



# ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Unknown artist/maker (Italian), illuminator, 13th century

*Welcome to St. Andrew's*

**The First Sunday of Advent**

**10:00 AM Holy Eucharist • November 30, 2025**

## Thank you for joining us for worship today!

Please fill out a welcome card, found in the pew rack, then put it in the offering plate or give it to one of the clergy following the service so that we can be in touch with you. For more information about St. Andrew's please visit our website at [standrewsaa.org](http://standrewsaa.org).

If you have a hearing aid equipped with telecoil capability, please note that the church sanctuary has been equipped with this technology.

As a courtesy to others, please turn off or silence your cellphone during the service.

### The Rev. Paul Frolick, Rector

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### Children

We welcome children of all ages at worship, and hope you will help them follow along in the service as best they can. Busy Bags are available in the narthex for young children. Please return them at the end of the service for others to use.

A Nursery for infants through toddler age is available during the service, located on the second floor of the Parish Hall. **Kids in preschool through fifth grade will meet for a combined Sunday School class this week** at 9:45 am in the first floor preschool room until they join their families during the Children's Entrance Hymn. Older students are welcome to join us and help out! *Preschoolers need to be picked up by a parent.*

### Sunday, November 30, 2025

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist  
8:45 AM Coffee Hour (LOBBY)  
9:15 AM Family Service (CHAPEL)  
9:45 AM Combined Sunday School (PRESCHOOL ROOM)  
10:00 AM Holy Eucharist  
11:15 AM Coffee Hour (LOUNGE)  
11:15 AM Newcomer Gathering (CHAPEL)

### Anglican Cycle of Prayer

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for *The Anglican Church of Australia*.

In our own diocese we pray for the clergy and people of *Christ Church Cranbrook (Bloomfield Hills)*.

We pray for the clergy and people of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America.

And we pray for all those throughout the world who suffer for their faith.

### Leaders in Today's Liturgy

*Celebrant:* Paul Frolick

*Assisting:* Walt LaBatt

*Deacon:* Felicity Thompson

*Director of Music & Organist:* Deborah Friauff

*Organ Scholar:* Oliver Steissberg

*Acolytes:* Nathan Sten, Ann Scott, Ben Halgren

*Lectors:* Jane White, Sarah Inwood, Jim Galezewski, Michael Thouless, Lauren Gillen, Marty Gillen, Phil MacBride

*Intercessor:* Norm Richert

*Eucharistic Ministers:* David McCreadie, Kathryn Barnes, Joe Piffaretti, Ann Scott

*Ushers:* Marty Gillen, Jim Wortley

*Bell Ringer:* Marty Gillen

*Lay Eucharistic Visitor:* Norm Richert

*Coffee Hour Host:* Mary Bates

*Altar Guild:* Ian McCaul, Harry McLaughlin, Claire McLaughlin, Kay Wade

*Bread Baker:* Elaine Mouradian

### Prayer List

*We're grateful to be able to pray for our parishioners, family members, and friends who are in need, and we think it is important to make these concerns known to our community. If we've removed a prayer request which should still be active, please contact Fr. Paul or the church office.*

Margaret Bennett, Bry Dennison, Richard Engdahl, Leslie Henry, Hilli Hockett, Luke, Nunu Lysloff, Tish Neidhardt, Virginia Nordby, Jean Peirce, Barbara Powers, David Powers, Teres Raglow, Veena Kulkarni-Rankin, Mary Richards, Ann Staiger, Nancy Stanley, Marcia Stillwagon, Nan Sudia, Larry Tweedle, Carlotta Wilson, Leslie Stainton, Deborah Fries, Dan Berry, Charlie Gillen, Matilda, Bertha Blount, Nancy Borgeson, Anne Zwart, Tim, Peggy, Maureen Zatirka, Charles Witke, Bill Colzman, Kari Paetzold, Sean O'Keefe and family, Marty Gillen, Critter, Lisa Jaqua, Bob Cahan and family, John Ramsey, Maria Trombley, Ramon Howing, Amy Schulte and family, Edward White, Bill Harper, Jim Medlock, George Varghese, Read Gignilliat, and Kristen Gignilliat

