



Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 20
September 19, 2021: 10:00 a.m.
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Welcome and Announcements

Welcome! I'm so thrilled to be worshipping with you today! What a delight it is to be able to be back together, in person, in our beloved sanctuary. I have been blessed to see the many ways that you have lifted each other up and ensured the vitality of our community over these last 15 months. And, even as some of us gather together today, we are blessed by the digital presence and participation of others who are not physically with us at this time.

Yet, even as we gather, the pandemic is not entirely behind us. Infection rates among the non-vaccinated remain incredibly high. So out of our desire to show our love for our neighbor, we continue to take precautions. Everyone is required to wear a mask while worshipping here at St. Andrew's. We will continue to fast from sharing the common cup and will only receive bread at communion and we will maintain physical distance from those outside our own households.

I am certain that the Holy Spirit rejoices alongside us that in this Season After Pentecost, we are able to be together in person once again. I pray that this time of worship nourishes your spirit and strengthens you to go out and look for the places God is calling you to spread love and grace throughout the week. May we all come together in love and then leave refreshed and renewed in our sense of purpose and call. I give thanks for each of you daily and am so grateful to God for sustaining us through this pandemic and enabling us to gather together once again.

Grace & Peace,

Andrew+

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn *All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine* Hymn #477

Opening Acclamation BCP, p. 355

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity

Presider 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 *Glory to God in the highest* Hymnal S-280

The Collect of the Day *(Please remain standing)* Common Worship

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!" But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Response

Psalm 1

Psalter for the Christian People



1. Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the / wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the / scornful!
 2. Their delight is in the law of the / Lord, *
and they meditate on the law day and / night.
 3. They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not / wither; *
everything they do shall / prosper.
 4. It is not so with the / wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows a- / way.
 5. Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment / comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the / righteous.
 6. For the Lord knows the way of the / righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is / doomed.
- Glory to the Father, and to the / Son *
and to the Holy / Spirit:
- As it was in the beginning, is / now, *
and will be for ever. A- / men.

The Epistle

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

NRSV

A reading from the letter of James.

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn

If thou but trust in God to guide thee

Hymn #635

The Gospel

Mark 9:30-37

NRSV

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Dawn McNamara

The Nicene Creed (*Said in unison*)

BCP, p. 358

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

from *Praying the Scriptures*

Intercessor Friends, draw near to God, and God will draw near to you. With open and humble hearts, let us pray, saying, we have asked wrongly before, O Lord;

People May this request be righteous.

Intercessor Give to your Church, O God, wisdom from above. Let us be known as people of peace, gentleness, and mercy. We have asked wrongly before, O Lord;

People May this request be righteous.

Intercessor Lover of souls, we pray for all women and girls around the world. May those who have been oppressed and ignored walk with strength and dignity. We thank you, O God, for women. We pray for all who live, work, and go to school on Oregon Hill; for all who are celebrating birthdays this week, including: Barbara Butler, Steve Salter, Ron Clark, Benjamin Davis, Jaelyn Jones. We have asked wrongly before, O Lord;

People **May this request be righteous.**

Intercessor O God, we pray for this earth, our island home. May we not be anxious about earthly things, but give us hope that you are refreshing the resources that we have exploited and misused. We have asked wrongly before, O Lord;

People **May this request be righteous.**

Intercessor Heavenly Father, your son was betrayed, arrested, and killed: be with all captives and prisoners. Fill us with your mercy and wisdom. May our lives show forth the way of the righteous. We have asked wrongly before, O Lord;

People **May this request be righteous.**

Intercessor Holy God, we ask you to strengthen and heal our ailing loved ones. Bring forth in them good fruit and prosper all that they do in Jesus' name. We have asked wrongly before, O Lord;

People **May this request be righteous.**

Intercessor Lord, we pray for those who have died, especially Ed Dolan. We thank you for those who have showed us faith and wisdom. May we, following the example of our forebears, hold fast to those things that shall endure. We have asked wrongly before, O Lord;

People **May this request be righteous.**

Please add your own prayers either silently or aloud.

