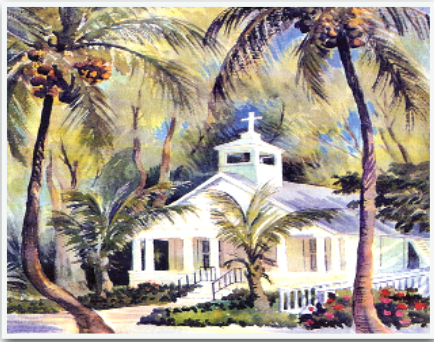




St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Boca Grande ☩ Florida

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

Sunday Worship

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

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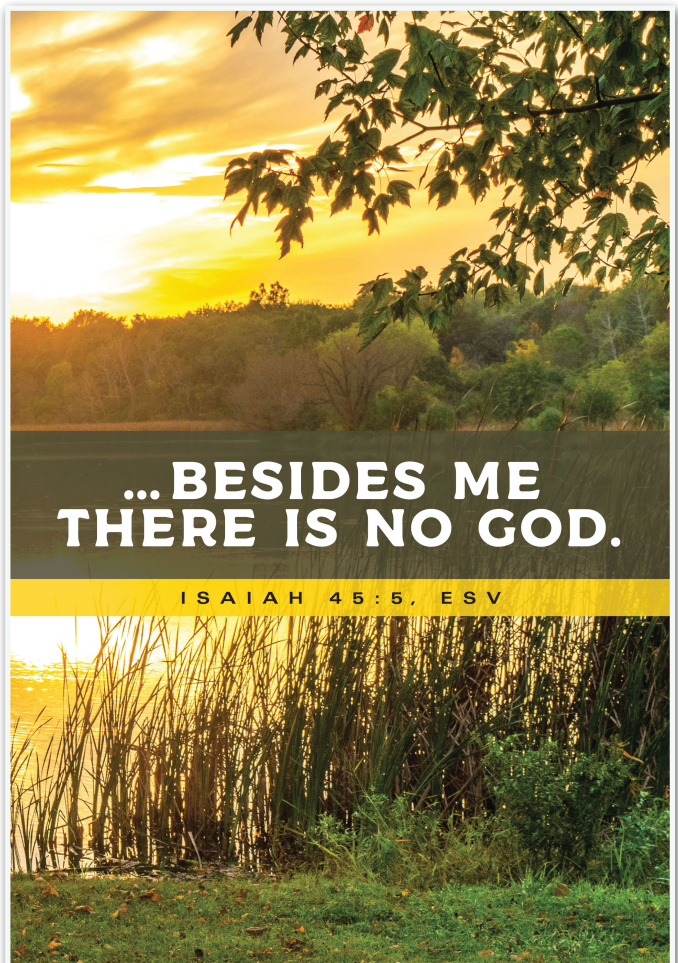
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The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost



Proper 24, Year A
October 18, 2026

Good Morning ... 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.



Today we celebrate the Baptism of Henry Miller,
son of Joel Miller and Deanna Lomax.

With joy, we welcome Henry into the household of God and into the family of Christ. May he grow in faith, hope, and love, surrounded by the prayers and care of his family and the St. Andrew's community.

