



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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The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

*You shall
love
your neighbor
as yourself.*

Leviticus 19:18, NRSV

Proper 25, Year A
October 25, 2026

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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With Gratitude to Fr. John Warfel



As Fr. John concludes his time with us this season, we extend our heartfelt thanks for his faithful ministry, gentle spirit, and genuine kindness. His thoughtful sermons, caring presence, and weekly *Front Porch Reflections* have brought wisdom, warmth, and joy to our parish. We are truly grateful for the many gifts he shares so generously with St. Andrew's.

As we look forward to welcoming Geoffrey back for another wonderful season together, we send Fr. John off with our love and appreciation, knowing we will have the pleasure of welcoming him back in May!

Serving Today

Usher
Lector
Chalice Bearer

Loulie Mauran
Joy McBride
Alice Pollard

Serving Next Sunday

Sunday, November 1

Usher
Lector
Chalice Bearer

vacant - please sign up
vacant - please sign up
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The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

The Word of God

THE PRELUDE

Prelude in D Major, BWV 532

Johann Sebastian Bach

Prelude on EIN FESTE BURG

Max Reger

THE PROCESSIONAL

A Mighty Fortress

Hymnal, 688



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er
 2 Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be
 3 And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -
 4 That word a - bove all earth - ly powers, no thanks to them, a -

fail - ing; our help - er he a - mid the flood
 los - ing; were not the right man on our side,
 do us; we will not fear, for God hath willed
 bid - eth; the Spi - rit and the gifts are ours

of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing: for still our an - cient foe
 the man of God's own choos - ing: dost ask who that may be?
 his truth to tri - umph through us; the prince of dark - ness grim,
 through him who with us sid - eth: let goods and kin - dred go,

doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great,
 Christ Je - sus, it is he; Lord Sa - ba - oth his Name,
 we trem - ble not for him; his rage we can en - dure,
 this mor - tal life al - so; the bo - dy they may kill:

and, armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
 from age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.
 for lo! his doom is sure, one lit - tle word shall fell him.
 God's truth a - bid - eth still, his king - dom is for ev - er.

THE ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE

O wounded hands of Jesus

Hymnal, 598 (v. 4)

4 O wound-ed hands of Je - sus, build in us thy new cre -
a - tion; our pride is dust, our vaunt is stilled,
we wait thy rev - e - la - tion: O love that tri -
umphs o - ver loss, we bring our hearts be -
fore thy cross, to fi - nish thy sal - va - tion.

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below each staff. The first staff begins with a '4' indicating the time signature. The lyrics are: '4 O wound-ed hands of Je - sus, build in us thy new cre -', 'a - tion; our pride is dust, our vaunt is stilled,', 'we wait thy rev - e - la - tion: O love that tri -', 'umphs o - ver loss, we bring our hearts be -', and 'fore thy cross, to fi - nish thy sal - va - tion.'

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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

LEVITICUS 19:1-2, 15-18

Lector A reading from the book of Leviticus.

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy.

You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the Lord.

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 1

Lector The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 1.
Let us read responsively by half verse.

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
 nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord, *
 and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
 bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
 everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked; *
 they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
 nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, *
 but the way of the wicked is doomed.



1. O God our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come, our
 2. Un - der the shad - ow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt se - cure; suf -
 3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame, from
 4. A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight are like an eve - ning gone; short
 5. Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, bears all its years a - way, they
 6. O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come, be



shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home!
 - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
 ev - er - last - ing thou art God, to end - less years the same.
 as the watch that ends the night, be - fore the ris - ing sun.
 fly, for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the ope - ning day.
 thou our guide while life shall last, and our e - ter - nal home!

THE GOSPEL

MATTHEW 22:34-46

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

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

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"'?"

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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 Friends, the Lord has been our refuge from one generation to another. Let us pray to our God, saying, "Show your servants your works, O Lord, *and be gracious to us.*"

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

Lector We pray for the leaders of the Church. Give bishops, priests, deacons, and lay leaders gentle and loving hearts. Empower us to share the gospel and ourselves with those in need. Show your servants your works, O Lord,

People **And be gracious to us.**

Lector We pray for all humankind. Prosper the work of our hands. May all those who work earn a fair wage. May those without work find strength and encouragement in your love. Give us hearts to respect the dignity of every human being. Show your servants your works, O Lord,

People **And be gracious to us.**

Lector We pray for all creation. You brought forth the mountains. You gave birth to the land and the earth. Give us the desire and will to care for all you have made. Show your servants your works, O Lord,

