



May 2, 2021
5th Sunday of Easter

St. Andrew's Mission Statement

Rooted in Christ's love, St. Andrew's is a worshipping community seeking to
G R O W *our relationships with God, one another and the world.*

Grounded in Prayer,
Renewing Hope,
Open to the Spirit,
Welcoming & Accepting of All

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
EMPORIA, KANSAS
A EUCHARISTIC COMMUNITY OF THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS

WELCOME

Good Morning and Welcome to St. Andrew's!



This booklet is a guide to this morning's worship. It contains the structure of the service, as well as the prayers and responses, readings, and hymns for today's liturgy. Announcements and prayer requests are also included.

Today we will be using the liturgy for Holy Communion beginning on page 355 in your Book of Common Prayer. For those using this resource at home, feel free to sing the hymns with gusto! If you print this booklet at home for your edification, please recycle it to be good stewards of God's creation.

Let us Worship the Lord!

Prelude

Braxton Pauls

The Bell

Calls us to Worship

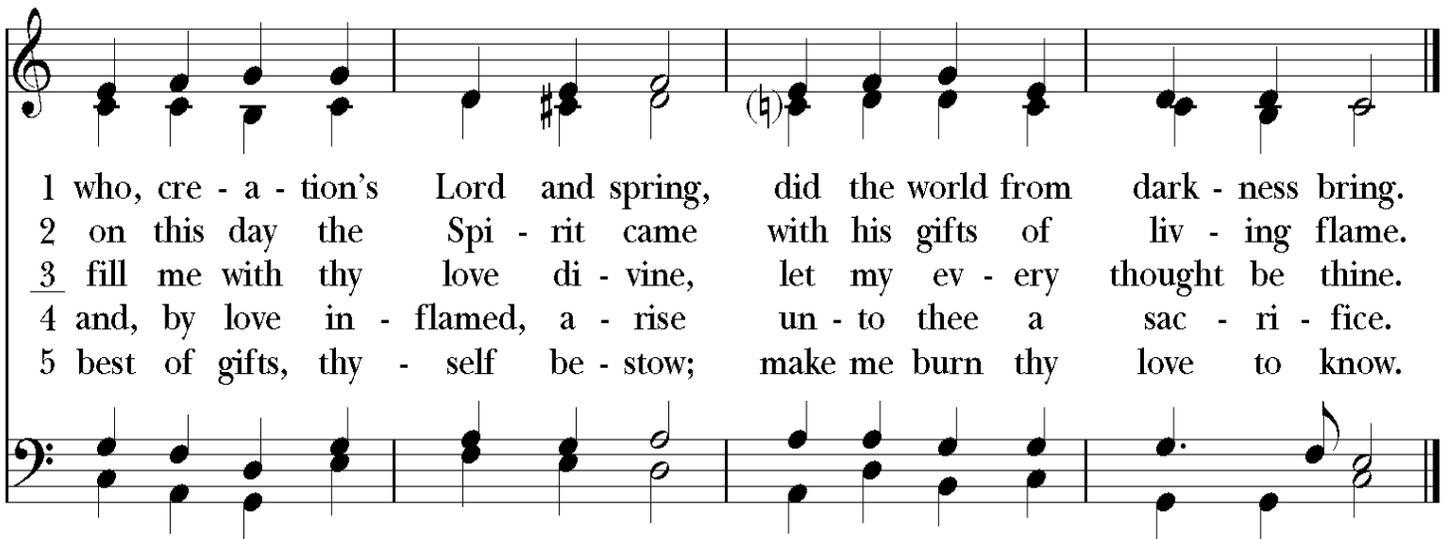
Hymn at the Processional

“Alleluia! The Strife Is O’er”

H # 47



1 On this day, the first of days, God the Fa - ther's Name we praise,
2 On this day the e - ter - nal Son o - ver death his tri - umph won;
3 Ma - ker, who didst fa - shion me im - age of thy - self to be,
4 Ho - ly Je - sus, may I be dead and bur - ied here with thee;
5 Thou, who dost all gifts im - part, shine, blest Spi - rit, in my heart;



1 who, cre - a - tion's Lord and spring, did the world from dark - ness bring.
2 on this day the Spi - rit came with his gifts of liv - ing flame.
3 fill me with thy love di - vine, let my ev - ery thought be thine.
4 and, by love in - flamed, a - rise un - to thee a sac - ri - fice.
5 best of gifts, thy - self be - stow; make me burn thy love to know.

6 God, the blessed Three in One,
dwell within my heart alone;
thou dost give thyself to me:
help me give myself to thee.

The Acclamation

Celebrant + Allelulia! Christ is Risen!