Serving Today

Usher
Lector
Chalice Bearer

Jay and Susan Spurgeon
Bruce Birgbauer
Kim Lovo

Serving Next Week

Usher
Lector
Chalice Bearer

Loulie Mauran
Alice Pollard

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

The Word of God

THE PRELUDE

Prelude

Henry Coleman

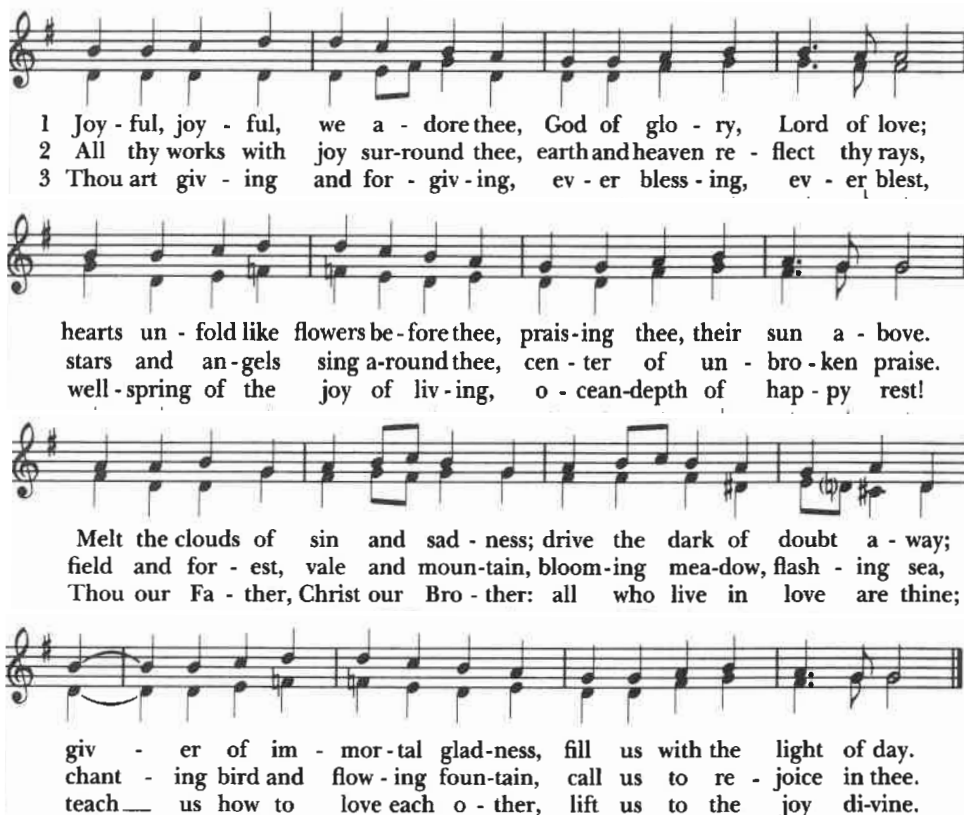
Meditation on JESU, MEINE FREUDE

Gardner Read

THE PROCESSIONAL

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee

Hymnal, 376



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,

hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way;
field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, bloom - ing mea - dow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Bro - ther: all who live in love are thine;

giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, call us to re - joice in thee.
teach us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di - vine.

THE ACCLAMATION

Celebrant

Blessed be God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People

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

Celebrant

There is one Body and one Spirit;

People

There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

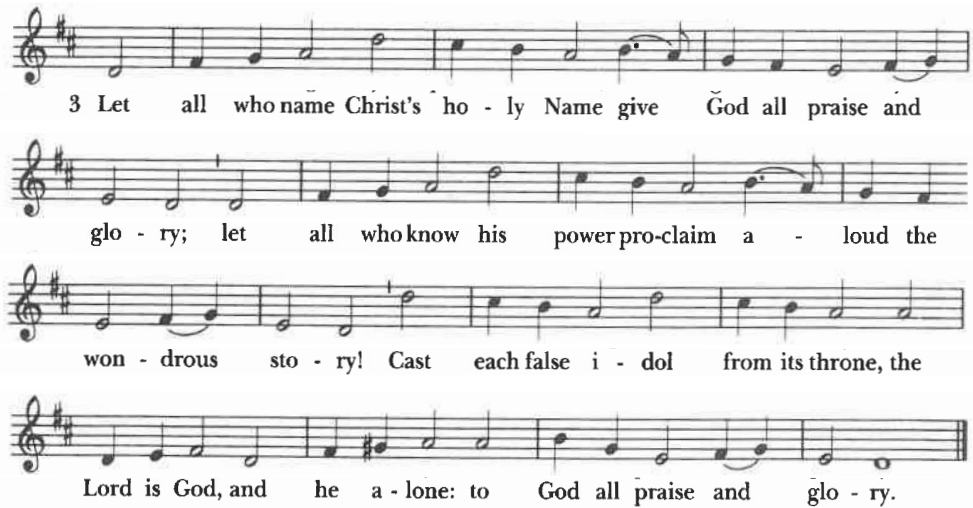
People

One God and Father of all.

