

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Boca Grande ☩ Florida

"Bringing God and people together in love through Jesus Christ"

The Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King



Proper 28, Year A
November 15, 2026

Sunday Worship
Jan-April 8:00A.M. & 9:30A.M.
May - Dec. 9:30A.M.

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Good Morning ... Welcome!

We're glad you're worshipping with us today! St. Andrew's is a community rooted in God's love, where all are welcomed, accepted, and encouraged to grow in faith and fellowship. Whether you are visiting or returning, you belong here!

We invite visitors to complete a card found in the pews and place it in the offering plate at the back of the church or give it to an usher. We'd love to get to know you!
Restrooms are located next door in the Chapter House.

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Serving Today

Ushers	Dennis Johnston and Loulie Mauran
Lector	Ann Fletcher
Chalice Bearer	Joy McBride

Altar Flowers

The flowers placed on the altar today are given to the Glory of God
by Mary and Dennis Johnston in loving memory of Sarah Farish.

Serving Next Sunday

Sunday, November 29

Ushers	
Lector	Jim Griesemer
Chalice Bearer	Kim Lovo
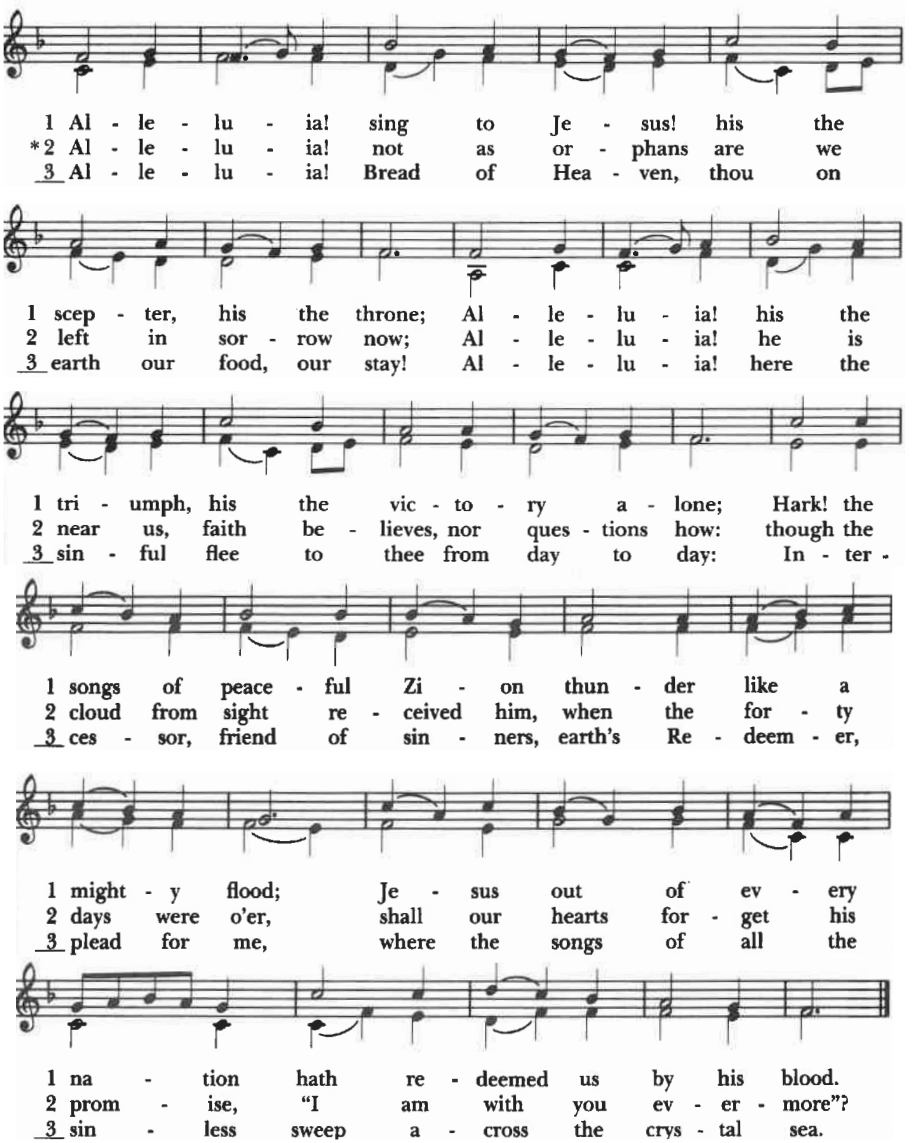
The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