*On the First Sunday of Advent, the season of preparation for the celebration of the birth of Jesus, our worship incorporates the 'O' antiphons from the ancient church. Each of the antiphons starts with 'O' and a name from the Hebrew scriptures associated with Christ.*

## **PRELUDE**

*Two settings of "O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide"*

Rolf Schweizer (1936-2016),  
Walther Haffner (1925-2002)

## **THE WORD OF GOD**

### **HYMN**

*Lo! He comes*

#57, *The Hymnal 1982* (Blue Book)

### **THE BIDDING PRAYER**

*Officiant* Dear friends in Christ, in the stillness and quiet of this church, we have gathered again at the beginning of an Advent Season, a season of waiting upon the Lord, who once came in the flesh as Savior and Redeemer of the world, and who will come again in glorious majesty to establish a rule of justice, peace and righteousness for all the earth.

Let us listen carefully to the readings which prophesied the first coming of "Emmanuel – God with us." And in remembering the promises fulfilled in the past, find within ourselves a renewed sense of the presence of the one whose life and kingdom dwell in us.

Let us also pray for a renewed vision of God's reign, that through our ministries and works the ancient prophecies may again be fulfilled in our time. And through our passionate commitment to the poor and the oppressed, the sick and the destitute, prisoners and hostages, the forgotten and the outcast, we may hear, see, and know God's gracious rule both within our hearts and in the common life of our society.

May God give us ears to hear, minds to perceive and understand, and hearts ready to receive the Redeemer.

May God bless us with grace; Christ give us the joys of everlasting life; and to the fellowship of the citizens above may the King of Angels bring us all. Amen.

*Please remain seated for the singing of the 'O' Antiphons, readings, and anthems.*

*Please stand for the hymns.*

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## O Sapiencia



## O WISDOM

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### ANTIPHON

*O Sapiencia, quae ex ore Altissimi prodisti,  
attingens a fine usque ad finem, fortiter suaviter  
disponensque omnia: veni ad docendum nos  
viam prudentiae.*

Plainsong, Mode II and Peter Hallock (1924–2014)

O Wisdom, You came forth from the mouth  
of the Most High, and reach from one end of  
the earth to the other, mightily and sweetly  
ordering all things: Come and teach us the  
way of prudence.

### READING

Wisdom 7:24-8:1

### ANTHEM

*Where Shall Wisdom be Found?*

Peter Moger (b. 1964)  
The St. Andrew's Adult Choir

*Where, where shall wisdom be found? And where is the place of understanding?  
Truly the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom: and to depart from evil is  
understanding.*

### COLLECT

**O WISDOM**, your words uttered in the beginning generated a world of beauty  
and goodness, giving purpose and value to each creature: instruct us in the  
way of prudence that we may nurture the world with justice and joy, that its  
beauty and goodness may flourish; through the one whom we know as the  
Wisdom of the Ages, even Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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## O Adonai



## O LORD OF MIGHT

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### ANTIPHON

Peter Hallock

*O Adonai, et Dux domus Israel, qui Moysi in  
igne flammae rubi apparuisti, et ei in Sina legem  
dedisti: veni ad redimendum nos in brachio  
extento.*

O Adonai, ruler of the house of Israel, you  
appeared to Moses in the fire of the burning  
bush; on Mount Sinai you gave him your law:  
With outstretched arm, come and redeem us.

### READING

Exodus 3:1-12

### HYMN

*The God of Abr'ham Praise*



1. The God of A - br'ham praise, By whose al - might - y hand
2. God's mys - ter - y sub - lime, In un - con - sum - ing flame
3. In maj - es - ty and awe, The Lord of pow'r and might
4. Great Ad - o - nai, our Lord, Whose pow'r the heav - ens sing,



Showed Is - rael on her pil - grim ways A prom - ised land.  
 An - nounced the sa - cred name di - vine, The great I Am.  
 Made ho - ly cov' - nant by the law On Si - nai's height.  
 Is born in - car - nate, ho - ly Word, A child, our king.

