ST. ANDREW'S PARISH CHURCH Established 1706



THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION THE CELEBRATION OF NEW MINISTRY AND HOLY EUCHARIST 7 May 2025 at 6:30 P.M.



THE RT. REV. CHARLES F. EDGAR III, Bishop of The Anglican Diocese of South Carolina

Our Confirmands

Chris Faulk Lynda Higgins Rebecca McArtor Geoffrey Timms Mary Ida Timms

And those Received

William Connolly Lorna Hattler

And those Reaffirmed

Marguerite Anderson John Anderson Lynn Benasutti Cheryl Elkin James Elkin Ann Gaillard Elizabeth Heilig Elizabeth Phillips Lesesne Phillips Wayne Phillips Clements Ripley Ruth Gray Stone



Messiah was originally composed to be performed at Easter. It contains some of the most beautifully conceived arias & choruses in western sacred music. Its truncated performances in December leaves-out much of the story, that tells of Christ's birth, to his death and resurrection.

Messiah - G. F. Handel (1685-1759) (1745 London Revival) with The King's Counterpoint Chamber Orchestra

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Handel wrote and rewrote Messiah nine separate times, and this is the fourth version that The King's Counterpoint have performed, in a proposed series of nine concerts, which will also include Mozart's stunning adaptation. Together with members of the CSO, this is a concert not to be missed!

Old St. Andrew's on Saturday, 10th May at 7.00pm Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, 120 Broad St. Charleston Sunday, 11th May at 2.00pm Tickets: Reserved \$30, General Admission \$25, Seniors \$20, Students \$10, Under 18 FREE Tickets available from David & Judith or via the website – www.thekingscounterpoint.com

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THE INTROIT:

"Hear my prayer"

Words and Music-Moses Hogan (1957-2003)

O Lord, please hear my prayer, in the mornin' when I rise. It's your servant bound for glory, O dear Lord, please hear my prayer. O Lord, please hear my prayer, keep me safe within your arms. It's your servant bound for glory. O dear Lord, please hear my prayer. When my work on earth is done, and you come to take me home. Just to know I'm bound for glory. and to hear you say, well done. Done with sin and sorrow, have mercy. Amen.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Tune: Diademata

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THE ACC	CLAMATIONS - (BCP 2	10	23 & pag	ge 175)			
Bishop:	Alleluia! Christ is Ris	sen!					
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Bishop:	The Lord will pour out his Spirit upon all flesh,						
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Bishop:	You shall know that the Lord is in the midst of his people,						
People:	That He is the Lord and there is none else.						
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People: That everyone who calls on the Name of the Lord shall be saved.

Welcome!

to our historic, living church where the saints have gathered to worship since 1706!

If you are visiting with us today, please take a **welcome brochure** (located in the card rack on the back of each pew) and fill out the visitor card. Please place it in the offering plate or leave it with an usher.

The liturgy begins with the **Acclamation**, which is an "eager expression" of praise.

THE FRONT COVER The Second Miraculous Draft of Fish By James Tissot (1836-1902)

THE COLLECT FOR ST. ANDREW

Collects are prayers that touch on the theme of the Scripture readings and transitions us from speaking and singing God's praise to listening to his Holy Scriptures.

Celebrant:The Lord be with you.People:And with your spirit.Celebrant:Let us pray together.

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, Simon, 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 forever. **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

THE PSALM

Sung by the Parish ChoirPsalm 33 verses 1-11Exultate justi (Rejoice ye just)

REJOICE in the Lord, O ye righteous : for it becometh well the just to be thankful.

- 2 Praise the Lord with harp : sing praises unto him with the lute, and instrument of ten strings.
- 3 Sing unto the Lord a new song : sing praises lustily unto him with a good courage.
- 4 For the word of the Lord is true : and all his works are faithful.
- 5 He loveth righteousness and judgement : the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.
- 6 By the word of the Lord were the heavens made: and all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth.
- 7 He gathereth the waters of the sea together, as it were upon an heap : and layeth up the deep, as in a treasure-house.
- 8 Let all the earth fear the Lord : stand in awe of him, all ye that dwell in the world.
- 9 For he spake, and it was done : he commanded, and it stood fast.
- 10 The Lord bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought : and maketh the devices of the people to be of none effect, and casteth out the counsels of princes.
- 11 The counsel of the Lord shall endure for ever : and the thoughts of his heart from generation to generation.