People **The Lord is Risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Collect for Purity

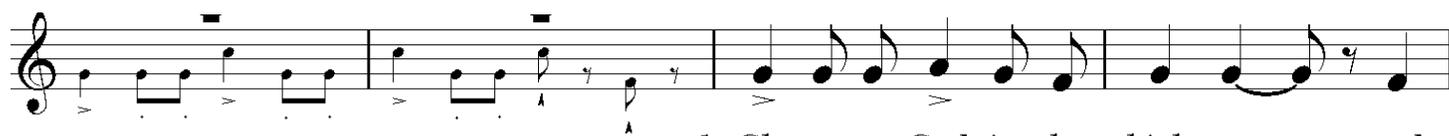
BCP 355

Celebrant 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.

All **Amen.**

Song of praise: "Gloria"

#S 280



1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -



might - y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

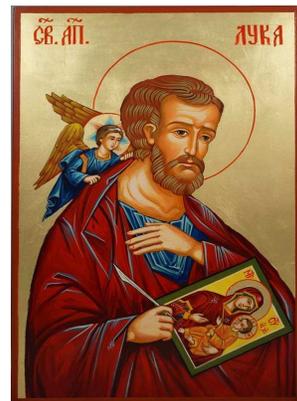
Celebrant Let us pray...

Almighty God who 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, forever and ever.

All Amen.

The First Reading

Acts 8:26-40



Lector A reading from the Acts of the Apostles chapter 8 beginning at verse 26.

Lector An angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over to this chariot and join it.” So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” He replied, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

“Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.

In his humiliation justice was denied him.
Who can describe his generation?
For his life is taken away from the earth.”

The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?” He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water,

the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God!**

The Psalm 22:24-30

BCP 612

Lector The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 22:24-30 which begins on page 612 in your Book of Common Prayer or in this morning's bulletin. I invite us to pray the Psalm in responsively by half verse.

24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *

**I will perform my vows in the presence of those
who worship him.**

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: *

"May your heart live for ever!"

26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to
the LORD, *

**and all the families of the nations shall bow before
him.**

27 For kingship belongs to the LORD; *

he rules over the nations.

28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in
worship; *

all who go down to the dust fall before him.

29 My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; *

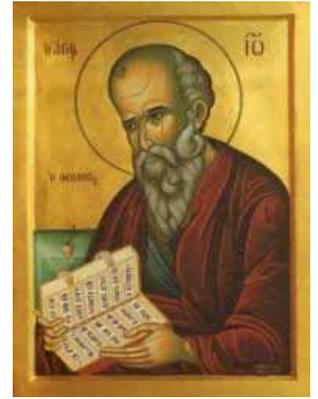
they shall be known as the LORD'S for ever.

30 They shall come and make known to a people yet
unborn *

the saving deeds that he has done.

The Second Reading

1 John 4:7-21



Lector Our second reading this morning comes from the First Letter of John chapter 4 beginning with verse 7.

Lector Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, can

not love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

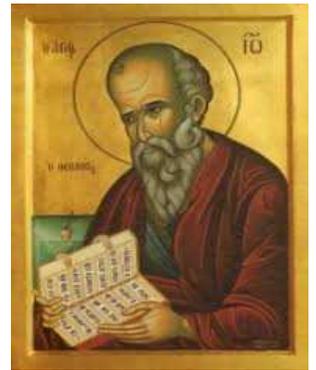
The Gospel

John 15:1-8

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Celebrant Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."



Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Celebrant Let us say together the Nicene Creed found on pg. 358 of your Book of Common Prayer.

All 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

The Intercessor asks the people to pray for the needs of the Church and the world, and for our own needs.

Intercessor Let us pray for the church and our world.
We give you thanks for those who offer their best as leaders of your people—for our bishops, priest, and deacons. Pray for those who carry out your mission under their leadership. Lord, in your mercy,
People we pray for the church.

Intercessor We offer our prayers for the leaders of our nation—for our president, our governor, Congress, and the courts of this land. Give them courage and wisdom and a heart for justice. Lord, in your mercy,
People we pray for justice and peace.

Intercessor We pray for mercy for those who suffer from hunger, in poverty, in the wake of violent storms, after earthquakes. Sustain them in their struggles and give them hope. We are thankful for compassionate people who answer their call for help. Lord, in your mercy,
People we pray for those who suffer around the world.

Intercessor We pray for those who are ill, for those who live in fear and whose spirits are restless. Give comfort for those who are dying and those who stand beside them as they find their way home.
Pray for new and unending life in this world and the next. Lord, in your mercy,
People we pray for those who have died.

In the silence, please lift the following in your prayers.