The Word of God

THE PRELUDE *Praeludium in C Major,* Bux WV 137 — Dietrich Buxtehude

Bless the Lord, O My Soul, Psalm 104.1 — Robert J. Powell

THE PROCESSIONAL *Alleluia! sing to Jesus!* — Hymnal, 460 (v. 1-3)



THE ACCLAMATION
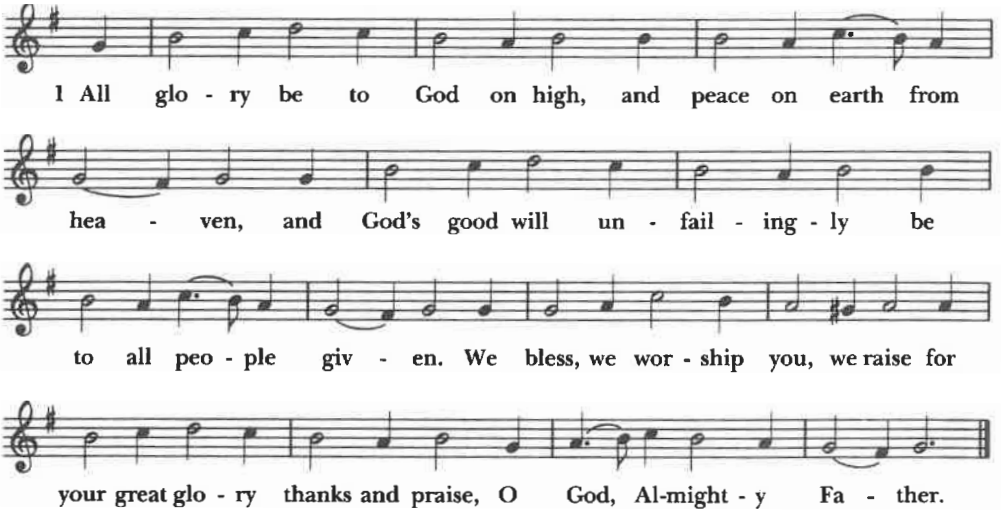
Celebrant Blessed be God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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.**

SONG OF PRAISE

All glory be to God on high Hymnal, 421



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON — EZEKIEL 34:11-16, 20-24

Lector A reading from the Prophet Ezekiel.

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will

rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 100

Lector The appointed reading today is Psalm 100.
Let us read responsively by half verse.
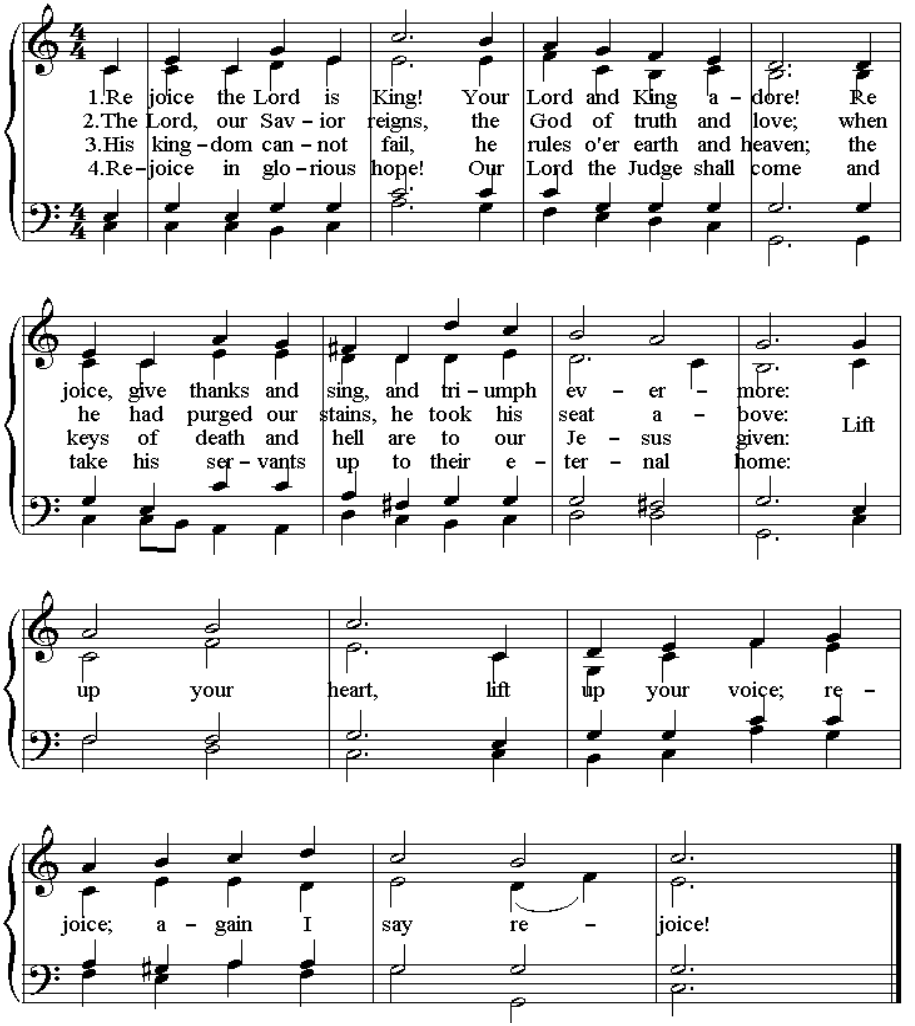
1 Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

