

WELCOME

St. Andrew's By-the-Sea Episcopal Church
part of the Worldwide Anglican Communion

WHEREVER YOU ARE ON YOUR JOURNEY OF FAITH, ST. ANDREW'S WELCOMES YOU!

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
10:00 AM MAY 3, 2026
AT DESTIN HIGH SCHOOL
HOLY EUCHARIST • RITE II

Before service speak to the Lord to prepare to worship.

During service the Lord will speak to you.

After service speak to one another.

Please quiet your phone.



The Reverend Eric Zubler will be our Celebrant this morning.

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude: *Little G Minor* Paul Taylor

Welcome

Procession: Hymn 7 *Christ, whose glory fills the skies* Ratisbon

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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.**

The Gloria S 280 Powell

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

**Lord God, heavenly King, Almighty God and Father, we worship you,
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;**

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen**

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading Acts 7:55-60

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

The Word of the Lord. Alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16 (*in unison*)

**1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; *
deliver me in your righteousness.**

**2 Incline your ear to me; *
make haste to deliver me.**

**3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; *
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.**

**4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, *
for you are my tower of strength.**

**5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, *
for you have redeemed me, O LORD, O God of truth.**

**15 My times are in your hand; *
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.**

**16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, *
and in your loving-kindness save me.**

Epistle Reading

1 Peter 2:2-10

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious;
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner”, and
“A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

The Word of the Lord. Alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

Sequence Hymn 178 (vs. 1, 2) *Alleluia, Alleluia, Give thanks to the risen Lord* Alleluia, No. 1

Gospel

John 14:1-14

The Holy Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.”

Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?”

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

The Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

Barbara Nelson

Nicene Creed

Standing

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 Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

arr. Fred Bock

Doxology Hymn 380 (v. 3)

From all that dwell below the skies

Old 100th

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below;
praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

Sanctus, S-129, Powell

Standing or kneeling as we are able

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.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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 it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you Lord our God.

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for you holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember Sarah the Archbishop of Canterbury, Sean our Presiding Bishop, Russell our Bishop, Ericca our seminarian, Father Eric our supply clergy, and all who minister in your Church.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with St. Andrew and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

followed by silence

Fraction

BCP p. 364

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

Fraction Anthem S154 *Christ our Passover*

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia

Invitation to Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;

I can feel his mighty power and his grace.

I can hear the brush of angel's wings, I see glory on each face;

surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

The Communion

Communion Music 8-fold Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
Jesus is Lord!.... He is risen. How I love him.... He's my Savior...
I will praise him.... Blessed Jesus My Redeemer....
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Post Communion Prayer

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Let us pray.

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 Blessing

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Announcements

Community Prayers

for those celebrating BIRTHDAYS: O God, our times are in your hands: look with favor, we pray on your servant as they begin another year, grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

for those celebrating ANNIVERSARIES: O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his church: may these your servants love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience all the days of their lives together, and may they share their joy with others; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

for TRAVELERS: O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: preserve all those who travel, surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger, bring them in safety to their journey's end, and return them to us renewed and refreshed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Exit Procession Wonder, Love and Praise 812 *I, the Lord of Sea and Sky* Daniel L. Schutte

The Dismissal

Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

Brethren We Have Met to Worship

William Moore

ANNOUNCEMENTS: May 3

Next Sunday is the Sixth Sunday of Easter. Father Eric Zubler will be our Celebrant. Since it is also Mother's Day, we will celebrate with flowers for all ladies.

Sunday Fellowship: All are welcome to gather for fellowship after the service. As you are able, please bring a sweet or savory treat to share. There is a small refrigerator to keep things cool as needed and a microwave to heat things up.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For immediate concerns: Yolanda Barksdale, Bishop Michael Curry, Kate Driggers, Mary Ellis, Fred Fenn, Laretta Hanlin, Joe Huckaby, Lance Jorgensen, Jeffrey King, Judy King, Lynn Loughlin, Kathy McGee, Nancy Middlebrook, Judith Morris, Jeanie Noel, Goldie Parson, Cheryl Perez, DJ Phillips, Jo Popham, Mike Riley, Wayne Zona, Charlie, Deborah, Paul

For the repose of the soul: Wayne Campbell

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church of North India (United)

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Paul's, Daphne, Alabama

Diocesan Prison Ministry Cycle: Walton Correctional Institution, DeFuniak Springs, Florida

- Please pray for St. Andrew's By-the-Sea as we move forward in our transition.
- Please call or email the church to add or change the status of someone on the prayer list.

Jesus Christ is Head of the Church

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