The Scriptures teach that much of our spiritual renewal is by the washing of the Word of God, which cleanses our minds and purifies our hearts. This portion of the service is known as the **Liturgy of the Word**, and it consists of the readings, the sermon, the creed, and the prayers of the people.

The Liturgy of the Word

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Revelation Chapter 5

Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. ² And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" ³ And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, ⁴ and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. ⁵ And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals."

⁶ And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. ⁷ And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. ⁸ And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. ⁹ And they sang a new song, saying,

"Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, ¹⁰ and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

¹¹ Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹² saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

¹³ And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

¹⁴ And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

Lector: The Word of the Lord. *People:* Thanks be to God.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

Tune: *Hyfrydol*

- Sing of Andrew, John's disciple, led by faith through ways untrod, Till the Baptist cried at Jordan, "There behold the Lamb of God!" Stirred by hearing this new teacher, Andrew, freed from doubt and fear, Ran to tell his brother Simon, "God's Anointed One is here!"
- Sing of Andrew, called by Jesus from the shores of Galilee, Leaving boats and nets and kindred, trusting in that "Follow me!" When a lad's small meal fed thousands, when inquiring Greeks found care, When the Spirit came in blessing, Andrew faithfully was there.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Gospeller: People:

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. ²Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. ³Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴ Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No." 6 He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. 7 That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. 8 The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

⁹When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. 10 Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹ So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹² Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. 13 Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. 14 This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." 16 He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." 17 He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep.

¹⁸ Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go." 19 (This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, "Follow me."

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord. People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

Tune: Hyfydol

3. Sing of Andrew, bold apostle, sent to make the Gospel known Faithful to his Lord's example, called to make a cross his own. So may we who prize his memory, honor Christ in our own day Bearing witness to our neighbors, living what we sing and pray.

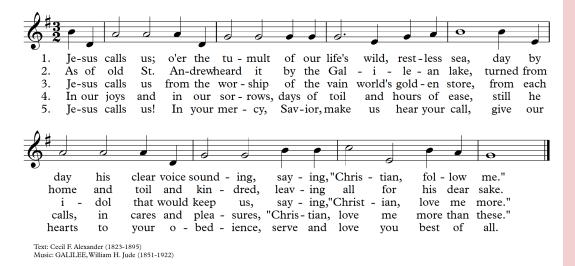
The Scriptures tell us that Jesus is the Word that became flesh and dwelled among us. In the reading of the Holy Gospel, the ministers process with the Gospel Book to the Crossing of the church to read the selected passage and symbolize the Word dwelling among us. The ministers process to the Crossing during this hymn.

The word Gospel comes from the Old English word, which means gōd-spell, "good news" or "glad tidings." That word developed from the Latin word, evangelium, and Greek, evangelion, which also literally means "good news." These are the source of the English words "evangelist" and "evangelism"

THE PRESENTATION HYMN

Galilee

The Rector, Wardens and New Ministers come forward during this hymn and stand before the Bishop.



Congregation please be seated.

THE INSTITUTION OF A NEW ASSOCIATE RECTOR AND AN ASSISTING PRIEST

Presenters: Right Reverend Father in God, on behalf of St. Andrew's Parish Church, we present The Rev. Richard Giersch to be instituted as Associate Rector, and The Rev. Douglas Peterson to be instituted as Assisting Priest. We believe that they are well qualified and have been prayerfully and lawfully selected.

The new ministers then say

Bishop Edgar, I recognize your episcopal authority, and Father Marshall, I recognize your authority over this congregation as their Rector. I promise to be a faithful shepherd to your flock, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop says

Let us therefore pray to God for this Congregation, for Marshall their Rector, for Richard, their new Associate Rector, and for Douglas, their new Assisting Priest.

Bishop : The Lord be with you.

People : And with your spirit.

Bishop : Let us pray.