SONG OF PRAISE

Let all who name Christ's holy Name

Hymnal, 408 (v. 3)



3 Let all who name Christ's ho - ly Name give God all praise and
glo - ry; let all who know his power pro-claim a - loud the
won - drous sto - ry! Cast each false i - dol from its throne, the
Lord is God, and he a - lone: to God all praise and glo - ry.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

ISAIAH 45:1-7

Lector A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him--and the gates shall not be closed: I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. I am the Lord, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other. I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the Lord do all these things.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 96:1-9

Lector

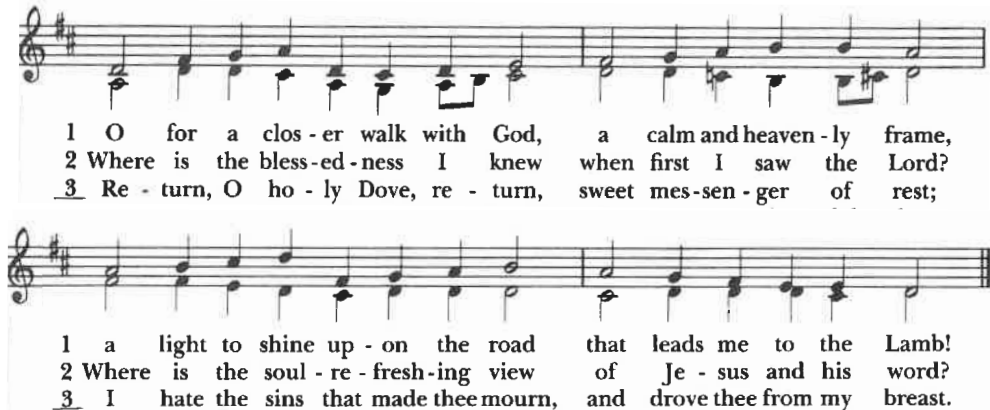
The Psalm appointed for today is a portion of Psalm 96.
Let us read responsively by half verse.

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song; *
sing to the Lord, all the whole earth.
- 2 Sing to the Lord and bless his Name; *
proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations *
and his wonders among all peoples.
- 4 For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; *
he is more to be feared than all gods.
- 5 As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; *
but it is the Lord who made the heavens.
- 6 Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! *
Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!
- 7 Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the peoples; *
ascribe to the Lord honor and power.
- 8 Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; *
bring offerings and come into his courts.
- 9 Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; *
let the whole earth tremble before him.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

O for a closer walk with God

Hymnal, 684 (v. 1-3)



1 O for a clos - er walk with God, a calm and heaven - ly frame,
2 Where is the bless - ed - ness I knew when first I saw the Lord?
3 Re - turn, O ho - ly Dove, re - turn, sweet mes - sen - ger of rest;

1 a light to shine up - on the road that leads me to the Lamb!
2 Where is the soul - re - fresh - ing view of Je - sus and his word?
3 I hate the sins that made thee mourn, and drove thee from my breast.

THE GOSPEL

MATTHEW 22:15-22

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

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

THE SERMON

Rev. John Warfel

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATE

Celebrant The candidate for baptism will now be presented.
Parents/Godparents **I present Henry Miller to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.**

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?
Parents/Godparents **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help Henry to grow into the full stature of Christ?
Parents/Godparents **I will, with God's help.**

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children.

