

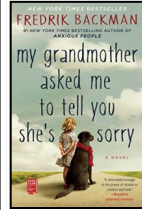
Welcome to St. Andrew's on this Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost.  
 If you are visiting this morning, please sign our *Guest Book*  
 on the welcome table in the Commons. Also located  
 there are Visitor's Packets and our parish newsletter, *The Call*.

**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.

St. Andrew's Book Club will meet on  
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 Andrew's Book Club will meet on Tuesday, September  
 12th at 10am in the Parlor. We  
 will be discussing two books: My  
 Grandmother Asked Me to Tell  
 You She's Sorry by Fredrik  
 Backman and Major Pettigrew's  
 Last Stand by Helen Simonson.  
 Please bring suggestions for books  
 to read this year!  
 The only requirement being you have read the book.



Join us on September 24th at 9:30am for  
 an outdoor service (weather permitting)  
 and Blessing of the Backpacks.  
 We will have a BBQ lunch after the  
 service and a bouncy house for all those  
 young at heart!



Starting in October we will go back to two  
 services at 8am and 10:30am. Adult and  
 Children's Christina Education will begin as  
 well.

Our Wednesday Healing Services will start  
 back up on October 4th.

**Coming Up at St. Andrew's:**

<b>Sept. 9</b>	Men's Club	8:00am
<b>Spt. 10</b>	Marie Inscore's Birthday Party	
<b>Sept. 12</b>	Lion's Club	6:30pm
<b>Sept. 20</b>	Vestry	6:00pm

Join us on September 10th at 11am to  
 celebrate Marie Inscore's 80th birthday party!  
 All are invited!

**Serving next Sunday, September 10**

**9:30am**

**Officiant:** Rev. Adele Hatfield

**LEM:** Terry Shackelford

**LAY:** Linda Hutcheson and Ramona Orzell

**Acolyte:** Walker Wells

**Ushers:** Jan Arnold and Volunteer

**Greeters:** Sissy Dunton and Rita Coggins

**Pantry Volunteers:** Betty Bunn, Elizabeth Mosley, and Tom Jenkins

**Pantry Distributers:** 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



**14 Pentecost**

**September 3, 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 522 “Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”**

### 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 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c

<sup>1</sup> Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; \*  
make known his deeds among the peoples.

<sup>2</sup> Sing to him, sing praises to him, \*  
and speak of all his marvelous works.

<sup>3</sup> Glory in his holy Name; \*  
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

<sup>4</sup> Search for the Lord and his strength; \*  
continually seek his face.

<sup>5</sup> Remember the marvels he has done, \*  
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

<sup>6</sup> O offspring of Abraham his servant, \*  
O children of Jacob his chosen.

<sup>23</sup> Israel came into Egypt, \*  
and Jacob became a sojourner in the land of Ham.

<sup>24</sup> The Lord made his people exceedingly fruitful; \*  
he made them stronger than their enemies;

<sup>25</sup> Whose heart he turned, so that they hated his people, \*  
and dealt unjustly with his servants.

<sup>26</sup> He sent Moses his servant, \*  
and Aaron whom he had chosen.

<sup>45</sup> Hallelujah!

*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.*

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

### Exodus 3:1-15

*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., Mary Lou, Terry, Christine, Barbara, Brenda, Helen S., Patty, Jana, Tony P., Gene A., Scarlett, Katherine, Jon, Wayne, Judy, and Polly...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 12:9-21**

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.



**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.

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.

the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Sequence Hymn 304**      **“I Come With Joy”**

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 began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? “For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

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

**Homily 9:30 Leslie Hall**  
**The Apostles’ Creed**

**Written by Rev. Bertie Pearson**

*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 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*

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, on God for ever and ever. *Amen.*