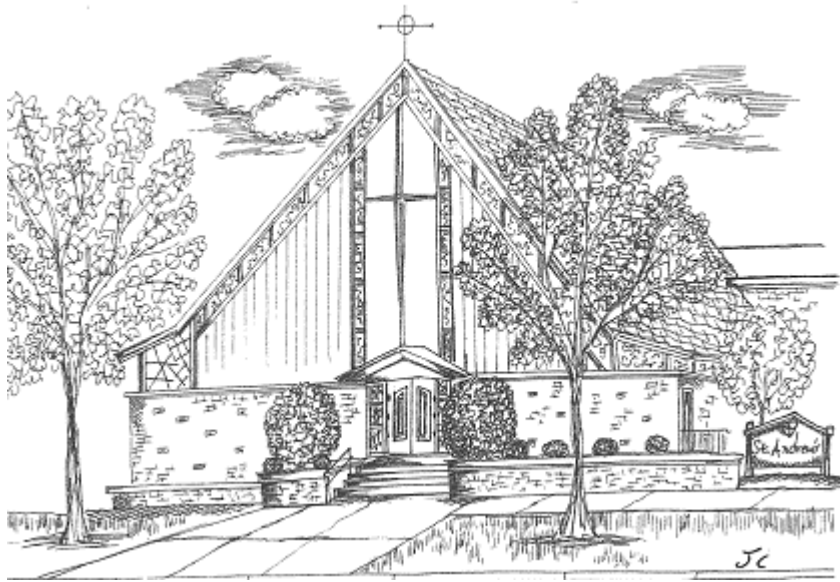


St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Sharing God's love through worship, service, and fellowship

Our Vision: Devoted to sharing the transforming power of God's love
in our lives, our communities, and our world.



Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

10:30 AM

September 20, 2026

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Welcome to St. Andrew's!

We are so glad that you have joined us for worship.

This bulletin is your guide to our service.

Hymns can be found in the blue hymnal in the rack in front of you.

BCP pages refer to the red *Book of Common Prayer*, also in the rack.

10:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Prelude

Processional Hymn *Praise, my soul, the King of heaven* Hymnal 410

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

***People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.
 Amen.***

***Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our
hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

Song of Praise

Hymnal S-280

Hymn numbers that begin with "S" can be found at the very front of the Hymnal.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Reading

Exodus 16:2-15

²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." ⁴Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. ⁵On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." ⁶So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, ⁷and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?" ⁸And Moses said, "When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but" against the Lord.⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.'" ¹⁰And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The

Lord spoke to Moses and said, ¹²“I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.’” ¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45

¹ Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; *
make known his deeds among the peoples.

² ***Sing to him, sing praises to him, ****
and speak of all his marvelous works.

³ Glory in his holy Name; *
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

⁴ ***Search for the Lord and his strength; ****
continually seek his face.

⁵ Remember the marvels he has done, *
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

⁶ ***O offspring of Abraham his servant, ****
O children of Jacob his chosen.

³⁷ He led out his people with silver and gold; *
in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.

³⁸ ***Egypt was glad of their going, ****
because they were afraid of them.

³⁹ He spread out a cloud for a covering *
and a fire to give light in the night season.

⁴⁰ ***They asked, and quails appeared, ****
and he satisfied them with bread from heaven.

⁴¹ He opened the rock, and water flowed, *
so the river ran in the dry places.

⁴² ***For God remembered his holy word ****
and Abraham his servant.

⁴³ So he led forth his people with gladness, *
his chosen with shouts of joy.

⁴⁴ ***He gave his people the lands of the nations, ****
and they took the fruit of others' toil,

⁴⁵ That they might keep his statutes *
and observe his laws. Hallelujah!

²¹For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer.²³I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith,²⁶so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. ²⁷Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. ²⁹For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—³⁰since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn *O Master, let me walk with thee* Hymnal 660, v 1-2

The Gospel Matthew 20:1-16

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others

standing idle in the marketplace; ⁴and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. ⁵When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. ⁶And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' ⁷They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' ⁸When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' ⁹When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' ¹³But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gradual Hymn *O Master, let me walk with thee* Hymnal 660, v 3-4

The Sermon The Rev. Anne R. Kirchmier

The Nicene Creed BCP p. 358

Bidding the Prayers

Prayers of the People: Form III

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The Confession and Absolution