The Confession

BCP, p. 360

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

Presider 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.

Presider 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 *(Please stand)*

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presentation Hymn

Sing praise to God who reigns above

Hymn # 408

(Please stand)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP, p. 361

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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

Holy, holy, holy Lord

Hymnal S-129

Holy and gracious God: in your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 it, do this for the remembrance of me.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again;**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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 God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

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

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Communion will be distributed at the foot of the Chancel steps.
As we continue to fast from sharing the common cup, we will receive the sacrament in one kind, bread, only.
Please wait to remove your mask to consume the sacrament until you have moved away from the Presider
and promptly replace your mask.
Please let an usher know if you would prefer to have communion brought to you in your seat.

Postcommunion Prayer (please stand or kneel) BCP, p. 366

Presider Let us pray.

All 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

Closing Hymn *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* Hymn #390

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Worship Participants

Officiant: The Rev. Andrew Moore

Deacon: The Rev. Deacon Barbara Ambrose *Preacher:* Dawn McNamara
Reader: Pat Bridgewater *Intercessor:* Allyson Getlein *Crucifer:* Belinda Brugh
Organist & Choirmaster: Demas Boudreaux *Soloist:* Patrick Hall

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The Prayers of the People:

- Phyllis Bailey, Richard Bowen, Sarah Bridgewater, Dwayne Briggs, Rob Burger, Davison Chapman, Wayne Clark, James Conway, Cathy Creamer, Tom Davis, Shirley Dolan, Sarah Dowles, Cyrus Field, Ellen Field, Carlton Green, Jack Greener, Melissa Groome, Van Haywood, Derek Hubbel, Dorothy Jackson, Georgia Jonkman, Jeeha Kamran, Diane Klisavage, Elaine Kriskus, Eileen LoSasso, Tommy MacDonald, Shawna Methaney, Lillian Miller, Crystal Munnings, Ann Olliff, Richard Plunkett, Walter Quinn, Henry Randolph, Jerrie Richardson, Greg Robinson, Audrey Rowe, Greg Rowe, Lizzy Schrass, Donnie Thomas, Ramon Torres, Joe Velliers.
- Pray for those who have died, especially Ed Dolan, and those who mourn.
- Pray for those who live and work and go to school on Oregon Hill and for the ministry of Anna Julia Cooper Middle School.

- We pray for schools and educational institutions of Metropolitan Richmond: For all universities, colleges, seminaries, trade, technical, graduate, and professional schools; for the students, faculty, and staff of these institutions.
- Pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: Barbara Butler (9/21), Steve Salter (9/21), Ron Clark (9/23), Benjamin Davis (9/23), Jaelyn Jones (9/25).

This Week at St. Andrew's:

Tuesday, September 21

- Noonday Prayer: 12:00 p.m., Facebook

Wednesday, September 22

- Compline: 8:00 p.m., Facebook

Thursday, September 23

- Noonday Prayer: 12:00 p.m., Facebook

Sunday, September 26, the 18th Sunday after Pentecost

- Holy Eucharist, Rite II: 10:00 a.m., Church and on Facebook

News and Upcoming Events:

