, and we can always use more help. If you can help, we'd love to have you join us. We meet every other Monday at 10:30am. except for federal holidays. It takes about 2 hours. Contact Catherine Sharbaugh for more information. We can always use empty cardboard egg cartons and plastic fruit boxes (like the ones raspberries come in). Please bring what you can to the church.

## Wednesday

The **Virtual Book Group** meets every Wednesday at 11:00am followed by noonday prayer. Scroll down to Events and Activities on our website home page for the current reading and contact the **office** to be added to the Zoom invitation.

# Thursday

6pm *Virtual Evening Prayer* livestreamed via Facebook.

# **Community Groups**

Al-Anon - Mon 7pm, Fellowship Court

**Brothers in Sobriety** - Fri 7:30pm, Fellowship Court

**Sunrise Sobriety** - Daily 6:30am, Fellowship Court

# Monthly

## **First Monday of the Month**

 Grief Support Group meets at 4pm in Fellowship Court. All who are seeking support are welcome.

## **Second Tuesday of the Month**

Prayer Shawl Ministry meets at 3pm in Fellowship Court Patio. Some ministry members who cannot attend the monthly meeting knit or crochet shawls and prayer cloths at

prayer cloths at home. If you are a newcomer to Prayer Shawl, please contact Donna Catalano at donnajcatalano@gmail.com. If you are in need of a prayer shawl, send a message to Donna or ask any Prayer Shawl member.

## **Third Saturday of the Month**

 Men's Group will meet at 8:30am at Strawberry Farms for breakfast and fellowship. All are welcome. Contact Peter if interested.

**High School Performance Group -** Wednesday 6-8pm (Sept. – Dec.)

Korean Orchestra - Saturday 6 - 8pm

**Pneuma Chapel** - Sunday 12:30pm, Church. Saturday 6:00-7:00am

# **Announcements**



# **Sunday School News**

Expert day care for infants and children 3 yrs old and younger during the 10 a.m. service will be provided by Samira Sameni, a preschool teacher at our Saint Andrew's Children's Center. Drop-off will be in the courtyard of the Children's Center.

**Sunday School** for children 4 yrs and up will be taught by Tammy Smecker-Hane, and drop off is in the courtyard of the Children's Center. This Sunday children will be creating a collective "Tree of Thanks" for display in Fellowship Court. If your child still has his/her "Give Thanks" prayer book from last year (it has a yellow cover decorated with leaves and is bound with brown string), please have them bring it with them to Sunday School so we can add prayers to it. If not, then we will have some extras to give out. Remember to give thanks every day for the blessings you have using your UTO Box. We'll bring our filled UTO boxes them back to church on Dec 8, and every penny we donate will go to solving water problems in communities in the US and wider world. Also, the children are coloring an advent poster, a gift to our parish in December. If you have any questions about Sunday School, please email Tammy at tsmecker@cox.net.

# Women's Advent Gathering

This year, we will again be celebrating at St. Andrew's on Thursday,
December 12 at 5:00 p.m. We will be gathering in the church for a
program led by Susan Garrett and then we will share a potluck together. If
possible, please bring your favorite dish or dessert to share! Please go to
<a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/12flZp6MMvYAm\_EndOuqQwPV67d90XIRb/edit-7usp=sharing&ouid=113225395318672318859&rtpof=true&sd=true">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/12flZp6MMvYAm\_EndOuqQwPV67d90XIRb/edit-7usp=sharing&ouid=113225395318672318859&rtpof=true&sd=true</a> to R.S.V.P.

Please contact Melissa Browning at jonocrow2@cox.net or 760-953-9096 if you have any questions. Hope you can make it.

# **Coffee Hour Composting**

We are continuing our coffee hour composting. Please note the posted signs for disposing of organic waste.

We have compostable cups for coffee, tea, and cold drinks. Napkins and uncoated plates can be composted.

- Utensils and coated plates cannot be composted.
- We ask that you put all the compostable waste in cardboard boxes and/or the Waste Management organics bin.
- You are also welcome to bring your own commuter cups.

If you are bringing snacks, please use the compostable or reusable materials we have provided. Many of the items supplied by restaurants or bakeries are coated and cannot be composted.

# Stewardship 2024 - Walk in Love



This year our stewardship campaign - Walk in Love - has reached the point where we ask you to prayerfully consider how you can support the ministries, worship, and outreach of St. Andrew's. Each of us hears this call differently, just as each of us has been blessed by God differently. How will you feel God's call to walk in love this year? How will you

determine how you will share your gifts with God's people in the world? Before you fill out the pledge card included in this letter, we invite you to pray, discuss, and discern how God is calling you to share your gifts. Whether it is increasing your annual pledge, volunteering your talents, or getting involved in a new ministry, all of us have an integral role to play in the life of St. Andrew's, especially this year as we transition from mission to parish.

