

The First Sunday after Christmas December 26, 2021 – 10:30 am The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

Welcome to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church!

At St. Andrew's, we believe that God's love is always expanding and calling us to love one another in new and deeper ways. The love of Christ welcomes us all to fully participate in the life and leadership of the Church, regardless of gender, identity, race, age, culture, ethnic background, sexual orientation, economic circumstances, family configuration, or difference of ability. All are truly welcome to participate in worship and we believe our community is made stronger by your unique presence as we join in prayer and communion.

Community Covenant

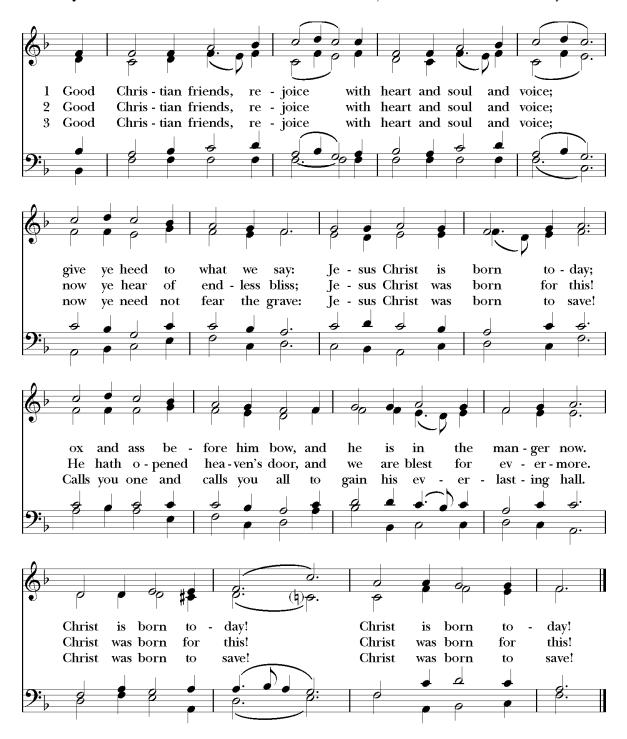
To ensure the health and safety of all, by attending in-person worship you agree to the following:

- We ask that **all people wear masks regardless of vaccination status** for the sake of others, especially children and those medically unable to be vaccinated.
- O Stay a minimum of 6 feet from all people, at all times.
- o Avoid all physical contact (no hand shakes, hugs, etc.)

Processional Hymn

Good Christians Friends, Rejoice

The Hymnal 1982 #107



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THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People

Celebrant

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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 my perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant

that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now

and for ever. Amen.

The First Reading Isaiah 61:10-62:3

Reader A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations. For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

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

The Psalm Psalm 147

1 Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God! * how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!

- 2 The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; * he gathers the exiles of Israel.
- 3 He heals the brokenhearted * and binds up their wounds.
- 4 He counts the number of the stars * and calls them all by their names.
- 5 Great is our LORD and mighty in power; * there is no limit to his wisdom.
- 6 The LORD lifts up the lowly, * but casts the wicked to the ground.
- 7 Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; * make music to our God upon the harp.
- 8 He covers the heavens with clouds * and prepares rain for the earth;
- 9 He makes grass to grow upon the mountains * and green plants to serve mankind.

- 10 He provides food for flocks and herds * and for the young ravens when they cry.
- 11 He is not impressed by the might of a horse; * he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;
- 12 But the LORD has pleasure in those who fear him, * in those who await his gracious favor.
- 13 Worship the LORD, O Jerusalem; * praise your God, O Zion;
- 14 For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; * he has blessed your children within you.
- 15 He has established peace on your borders; * he satisfies you with the finest wheat.
- 16 He sends out his command to the earth, * and his word runs very swiftly.
- 17 He gives snow like wool; * he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.
- 18 He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; * who can stand against his cold?
- 19 He sends forth his word and melts them; * he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.
- 20 He declares his word to Jacob, * his statutes and his judgments to Israel.
- 21 He has not done so to any other nation; * to them he has not revealed his judgments. Hallelujah!

The Second Reading

Galatians 3:23-25, 4:4-7

Reader A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Galatians.

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

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



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The Gospel John 1:1-18

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him know.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Nicene Creed

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 was made man.

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,

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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.

The Prayers of the People, Form III

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; *That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; *That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

For those celebrating birthdays this week, Carol Schorsch, Pete Lavalette, Nancy Sturtz and Lily Tomblin.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God.

we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus

Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in

eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Doxology Still, Still, Still
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Then let us all with one accord Sing praises to our heavenly Lord; That hath made heaven and earth of nought, And with his blood our life hath bought.

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Born is the king of Israel.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

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 him thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,

Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is said.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, god of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord, Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "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. Whenever you drink of it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bead and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Andrew and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church and the author of our salvation.

By him and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirt all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us: People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**



The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of

the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant blesses the people.

Christmas Blessing

Celebrant May Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon him, bless

you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart

with the light of his holiness.

People Amen.

Celebrant May God, who sent his angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's

birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel.

People Amen.

Celebrant May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to

heaven, give you his peace and favor.

People Amen.

Celebrant And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy

Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

People Amen.



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Prayers of the People

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Malak Al-Sheri Jeni Amit

Dave Anderson

Blake Barb Bob

Brandon Bruce Marlene C

Doris Dvorack Heather E

Doug E
Dylan

The Edwards Family

Emily

Emily, Krista & Family

Evelyn Hope Jarvis Jane F

Carole Forte Jane Fotoples Jamie Gilette

John and Vivian Gumpf

Erik H Jackie

Jane Joyce

Dana Justice Cathy Kaminski

Kathleen Keith

Sandy Krichbaum

Larry Kerry L

John Lenortavage

Carol Lewis Tom L

Lillian Linda

Logsdon Family Martin Family

Marty Matt Maureen Michael Michele Mike

Wilbur Moore Kelly Norwood Ronnie Ohm

Olivia Erik P Pam

Pat Patton
Eunice Probert

Peggy

Carol Ratino
Reichow Family

Remington Gemma R

Ron

Delores Ross

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Donna Schmidt

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