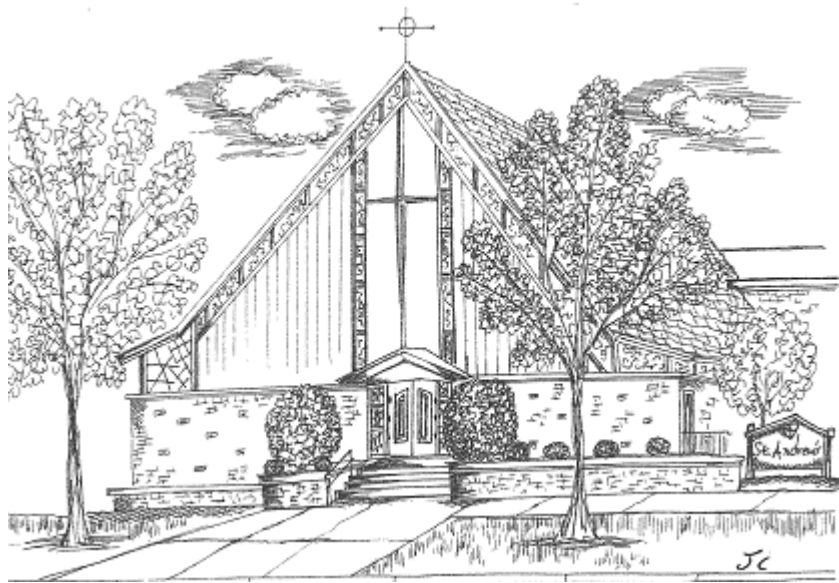


St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Building God's Kingdom through Worship, Outreach, and Fellowship

Our Vision: Devoted to sharing the transforming power of God's love
in our lives, our communities, and our world.



The Third Sunday of Easter
Holy Eucharist, Rite II
10:30 AM
April 14, 2024

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Note on today's liturgy

During Easter season, we will be drawing our Eucharistic prayer for each Sunday from the aptly titled liturgical resource *Eucharistic Prayers*.

As we pray through today's service, notice how wording from the day's readings shapes our Eucharistic prayer.

May these fresh words help you to experience the good news in new ways!

10:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Prelude *Christ the Lord is Risen Again*, Arr. Wilbur Held

Processional Hymn *Hail, thee festival day* Hymnal 175, v 1-4

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!*

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.

Hymn of Praise

Hymnal S-278

Collect of the Day

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading

Acts 3:12-19

¹²When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised

from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. ¹⁷“And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers.¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 4

¹ Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; *
you set me free when I am hard-pressed;
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

² ***“You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; *
how long will you worship dumb idols
and run after false gods?”***

³ Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; *
when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.

⁴ ***Tremble, then, and do not sin; *
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.***

⁵ Offer the appointed sacrifices *
and put your trust in the Lord.

⁶ ***Many are saying, “Oh, that we might see better times!” *
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.***

⁷ You have put gladness in my heart, *
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

⁸ ***I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; *
for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.***

¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. ⁴Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn *Jesus lives! Thy terrors now* Hymnal 195, v 1-2

The Gospel Luke 24:26b-48

Response: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

³⁶Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence. ⁴⁴Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything

written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.”⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures,⁴⁶ and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day,⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things.

Response: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gradual Hymn *Jesus lives! Thy terrors now* Hymnal 195, v 3-4

The Sermon Bishop William Blackwell

The Nicene Creed BCP p. 358

Bidding the Prayers

Prayers of the People: Form III BCP p. 387

Collect

The Confession and Absolution BCP p. 360

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

Offertory Sentence

The Holy Communion

Offertory *In Remembrance*, by Ragan Courtney and Buryl Red
The Moving Spirit Liturgical Dancers

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures here below!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise him above ye heav'nly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift 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.

Creator God, you made the wonder that is earth,
 inscribing soil, sky, and sea with life, energy and glory.

Though we look upon you with eyes dimmed by the Fall,
 you gaze upon us with eyes filled with grace.

You breathe new air into our choking lungs,
 you bring life out of toxic soil, you turn polluted seas
 into the waters of baptism.

You parted the waters to liberate your captive people,
 and you rolled away the stone to bring us face to face
 with your resurrected Son.

You make us your Son's body, taken, blessed, and broken on the cross
 to be shared for the life of your world.

And so we gladly thank you, with angels and archangels,
and all the company of heaven, singing the hymn of your
unending praise.

Sanctus and Benedictus

Hymnal S-128

Re-creating God,

when your Son came to restore your purpose for the earth,
he took the fruit of your abundance and the food of human labor.

Come among us now, and make us holy
in the sharing of your gracious abundance and
our faltering endeavor.

Take these gifts of bread and wine and make them for us
the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ;

Who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks,
broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying,

“Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you;
Do this in remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup.

Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
“Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Ever-creating God,

your Son Jesus invited his disciples to touch his risen body.

Come now in the power of your Holy Spirit,
and touch all that is still to be resurrected.

Touch all who live in fear; touch any who know daily hunger;
touch those who carry wounds and scars.

Touch all who are yet to see the salvation you bring through your Son;
touch any who are stumbling and tentative in their faith;
touch those who are disbelieving and still wondering.

Touch your whole church and make us one in you,
that your scars may again proclaim your glory, and we may be
united with your saints in the coming of your kingdom,
ever one God, on earth as in heaven, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Administration of Communion

Communion Stations

- To receive the common cup or just the wafer, come to the lectern side of the altar rail or to the station at the foot of the stairs.
- To receive an intincted wafer, come to the pulpit side of the altar rail.

Gluten-free wafers are available at the station at the foot of the stairs.

In lieu of communion, you may receive a blessing at any station.

Hymns for Choir and Congregation

Now the green blade riseth

Hymnal 204

Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest

Hymnal 306

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing

Hymnal 205

Postcommunion Prayer

BCP p. 365

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn

He is risen, he is risen

Hymnal 180

Dismissal

Response: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Voluntary *Unser Herrscher* by Charles Callahan

If you choose to leave during the voluntary, please depart in reverent quiet.

The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Marge Rand.

Service Participants

The Rev. Anne R. Kirchmier

The Rev. Katherine Gray

Bishop William Blackwell

Ginny Chilton, Minister of Music

Lector: Lindsey Nicolai

Prayers: Saint Lee

Chalicers: Lindsey Nicolai, Saint Lee

Acolytes: Caroline Rous, Edward Fulcher, Madeline Hastings,
Abigail Hastings, Olivia Goodwin, Oscar Clifford

Ushers: Francis Wong, Rob Jones

Greeter: Doug and Charlotte Vaughan

Children's

Chapel: Kate Henderson, Liz Rous, Becki Shamblen

Sound: Leah Klinger

Camera: Channing Guvernator

Welcome Bishop William Blackwell

Members of the Hilton Area Clergy Association are swapping pulpits today. We are honored that Pastor William Blackwell of Cathedral Word Ministry will preach at St. Andrew's at both the 8:00 and 10:30 services. Cathedral Word Ministry Church is relatively new to the Hilton area and meets at Hilton Christian Church. Our representative in the pulpit swap will be Marc, who will be preaching at Hilton Presbyterian.

Moving Spirit Liturgical Dancers

St. Andrew's welcomes the Moving Spirit Liturgical Dancers in our worship this morning. The Moving Spirit is an ecumenical liturgical dance group in Newport News, including our own Vicki Lanier and Pat Woodbury. Thank you for sharing your gifts with us.

This Week at St. Andrew's

Tuesday, April 16	1:00 PM	Crafters
	7:00 PM	Vestry meeting
Wednesday, April 17	6:15 PM	Choir rehearsal
Thursday, April 18	7:30 AM	Centering Prayer
	10:00 AM	Bible Study
	1:00 PM	Games in Senior Lounge

Announcements

St. Andy's Café

Please join us for coffee and treats in the parish hall between the 8 and 10:30 services.

Outreach Committee meeting today

An Outreach Committee meeting will be held this Sunday, April 14, after the 10:30 AM service, in the library. All are welcome.

For families with children

Children are always welcome in worship at St. Andrew's! For those who would find it helpful, on Sunday mornings the nursery is available from 9:00 am to noon for children ages 0-3 and Children's Chapel is available from 10:15 to 11:00 AM for children ages 4 through 5th grade (during the academic year). Ask one of our ushers or clergy for directions.

Adult Forum on April 21 & 28

As promised, Anne will dig deeper into her sabbatical pilgrimage with presentations across two forums. Join us this Sunday (4/21) for Anne's Camino reflections; and on April 28th for her learnings along the American Civil Rights Trail.

Donate unwanted greeting cards

Do you have notecards or greeting cards that you don't need? Donate them at Warwick Forest! The Gardens at Warwick Forest has a rack of cards near the entrance that are free for the taking for residents. Having easy and free access to cards is a great gift for the residents there, helping them stay and feel connected to family and friends.

Jackson-Feild "Go Golfing for the Kids" tournament

Jackson-Feild Behavioral Health Services (formerly known as Jackson-Feild Episcopal Home) is hosting a golf tournament at Magnolia Green Golf Club in Moseley, VA on May 6. JFBHS provides psychiatric, residential, educational, and recovery treatment services for children who suffer from severe emotional trauma, mental illness and/or addiction. For details contact Victoria McGraw, 804-354-6929, ext. 1001, or vmcgraw@jacksonfeild.org.