

HOLY EUCHARIST
THE SEASON OF ADVENT
10:00AM



ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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Thank you for joining us for worship today!
Please leave this leaflet on the table in the entryway
narthex to be reused.

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

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 Blessed are you, holy and living One
People **You come to your people and set them free.**

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

A St. Andrew's member household will lead the lighting of the Advent wreath as the people sing verses from People, Look East, found on the insert.

SONG OF PRAISE

Trisagion S-102

(sung three times)

Holy God, Holy and Mighty,

Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.

Archangelsky

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

SEE INSERT FOR READINGS AND PSALM.

SERMON

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

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.

The people kneel or are seated.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For our leaders, 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 impacted by gun violence, war, economic inequality, and gender based violence or oppression and all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to those who are sick, in need, or alone.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the truth.

In our diocese, we pray for [...]. Among our St. Andrew's Mission and Outreach concerns, we pray for [...]

For our siblings in the worldwide Anglican Communion, Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and Ketlen, our bishop, and all other ministers.

For all who serve God in this Church.

We pray especially for [...] who celebrate birthdays or anniversaries this week. Give grace to all whose lives are linked with ours.

May we serve Christ in one another, and love one another as God loves us.

For those who have died in the faith of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone, (especially...). For those who mourn.

We commend them into your hands.

For those who are included in the St Andrew's prayer list and all those we name now, either silently or aloud.

The People share their own prayers.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in
your ways, to the glory of your Name. 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. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

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

*Please stand as you are comfortable as we greet one another
with a sign of God's peace.*

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

The people are seated.



THE HOLY COMMUNION

*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

OFFERTORY HYMN

The Doxology #380 v. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Please stand as the ushers bring the gifts of our offerings.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to

restore the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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:

THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

S-130

Schubert

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

Please kneel or be seated. The Celebrant continues.

Holy and gracious Creator: 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."

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
People **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 Christ.

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 Beloved Jesus Christ, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant 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.**

THE BREAKING OF BREAD

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-164

Schubert

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, Redeemer, Redeemer of the world,
grant us peace, grant us peace.

All who are baptized, from any tradition, are welcome to receive. If you'd prefer a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available; let the priest know. You may drink from the chalice. Please signal to an usher if you wish to have communion brought to you in your seat.

COMMUNION HYMN

see insert

POSTCOMMUNION 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

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant
People

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Welcome to Saint Andrews!

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 service is the Holy Eucharist (or "Holy Communion" or "Mass"), according to a Rite Two of the 1979 Book of Common Prayer (BCP). Our 8am service (spoken, in a more contemplative style without music) meets in the Chapel and is using Rite One with more traditional language for Advent. Please stay for coffee after church!

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 immediately 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 west 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. 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 www.standrewspgh.org to learn more and subscribe to our email newsletter.

VESTRY

Rector: The Rev. Sara Irwin

Senior Warden: Jane Parkhurst (25)

Junior Warden: Matthew Walsh (26)

Treasurer: Arthur Noonan (25) Clerk: Anthony Crisafio (26)

Term 2025: Matt Knoblock

Term 2026: Ray Williams

Term 2027: Ben Kelley, Chuck Reynolds, and Laurel Roberts

CHURCH STAFF

Shelby Barza - Church Secretary

Shawn Brooks - Finance Administrator

Becky Marinov - Director of Sunday School

Pamela Shaw - Interim Organist & Choirmaster

Becky Usner - Sexton

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ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS AT ST. ANDREW'S

December 1: Sunday morning Advent Series (9am)

Light of the World: A Beginner's Guide to Advent by AJ Levine. In-person in the Rectory Conference room.
RSVP to sara@standrewspgh.org.

December 5: Thursday morning Book Group (9am)

Songs for the Waiting: Devotions inspired by the Hymns of Advent, by Magrey DeVega for the season of Advent.
Contact wmrun@pitt.edu for Zoom link.

December 7: Highland Park Light Up Night (5-7pm)

Stop by St Andrew's for s'mores and a visit from St Nick!

December 14: Rector's Advent Party (2-4pm)

Drop by for food, drink, fun, and fellowship with St. Andrew's Rector, Sara, and St. Paul's Rector, Noah, with their children Isaiah and Adah, and also members of St. Paul's and St. Andrew's. All are welcome to come to this annual informal Advent gathering! Please bring gloves and knit hats to be donated to local ministries for those in need.
240 Woodhaven Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15228

December 15: Christmas Pageant (10am service)

Hear the Christmas story anew, thanks to our Church School!
Stay for cookies and community after the service.

December 24: Christmas Eve

4pm service: with children's sermon

7pm service: traditional candlelight with choir

December 25: Christmas Day Service at 10am

December 29: No 8am service. Lessons & Carols at 10am.

BULLETIN INSERT FOR DECEMBER 1: THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

PRELUDE	Zion Hears the Watchmen Singing (<i>J.G. Walther</i>)
OPENING HYMN #58	Lo He comes with clouds descending
OFFERTORY ANTHEM	Redeemer of the Nations, Come (<i>M. Praetorius</i>)
COMMUNION HYMN #302	Father we thank you
CLOSING HYMN #616	Hail to the Lord's Anointed
POSTLUDE	From Thy Throne so High (<i>C.W. von Gluck</i>)

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

God of providence, in you we lack nothing and your word will never pass away. As we enter these days of Advent, keep us awake for all the ways you come to us in our lives.

People, Look East (verse 1; Besançon) *E. Farjeon*
People, look East. The time is near
Of the crowning of the year.
Make your house fair as you are able,
Trim the hearth and set the table.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the guest, is on the way.

FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 33:14-16
The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 25:1-9

¹ To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

² Let none who look to you be put to shame; let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

³ Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.

⁴ Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

⁵ Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.

⁶ Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

⁷ Gracious and upright is the Lord; therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

⁸ He guides the humble in doing right and teaches his way to the lowly.

⁹ All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

SECOND LESSON

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN #56

O Come, O Come Emmanuel (v 1&2)

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, thou Wisdom from on high, who orderest all things mightily; to us the path of knowledge show, and teach us in her ways to go.

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 21:25-36

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

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

“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place and to stand before the Son of Man.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERVING TODAY

Acolyte: Watson Montgomery
Eucharistic Server: Wes Rohrer
Second Chalice: Jane Parkhurst
Lectors: Bill Bevan & Kolin Smith
Vestry Member of the Day: Ben Kelley
Ushers: Arthur Noonan & Kolin Smith

ST. ANDREW'S PRAYER LIST

Healing for Lorette Fuller; Peg Ghrist; 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; Sharyn, sister of Jane Parkhurst; Frank Plavan, brother of Karen Plavan; Chris, daughter of Dana Phillips.

BIRTHDAYS

We pray for those having a birthday this week, Madison Canales, Norma Lipscomb, and Wesley Rohrer.

THE FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

{If you would like to dedicate flowers in celebration or memory for a future service, please contact the church office or Julia Reynolds at julialreynolds@gmail.com. The suggested donation is \$50.}

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flower Sale - order deadline extended to today 12/1

- Don't forget to place an order for the flower sale to benefit our boiler replacement fund. Wreaths, poinsettias, and Christmas cacti are available. Delivery on Dec 8th.

Clothing Drive for Veterans - now through 12/8

- Donate new or gently used men's clothing. Bins can be found in the church entrance and Brooks Hall.

Upcoming Holiday Concerts @ St. Andrew's

- Fri, Dec 6th: Pittsburgh Camerata (pittsburghcamerata.org)
- Sat, Dec 14th: Shadyside Brass Band (www.shadysidebrass.com) - free admission