Our Lord will lead us, too, Through des - erts and the sea,  
 From bond - age cap - tives freed, Their hope and faith re - stored,  
 And now our knees we bend To one who sets us free,  
 As in - fi - nite, yet small, Whom worlds can - not con - tain,

That we may hear in all we do, "I am with thee."  
 By one who filled their ev - 'ry need, E - ter - nal Lord.  
 To serve with love un - til the end In loy - al - ty.  
 He dwells as Lord with - in us all From there to reign.

Text: Fritz Fritschel, 1988 from *Exodus 3*

Tune: Hebrew, arr. Meyer Lyon, c. 1770

## COLLECT

**O ADONAI**, Master of the universe and ruler of the house of Israel, your mighty acts have rescued remnants of your people from the midst of slavery, exile, war and holocaust: raise your scepter over us that the condition of human dignity may be extended to all people, in all places; for the sake of him whom we know as Lord of all, even Jesus the Christ. **Amen.**

## O Radix Jesse



## O ROOT OF JESSE

### ANTIPHON

*O radix Jesse, qui stas in signum populorum,  
super quem continebunt reges os suum, quem  
gentes deprecabuntur: veni ad liberandum nos,  
jam noli tardare.*

Peter Hallock

O Root of Jesse, you stand as an ensign to the peoples; before you kings shall keep silence, all nations bow in worship: Come and save us, and do not delay.

### READING

Isaiah 11:1-4a, 10

### ANTHEM

*There is no Rose*

Margaret Burk (b.1990)  
The St. Andrew's Adult Choir

*There is no rose of such virtue as is the rose that bare Jesu; Alleluia, alleluia.  
For in this rose contained was Heaven and Earth in little space. Res miranda.  
By that rose we may well see that he is God in persons three, paret forma. Then  
leave we all this worldly mirth and follow we this joyous birth: transeamus.*

**COLLECT**

**O ROOT OF JESSE**, you reach deep down into the darkness of the earth and stir the world's longings for deliverance and hope: raise up within our own lives a spirit of courage and strength, of wisdom and insight, that we may add to the coming of the kingdom; through the merits of the One we know as the beginning of the ages, even Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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**O Clavis David**



**O KEY OF DAVID**

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**ANTIPHON**

Peter Hallock

*O Clavis David, et sceptrum domus Israel: qui aperis, et nemo claudit; claudis, et nemo aperit: veni, et educ vinctum de domo carceris, sedentem in tenebris et umbra mortis.*

O Key of David, Scepter of the house of Israel, you open and no one closes; you close and no one opens: Come and deliver us from the chains of prison, we who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.

**READING**

Isaiah 22:20-24

**ANTHEM**

*An Open Door*

Jack Warren Burnam (b. 1946)  
The St. Andrew's Adult Choir

*Look, I have set before you an open door, which no one is able to shut. Ask, and it will be given you, search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For ev'ryone who asks receives, and ev'ryone who searches finds, and for ev'ryone who knocks, the door will be opened. Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking. If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me.*

**COLLECT**

**O KEY OF DAVID** and throne of glory, you open the way to a promising future and no one closes; you close the way to a formative past and no one opens. Release us and all your people from the oppressions of the past that we may face the future with boldness and purpose; through the merits of the Son of David, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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**O Oriens**



**O RISING DAWN**

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**ANTIPHON**

Peter Hallock

*O Oriens, splendor lucis aeternae, et sol justitiae: veni, et illumine sedentes in tenebris et umbra mortis.*

O Rising Dawn, brightness of the light eternal, sun of righteousness: Come and enlighten those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.