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer **I renounce them.**

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer **I renounce them.**

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer **I renounce them.**

Question	Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?
Answer	I do.
Question	Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?
Answer	I do.
Question	Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?
Answer	I do.
Celebrant	Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Henry in his life in Christ?
People	We will.
	<i>Then the Celebrant addresses the congregation</i>
Celebrant	Let us join with Henry and renew our own Baptismal Covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Celebrant	Do you believe in God the Father?
People	I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
Celebrant	Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
People	I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
Celebrant	Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People	I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Celebrant	Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?
People	I will, with God's help.
Celebrant	Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
People	I will, with God's help.
Celebrant	Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People	I will, with God's help.
Celebrant	Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People	I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People **I will, with God's help.**

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATE

Lector Let us now pray for Henry who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth. Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector Open their hearts to your grace and truth.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector Send them into the world in witness to your love.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BAPTISM

Celebrant Henry, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People **Amen.**

Celebrant Henry, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.

People **Amen.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon your servant, Henry, the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY

Here's One

Evelyn R. Larter, *arr.*

THE DOXOLOGY

Hymnal, 380 (v. 3)

**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 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. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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,

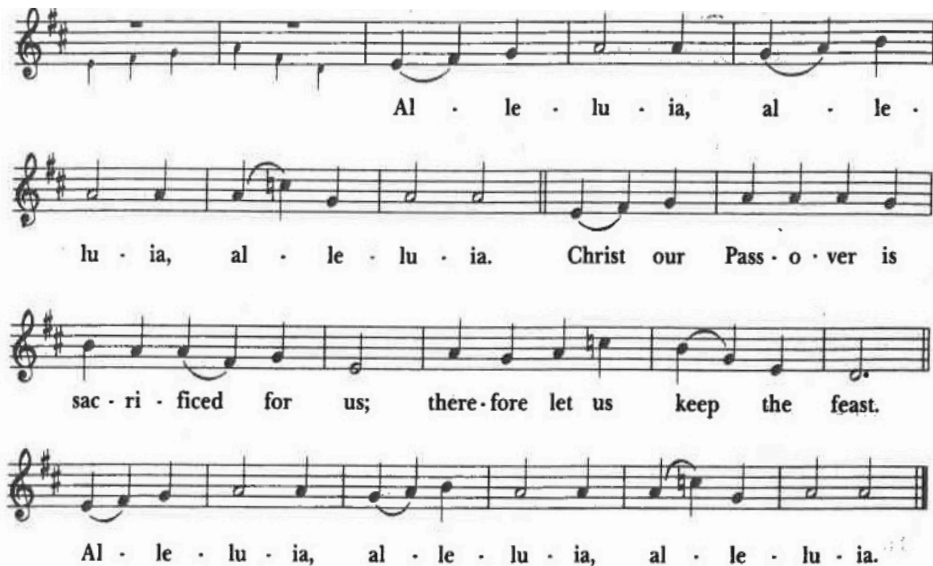
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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



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.)

COMMUNION

Here I Am , Lord

Dan Schutte



1.I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2.I, the Lord of show and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
3.I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I who made the
I have wept for love of them, they turn a - way. I will break their
I will set a feast for them, my hand will save. Fin - est bread I



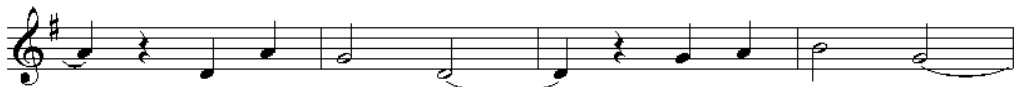
stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright. Who will bear my
hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone. I will speak my
will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied. I will give my



light to them?
Word to them. Whom shall I send? Here I am, Lord.
life to them.



Is it I, Lord? I have heard you call - ing in the night.



I will go, Lord, if you lead me.