You will be receiving physical pledge cards in the mail, but if you wish to pledge online, you can do so by following this link: <a href="https://forms.gle/LKAq2fXzotAfPAFe6">https://forms.gle/LKAq2fXzotAfPAFe6</a>. Whether you pledge physically or digitally we ask that you complete your pledge by Sunday November 17, and join us for a stewardship lunch after the 10 a.m. service where we will gather in gratitude for all that we have been given.

# United Thank Offering

The United Thanks Offering (UTO) invites every Episcopalian to **NOTICE** the good things that happen each day, **GIVE** thanks to God for your blessings, **MAKE** an offering for each blessing by dropping a coin in a UTO box, and <u>every penny</u> you donate becomes **BLESSINGS** for others through LTO grants. These competitive

becomes **BLESSINGS** for others through UTO grants. These competitive annual grants power innovative solutions to problems facing people in the US

and the wider world throughout the Anglican Communion. For over 130 years, we have empowered community leaders to hold vaccine clinics, build preschools, establish community gardens in food deserts, minister to incarcerated people and so much more! Motivated by the Beatitudes to focus on the least among us, the theme of this year's grants will be solving water problems.

Pick up your traditional blue or the new "color-your-own" **UTO box** in the Narthex. Then over the month challenge yourself and your family to notice the blessings in your daily lives and put a coin or dollar into your UTO box in gratitude.

We'll hold our **UTO Ingathering** on Sunday, **Dec 8**, when we bring our UTO boxes back to Saint Andrew's, combine our donations, and bless our offerings. Envelopes will be provided in the pews that day, too, in case you forget your box or want to donate by check. (Make it payable to Saint Andrew's Church with "UTO" in the memo line.) In addition to participating in the Ingathering, you can donate on-line or by text:

Online at https://unitedthankoffering.com/give

By texting INGATHERING to 41444

For more information about UTO, go their website <a href="https://unitedthankoffering.com">https://unitedthankoffering.com</a> or follow their Facebook page at <a href="https://facebook.com/UnitedThankOffering">https://facebook.com/UnitedThankOffering</a> to get up-to-date news and highlights from UTO grants.

# **Webinar on Climate Change**

Internationally renowned climate scientist <u>Katharine Hayhoe</u> will keynote a diocese-wide webinar set for **6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 20** by the Bishop's Commission on Climate Change. Attendees are asked to



register: <a href="https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZckfuiqqTloHtbn1nqShMzZCWgY2R55sYGi">https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZckfuiqqTloHtbn1nqShMzZCWgY2R55sYGi</a>?os=ipad#/registration.

Hayhoe is chief scientist for The Nature Conservancy and a Paul Whitfield Horn Distinguished Professor and the Political Science Endowed Chair in Public Policy and Public Law in the Department of Political Science at Texas Tech University, where she is also an associate in the Public Health program of the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences. In addition, she is a principal investigator for the Department of Interior's South-Central Climate Adaptation Science Center and the National Science Foundation's Global Infrastructure Climate Network.

Hayhoe notes that her research "currently focuses on establishing a scientific basis for assessing the regional to local-scale impacts of climate change on human systems and the natural environment. To this end, I analyze observations, compare future scenarios, evaluate global and regional climate models, build and assess statistical downscaling models, and constantly strive to develop better ways of translating climate projections into information relevant to agriculture, ecosystems, energy, infrastructure, public health, and water resources."

# A Look Ahead...

#### **DECEMBER**

- 12/1 Advent Begins
- 12/8 UTO Ingathering Bring your UTO Boxes back to church
- 12/8 Alternative Gift Fair Day 1 8am & 10am services
- 12/12 Women's Advent Gathering 5pm to 7pm
- 12/15 Alternative Gift Fair Day 2 10am service
- 12/21 Blue Christmas 5pm
- 12/22 Advent 4, Greening of the Church
- 12/24 Tuesday-Christmas Eve 5pm Holy Eucharist with Choir / Children's Pageant
- 12/25 Wednesday-Christmas Day (Service: 10am Said Holy Eucharist)



## Clergy & Staff

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The Very Rev. Peter Browning, Rector
The Rev. Thomas Lee, Assistant (Korean)
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Susanna Brown
Don Calkins
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David Hatton
Chris Sardo

## **Today's Service**

#### 8:00 A.M.

Celebrating: The Very Rev. Peter Browning LEM:

## 10:00 A.M.

Celebrating: The Very Rev. Peter Browning LEMS: Gail Suda, Nick Baldasari Lectors: Wendy Barton, Debbie Calkins Acolytes: Jackson Bradley & Micah Lakes-Kay



Welcome to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. Our service will be video recorded. If you do not wish your image to appear in the livestream, please ask an usher for assistance.

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