People **And be gracious to us.**

Lector We pray for the areas in which we live. O God, we want to obey what you command. Help us to love our neighbors as ourselves. Show your servants your works, O Lord,

People **And be gracious to us.**

Lector We pray for the afflicted and the suffering. And we pray for those who weep and mourn. Nurse them back to health as a mother tenderly nurses her children. *(Please pause in silence to lift to God the names of those who need God's help.)* Show your servants your works, O Lord,

People **And be gracious to us.**

Lector We pray for those who have died. Though we are swept away like a dream in this mortal life, you promise to raise us to life immortal through your Son. May your graciousness, O Lord, be upon us. Show your servants your works, O Lord,

People **And be gracious to us.**

Celebrant Gracious and loving God, you are our refuge and strength through all generations. Hear the prayers we offer this day, and guide us in lives of compassion, service, and love. May your grace be upon us, and may the work of our hands reflect your goodness and bring glory to your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY

Whatever God Ordains Is Right

Timothy Albrecht, *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.**

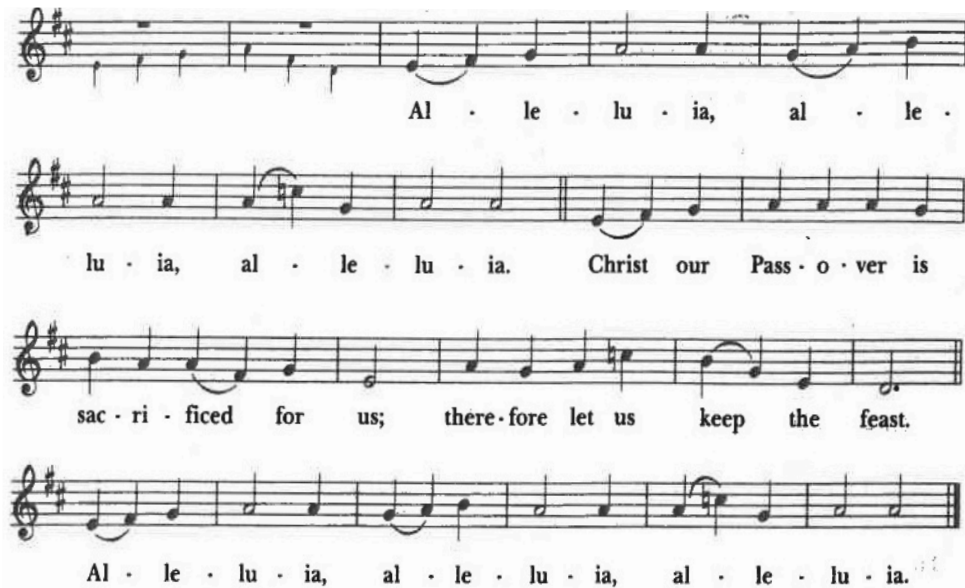
**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever.**

Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Silence as the Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM



*(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

Adagio in D Major

Nikolaus Bruhns

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

The Church's one foundation

Hymnal, 525 (v. 1-2, 4-5)



1 The Church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord;
2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
4 Mid toil and tri - bu - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war
5 Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God, the Three in One,



1 she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word:
2 her char - ter of sal - va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
4 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for ev - er - more;
5 and mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion with those whose rest is won.



1 from heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
2 one ho - ly Name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
4 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blessed,
5 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we



1 with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
2 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.
4 and the great Church vic - to - rious shall be the Church at rest.
5 like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with thee.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE

Fugue in D Major, BWV 532

Johann Sebastian Bach



Parish Prayer Lists

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

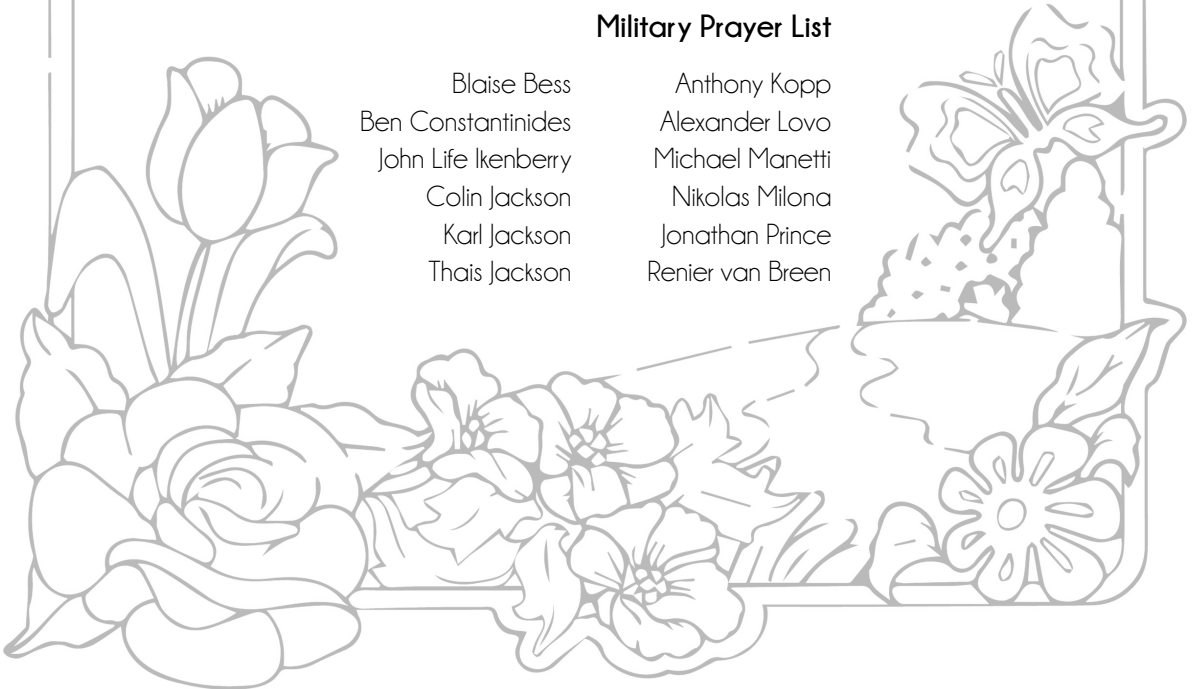
Edie Gardner
Dawson Gladding
Kathy Gregg
Grace Haly
David Hatzung
Donna Hecker
Logan Hoffman
Mary Anne Hooker
Terrilynn Hulmutch
Taylor Josey
Jenna Larson
Hillary Lupo

Sarah McDonald
Mary Mulvania
Mary Jean Meyer
Larry Pardee
Bobby Parker
Pat Ryan
Pete Schock
Nancy Sellers & Family
Jack, Christopher, & Jenni
Strazzulla
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



Around St. Andrew's



All Saints' Day – Remembering Those We Love

As All Saints' Day approaches on November 1, we invite you to share the names of loved ones who have died so they may be remembered during our worship service. It is a special opportunity to honor their lives, give thanks for the memories we hold dear, and remember them together in prayer. Please send names to Robin at standrewse@gmail.com no later than **Tuesday, October 27**, to ensure their inclusion in the worship bulletin.



Choir Rehearsals Resume November 11!

Our choir will resume rehearsals on Wednesday, November 11, at 4:00 p.m., and every Wednesday thereafter. Returning members and new voices are always welcome! Come enjoy the fellowship of making music together.



A Small Commitment Makes a Big Difference!

Our Sunday services depend on the helping hands of our parish family. We could use a few more volunteers to serve as **ushers and lectors**. Whether you can help regularly or just occasionally, your participation is appreciated! Please consider adding your name to the sign-up sheet in the narthex.



A Peaceful Start to Your Wednesday

Before the day gets busy, take a little time for prayer and reflection. Join Alice Pollard for **Morning Prayer on Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m.** in the church. This informal gathering is followed by coffee and conversation in the Chapter House. Everyone is welcome!



Be the First Friendly Face!

A warm welcome can make all the difference to someone visiting St. Andrew's for the first time. Our Welcome Table volunteers help guests feel at home, answer questions, and share information about parish life. We're grateful to those who have already volunteered and would love to add a few more people to the team! *Interested?* Contact Alice Pollard at alicebpollard@yahoo.com.



Good Conversation, Good Company, and a Little Bible Study!

Our weekly Bible studies offer an opportunity to explore Scripture, exchange ideas, and enjoy conversation with fellow parishioners—all from the comfort of home! Newcomers and occasional participants are always welcome.

Men's Bible Study: Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m.
Women's Bible Study: Fridays at 10:00 a.m.

Find the Zoom links at www.standrewsbocagrande.org.

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

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Renee Farnham
Jay Spurgeon

Class of 2028

Bill Durkin
Roger Lewis
Melissa Loughlin
Michael Courts **

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Kirsten Hosman
Alice Pollard
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