



# St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Boca Grande ☩ Florida

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

## Sunday Worship

9:30 A.M.

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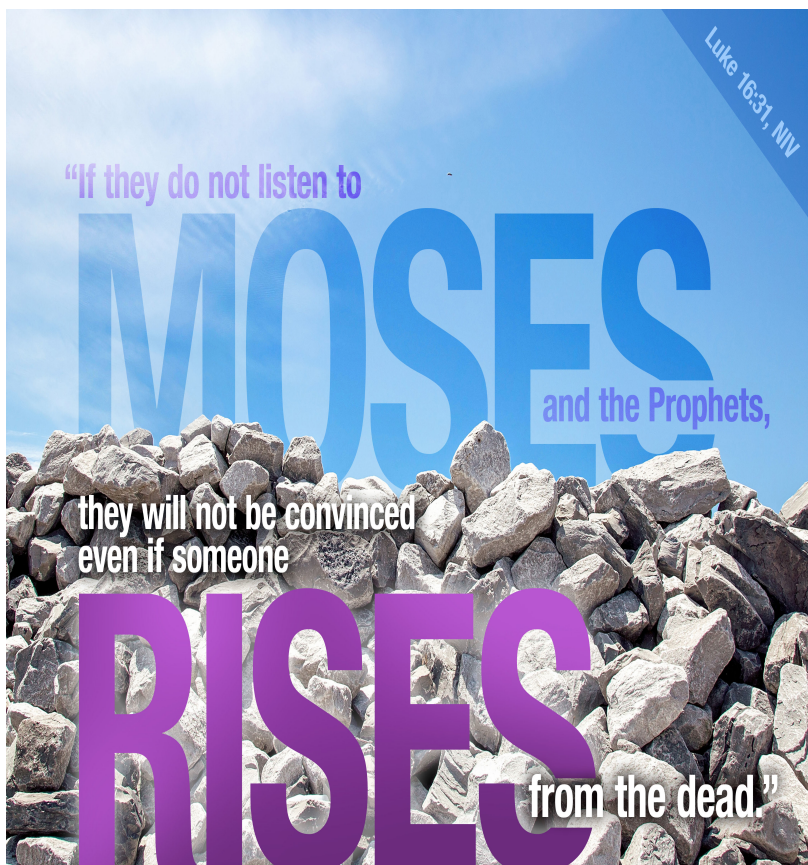
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## The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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# Welcome

Thank you for worshipping with us today. We hope you find a connection between your desire to come and what you experience. We are a community drawn together by faith in God's love made known in Jesus Christ, expressed by forgiveness and acceptance rather than getting it right. However you identify, you belong here. We connect with each other by knowing and accepting each other as we are, and together serve others here in Boca Grande and in the wider community. Visitor cards are in the pew to help us get to know you better. They can be returned in the offering plate at the back of the church or handed to an usher.

Restrooms are located next door in the Chapter House.

## Serving Today

Usher	Bob Burke	Chalice Bearer	Nigel Spencer-Barnes
Lector	Michael Courts	Coffee Host	Kim Lovo

## Serving Next Week - October 5

Usher	vacant	Chalice Bearer	Kim Lovo
Lector	vacant	Coffee Host	vacant

## *The Word of God*

## Alexandre Guilmant

# Johann Sebastian Bach

## Hymnal, 494

hail	him as thy match - less	King through all	e - ter - ni - ty.
takes	and bears them for his own, that	all	in him may rest.
him,	ye kings, with man - y crowns, for	he	is King of all.

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

## THE SONG OF PRAISE

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

Hymnal, 390

The musical score is written on four staves in a single system. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are printed below the staves, aligned with the notes. The text is as follows:

Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -  
a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy  
dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with  
health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,  
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his  
or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - - tion.  
peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

**Celebrant** The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

**Celebrant** Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## PRAYER FOR OUR NEXT RECTOR

Gracious God, you have blessed St. Andrew's with a rich history and a hopeful future. As we seek a new rector, guide our hearts with your wisdom, our minds with your clarity, and our spirits with your peace. Help us to listen deeply, discern faithfully, and trust in your timing. May your Holy Spirit lead the one who is called to serve among us, and prepare us to welcome them with open hearts. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST LESSON

AMOS 6:1a, 4-7

Lector A reading from the book of the prophet Amos.

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria. Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall; who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music; who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALM

PSALM 146

Lector The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 146. Let us read responsively by half verse.