In Our Prayers This Week

For Health & General Concerns: Barbara W., Spencer H., Norman, Spencer A., Pat, Karen, Jan, Mary, Donna, Donnie, Javier, Virginia, Roger & Family, Claudia & Jose, Sasha, Rolando, Karen, Bill, Nancy, Matthew, Linda, Tonya, Bob, Bonnie, Joyce, Lynn, Kay, Arville, Jacob, Don, Nancy, David, Jeremy, Rebecca, Tim, Elizabeth, Brian, Shirley, Darlene, Kim, Autumn, Ethan.

Our Shut-ins: Onnalee, Don, Marged, Sue, Laurilla.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Anglican Church of Korea.

In the World Council of Churches Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the people of Eritrea and Ethiopia.

In the Kansas Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Church of the Covenant, Junction City

Concluding Collect

Celebrant Hear our prayers, Holy God. Breathe your Spirit over us and all the earth, that barriers would crumble and divisions cease. Make us more fully your co-healers of the broken world. Unite us with all people in bonds of love, that the whole earth and all its peoples may be at peace; through our risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

All Amen.

The Peace (The Peace is exchanged with a bows and waves of the hand.)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

MAY MILESTONES

Birthdays

May 1	Andrea Garritano
May 2	Shirley Crist
May 18	Mel Storm
May 24	Richard Basler

Anniversaries

May 1	Marc & Linda McDonald
May 8	Susan & Christopher Steffen
May 24	Nick & Ann Jacob

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Join us for Morning Prayer on Tuesdays & Thursdays in St. Mary's Chapel, (in-person or Live on Facebook each week at 9 am.
- All invited to our Adult Small Group Bible Study. Mondays at 7 pm at Jan Noyes home. For information or directions, please call: (620) 343-5110
- It is our practice to update our Church Prayer List quarterly because we want to continue to keep the most pressing spiritual, emotional or physical health needs of others before us. In order to do that, we are asking those of you that have submitted names for prayer to update your requests to the Church Office. You may update your request by contacting Rae Ann through email: office@standrewsemeporia.org, or calling the Office: (620) 342-1537.

Offertory Sentence

Celebrant Be imitators of God and walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us and offering and sacrifice to God.

Hymn at the Offertory

“The King of Love, My Shepherd Is”

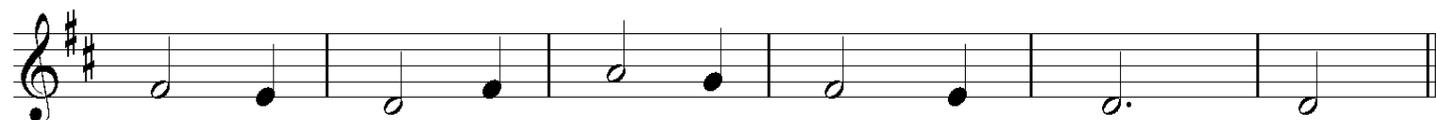
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1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness
2 Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, my ran-somed
* 3 Per-verse and fool-ish oft I strayed, but yet in
* 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear
5 Thou spread'st a ta-ble in my sight; thy unc-tion
6 And so through all the length of days thy good-ness



1 fail-eth nev-er; I noth-ing lack if
2 soul he lead-eth, and where the ver-dant
3 love he sought me, and on his shoul-der
4 Lord, be-side me; thy rod and staff my
5 grace be-stow-eth; and oh, what trans-port
6 fail-eth nev-er: Good Shep-herd, may I



1 I am his, and he is mine for ev-er.
2 pas-tures grow, with food ce-les-tial feed-eth.
3 gent-ly laid, and home, re-joic-ing, brought me.
4 com-fort still, thy cross be-fore to guide me.
5 of de-light from thy pure chal-ice flow-eth!
6 sing thy praise with-in thy house for ev-er.

THE LITURGY OF THE ALTAR

Sursum Corda (“Lifting of the hearts”)

