



# ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*Mission: To Reveal God's Love by Nourishing the  
Community through Worship, Acceptance, and Service.*

**Morning Prayer (BCP)  
Rite II  
Fifth Sunday of Easter  
May 10, 2020**



"My Father's  
house has room  
to spare."

John 14:2

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Opening Hymn

Christ is made the sure foundation

Hymnal 518

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zmQzPpcODXA>

Leader says

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

*The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!*

## The Invitatory and Psalter

Leader Lord, open our lips.

People *And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.*

Leader and people

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

Then follows the Venite.

Venite Psalm 95:1-7 (said together)

*Come, let us sing to the Lord; \**

*let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.*

*Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \**

*and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.*

*For the Lord is a great God, \**

*and a great King above all gods.*

*In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \**

*and the heights of the hills are his also.*

*The sea is his, for he made it, \**

*and his hands have molded the dry land.*

*Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \**

*and kneel before the Lord our Maker.*

*For he is our God,*

*and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \**

*Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!*

Then follows

The Psalm Appointed

**Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16**

- 1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; \*  
deliver me in your righteousness.
- 2 Incline your ear to me; \*  
make haste to deliver me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my  
stronghold; \*  
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.
- 4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, \*  
for you are my tower of strength.
- 5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, \*  
For you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.
- 15 My times are in your hand; \*  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who  
persecute me.
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, \*  
and in your loving-kindness save me."

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the  
beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

**First Lesson**

*The reader says*

**A Reading from Acts 7:55-60**

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: *Thanks be to God.*

*Silence may be kept. The following Canticle is said*

**A Song of Praise** *Benedictus es, Domine (said together)*

*Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; \*  
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.*

*Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; \*  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.*

*Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; \**  
*on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.*  
*Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; \**  
*we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.*

*Glory to you, beholding the depths; \**  
*in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.*  
*Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \**  
*we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.*

## Second Lesson

*The reader says*

### **A Reading from 1 Peter 2:2-10**

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.” To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, “The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner”, and “A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.” They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Reader:       The Word of the Lord

People:        *Thanks be to God.*

*Silence may be kept. The following Canticle is said*

**The Song of the Redeemed**   Magna et mirabilia   *(said together)*

*O ruler of the universe, Lord God,*  
*great deeds are they that you have done, \**  
*surpassing human understanding.*  
*Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, \**  
*O King of all the ages.*

*Who can fail to do you homage, Lord,  
and sing the praises of your Name? \*  
for you only are the Holy One.  
All nations will draw near and fall down before you, \*  
because your just and holy works have been revealed.*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

## Gospel Lesson

*The reader says*

### A Reading from John 14:1-14

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: *Thanks be to God.*

## Reflection

### The Apostles' Creed

*Officiant and People together*

*I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth;*

*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.  
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. Amen.*

## The Prayers

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

*Leader and People*

*Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.*

*Then follows this set of Suffrages*

**B**

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;  
**R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.**  
V. Day by day we bless you;  
**R. We praise your name for ever.**  
V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;  
**R. Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.**  
V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;  
**R. For we put our trust in you.**  
V. In you, Lord, is our hope;  
**R. And we shall never hope in vain.**

*The Officiant then says one or more of the following Collects*

## The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## A Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**Hymn**                   “Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life”  
                                  (The Call) from 5 Mystical Songs

Text: George Herbert (1593-1633); Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jg9QZ\\_Jeqqo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jg9QZ_Jeqqo)

## Prayers of the People

### Form VI

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;  
*For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

For this community, the nation, and the world;  
*For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

For the just and proper use of your creation;  
*For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
*For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.*

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
*For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.*

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Susan our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;  
*For all who serve God in his Church.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation including those on our parish list. (see Saturday's email for list)

Silence

*The People may add their own petitions*

Hear us, Lord;  
*For your mercy is great.*

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

*The People may add their own thanksgivings*

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
*And praise your Name for ever and ever.*

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

*The People may add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
*Who put their trust in you.*

*Before the close of the Office one or both of the following may be used*

*The General Thanksgiving*

*Leader and People*

*Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.*

*We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.*

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Virtual Offering Plate

Announcements

Birthdays & Anniversaries (see last page)

Then may be said

Let us bless the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

The Leader concludes with the following

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Thou art the way, to thee alone

Hymnal 457

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q3tgmFUmOkY>

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## Pastoral Prayers

*For a Birthday*

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant *N.* as *he* begins another year. Grant that *he* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *his* trust in your goodness all the days of *his* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For a Birthday*

Watch over your child, O Lord, as *her* days increase; bless and guide *her* wherever she may be. Strengthen *her* when *she* stands; comfort *her* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *her* up if *she* fall; and in *her* heart may the peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *her* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Travelers*

O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Those We Love*

Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to *thy* never-failing care and love, for this life and the life to come, knowing that *thou* art doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For an Anniversary*

Eternal God, look with favor upon the world you have made and especially upon this couple. Give them wisdom and devotion in the ordering of their lives together, that each may be to the other a strength in need, a counselor in perplexity, a comfort in sorrow, and a companion in

joy. Grant that their wills may be so knit together in your will, and their spirits in your Spirit, that they may grow in love and peace with you and one another all the days of their life. Amen.

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