2 Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

4 For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN *Rejoice, the Lord is King* DARWALL



THE GOSPEL **MATTHEW 25:31-46**

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

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

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care

of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

Rev. Geoffrey Piper

The Nicene Creed

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.

Prayers of the People

Celebrant Let us offer our prayers to Christ our Sovereign, for the Church and the world.

Please find your position of prayer, whether that is standing, kneeling, or sitting.

Lector Lord, bless our parish clergy, our Presiding Bishop, our Bishop; we give thanks for all the newly baptized; for all the people of God. We pray for your steady presence in the Universal Church in all matters, instilling in her leaders clarity and foresight.

People **Bless us, O Lord.**

Lector Guide our nations's leaders and all those in authority with an awareness of honesty and their own transparency. We pray for our President, our Governor, and our Mayor, leading them to sound and just decisions and wise actions.

People **Bless us, O Lord.**

Lector We give thanks to you for the abundant gifts of this life; joy and beauty; the warmth of relationships, the birth of children and the knowledge of and faith in your blessed Son.

People **Bless us, O Lord.**

Lector Bless our community, here and abroad, ennobling our humanity to make visible Christ's spirit in our lives.

People **Bless us, O Lord.**

Lector Grant us courage to seek, understand and advocate justice and peace for those in need or poverty in the world.

People **Bless us, O Lord.**

Lector Comfort all those who suffer, all who need healing, those in trouble or imprisoned, relieving them of their distress with your companionship.

People **Bless us, O Lord.**

Lector Grant to all those departed from this world an eternal home in the loving household of God.

People **Bless us, O Lord.**

Lector Please offer your own petitions, prayers and thanksgivings, at this time.

A Brief Silence

Celebrant Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin and Absolution

Celebrant And now let us pray for the forgiveness of our sins.

(A moment of silence in observed so that we may make our silent confession before God).

People **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant 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.

People **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY *Let the Song Go Round the Earth* Buryl Red

THE DOXOLOGY **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. Hymnal, 380 (v. 3)

The Holy Communion

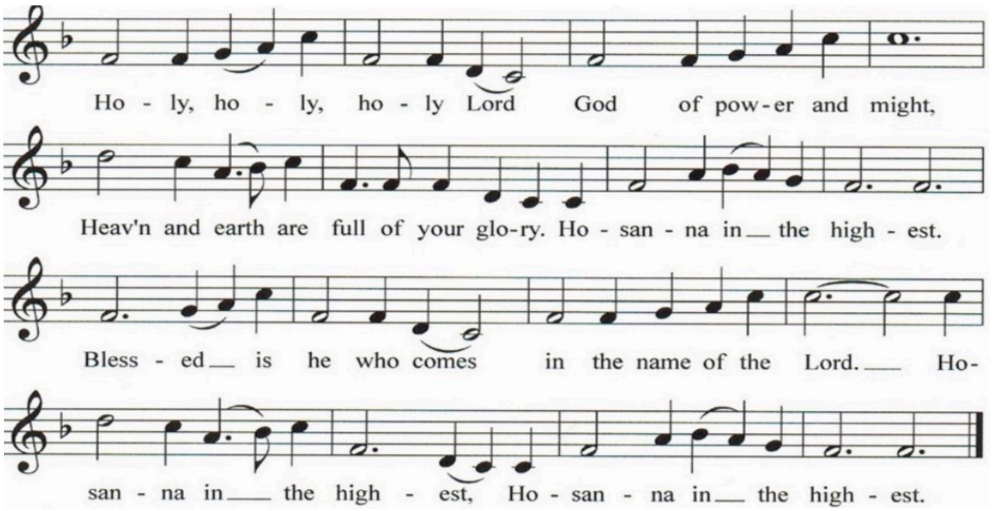
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Eucharist Prayer A