- 1 Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul! \*  
**I will praise the Lord as long as I live;  
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**
- 2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, \*  
**for there is no help in them.**
- 3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, \*  
**and in that day their thoughts perish.**
- 4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! \*  
**whose hope is in the Lord their God;**
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; \*  
**who keeps his promise for ever;**
- 6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, \*  
**and food to those who hunger.**
- 7 The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; \*  
**the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;**
- 8 The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the stranger; \*  
**he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.**
- 9 The Lord shall reign for ever, \*  
**your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!**

## THE SEQUENCE HYMN

*Ye holy angels bright*

Hymnal, 625



Ye ho - ly an - gels bright, who wait at God's right hand, or  
Ye bless - ed souls at rest, who ran this earth-ly race and  
Ye saints, who toil be - low, a - dore your heaven-ly King, and  
My soul, bear thou thy part, tri - umph in God a - bove: and



through the realms of light fly at your Lord's com - mand, as - sist our  
now, from sin re - leased, be - hold the Sa - vior's face, God's prais - es  
on - ward as ye go some joy - ful an - them sing; take what he  
with a well-tuned heart sing thou the songs of love! Let all thy



song, for else the theme too high doth seem for mor - tal tongue.  
sound, as in his sight with sweet de - light ye do a - bound.  
gives and praise him still, through good or ill, who ev - er lives!  
days till life shall end, what - e'er he send, be filled with praise.

## THE GOSPEL

**LUKE 16:19-31**

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

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

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house-- for I have five brothers-- that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into

this place of torment.' Abraham replied, `They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, `No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, `If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

Celebrant     The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## THE SERMON

The Rev. Chris Gray

## 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.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Let us offer our prayers for the Church and the World to our almighty and everlasting God,

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

Lector Help us to fight the good fight.  
People **Lord, give us strength for faith to enable.**

Lector Help us to keep moving toward you, toward life and joy:  
People **Lord, give us courage to keep our faith stable.**

Lector Help us to do good, be rich in works, and generous to share  
People **Lord, give us strength in our words and deed.**

Lector For a foundation of life beyond compare:  
People **Lord, through your grace we can succeed.**

Lector We ask for your grace upon our local, state and national elected officials and upon our civil service and diplomatic corps:  
People **Lord, may their service be filled with compassion and understanding in their service to our nation.**

Lector We ask for your grace for all clergy, the clergy that serve in this congregation, and for all of us, that our mission be assured.  
People **Lord, in our ministry, may your love be our foundation.**

Lector Eternal God, safeguard and protect your Church throughout the world, we fervently pray:  
People **Lord, bless their ministries in every place that they serve.**

Lector We pray for those for those dispirited, alone, oppressed or otherwise convicted:  
People **Lord, give release to all in any distress.**

Lector For all those to whom harm has been inflicted:  
People **Lord, we pray for their immediate redress.**

Lector For those who travel, for the many who risk personal safety to protect our lives and liberty, and for those whose needs are known to you alone, for relief from strife.  
People **May they rest peacefully in your eternal presence.**

*Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, silently or aloud.*

Celebrant Almighty God, shower your blessing of lovingkindness upon our world community and outlook. Help us to discern and uphold lasting values of peace and sharing abundantly. Be present with us here and home, and for the men and women serving our country throughout the world; challenge us with enduring goals to fulfill the needs of others. Allow us quiet courage to strike forward with compassionate and tolerant hearts, empowered by your everlasting grace. **Amen.**

## CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

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

*(A moment of silence is 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.**

## THE OFFERTORY

*Be Thou My Vision*

Dale Wood, arr.

## DOXOLOGY

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

## *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 every- where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your church the power to serve you as royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

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**



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

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,	And forgive us our trespasses,
hallowed be thy Name,	as we forgive those who trespass against us.
thy kingdom come,	And lead us not into temptation,
thy will be done,	but deliver us from evil.
on earth as it is in heaven.	For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
Give us this day our daily bread.	and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

### BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Silence as the Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.*

### THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is

sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*(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. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please let the priest know when you come forward)*

