HOLY EUCHARIST 10:00AM THE SEASON OF EASTER



St. Andrew's West Transept Window: The Ascension [Photo: Bill Ghrist]

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Please participate in our service in whatever way you feel comfortable. Invitations to stand, kneel, or sit, are included in the text. Congregational responses are found in **bold**.

Children are welcome to attend church school (off the first Sunday of the month when we all worship together with a children's sermon) or use the resources in the front left corner of the nave, and the nursery will be open for parent/guardian-supervised play (with live streaming of the liturgy).

Please note that our worship is live-streamed. In the regular course of the service, attendees will not be visible, except at communion. If you do not wish to appear, please let an usher know and we will bring the sacrament to you at your seat. Also, please note that if you are near a camera, your audio may be broadcast.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude see insert

Opening Hymn see insert

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity (BCP 355).

GLORIA S-280

receive our prayer.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father;

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

READINGS & PSALM

see insert

SERMON

Please stand as you are comfortable for our confession of faith.

THE NICENE CREED

through the Prophets.

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

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 people kneel or are seated.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The people sing "Gracious Lord, hear us, we pray" after each prayer.

God of eternity, comfort us who mourn. As we celebrate with joy the resurrection of your son, let us honor those whom we love who are also now with you and Christ.



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God of lovingkindness, we rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep. For [...] who celebrate a birthday this week and [...] who celebrate an anniversary. As you raised Christ from the darkness of the tomb to your everlasting light, let us also rise from our darkness into the light of your peace. We lift up those entrusted to the St. Andrew's Prayer list and all those we name now, either silently or aloud.

Gracious Lord, hear us, we pray

God of all, we pray for mutual reconciliation and loving concern. Help us to heal the divisions among us. Let the light of Easter's resurrection enlighten us to better perceive Christ both in our neighbors and in those we might prefer to avoid. Help us to learn to love each other as you love us.

Gracious Lord, hear us, we pray

God of grace, bless local and world leaders with wisdom and tolerance. May diplomacy and respect for human rights prevail over self-interest and nationalism. Bless and guide all people to work towards respect, compassion, and public service. *Gracious Lord, hear us, we pray*

God of the prophets, pour your mercy on those impacted by natural disaster, conflict, poverty, and oppression. Bless those who are poor, those who hunger and thirst, weep and mourn, that the last shall be first, and the first shall be last. For St. Andrew's Mission and Outreach Concerns, we pray for [...] *Gracious Lord, hear us, we pray*

God of love, just as the persons of your Trinity are united by love, direct our hearts to love one another genuinely and fully, including those most difficult to love. Sustain your universal Church and bless and empower Bp. Ketlen, Presiding Bp. Sean, and all church leaders that they model Christ's love, truth and justice. In our diocese, we pray for [...].

Gracious Lord, hear us, we pray

God of abundance, we rejoice in the vast richness of your creation: the land, sky, waters, and all creatures you have made. We pray for your wisdom for all who live on this earth that we may nurture and preserve the gifts you have given us for today and for future generations.

Gracious Lord, hear us, we pray

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect. The Confession of sin is omitted in Easter season.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you. *People* **And also with you.**

We shake hands and greet each other with a sign of God's peace. Please, feel free to leave your seat!

THE HOLY COMMUNION



THE OFFERING

Each week, an offering is collected as a symbol of our life and labor and to support the work of the church. To make a gift online, please scan the code or visit www.standrewspgh.org/giving. Thank you.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

see insert

THE DOXOLOGY #400

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings to the Celebrant.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,

Praise him, all creatures here below,

Alleluia, Alleluia.

Praise him above, ye heavenly host,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

O praise Him, O praise Him,

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The people remain standing.

CelebrantPeopleCelebrantThe Lord be with you.And also with you.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 give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was given for us, and has taken away the

sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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 S-129

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel or are seated. The Celebrant continues.

Holy and gracious God: 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me"

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, 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 whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, 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

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia. Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Fraction Anthem S-163

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

This is the table of Jesus Christ, who welcomes everyone. You may drink from the chalice or dip your bread in the cup. If you'd prefer a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. Young children are welcome to receive. Gluten-free wafers are available; let the priest know. Note that there are several steps up to the altar rail; please signal to an usher if you wish to have communion brought to you in your seat.

COMMUNION HYMN

see insert

Post Communion Prayer
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

The Celebrant offers the blessing.

CLOSING HYMN see insert

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ. People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude see insert

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Easter Season @ St. Andrew's

LITURGY

For the season of Easter, we return to our alleluias and silver chalices after the spare simplicity of Lent. Our liturgical prayers at Communion for this season are from the 1979 Book of Common Prayer. The prayers of the people were composed by Laurel Roberts, Wes Rohrer, Anthony Crisafio, and Sara Irwin. Our Sunday 8am and Wednesday noon services will run through the Fifth Week of Easter (concluding by Memorial Day Weekend). Easter season is 7 weeks, ending on the Feast of Pentecost (June 8).

EDUCATION

Our Thursday morning zoom group, "Growth in the Spirit," will be reading Short Stories by Jesus: The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi by Amy-Jill Levine for Easter season, beginning on May 1 and concluding at the end of June. Contact Wes Rohrer at wmrun@pitt.edu if you would like to join.

Our Sunday 9am Study will be looking at the resurrection appearances of Jesus in a more traditional Bible study format, beginning on April 27 and wrapping up on June 1. Come for one or all study meetings; the full schedule will be included in the Weekly Update.

Church School continues until May 18 when we finish this program year with a family picnic on the lawn after church. Children ages 4 to 12 can join us for Vacation Bible School, June 2-4 from 5:30 to 7:00. Dinner will be provided each evening. This year's theme is Saints.