BCP 361

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise

Preface for the Feast of the Resurrection

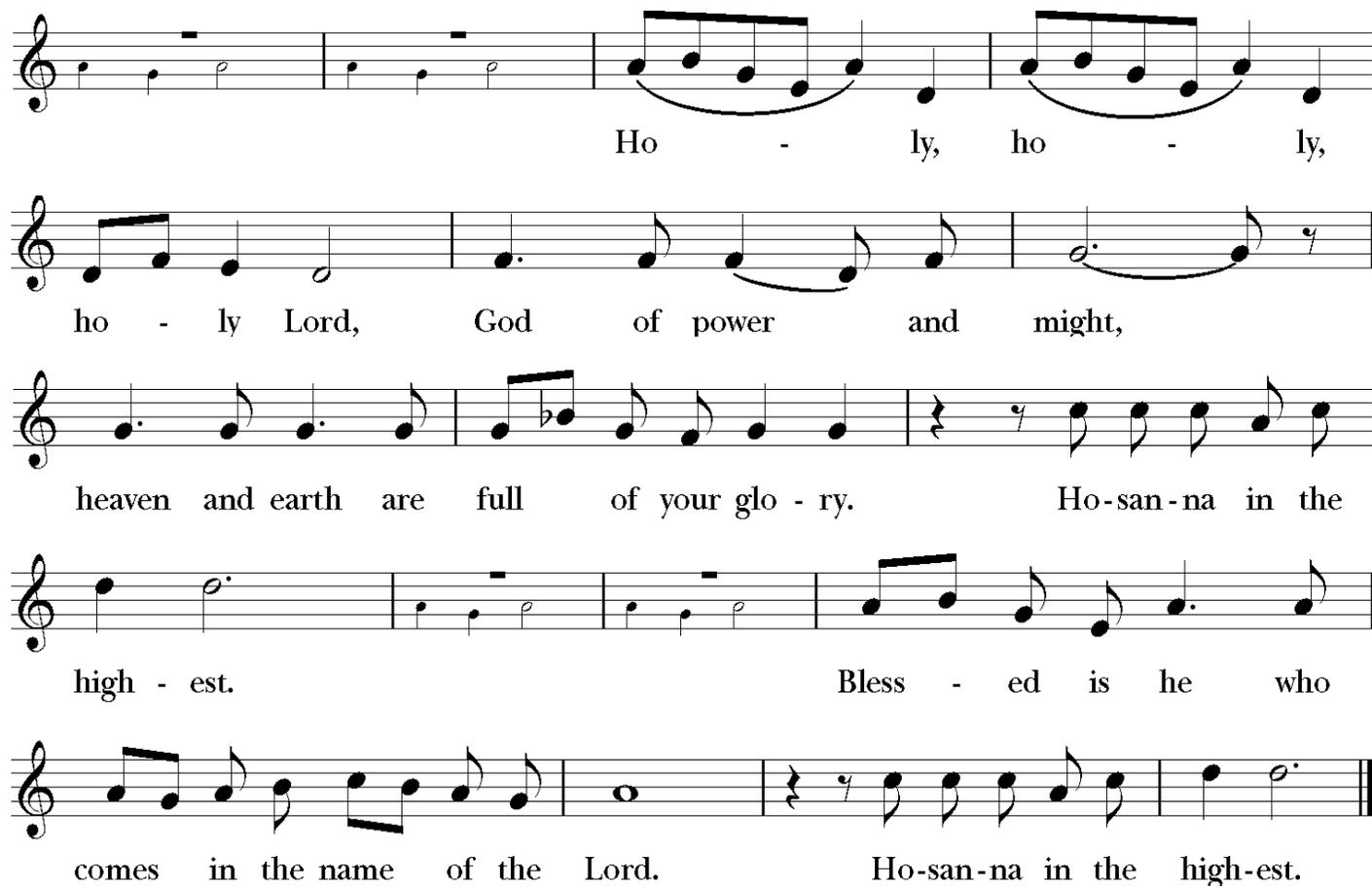
Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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

Sanctus

#S 128



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: 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."

Memorial Acclamation

Celebrant Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

ALL 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. 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 St. Andrew, and all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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

People Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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

All **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

Silence is kept

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore, let us keep the feast, Alleluia!**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the people of God.

Reception of Holy Communion

Baptized Christians of any Christian tradition are welcome to receive Holy Communion at St. Andrew's. The Book of Common Prayer states that when we come to receive all that is "*required that we should examine our lives, repent of sins and be in love and charity with all people.*" The Celebrant will place the sacred bread in your hand. Please hold the host until you have returned to your pew. You may then remove your mask and eat. Those who cannot at this time receive the Body and Blood of our Lord are invited to receive a blessing, come forward to the Altar rail and cross your arms over your chest in an X and the Celebrant will offer you a blessing.

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

SAPB p. 145, adapted

In the Episcopal tradition, we believe that when circumstances make it impossible to consume the Eucharistic elements, our desire is enough for God to grant all the benefits of communion.

For those joining us on Facebook or YouTube, who are unable to receive the consecrated bread and wine this day, but who long for the grace and blessing of God through our Savior Jesus Christ, are invited to pray this Prayer for Spiritual Communion:

Prayer

In union, Blessed Jesus, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I offer my praise and thanksgiving. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Post-Communion Prayer

EOW p. 70

Celebrant Let us pray

All Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!
People Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

Braxton Pauls