

Welcome to St. Andrew’s on this Eleventh Sunday in the Season of Pentecost. If you are visiting this morning, please sign our *Guest Book* on the welcome table in the Commons. Also located there is our parish newsletter, *The Call*.

Children’s Chapel starts up on September 7th at 10:30am in the Parish Hall

Church office will CLOSED on Monday, September 1st.

Music Classes
Register by Wed. Aug. 27th on the app or call the front office!
Explore the secret code beneath music. Become fluent in the sounds of beauty in a playful environment of joy for all ages!

Class 1: Fundamentals
September 3-October 1, 2025
Class 2: The Engineering of Music
October 15-November 19, 2025
Class 3: Music in the Church
January 14-February 11, 2026
Class 4: Continued Music Developments
February 25-April 1, 2026

Bible from the Beginning: Creation Stories
Saturday, September 27th 9-11:30am

Join Rev. Les as he explores the two different stories of creation in the Bible. Discover what unique perspective each gives and learn why there would be two in the first place. This journey reveals how the Bible was written and put together so it is a great foundation for future study.
Register now on the church app!

Mission Outreach Opportunities:
Episcopal Farmhouse Ministry
Bags go out Sept. 7th and returned Sept. 14th Lighthouse Thrift Store has packed boxes for us filled with shoes, pants, and shirts that we can purchase. **It is only \$10 a box!** If you wish to buy a box please bring your money to the office.

Serving next Sunday, August 31, 2024

<u>8:00am</u> LAY: Virgil Evans LAY: Brian Westcott Acolytes: Walker Wells and Jack Lea Ushers: Jan Arnold and John Lea Greeters: Dotsy Royal and Brad Earle Pantry Volunteers: Diane Renck, Martha Gallop, and Martha Lamm Pantry Distributers: Patty Kennedy, Tommy Parker, Elizabeth Hunter	<u>10:00am</u> Jeanie Armstrong Elizabeth Pope and Sarah Dial
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11 Pentecost

Led by the Spirit, the mission of **St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church** is to lovingly serve God through worship, fellowship, education, and ministry.

“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens”

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August 24, 2025 8:00a.m. Rite I

The Liturgy of the Word

Hymnal

Book of Common Prayer

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*The flowers on the altar are given to the
Glory of God
By Beth Gardner
In loving celebration of Tyler Strandberg*



Prayer Requests

Catherine	Bryant	Dennis
Lisa	Logan	Wayne
Chris	Donavan	Valerie
Jinx	Tracy	Clark
Wayland	Dustin	Jeffry
Teresa	Danny	Ray
Zenetta	Bennie	Allen
George	Jay	Cindy
Pris	Candice	

Serving in our Armed Forces: Sean, Veronica H., Jericca S., Matt K., Eric O., Fletcher, Jonathan K., Will M., Rodney M., Jeffery B., Adam M., James W., Thomas, Austin, Landon M., and for all Veterans of the United States.

For those who have died:

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“Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.”

The Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost Rite II

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude: Kum bah-ya Lord

Opening Hymn: LEVAS 184 “Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mind *See page 10*

The people standing, the Celebrant says
Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.**
Amen.

The Celebrant may say
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: LEVAS 214 “God is So Good” *See page 10*

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the People
The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant Let us pray.
Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A reading from Jeremiah 1:4-10

The word of the Lord came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord." Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth;

LEVAS 118: Spirit Song

- 1 Oh, let the Son o f God enfold you, with His Spirit and His love, Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul. Oh, let Him have the things that hold you, and His Spirit like a dove, Will descend upon your life, and make you whole.

Refrain: Jesus. Oh, Jesus, come and fill your lambs. Jesus, Oh, Jesus, come and fill your lambs.
2. Oh, come and sing this song with gladness, as your hearts are filled with joy, Lift your hands in sweet surrender to His name. Oh, give Him all your tears and sadness, give Him all your years of pain, and you’ll enter into life in Jesus’ name. (Refrain)

LEVAS 157: Revive Us Again

- 1 We praise thee, O God, For the son of thy love, For Jesus who died And is now gone above.

Refrain: Hallelujah! Thine the glory, Hallelujah! Amen, Hallelujah! Thine the glory, Revive us again.
- 2 We praise thee, O God, For thy spirit of light, Who has shown us our Savior, And scattered our night. [Refrain]
- 3 All glory and praise To the lamb that was slain, Who has borne all our sins And has cleansed ev’ry stain. [Refrain]
- 4 Revive us again, Fill each heart with thy love, May each soul be rekindled With fire from above. [Refrain]

LEVAS 184: Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine

1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of His spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain: This is my story, this is my song, Praising my savior all the day long; This is my story, this is my song, Praising my savior all the day long.

2 Perfect submission, perfect delight, Visions of rapture now burst on my sight; Angels descending, bring from above Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. [Refrain]

3 Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my savior am happy and blest; Watching and waiting, looking above, Filled with His goodness, lost in His love. [Refrain]

LEVAS 214: God Is So Good

1. God is so good,
God is so good,
God is so good,
He’s so good to me.

2. He cares for me,
He cares for me,
He cares for me,
He’s so good to me.

3. He’s all I need,
He’s all I need,
He’s all I need,
He’s so good to me.

and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

The Word of the Lord

Response: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 71:1-6

1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; *
let me never be ashamed.

2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; *
incline your ear to me and save me.

3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; *
you are my crag and my stronghold.

4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, *
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

5 For you are my hope, O Lord God, *
my confidence since I was young.

6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;
from my mother's womb you have been my strength; *

A reading from Hebrews.12:18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken-- that is, created things-- so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn: LEVAS 118 “Spirit Song” *See page 11*

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Response: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel of Luke. 13:10-17

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

HomilyThe Rev. Les Carpenter

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

Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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.*

The Our Father

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we will say “**Our Father...**”

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Fraction:

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Communion: LEVAS 133 “I Surrender All”

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

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.

Final Blessing

Closing Hymn: LEVAS 157 “Revive Us Again” *See pg. 11*

Dismissal

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

Postlude: LEVAS 198 “Love Lifted Me”

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy

and 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

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 *Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Sam and Jennifer our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;*
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

We pray for those in need, especially [.....]

We pray for those in the Armed Forces, especially [....]

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. Especially [...]

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

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

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and 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.**

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be with you

Response: **And also with you.**

The Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

More Love to Thee O Christ

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B

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 him 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.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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-128 *(spoken)*

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