- **Compline on Facebook:** Join us for Compline on Wednesday evenings at 8:00 p.m. on [St. Andrew's Facebook Page](#). You can follow along by turning to page 127 in the Book of Common Prayer, or at <https://www.bcponline.org/DailyOffice/compline.html>.
- **Noonday Prayer on Facebook is Back:** Join us for Noonday Prayer on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:00 noon on [St. Andrew's Facebook Page!](#)
- **Consider EfM:** Ever had questions about your faith, or wondered how to connect it to your daily life? Then consider joining our Education for Ministry group this year! EfM helps us understand how we are called into relationship with God, neighbor and creation wherever we are – at home, at work, in all the places we spend time. This year's program will run from September-May and we will meet weekly. All are welcome! If you would like more information, please contact Paige Trivett at paige.trivett74@gmail.com or 804-456-7569.
- **Available Again: *South of Heaven: A Memoir of Love, Loss and Liberation*:** The second printing of Jim Evans' memoir about the last year of life of his late wife, Karen, and his subsequent journey through grief, is complete! Jim is once again making copies available at no cost to members of the St. Andrew's community. If you would like to receive a copy, please email Jim your mailing address at jtevens52@gmail.com.
- **Sunday Paper Junior Bulletins:** We encourage you to share these Sunday Paper Junior bulletins with your children. Pick up a copy in the narthex of the church, or download one! Linked here are the Sunday Paper Junior bulletins for [last Sunday](#) and [today](#).
- **Volunteers Needed!** Would you love to get more involved at St. Andrew's, but prefer a behind-the-scenes role? Great! We have two wonderful ways for you to volunteer!
 - **Tellers** bring the offerings received in our Sunday collection plates to the office and count our donations each week. Two Tellers are needed every Sunday. Once trained, you can sign up and view the schedule on our Sign Up Genius page.
 - **Altar Guild** members care for our liturgical space and all things used for worship. This includes caring for linens, vestments, vessels, and preparing for our gathering at God's table.

Folks currently serving are ready to support you as you learn. If you are interested in serving as a Teller or as a member of the Altar Guild (or both!), please contact Paula Harper at paula@paulaworks.com. All are welcome!

- **Choir Update:** Now that fall is underway, you may be wondering when our talented and beloved group of singers will gather again to bring musical offerings to our weekly worship. Given the persistence of the pandemic, we've decided to take a safer route and alternate soloists throughout the fall until we can reassess at Advent. In that spirit, if any of you wish to provide a musical offering during communion, whether instrumental or vocal, we have a few open spots yet to fill.

Further, while we may not be fully gathered as a choir yet, we are definitely in recruitment mode! There have been some changes due to members' schedules and obligations, and we need singers of any age and ability to add to our group. If you used to sing and want to pick it back up, or if you have a friend, neighbor, or family member whose musical talent has been on hold, please get in touch with me at music@standrewsoregonhill.org or 540-588-1228.

Weekly (or as your schedule allows) participation in choir is a spiritually meaningful way to give of your time and talents to the church, and is a vital part of our worship. When in full swing, we rehearse on Sunday mornings before service, and have occasional evening or weekend rehearsals. We are a fun group who enjoys fellowship and contributing to the life of our parish. Please consider joining, rejoining, or talking with someone who may be interested.

Finally, please take a moment to thank our dedicated singers and musicians who have shared their talents throughout the pandemic to keep the music flowing despite the challenges. And, we thank *you* for your support of the music ministry at St. Andrew's.

Sincerely,



Demas Boudreaux, Organist & Choirmaster

- **UGK Community First Update & Volunteer Opportunities:** UGK Community First has established a partnership with the City of Richmond and moved its kitchen operations to The Annie Giles Center at 1400 Oliver Hill Way. This partnership with the City will place Community First in closer proximity to areas of food insecurity in the City and creates opportunity to develop educational programs on topics such as nutrition, food preparation and health benefits of healthy eating to vulnerable populations. For more information and to sign up to volunteer, visit [Volunteer UGK Community First](#).
- **Help St. Andrew's with Kroger Community Rewards:** Help St. Andrew's by increasing donations every time you shop at Kroger! Thanks to their Community Rewards program, it's easy. Create or log into your digital account at kroger.com. In the Community Rewards section of your account, link your Kroger Plus Card to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Oregon Hill (organization ID AF019). Scan your Kroger Plus Card every time you check out at Kroger. St. Andrew's receives a periodic donation check from Kroger based on a percentage of designated transactions, all at no cost to you. Questions? Contact Chris Catanzaro at 804-922-1288 or Kroger Customer Service at 800-KROGERS (800-576-4377).
- **UPDATED Cell Phone Number for Andrew:** Andrew has a new cell phone number, which was previously advertised incorrectly! If you need to reach him, please call him at 804-251-0363. You can also email him at amoore@standrewsoregonhill.org