Most gracious Father, the Giver of all good and perfect gifts, in your wise providence you appoint leaders for the mission of your Church: Give grace to these your servants, Richard and Douglas, to whom ministry in this Congregation is now given: so empower them with the truth of sound doctrine, and endue them with holiness of life, that they may faithfully serve before you to the glory of your great Name, and the benefit of your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

> The Rector, Wardens and New Ministers then remain at the altar, and the Candidates come forward with the Newcomer Coordinator.

This liturgy is found in The Book of Common Prayer, Page 176.

THE PRESENTATION, EXHORTATION AND EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR CONFIRMATION, RECEPTION, AND REAFFIRMATION

Presenters:Right Reverend Father in God, we present these persons to receive the
laying on of hands.Bishop:Have they been adequately prepared?Presenters:They have.Bishop:Image: State S

Dearly beloved, it is essential that those who wish to be Confirmed or Received in this Church publicly confess Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior; become his disciples; know and affirm the Nicene Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments; and have received instruction in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments and the Catechism of the Church. God's grace is imparted in Baptism, through which we are made God's children by adoption and given the Holy Spirit. By the power of the Spirit, manifested in gifts and fruit, we are enabled to be God's people for the sake of the world.

Now, these Candidates desire publicly to confess their faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and their commitment to follow him as Lord. They also desire the strengthening of grace through the laying on of hands, that the Holy Spirit may fill them more and more for their ministry in the Church and in the world.

Bishop:	Do you, here in the presence of God and the Church, renew the solemn
	promises and vows made at your Baptism and commit to keep them?
Candidates	I do.
Bishop:	Do you renounce the devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel
-	against God?
Candidates:	I renounce them.
Bishop:	Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world that
1	corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?
Candidates:	I renounce them.
Bishop:	Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of
1	God?
Candidates:	I renounce them.
Bishop:	Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior?
Candidates:	I do.
Bishop:	Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures
1	of the Old and New Testaments?
Candidates:	I do.
Bishop:	Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in
1	them all the days of your life?
Candidates:	I will, the Lord being my helper.
The Bishop	addresses the Congregation, saying
1	ho witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ? *Congregation* We will.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT (*Please Stand*)

Bishop: Will the congregation please stand as we all affirm our Baptismal Covenant. Do you believe and trust in God the Father? I do. I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and People: earth. Bishop: Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ? People: I do. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. Bishop: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit? People: I do. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER AND THE LAYING ON OF HANDS

Bishop: Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, we beseech you to strengthen these your servants for witness and ministry through the power of your Holy Spirit. Daily increase in them your manifold virtues of grace: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and true godliness, and the spirit of holy fear, now and for ever. **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

FOR CONFIRMATION

Each Confirmand kneels in front of the Bishop. The Bishop, then laying his hands upon the person's head, prays:

Defend, O Lord, this your servant N. with your heavenly grace, that *he* may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more until *he* comes into the fullness of your everlasting kingdom.

People: Amen.

FOR RECEPTION

Those having made adult professions of faith in other Christian traditions are Received with the laying on of hands as follows.

Strengthen, O Lord, with your Holy Spirit, your servant N., whom we recognize as a member of the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church, and receive into the fellow-ship of this Communion. Empower *him* for your service, and sustain *him* all the days of *his* life.

People: Amen.

FOR REAFFIRMATION

N., the Holy Spirit, who has begun a good work in you, direct and empower you by his grace, that you may continue in the service of our Lord Jesus Christ all the days of your life.

People: Amen.

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The Book of Common Prayer, Page 180

CONCLUDING PRAYER AFTER THE LAYING ON OF HANDS

Bishop:

Almighty and ever-living God, let your fatherly hand ever be upon these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Holy Word, that they may faithfully serve you in this life, and joyfully dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Bishop: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with your spirit.

