

Welcome to St. Andrew's on this Eighth Sunday after Pentecost.
 If you are visiting this morning, please sign our *Guest Book*
 on the welcome table in the Commons. Also located
 there are Visitor's Packets and our parish newsletter, *The Call*.

Carriage Court School Supplies

Beginning Monday, July 10th through August 13th, we will collect school supplies for the kids at Carriage Court Apartments. Below is a list of supplies needed. Please bring items to the Commons by August 13th.

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| Wide Ruled Notebook Paper | File Folders |
| Mechanical Pencils | Yellow Highlighters |
| #2 Pencils | 4 oz white glue bottles |
| Red, Black, and Blue Pens | Rulers |
| Pink Erasers | Pencil Sharpener (manual) |
| Pencil/Pen Zippered Pouch | Ruled Index Cards |
| 3 Ring Notebooks | Glue Sticks |
| Book Bags | Crayons/Colored Pencils |
| Spiral Notebooks (one/two subjects and three or four subjects) | |
| College Ruled Notebook Paper | |

Every year St. Andrew's puts together welcome bags for our incoming Preschool class. We like to add in some supplies our teachers will use, fun little toys for the kids, and of course information about St. Andrew's. If you are interested in helping with this



Financial Status as of July 17, 2023

Contrib. Rec'd this week \$2,385
 Avg. Wkly Contrib. Needed \$6,305
 Rec'd YTC \$200,087
 Spent YTD \$151,100

If you have questions about your pledge or other contributions, call Rosemary Clark, our bookkeeper, at 443-2070 on Monday or Thursday afternoons.

Coming Up:

- July 23**—Brunch after 10:30am service
- July 25**—Lion's Club 6:30pm
- August 1**—Clothes collection for Episcopal Farmworker Ministry starts
- August 2**—Zoom Call for Search Committee and Vestry
- August 5**—Men's Club 8am
- August 6**—Results survey brunch with Rev. Graham 10:30am

David Flood will be returning to St. Andrew's for an organist concert on Wednesday, August 16th at 7pm.

Serving next Sunday, July 30

9:30am

Officiant: Rev. Patricia Hanen

LEM: Tim Knapp

LAY: Jeanie Armstrong

Acolyte: Walker Wells

Ushers: Billy Suggs and Steve Thurkill

Greeters: Sissy Dunton and Volunteer

Pantry Volunteers: Lynn Ives, Terry Noble, Martha Lamm

Pantry Distributors: Patty Kennedy, Tommy Parker, Elizabeth Hunter

"For God is not unjust, he will not overlook your work and the love that you showed for his sake in serving the saints, as you still do." Hebrews 6:10

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church



8 Pentecost

July 23, 2023

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Officiant then says the following:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen. 2 Corinthians 13:14*

Closing Hymn 302 “Father, We Thank Thee Who Hast Planted”

The Dismissal

Officiant: Let us go forth, in the Name of Christ, Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!



Officiant: Let us stand.

The Officiant then faces the altar and says:

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

The Officiant and People say together the following:

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. Alleluia.

Antiphon: (Standing)

Officiant The earth is the Lord's for he made it.

People Come, let us adore him.

Officiant: Let us say together the Venite

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!

Psalm 139:1-11, 22-23

¹ Lord, you have searched me out and known me; *you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

² You trace my journeys and my resting-places * and are acquainted with all my ways.

³ Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, * but you, O **Lord**, know it altogether.

⁴ You press upon me behind and before * and lay your hand upon me.

⁵ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; * it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

⁶ Where can I go then from your Spirit? * where can I flee from your presence?

⁷ If I climb up to heaven, you are there; * if I make the grave my bed, you are there also. I

⁸ If I take the wings of the morning * and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,

⁹ Even there your hand will lead me * and your right hand hold me fast.

¹⁰ If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, * and the light around me turn to night,"

¹¹ Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day; * darkness and light to you are both alike.

²² Search me out, O God, and know my heart; * try me and know my restless thoughts.

²³ Look well whether there be any wickedness in me * and lead me in the way that is everlasting.

At the end of the Psalms is said:

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

The Lessons

First Reading

(Seated)

Silence may be kept after each Reading. A Canticle is said after each Reading.

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven." So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

Genesis 28:10-19a

A Collect for the departed

Grant us grace to entrust our loved ones to your never failing love...receive them into the arms of your mercy, and remember them according to the favor which you bear unto your children. *Amen.*

A Collect for self-dedication

Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly yours, dedicated unto you; and then use us, we pray, as you will, and always to your glory and the welfare of your people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

A collect for Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

The General Thanksgiving *(Kneeling or Standing)*

Officiant: Let us say together the General Thanksgiving:

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 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.

A Collect for the Renewal of Life

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Collect for Peace

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, you humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Collect for Grace

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Collect for Guidance

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Collect for the Sick

Almighty God, Father of life and health, use us we pray to bring wholeness and peace to those in need: for our sick Ron J., Elsie C., Steve, Bill, Lisa O., Susan T., Sheryl, Jerry, Lena P. and Family, Cynthia C., Judy J., Amanda W., Ronnie C, and Cyril...for those who minister to the needs of others...for all who have asked for our prayers... let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Canticle 9
(Please Stand)

The First Song of Isaiah *Ecce, Deus*
Isaiah 12:2-6

Surely, it is God who saves me; *
I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, *
and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing *
from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, *
Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

Make his deeds known among the peoples; *
see that they remember that his Name is exalted.

Sing praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, *
and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

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.

Second Reading
(Seated)

Romans 8:12-25

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Canticle 19
(Please Stand)

The Song of the Redeemed
Magna et mirabilia

Revelation 15:3-4

O ruler of the universe, Lord God, great deeds are they that you have done, * surpassing human understanding.

All nations will draw near and fall down before you, * because your just and holy works have been revealed.

Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, * O King of all the ages.

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.

Who can fail to do you homage, Lord, and sing the praises of your Name? for you only are the Holy One.

Sequence Hymn 440 **“Blessed Jesus, At Thy Word”**

Vv. 1-3 Prior to the gospel

Vv. 4-5 following

Gospel

(Please stand. W\O a priest or deacon, the Gospel lesson is introduced like the Epistle.

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the household-er came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’” Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples ap-proached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

After the Gospel lesson, the reader closes with “The Word of the Lord.”)

Homily 9:30 Leslie Hall

Written by Matt Seddon

The Apostles’ Creed

Officiant: Standing, let us reaffirm our faith as we say together the Apostles Creed.

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 Announcements

Offertory Sentence Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Organ Voluntary

Ruff Creech

The Doxology

The Prayers

The people stand

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

Facing the altar, the Officiant and People say together:

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 Suffrage (Standing)

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

R. And grant us thy salvation.

V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

R. And make thy chosen people joyful.

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. For only in thee can we live in safety.

V. Lord, keep this nation under thy care;

R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth..

V. Let thy way be known upon earth;

R. Thy saving health among all nations.

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.

*The Officiant then says the following Collects
Congregation and Officiant standing*

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask: through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.