

# 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!

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
10:00 AM MAY 10, 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:**

*Wonderful, Merciful Savior*

arr. Carol Tornquist

**Welcome**

**Procession:** Hymn 182 (vs. 1-3)

*Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.*

Truro

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.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**First Reading**

Acts 17:22-31

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said,

'For we too are his offspring.'

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

The Word of the Lord. Alleluia.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

### **Psalm 66: 7-18**

7 Bless our God, you peoples; \*  
make the voice of his praise to be heard;

**8 Who holds our souls in life, \*  
and will not allow our feet to slip.**

9 For you, O God, have proved us; \*  
you have tried us just as silver is tried.

**10 You brought us into the snare; \*  
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.**

11 You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; \*  
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

**12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings and will pay you my vows, \*  
which I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.**

13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of rams; \*  
I will give you oxen and goats.

**14 Come and listen, all you who fear God, \*  
and I will tell you what he has done for me.**

15 I called out to him with my mouth, \*  
and his praise was on my tongue.

**16 If I had found evil in my heart, \*  
the Lord would not have heard me;**

17 But in truth God has heard me; \*  
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

**18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, \*  
nor withheld his love from me.**

### **Epistle Reading**

1 Peter 3:13-22

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter.

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight

persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

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 14:15-21

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

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

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

**The Sermon**

Father Eric Zubler

**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**

*His Eye Is On the Sparrow*

arr. Jay Rouse

**Doxology** Hymn 380 (v. 3)

*From all that dwell below the skies*

Old 100<sup>th</sup>

**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

**Eucharistic Prayer D**

*Standing as we are able*

*BCP p. 372*

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

*BCP p. 366*

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

### The Dismissal

Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

## Postlude

*Happy Our Home When God Is There*

John Dykes

## ANNOUNCEMENTS: May 10

Next Sunday is the Seventh Sunday of Easter. Father Eric Zubler will be our Celebrant.

**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, Vickie Deleccio, Art & Kate Driggers, Mary Ellis, Fred Fenn, Laretta Hanlin, Joe Huckaby, Lance Jorgensen, Jeffrey King, Judy King, Lynn Loughlin, Kathy McGee, 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 Pakistan (United)

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** St. Michael's, Chickasaw, Alabama and St. Michael's, Ozark, Alabama

**Diocesan Prison Ministry Cycle:** Atmore Community Work Center, Atmore, Alabama

- 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

**The Rt. Rev. J. Russell Kendrick**

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