I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

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

Jesus shall reign

Hymnal, 544



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun doth his suc -
2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his
4 Bless - ings a - bound where - e'er he reigns: the pris - oners
5 Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



1 ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
2 thron'g to crown his head; his Name like sweet per -
3 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
4 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -
5 hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with



1 shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
2 fume shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
3 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his Name.
4 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
5 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE

Toccata in E Minor

Johann Pachelbel

Church FAMILY —PRAYER LIST—

The logo features the word "Church" in a black cursive script at the top. Below it, the word "FAMILY" is written in large, bold, teal block letters. A small white icon of a church with a family inside is positioned over the letter "A" in "FAMILY". At the bottom, the words "—PRAYER LIST—" are written in teal block letters, flanked by horizontal lines.

Pastoral Prayer List

Bobbie Allardyce
Mary Bainbridge
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
Dawson Gladding
Kathy Gregg
Grace Haly
David Hatzung
Donna Hecker
Logan Hoffman
Mary Anne Hooker
Terrilynn Hulmutch
Audrey Knapp
Jenna Larson

Hillary Lupo
Sarah McDonald
Mary Mulvania
Mary Jean Meyer
Bobby Parker
Pat Ryan
Pete Schock
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



Remembering Our Loved Ones

On November 1, we will celebrate All Saints' and All Souls' Day, remembering those who have gone before us and giving thanks for their lives and witness. If you would like the name of a loved one included in our prayers and remembrance, please send their name to Robin Milona, parish administrator at standrewse@gmail.com. We look forward to remembering them together as a parish family.

Help! We Need Ushers & Lectors

We're looking for volunteers to serve as **ushers and lectors** on Sundays. If you're willing to help, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. Every Sunday is a little easier—and a little more welcoming—when we all pitch in!

Morning Prayer

Need a midweek pause? Join us Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. in the church for informal Morning Prayer with Alice Pollard, followed by coffee and fellowship in the Chapter House. Come as you are. We'd love to have you!

Welcome Table



Our Welcome Table gives visitors a friendly face, a Welcome Brochure, and an opportunity to learn more about St. Andrew's. We're looking for a few more friendly faces to help welcome our guests on Sunday mornings. Interested in helping?

Please see Alice Pollard or email her at alicebpollard@yahoo.com.

Zoom Bible Studies

Come when you can and join us for a time of learning, conversation, and fellowship. Whether you join us every week or drop in now and then, there's always a place for you.

Men's Bible Study & Fellowship

Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m. — Zoom

Women's Bible Study & Fellowship

Fridays at 10:00 a.m. — Zoom

For Zoom links, visit:

www.standrewsbocagrande.org



There's a lot to look forward to at St. Andrew's! From dinners and gatherings to opportunities for learning and fellowship, mark your calendars and plan to join us.

November 5 at 5:30 p.m.
Welcome Back Taco Night

Chapter House

Join your St. Andrew's family for tacos, fellowship, and a festive welcome back to the island as we kick off another wonderful season together!

December 10 at 5:30 p.m.
Holiday Supper

Chapter House

Save the date for a festive evening together. We're still working out the details, but lasagna and salad may be on the menu. More information to come!

January 19, 8:30–10:30 a.m.
Women's Breakfast
The Gasparilla Inn

March 4 at 5:30 p.m.
Garden Party
St. Andrew's Memorial Garden

February 2 at 6:00 p.m.
"Get to Know" Dinners

April 19 at 5:30 p.m.
Potluck Dinner
Chapter House

We're also planning a Lenten Forum, "Before That Day Comes," on Wednesdays during Lent from 10:30 a.m. to noon, and a Women's Retreat with Dr. Julie Faith Parker, tentatively planned for January 8–10. A Men's Retreat is also being discussed.

There's more to come as the season takes shape, so keep an eye on our weekly communications and calendar. We're looking forward to a wonderful season of gathering, learning, and being together!

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*

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Renee Farnham
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