# COMMUNION

*All to Jesus I surrender*

LEVAS II, 133



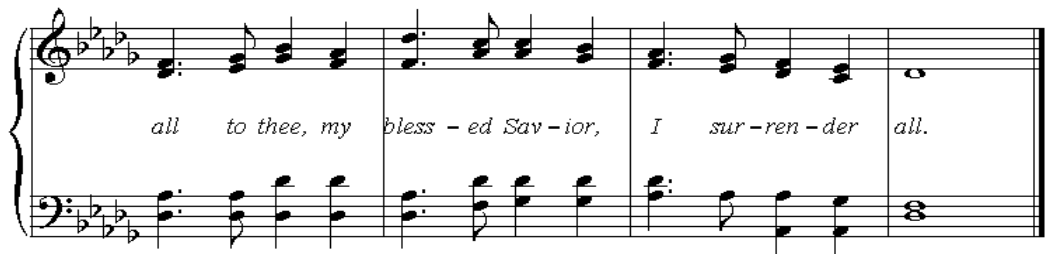
*All to Je-sus I sur-ren-der,* all to him I free-ly give;  
hum-bly at his feet I bow,  
Lord, I give my-self to thee;



I will ev-er love and trust him, in his pres-ence dai-ly live.  
world-ly pleas-ures all for-sak-en: take me, Je-sus, take me now.  
fill me with thy love and pow-er, let thy bless-ing fall on me.



*I sur-ren-der all,* *I sur-ren-der all,* *I sur-ren-der all,* *I sur-ren-der all,*



*all to thee, my bless-ed Sav-ior,* *I sur-ren-der all.*

## 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 God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## THE PROCESSIONAL

*God of grace and God of glory*

Hymnal, 594



God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple pour thy power;  
Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as - sail his ways!  
Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to thy con - trol;  
Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils we de - plore;



crown thine an - cient Church's sto - ry; bring her bud to glo - rious flower.  
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise:  
shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in things and poor in soul.  
let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our glo - ry ev - er - more.



Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this  
grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age for the liv - ing of these  
Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king - dom's  
Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -



hour,  
days,  
goal,  
dore,  
for the fac - ing of this hour,  
for the liv - ing of these days.  
lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.  
serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

## THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People

**Thanks be to God.**

## THE POSTLUDE

*Toccata on "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"*

Glen Olsen

## Announcements

### Sunday Volunteers Needed

We are in need of ushers, lectors, and chalice bearers to help on Sundays. If you feel called to serve, please sign up in the narthex or email: [mail@standrewsbocagrande.org](mailto:mail@standrewsbocagrande.org)

### Altar Flowers

Altar flower dedications are available. The cost is **\$65 for one arrangement** or **\$130 for both**. This is a meaningful way to honor a loved one or celebrate a special occasion. A sign up book can be found in the narthex.

### Bible Studies on Zoom Links found on our website

- Men's Bible Study: Tuesdays at 8:30 am
- Women's Bible Study: Fridays at 10:00 am

## Pastoral Prayer List

Marie Allen	Terrilynn Hulmutch
Dennis Berry	Hal Johnson
Shawn Peterson Cain	Melissa Kinney
Mary Campbell	Jenna Larson
Vera Chelnokov	Sarah McDonald
Emily Clegg	Mary Mulvania
Jean Corey	Larry Pardee
Bob Corl	Bobby Parker
Hadley Cox	Jane Perrin
Dana	Maurice Price
John Farrar	Gary Robinson
Gene Findlay	Pat Ryan
Jeffrey Fletcher	Amy Staples
Tom & Bette Floyd	Strazzulla Family
Connie Gregg	Peter Strong
Kathy Gregg	Stephanie Vick
Eric H.	Donna Welsh

## Military Prayer List

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

## A Glance Ahead ...

### Monday, September 29

AA 8:30 a.m.

### Tuesday, September 30

Men's Bible Study 8:30 a.m.

AA 7:00 p.m.

### Thursday, October 2

Men's AA 8:30 a.m.

Women's AA 9:30 a.m.

### Friday, October 3

Women's Bible Study 10:00 a.m.

### Sunday, October 5

Holy Eucharist, Rite II 9:30 a.m.

### Monday, October 6

AA 8:30 a.m.

### Tuesday, October 7

Men's Bible Study 8:30 a.m.

AA 7:00 p.m.

### Wednesday, October 8

BG Historic Society 10:00 a.m.

### Thursday, October 9

Men's AA 8:30 a.m.

Women's AA 9:30 a.m.

### Friday, October 10

Women's Bible Study 10:00 a.m.

## ST. ANDREWS' VESTRY MEMBERS

### Class of 2026

Mick Aslin  
Anne Beatty  
Michael Courts \*\*  
Kimberly Whipple \*

*\* Senior Warden*

Rick Granger (Treasurer)

### Class of 2027

Renee Farnham  
Jay Spurgeon

*\*\* Junior Warden*

Mary Campbell (Clerk)

### Class of 2028

Bill Durkin  
Roger Lewis  
Melissa Loughlin  
Ann Peterson



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