**READING**

Isaiah 41:25; 42:1-7

**Verses**



1. Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for
2. Long-ing for peace, our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for
3. Long-ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long-ing for
4. Long-ing for shel-ter, man - y are home-less. Long-ing for
5. Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



1. truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
2. hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
3. wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
4. warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
5. hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



1. your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
2. has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
3. bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
4. shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
5. to one an - oth - er, mak - ing your king - dom come.

**Refrain/Estribillo**



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.  
*¡Sé nues-tra luz, Cris-to Se - ñor, en las ti - nie - blas!*



Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gath-ered to-day.  
*¡Sé nues-tra luz! Bri-lla en tu I - gle - sia reu - ni - da hoy.*

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## COLLECT

**O RISING DAWN**, you shine with warm brightness and clean freshness, chasing the fearsome shadows of the night away: enlighten the lives of your people with ideal visions of harmony and mutuality, so that all that is alien may finally join in the fullness of life together; for the sake of him we call the Light of the world, Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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## O Rex Gentium



## O KING OF NATIONS

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### ANTIPHON

Peter Hallock

*O Rex gentium, et desideratus earum, lapisque  
angularis, qui facis utraque unum: veni, et salva  
hominem, quem de limo formasti.*

O King of nations and their desire; You are  
the cornerstone that binds two into one:  
Come and save the creature whom you have  
fashioned from clay.

### READING

*Isaiah 33:20-22*

### HYMN

*The King Shall Come*

#73, *The Hymnal* 1982

### COLLECT

**O KING OF NATIONS**, your reign spreads through all the lands, you defend the  
cause of the poor and plead for the wretched of the earth: come and fashion us  
into a commonwealth of free and responsible creatures, that all may discover  
the depth of meaning and the grace of belonging; in the name of him we know  
as King of Kings, Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord. **Amen.**

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## O Emmanuel



## O GOD WITH US

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### ANTIPHON

Peter Hallock

*O Emmanuel, Rex et legifer noster, exspectatio  
gentium, et Salvator earum: veni ad salvandum  
nos Domine Deus noster.*

O Emmanuel, our King and Lawgiver, the  
desire of the Nations and their salvation:  
Come and save us, O Lord our God.

### READING

*Isaiah 7:13-14*

### ANTHEM

*O Thou Central Orb*

Charles Wood (1866-1926)  
The St. Andrew's Adult Choir

*O Thou, the central orb of righteous love, pure beam of the most High, eternal  
Light of this our wintry world, Thy radiance bright awakes new joy in faith, hope  
soars above. Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine, gilding our darksome  
heaven with rays Divine.*

*Thy saints with holy lustre round Thee move, as stars about thy throne, set in the  
height of God's ordaining counsel, as Thy sight gives measured grace to each, Thy  
power to prove. Let Thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin, our nature all  
shall feel eternal day in fellowship with thee, transforming day to souls erewhile  
unclean, now pure within. Amen.*

### COLLECT

**O EMMANUEL**, Child of Promise and sign of hope, you come from a distance  
far beyond our reach, yet to be closer to us than we are to ourselves: remain  
with us in our own days of expectation that we may give birth to what is just,  
true, beautiful and good; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with  
you and the Holy Spirit, abides with us, one God now and forever. **Amen.**



# HYMN

## People Look East



1. Peo - ple, look East. The time is near  
 2. Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare.  
 3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build,  
 4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim  
 5. An - gels an - nounce with shouts of mirth

Of the crown - ing of the year.  
 One more seed is plant - ed there:  
 Guard the nest that must be filled.  
 One more light the bowl shall brim,  
 Him who brings new life to earth.

Make your house fair as you are a - ble,  
 Give up your strength the seed to nour - ish,  
 E - ven the hour when wings are fro - zen  
 Shin - ing be - yond the frost - y weath - er,  
 Set ev - 'ry peak and val - ley hum - ming

Trim the hearth and set the ta - ble.  
 That in course the flow'r may flour - ish.  
 He for fledg - ing time has cho - sen.  
 Bright as sun and moon to - geth - er.  
 With the word, the Lord is com - ing.