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 offer thanks and praise.**

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. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

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:

SANCTUS



Then the Celebrant continues

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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith,

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
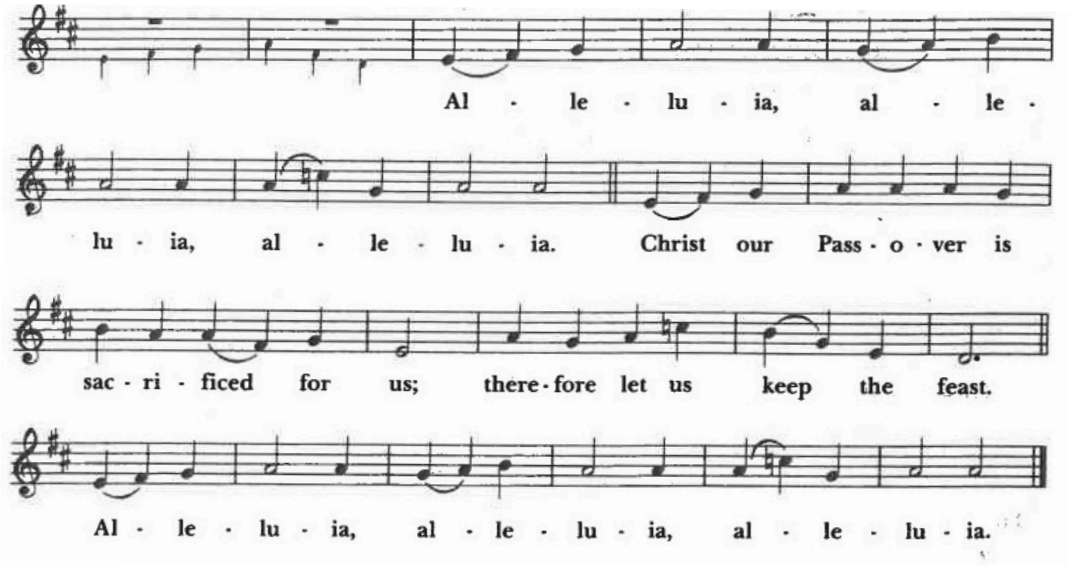
The Lord's Prayer

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Silence as the Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

The Fraction Anthem



All baptized persons regardless of denominational affiliation are invited to receive Holy Communion. If it is not in your conscience to receive, please consider coming forward for a simple blessing.