THE OFFERTORY

If you would like to make an online offering at this time to Old St. Andrew's Parish Church, please follow the link: <u>https://www.oldstandrews.org/giving-1</u>

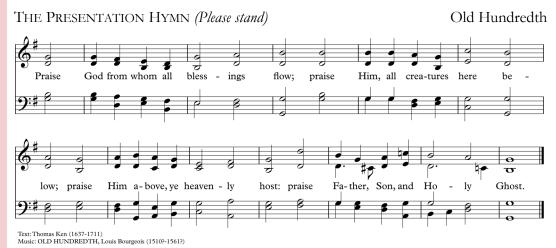
THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

SUNG BY THE PARISH CHOIR

Soldiers of Christ, Arise

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1888) Music: George J Elvey (1816-1893)

Soldiers of Christ, arise, and put your armour on Strong in the strength which God supplies through His eternal Son. Strong in the Lord of hosts and in His mighty pow'r Who in the strength of Jesus trusts is more than conqueror. Stand then, in His great might with all His strength endued; And take to aid you in the fight the panoply of God That having all things done, and all your conflicts passed Ye may o're-come through Christ alone, and stand entire at last. From strength to strength go on; wrestle and fight and pray Tread all the powers of darkness down and win the well-fought day. Still let the Spirit cry, in all His soldiers "Come!" Till Christ the Lord, who reigns on high, Shall take the conquerors home. Amen.



The Peace is a particularly good time to welcome visitors and newcomers. Please take a moment to extend God's peace to those around you. That peace, which the world cannot give, comes only through the forgiving of Jesus Christ. This peace is not rooted in our circumstances but in the presence, promise and power of God and Christ's redeeming work.



Scan here to give an offering to OSA.

Here at Old St Andrew's Parish Church the choir sing an Offertory Anthem every week. Music can often help to add additional weight and emotion into the written texts. A congregation can hear a message via the singing of the choir, in a similar way that they do when they listen to a sermon. The message can be used to teach, offer praise, set a mood for more teaching, and/or offer a link to the whole Body of Christ through the ages and around the world by using traditional songs & texts or songs from another place.

Celebrant: (BCP 2019 page 131)

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

People: And of your own have we given you.

The Holy Communion

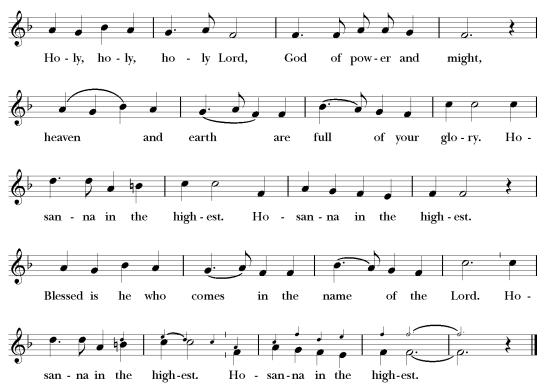
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Celebrant:	The Lord be with you.	
People:	And with your spirit.	
Celebrant:	Lift up your hearts.	
People:	We lift them up to the Lord.	
Celebrant:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	
People:	It is right to give him thanks and praise.	
The Celebrant continues:		

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through the great shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord, who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations, and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages.

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

THE SANCTUS



Our altar is **The Lord's Table** and all baptized Christians (baptized in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit) are welcome to receive Holy Communion here.

In the Anglican tradition, Communion is received in two kinds: in the Bread and in the Wine. The Bread is offered first and is typically placed in one's open palm. After hearing the words "The Body of Christ, the bread of Heaven," the bread is ready to be consumed. A chalice bearer will then offer the Wine.

We offer two chalices for Holy Communion. The first, smaller chalice is for intinction (dipping the wafer into the chalice.) The second, larger chalice is for consumption. If you would prefer to drink from the cup, please hold the wafer in front of you until the larger chalice is offered.

*If you or your children are not baptized, you may receive a blessing at the altar rail from the Priest. Simply cross your hands over your chest as you kneel at the rail.

Ladies, please "blot" your lipstick prior to receiving communion, as this will help preserve our beautiful altar linens.

The **Sanctus** is the song of the seraphim contained in the great vision that the prophet Isaiah experienced while worshipping in the Temple in Jerusalem. This vision is recorded in the 6th chapter of Isaiah. It is inspired by Isaiah's vision of the heavenly court "Holy, holy, holy" acknowledging the transcendence of God. When we gather together, we remember the presence of Jesus. By repeating the words and actions of Jesus' last meal with His disciples, we join the story and make it our own. We don't just watch the drama or listen to it unfold, we enter into the story as we, too, take the bread and wine and eat and drink and participate in the victory Christ has won for

us.