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The Peace

Announcements

Offertory Sentence

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The Holy Communion

Offertory *The Dream Keeper*, by Rollo Dillowrth

*Bring me all of your dreams,
You dreamers.
Bring me all of your
Heart melodies
That I may wrap them
In a blue cloud-cloth
Away from the too rough fingers
Of the world.*

“The Dream Keeper,” by Langston Hughes, depicts the legend of a fictitious character whose role is to protect the dreams of those willing to hand over their heart-felt desires to him. The repetition in the opening vocal phrase represents the voices of the dreamers who call upon the Dream Keeper for assistance. In Langston Hughes’s time, the dreamers were, specifically, Black Americans longing for a better life for themselves and their children. In a religious setting, we might imagine the dreamers are all of us gathered here to worship, and the Dream Keeper is God, holding our precious dreams close to God’s heart.

The Doxology

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here below!
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise him above ye heav’nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia.***

The Great Thanksgiving: Prayer A

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Sanctus

Hymnal S-125

Hymn numbers that begin with "S" can be found at the very front of the Hymnal.

The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Administration of Communion

A Word about Holy Communion

We invite all who wish to follow Jesus to be baptized, and we invite all baptized Christians to receive the gifts of Jesus' Body and Blood. All are welcome at the altar rail: the baptized for communion, everyone for a blessing.

- To receive the common cup or just the wafer, come to the lectern side of the altar rail.
- If you would rather not drink out of the common cup, come to the pulpit side of the altar, where the clergy person will dip your wafer in the wine.

Gluten-free wafers are available. Just let clergy know that you need one.

In lieu of communion, you may receive a blessing at any station.

Hymns for Choir and Congregation

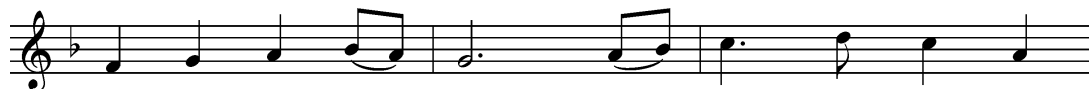
All things bright and beautiful Hymnal 405

Children have been learning this hymn in Children's Chapel.

All are welcome



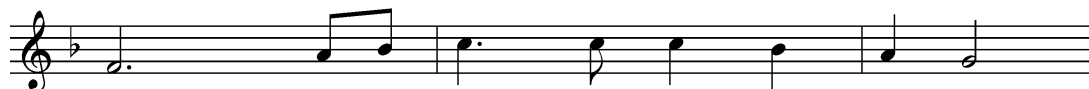
1. Let us build a house where love can dwell And
 2. Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, And
 3. Let us build a house where love is found In
 4. Let us build a house where hands will reach Be -
 5. Let us build a house where all are named, Their



all can safe - ly live, A place where saints and
 words are strong and true, Where all God's chil - dren
 wa - ter, wine and wheat: A ban - quet hall on
 yond the wood and stone To heal and strength - en,
 songs and vi - sions heard And loved and treas - ured,



chil - dren tell How hearts learn to for -
 dare to seek To dream God's reign a -
 ho - ly ground, Where peace and jus - tice
 serve and teach, And live the Word they've
 taught and claimed As words with - in the



give. Built of hopes and dreams and vi - sions,
 new. Here the cross shall stand as wit - ness
 meet. Here the love of God, through Je - sus,
 known. Here the out - cast and the stran - ger
 Word. Built of tears and cries and laugh - ter,



Rock of faith and vault of grace; Here the
 And as sym - bol of God's grace; Here as
 Is re - vealed in time and space; As we
 Bear the im - age of God's face; Let us
 Prayers of faith and songs of grace, Let this



love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 one we claim the faith of Je - sus:
 share in Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,
 bring an end to fear and dan - ger:
 house pro - claim from floor to raft - er:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

Postcommunion Prayer

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The Blessing

Recessional Hymn

How firm a foundation

Hymnal 636

Dismissal

Response: Thanks be to God.

Voluntary Fantasy on the Hymn Tune *Foundation*, by Alice Jordan
If you choose to leave during the voluntary, please depart in reverent quiet.

*Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Robert E. Lewis, Jr.*

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Service Participants

The Rev. Anne R. Kirchmier

The Rev. Marc Vance

The Rev. Carol Chamberlain

The Rev. Katherine T. Gray

Ginny Chilton, *Minister of Music*

Lector: Al Roby

Prayers: Barbara Garner

Chalicers: Fritz Horne, Al Roby

Acolytes: Nicole Shay, Edward Fulcher, Brianna Clifford,
Elliott Clifford, Oscar Clifford

Ushers: Danny Switzer, Paul Orrison, Kirk Klinger

Greeter: Debbie and Bernard Young

Sound: Sarah Clifford

Camera: Channing Guvernator

Children's Chapel: Kathy Gray, James Maxwell, Courtney Hastings,
Amy Robinson

This Week at St. Andrew's

Mon., Sept. 21	1:00 PM	Game Day
	6:30 PM	Cub Scouts
Tue. Sept. 22	1:00 PM	Crafter's Group
	7:00 PM	Vestry meeting
Wed., Sept. 23	3:30 PM	Prayer & Share
	5:00 PM	Centering Prayer
	6:15 PM	Choir rehearsal
Thur., Sept. 24	7:30 AM	Centering Prayer
	10:00 AM	Bible Study
	12:00 PM	Knitting Group
	7:00 PM	Bible Study: Gospel of Mark

If you are a newcomer today...

We hope that you will fill out a pew card and drop it in the offering plate. This is a great way to begin to get connected and involved at St. Andrew's. You can sign up for our weekly newsletter, request a call/visit from our clergy, or ask for prayers for yourself or others.

For families with children

Children are always welcome in worship at St. Andrew's! Children's activity bags are available in the back of the church. Please return them as you exit from worship. For those who would find it helpful, the nursery is available from 9:00 am to noon for children ages 0-3. Ask our clergy or ushers for directions.

Children's Chapel

Children aged 4 through 5th grade are invited to Children's Chapel! Children's Chapel meets every Sunday during the school year during the 10:30 worship service. Meet the teachers on the Ferguson Ave. playground at 10:15. After some recreation time, the children go inside and are separated into older and younger age groups for a lesson based on that Sunday's lectionary. Children return to parents in worship in time for Communion.

Racial & Social Justice Team meets today

The Racial & Social Justice Team will meet today at 11:45 AM in the parish library. Meghan McNamara of the newly-formed Immigrant Rights Organizing Network (IRON) will be our special guest. Everyone is invited and encouraged to join us!

Thursday night Bible study

On Thursday nights at 7:00 PM in the church library, the Thursday night Bible study explores the earliest Gospel revealing the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, the Gospel of Mark. On Sept. 24 we will discuss Mark 4:1 – 6:6. Please join us!

Preparing for Sunday, September 27 – Pentecost 18

Readings: Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16; Philippians 2:1-13; Matthew 21:23-32. Question for Reflection: What does it mean to do the will of God? Has God ever shown up in the middle of your complaining? When have you been wandering in a “wilderness of sin”?

Adult Forum

There is no adult forum next Sunday, Sept. 27, due to the parish retreat. Join us on Oct. 4 at 9:15 AM in the parish hall for Storytelling: Prison Ministry.

Acolyte Festival mandatory meeting Oct. 4

There will be a mandatory meeting on Sunday, Oct. 4, for everyone going to the Acolyte Festival. This is our last meeting before the big trip! Come pack up your acolyte gear, sign any outstanding paperwork, and get last minute info. Meet in the parish hall after the 10:30 service.

Blessing of the Animals Oct. 4

Bring your best friends to the annual Blessing of the Animals on Sunday, October 4, at 4:00 PM. Gather at the River Road entrance to the church. Please bring your pet leashed or in a carrier.

Halloween in Hilton is coming!

Halloween in Hilton is a HUGE night of fun, with literally thousands of children, from all over the city, trick-or-treating up and down Main Street and throughout the village. St. Andrew's will be giving out little rubber duckies again this year—they are a big hit with the kids! You can help make this possible by making a donation toward the purchase of the ducks. Checks can be made payable to St. Andrew's with "Halloween" on the memo line.

Parish Retreat Sept. 25-27

Our annual parish retreat at Chanco is this coming weekend. Please keep the participants in your prayers.

Mark your calendar!

Middle School lunch and formation – Oct. 4 at 12:00 PM

Blessing of the Animals – Oct. 4 at 4:00 PM

Mid-week Holy Eucharist & Healing – Oct. 7 at 11:00 AM

Racial & Social Justice Team – Oct. 18 at 11:45 AM

Middle School lunch and formation – Oct. 18 at 12:00 PM

Newcomer Reception – Oct. 25 at 11:45 AM

Fire Pit Fellowship – Oct. 25 at 4:00 PM

Halloween in Hilton – Oct. 31 at 5:00 PM