Communion *Voluntary on Old 100th Psalm Tune* Henry Purcell

Prayer After Communion

Celebrant and People
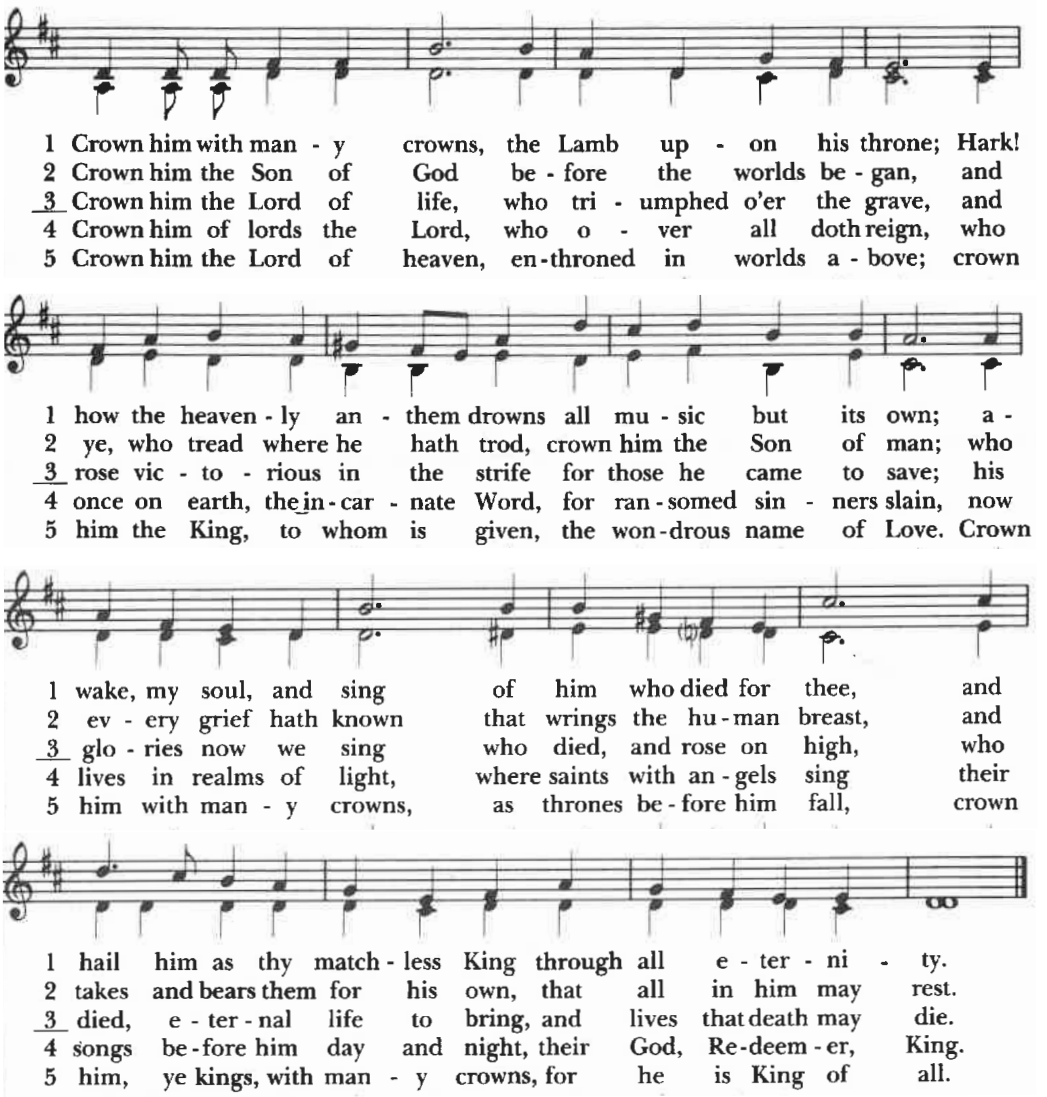
Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant

May the peace of God, which passes 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 Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE PROCESSIONAL *Crown him with many crowns* Hymnal, 494



THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE POSTLUDE *Marche Triomphale: NUN DANKET*, Op 65 Nr 59 Sigfrid Karg-Elert

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Parish Prayer Lists

Pastoral Prayer List

Bobbie Allardyce
Dennis Berry
Shawn Peterson Cain
Elena Cameron
Vera Chelnokov
Emily Clegg
Bob Corl
Hadley Cox
John Farrar
Bob Fletcher
Jeffrey Fletcher
Tom & Bette Floyd
Edie Gardner
Kathy Gregg
Grace Haly
David Hatzung
Donna Hecker
Logan Hoffman
Mary Anne Hooker
Ted Hoopes
Terrilynn Hulmutch
Taylor Josey
Jenna Larson
Hillary Lupo
Jamie McAndrews
Sarah McDonald
Mary Mulvania
Mary Jean Meyer
Larry Pardee
Bobby Parker
Pat Ryan
Nancy Sellers & Family
Strazzulla Family
Peter Strong
Ed Vick
Donna Welsh

Military Prayer List

Blaise Bess
Ben Constantinides
John Life Ikenberry
Colin Jackson
Karl Jackson
Thais Jackson
Anthony Kopp
Alexander Lovo
Michael Manetti
Nikolas Milona
Jonathan Prince
Renier van Breen

A Glance Ahead

Monday, November 23
Men's AA 8:00 a.m.

Tuesday, November 24
Men's Bible Study 8:30 a.m.
AA - open to all 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 25
Morning Prayer 9:00 a.m.
Choir Rehearsal 4:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 26
Women's AA and Al Anon 9:00 a.m.

Friday, November 27
The Grande Chorus Rehearsal 9:30 a.m.
Women's Bible Study 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, November 29 - Advent 1
Holy Eucharist 9:30 a.m.

Two Sunday Services Return December 6!

As our Sunday attendance continues to grow, we are delighted to announce that St. Andrew's will return to **two Sunday worship services beginning December 6!**

8:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist
A simple, quiet service without music.

9:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist
Our traditional worship service with music.

Whether you prefer the peaceful simplicity of an early service or the familiar sounds of our 9:30 a.m. worship, we look forward to welcoming you!