OUTREACH

For the Easter season, we are focusing on two of our outreach ministries: The Neighborhood Academy and Treasure House The Neighborhood Academy is a faith-based, college-preparatory academy established to provide excellence in education and character development for low income students from 6th to 12th grades. All of their students are accepted at and go to college. This year, twenty-five seniors are preparing for graduation, and an "angel tree" in Brooks Hall allows us to make donations of \$25, \$50, or \$150 toward the \$150 gift cards we give each senior. In July and August, we will prepare backpacks filled with school supplies for all of their students in partnership with other congregations. We also restock their in-school support pantry three times a year. Treasure House Fashions provides gently used clothing and accessories to women in crisis or transition. Treasure House is the "closet" for over 60 local agencies, whose clients receive coupons to shop for whatever kind of clothes they need in a boutique setting. Their resale location at 7507 McKnight Rd also funds their operations-all shoppers welcome! Groups from St. Andrew's have helped prepare the donated clothing for sale and have worked as personal shoppers for groups of customers from agencies. Please contact Terry Northcutt at ltnorthcutt@gmail.com if you are interested in getting involved!

Welcome to Saint Andrew's!

Please fill out a newcomer card if you're here for the first time. Put it in the offering plate, or give it to the clergy.

About our service: This 10am service is the Holy Eucharist (or "Holy Communion" or "Mass"). Our 8am service meets in the chapel and is a quiet and contemplative spoken service using similar prayers to this one.

Restrooms: For the restrooms, please exit the church at the front pulpit side door. Restrooms (with changing tables) are down the hall on the right. An all-gender restroom is at the top of the stairs to your right; it is also accessible by elevator.

The Episcopal Church: St Andrew's is part of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh, which extends south to West Virginia, north to the perimeter of Butler County, and as far east as Somerset. Our diocesan bishop is The Rt. Rev. Ketlen Solak. The head of the Episcopal Church in the US is the Most Rev. Sean Rowe. We are part of the global Anglican Communion, with congregations in 160 countries.

Welcome, children! Children and infants (including all their shrieks and gurgles) are warmly welcomed at St Andrew's and are invited to use the resources at the front left of the nave. Please return any used toys to the bins after church. We have kids' programs during the 10am service (with a special children's sermon on the first Sunday of the month), but all children are always welcome in worship as well.

Visit us on the web at <u>www.standrewspgh.org</u> to learn more and subscribe to our email newsletter.



BULLETIN INSERT FOR MAY 18, 2025 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PRELUDE A Trumpet Minuet (A. Hollins)

OPENING HYMN #583 O Holy City, Seen of John

SEQUENCE HYMN #213 Come Away to the Skies

OFFERTORY ANTHEM With a Voice of Singing (M. Shaw)

COMMUNION HYMN #304 I Come with Joy to Meet My Lord

CLOSING HYMN #432 O Praise Ye the Lord

POSTLUDE Grand Choeur (W. Faulkes)

First Lesson Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the brothers and sisters who were in Judea heard that the gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners, and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord, for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is

called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 148

- ¹ Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights.
- ² Praise him, all you angels of his; praise him, all his host.
- ³ Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars.
- ⁴ Praise him, heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens.
- ⁵ Let them praise the Name of the Lord; for he commanded, and they were created.
- ⁶ He made them stand fast for ever and ever; he gave them a law which shall not pass away.
- ⁷ Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea-monsters and all deeps;
- ⁸ Fire and hail, snow and fog, tempestuous wind, doing his will;
- ⁹ Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars;
- ¹⁰Wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and winged birds;
- ¹¹ Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the world;
- ¹² Young men and maidens, old and young together.
- ¹³ Let them praise the Name of the Lord, for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.
- ¹⁴ He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

Second Lesson

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them and be their God; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

Reader The Word of the Lord. People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN #213

Come Away to the Skies

THE GOSPEL John 13:31-35

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus

Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERVING TODAY

Verger: Ed Helgerman
Acolyte: Watson Montgomery
Eucharistic Server: Anthony Crisafio
Second Chalice: Jane Parkhurst
Lectors: Kolin Smith & Laurel Roberts
Vestry Member of the Day: Matt Walsh
Ushers: Tadd Bevan & Ed Donovan
Church School Leaders: Matt & Katie Walsh

THE FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

by Gene & Janet Filipek in memory of Emily & Lysle White

CELEBRATIONS

We celebrate with those having a birthday, Janet Filipek, Felice Fleming, Chris Katz, and Noah Usner, and with those having an anniversary this week, Ed & Felice Fleming.

St. Andrew's Prayer List

Healing for Shannon O'Brien, daughter of Anna Marie O'Brien; Joan Price, friend of Mary Roehrich; Pat Huie, friend of Tadd Bevan; Karen, neighbor of Ed Donovan; Rebecca Byerly; Patty Maloney; Jim Ghrist, brother of Bill Ghrist; Peg Ghrist; Lorette Fuller; Helen Hagopian; Linda Hagopian; Emma Mosley; Nancy Gillies, cousin of Molly Montgomery; Andrew Dartt, godson of Nita and John Kellum; Bruce Phillips; Lynn Phillips, daughter-in-law of Paul Phillips; Frank Plavan, brother of Karen Plavan; William, friend of Karen Plavan; Chris, daughter of Dana Phillips.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- This morning was our last 8:00am service before summer break. The Wed 12pm service will also conclude this week, on May 21st. Look for news about our fall worship schedule closer to Labor Day.
- Church School Picnic (today!): All families are invited to an end of the year picnic on the lawn following the 10am service on Sunday, May 18th, as we celebrate the end of another successful year of church school.
- Meet your Highland Park neighbors at the **People's Supper**, Monday, May 19th at 6:30pm (while not a St Andrew's sponsored event, Rev. Sara is an organizer and it is held here).