Peo - ple look East and sing to - day:

Love the Guest is on the way.  
 Love the Rose is on the way.  
 Love the Bird is on the way.  
 Love the Star is on the way.  
 Love the Lord is on the way.

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 Tune: BESANCON, 87 98 87; French Traditional; harm. by Martin Shaw, 1875-1958, © Oxford University Press

**THE GOSPEL***Matthew 24:36-44**Reader  
People*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to the disciples, “But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

*Reader  
People*

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

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE***Please stand or kneel.*

As we await the coming of Christ in glory, let us pray for the Church, the world, and all who long for God’s redemption. *A brief silence* O Wisdom, you come forth from the mouth of the Most High, ordering all things with strength and sweetness. Guide your Church in every land—especially this congregation of St. Andrew’s—that we may walk in faith, proclaiming hope, practicing compassion, and shaping our common life according to your justice and joy. Lord, in your mercy,

*People***Hear our prayer.**

O Adonai, ruler of the house of Israel, you delivered your people from bondage with outstretched arm. Rescue this nation and all nations from the bonds of injustice, violence, and division. Give wisdom to those who govern, courage to those who seek peace, and integrity to all who serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

O Root of Jesse, sign of all peoples, before whom kings fall silent and nations seek your salvation: Plant your peace in every place where war and famine and desolation reign. We pray especially for the people of Ukraine, Gaza, Sudan, and for all who live in places of fear and upheaval. Let your kingdom take root in our weary world and bring forth justice, mercy, and new life. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

O Key of David, you open and none can close; you close and none can open. Unlock the prisons of the suffering, the sick, the lonely, the addicted, the oppressed, and all who sit in darkness or the shadow of death. We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list and those whose needs are known to you alone. *Pause* Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

O Rising Dawn, brightness of eternal light and sun of righteousness, shine upon this community. Enlighten our homes, our schools, and our workplaces with wisdom, patience, and compassion. Strengthen all who serve the vulnerable—especially those engaged in the ministries of this congregation, including the Breakfast Program and the Ann Arbor Community Center Adopt-a-Family Christmas. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

O King of Nations, cornerstone who makes all peoples one, bind us together in the peace of your kingdom. Give us grace to listen deeply, speak truthfully, and honor the dignity of every human being. Knit together all races, cultures, and communities in bonds of mutual belonging. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

O Emmanuel, God-with-us and hope of all the earth, hold in your mercy all those we love but see no longer. *Silence* Grant them rest in your eternal kingdom, where sorrow and pain are no more and every tear is wiped away. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

O Lord our God, come among us and save us. Awaken our hearts, strengthen our wills, and prepare us for the coming of your Son, that in this Advent season we may watch, wait, and work for the signs of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ Emmanuel, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. <i>Silence</i>
<i>People</i>	<b>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.</b>
<i>Celebrant</i>	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. <b>Amen.</b>

#### THE PEACE

<i>Celebrant</i>	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
<i>People</i>	<b>And also with you.</b>

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**GIVE ONLINE!**

Ushers will receive your offering during the Offertory or you can give online via [Realm eGiving](#) using the QR code.

**OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY**

*Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern*

Oliver Steissberg, Organ  
Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

**CHILDREN'S ENTRANCE HYMN**

*Come, thou long expected Jesus*

#66, *The Hymnal* 1982

**THE HOLY COMMUNION****THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Eucharistic Prayer B

*Celebrant*      *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*      *People*

Lift up your hearts. 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.

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*Celebrant*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father 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 judge 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:

**SANCTUS**

*Holy, holy, holy Lord*

#S 130, *The Hymnal* 1982

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.