Join us as we worship together at St. Andrew's!

We're Back Together in Person! Good Conversation, Good Company, and a Little Bible Study!

Our Men's and Women's Bible Studies are once again gathering in person! Come enjoy Scripture, meaningful conversation, and fellowship with friends. Prefer to join from home? Zoom is still available, too!

Newcomers are always welcome.

Men's Bible Study:
Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m.
In Person: Chapter House

Women's Bible Study:
Fridays at 10:00 a.m.
In Person: Garden Cottage (Rectory)

Both studies are available on Zoom.

Red Bag Ministry:
Helping Our Neighbors

This month, we are collecting items to be distributed to individuals experiencing homelessness through

The CARE Center

in Port Charlotte.

Pick up a Red Bag in the narthex, you'll find a list of suggested items in the front pocket.
Please return filled bags by Sunday, November 29.

Volunteers Needed!
Join us Monday, November 30, at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapter House to help sort donations and assemble lunch bags.
All are welcome!

Questions? Contact Joan Farrar at 707-812-4768.

A Name Makes a Neighbor!

It's a whole new game
Once I learn your name;
For that little labor
Makes you my neighbor.

Help us put names to faces! Sign up for your St. Andrew's name badge in the narthex and help make our parish an even more welcoming place.

A Small Commitment Makes a Big Difference!

Help make Sunday worship welcoming by serving as an usher, lector or chalice bearer.

Whether you can help regularly or occasionally, your participation matters!

Sign up in the narthex!

A Peaceful Start to Your Wednesday

Join us for Morning Prayer, Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. in the church, followed by coffee and conversation. All are welcome!

Choir Rehearsal every Wednesday at 4:00 p.m.

2027 Stewardship — Our Gifts. God's Work.

Our 2027 Stewardship Campaign is underway! As we look toward another year of worship, fellowship, and service, we invite you to prayerfully consider how your gifts of time, talent, and treasure help make ministry possible at St. Andrew's.

Stewardship packets have been mailed, and pledges may be returned by mail, delivered to the church office, or submitted online by scanning the QR code.

Thank you for faithfully serving together at St. Andrew's!

[Scan to Make Your 2027 Pledge]

The Season Is Just Beginning!

GATHERINGS, FRIENDSHIP & COMMUNITY

There's so much to look forward to at St. Andrew's! Mark your calendars and join us for a wonderful season together.

DEC 10

Holiday Supper

5:30 p.m. • Chapter House

Enjoy a relaxed and festive evening with your St. Andrew's friends. More details to come. RSVP today! You may sign up in the Narthex or use the RSVP in the newsletter.

JAN 19

Women's Breakfast

8:30–10:30 a.m. • Gasparilla Inn

Join us for a morning of fellowship and inspiration. More information to come.

FEB 02

Get to Know Dinners

6:00 p.m. • Various Homes

Share a meal, make new friends, and deepen our sense of community.

MAR 04

Garden Party

5:30 p.m. • Memorial Garden

An evening in our beautiful garden with good company, refreshments, and island charm.

APR 19

Potluck Dinner

5:30 p.m. • Chapter House

Bring a favorite dish to share and enjoy an evening together. More details to come.

JAN 09

Women's Retreat

Saturday, January 9

Led by the Rev. Dr. Julie Faith Parker, who will also preach at Sunday worship on January 10.

JAN 23

Men's Retreat

Saturday, January 23

Led by the Rev. Luke Back, who will also preach at Sunday worship on January 24.

WED DURING LENT

DURING LENT

Lenten Forum — "Before That Day Comes"

Wednesdays during Lent • 10:30 a.m.–noon

At St. Andrew's We Aspire …

- † *to be a welcoming, inviting and caring parish*
- † *to provide meaningful worship services*
- † *to provide pastoral care and guidance in times of need and celebration*
- † *to respond to human needs locally, nationally, and globally*
- † *to grow as Christians through education and discipleship*
- † *to be active in the community and ecumenical relationships*
- † *to be generous stewards of our time, talent, and treasure*

"Bringing God and people together in love through Jesus Christ"

St. Andrews' Vestry Members

Class of 2027	Class of 2028	Class of 2029
Mary Campbell	Bill Durkin*	Tanny Clark
Rick Granger	Roger Lewis	Kirsten Hosman
Renee Farnham	Melissa Loughlin	Alice Pollard **
Jay Spurgeon	Michael Courts	Kimberly Whipple

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