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION (BCP 2019 page 132)

(Please Kneel)

Celebrant:

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you have made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant:

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

This **AMEN** is often called the "Great Amen" because it is the apex of our liturgy, the powerful ending to the Eucharist Prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP 2019 page 134)

Celebrant:

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

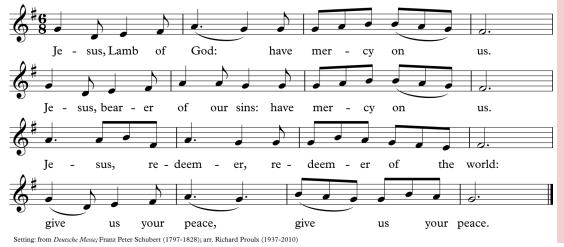


THE FRACTION (BCP 2019 page 135)

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

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS (BCP 2019 page 135) *Celebrant and People:*

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.



The Lord's Praver, so called because Jesus gave this prayer to His disciples as an example of how to pray, has been a part of Eucharistic liturgies since the fourth century. The link between "our daily bread" and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is very ancient. In the Lord's Prayer, we ask for daily bread, meaning the things we need to get through each day. But as a part of that, the sacramental bread is Jesus Christ, truly present in this bread. When we eat of this bread, we most certainly receive our daily bread.

The **Prayer of Humble Access** is a very distinctive element of worship in the Anglican Tradition. Assembled in the earliest prayer books by Thomas Cranmer, it includes phrases and concepts from Mark 7:28, the Liturgy of St. Basil, a Gregorian collect, John 6:56, and some ideas of Thomas Aquinas.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION (BCP 2019 page 136)

Celebrant:

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.

(If you need Holy Communion brought to you in your pew, please ask the Usher.)

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM

(Sung by our Parish Choir)

The Wondrous CrossWords: Isaac WattsMusic: Joanna Forbes L'Estrange

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God! All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.See from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down! Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown? Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

THE FIRST COMMUNION HYMN

Tune: Daniel Schutte



The Christian life is deeply personal yet is essentially corporate by nature, not private. Every act of worship is intended not only to glorify God for His own sake, but to lift up and build up one another in Christ for His sake as well. The word "liturgy" literally means "the work of the people." A central function of liturgy is to send the message that in a worship community there are no bystanders. It is corporate through and through and from one end to the other. Singing is also a form of prayer that can help carry the heart to God not only in the words being sung but beyond the reach of words.



At Old St. Andrew's, we encourage you to continue to pray by singing both before and after you come to the Communion Rail. In this way, all of us are helping each other to lift our hearts continuously in the midst of receiving the greatest gift ever given: the life of Jesus Christ. We have been blessed by being here. Now, at the end of the service, we are reminded that God takes loving delight in blessing us abundantly. We leave in peace, forgiven, fed and sent out with a purpose to make Christ known in the world. THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP 2019 page 137)

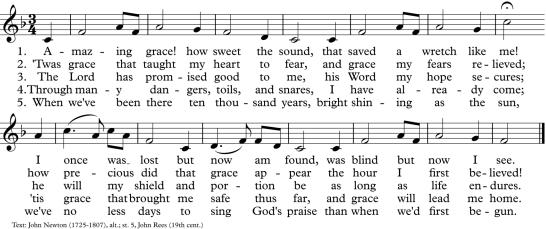
Celebrant: Let us pray. *Celebrant and People:*

Heavenly Father, 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 BLESSING (BCP 2019 page 137)

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN (*Please stand*)

Tune: New Britain



Music: NEW BRITAIN, from Virginia Harmony, 1831; adapt. att. Edwin Othello Excell (1851-1921)

THE DISMISSAL (BCP 2019 page 138)

Priest or Deacon: Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

challenged to "go," a challenge to reach out beyond our own church to the world around us.

People:

As the service ends, we are

The Scripture quotations are from the English Standard Version of the Bible.