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,"

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

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 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 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.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*



## FRACTION ANTHEM

*Christ Our Passover*

#S 152, *The Hymnal* 1982

*Please come forward and stand or kneel at the rail. The priest will place the bread in your outstretched palm (Consecrated rice wafers are available for those with wheat allergies - simply ask the priest). You may dip (intinct) the bread in the wine in the small cup held by the first Eucharistic minister, or drink from the large chalice held by the second Eucharistic minister.*

*Please know that Christ is fully present in both the bread and the wine - there is no requirement to receive both. If you do not wish to receive communion, you may come forward, cross your hands over your chest, and receive a blessing.*

## MUSIC AT COMMUNION

*Prelude on an Ancient Melody (Wachet Auf)*

Russell Schulz-Widmar (b.1944)

## COMMUNION HYMN

*Wait for the Lord*



Text: Isaiah 40, Philippians 4, Matthew 6-7; Taizé Community, 1984  
Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994  
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## COMMISSIONING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

*Celebrant* In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

*People* **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

## POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*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.**

## THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

“Sleepers, wake!”

#61, *The Hymnal* 1982

*The young people are invited to come forward to offer the dismissal after the choir processes out.*

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

POSTLUDE

*Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV-645*

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)



THIS WEEK

Sunday, November 30

*First Sunday of Advent*

8:00 AM    Holy Eucharist (C)  
8:45 AM    Coffee Hour (Lobby)  
9:15 AM    Family Service (Cpl)  
9:45 AM    Sunday School  
10:00 AM    Holy Eucharist +  
              *O Antiphons* (C)  
11:15 AM    Coffee Hour (L)  
11:15 AM    Newcomer Gathering  
              (Cpl)

Tuesday, December 2

3:30 PM    Glacier Hills Service

Wednesday, December 3

7:00 AM    Holy Eucharist (Cpl)  
10:00 AM    Centering Prayer (Cpl/Z)  
4:30 PM    Jr Handbell Choir (C)  
4:30 PM    Cherub Choir (CL)  
5:15 PM    Junior Choir (CL)  
6:00 PM    Evensong (Cpl)  
6:30 PM    Handbell Choir (C)

Thursday, December 4

10:00 AM    Bible Study (Z)  
12:15 PM    Division Street Pipes (C)  
5:15 PM    Holy Eucharist (Cpl)  
7:15 PM    Adult Choir (CL)

Friday, December 5

8:15 AM    Walking Group  
12:15 PM    Holy Eucharist (Cpl)  
7:00 PM    Alcoholics Anon (PH)

Saturday, December 6

10:00 AM    Christmas Pageant  
              Rehearsal (C)

Sunday, December 7

8:00 AM    Holy Eucharist (C)  
8:45 AM    Coffee Hour (Lobby)  
9:15 AM    Family Service (Cpl)  
9:45 AM    Sunday School  
10:00 AM    Holy Eucharist (C)  
11:15 AM    Coffee Hour (L)  
11:45 AM    Hymn Sing (Cpl)  
6:30 PM    Compline (C)  
7:00 PM    *Music for Meditation:*  
              Juan Riveros, Harp (C)

(C): Church; (CL): Choir Loft; (Cpl): Chapel;  
(L): Lounge; (PH): Parish Hall; (Z): Zoom

TODAY AT ST. ANDREW’S

If you are new to St. Andrew’s, please join us in the Chapel following the 10:00 am service today to meet other newcomers, hear from key members of our various ministries, and get a brief tour of our buildings.

**Gift Tags for the Ann Arbor Community Center’s Adopt-A-Family Christmas** will be available in the Lobby starting today. The ingathering of gifts and gift cards will be Sunday, December 14. You can also donate by check (payable to St. Andrew’s with “Community Center Christmas” in the memo line) or online at <https://bit.ly/StA-Christmas>

by selecting the ‘Community Center Christmas’ Fund by Tuesday, December 9. *Thank you for your generosity!*

**2026 Church Directory Available!** We have produced a new church directory with current contact information for our members. If you find your information is incorrect or incomplete, or if you would rather not be listed, please let us know. *For changes or to be mailed a copy of the directory, please contact our parish administrator, Jonathan Gardner. He can be reached at [jgardner@standrewsaa.org](mailto:jgardner@standrewsaa.org) or 734-663-0518 ext. 200.*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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**Centering Prayer & Psalms:** Please join Paul on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am in the Chapel. We will spend about twenty minutes in silence, read and reflect on a psalm together, and then return to silence. If you are unable to join us in person in the Chapel, you can join us on Zoom (Meeting ID: 881 1661 6360 Passcode: 508660), or sit in silence at home. On Wednesday, December 3, we'll read and reflect on Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19, found on page 685 in the *Book of Common Prayer*. All are welcome.

**Children's Christmas Store:** Next Sunday, December 7 instead of Sunday School, the children will make or buy (for free) and wrap gifts at our Christmas Store on the second floor!

Make your spirits bright at our **Advent/Christmas Hymn Sing** on Sunday, December 7 in the Chapel after Coffee Hour. Kids and adults of all ages are invited to get into the musical spirit of the season as we sing favorite Advent and Christmas hymns. *Toys and percussion instruments available; song requests are welcome.*

**Music for Meditation: Juan Riveros, Harp**  
Sunday, December 7 at 7:00 pm in the Church. Principal harpist of the Detroit Opera Orchestra Juan Riveros presents a recital of exquisite music, including arrangements of seasonal music. *This concert is free and open to the public. Come early! Compline will be sung at 6:30 pm by the St. Andrew's Early Music Ensemble and Compline Choir.*

**Choral Sundays: 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Lessons and Carols**  
Sunday, December 21 at 4:00 pm in the Church. Join the St. Andrew's Adult, Junior, and Cherub Choirs and the St. Dunstan Handbell Choir for this traditional Anglican service of nine lessons from Scripture alternating with sacred hymns, voluntaries and carols for the Christmas season.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Wanted: Socks for Breakfast Guests** · The Breakfast Program would greatly appreciate donations of men's socks - especially thick, warm, winter socks - to give to the guests for Christmas. *Donations can be dropped in the black bin at the Memorial Garden entrance through Wednesday, December 17.*

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

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**Division Street Pipes at St. Andrew's! Thursdays at 12:15 pm in the Church.** Each recital will feature talented students and faculty of the U-M Organ Department. These 30-minute performances are free and open to the public. **Join us this Thursday, December 4,** for a performance by DMA student Chanmi Kim who will pair Bach's *Prelude and Fugue in D Major BWV 532* with Movements 2 and 3 from Guillemant's *Sonata No. 1 in D Minor*.

**Don't miss the conclusion of the fall series on December 11** with J.S. Bach's vibrant cantata for advent, *Nun komm der Heiden Heiland, BWV 61*, along with organ chorales for the Advent season. Led by director Joseph Gascho, the musicians will be members of the Baroque Chamber Orchestra, Basso Continuo Class, and Organ Studios.

## MUSIC NOTES

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### **Hymn 57: Lo! He comes with clouds descending**

This hymn, with its stark, startling images of Christ's suffering, reflects the warning themes we hear in the readings today about the coming of the Lord. So it may be surprising that it is very popular; indeed many feel that it is essential to Advent. Charles Wesley's text reminds us that God's triumph is hard-won over real enemies and that the shadow of the cross lies across the manger. Yet because the text looks confidently forward to Christ's victorious reign, the words fit well with Arne's joyful tune, named for a village where a friend of Wesley's had a parish. -- Donna Wessel Walker

### **The "O" Antiphons**

The entire Liturgy of the Word this morning utilizes the "O" Antiphon settings by Peter Hallock (1924-2014), organist and choirmaster at St. Mark's Cathedral in Seattle from 1951 to 1991. In the monastic office, the antiphons for the Magnificat at Vespers on the last seven days before Christmas describe the attributes of the Messiah (these antiphons are paraphrased as the verses of the familiar hymn "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"). Hallock wrote: "Music is a conduit to the inner spiritual person; and I think [that] the road to God is internal." The plain-song-derived simplicity of these settings usher us into the presence of the Lord about to come among us once again. -- Dennis Powers