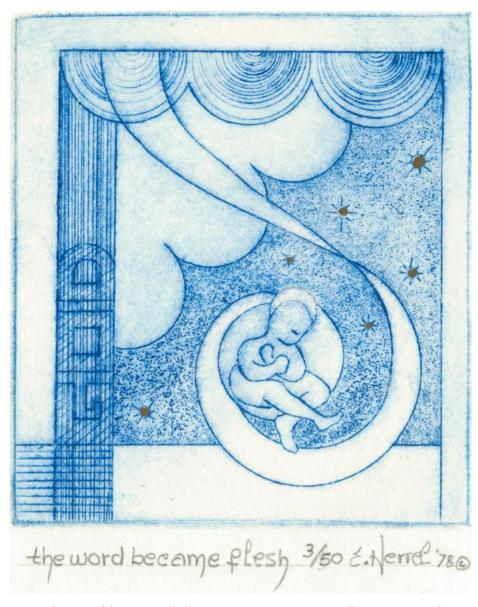


# ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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The Word became Flesh, 1978

Edie Mae Herrel

Welcome to St. (Andrew's

# **The First Sunday after Christmas**

8:00 AM & 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist • December 28, 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.

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

pfrolick@standrewsaa.org (585) 241-9317 (cell)

#### **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, December 28, 2025

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist

8:45 AM Coffee Hour (Lobby)

9:15 AM Family Service (Chapel)

9:45 AM Sunday School

10:00 Aм Holy Eucharist

11:15 AM Coffee Hour (Lounge)

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer** 

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Anglican Church of Canada

In our own diocese we pray for the clergy and people of *Church of the Incarnation (Ann Arbor)*.

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**

Altar Guild: Susan Wakefield, Joe Piffaretti,

Lisa Osbeck, Jude Wilson *Bread Baker:* Elaine Mouradian

8:00 am

Celebrant/ Preacher: Paul Frolick

Acolyte: Ann Garvin Lector: Sarah Inwood Intercessor: Sarah Inwood

#### 10:00 am

Celebrant/ Preacher: Paul Frolick

Deacon: Felicity Thompson

*Director of Music & Organist*: Deborah Friauff

Organ Scholar: Oliver Steissberg

Acolytes: Beau Tennyson, Leah Tremonti, Luke

Thompson

Lectors: Joe Piffaretti, Lorraine Field

Intercessor: Kathryn Barnes

Eucharistic Ministers: Felicity Thompson, Barb Kelly,

Jim Wortley, Phil MacBride

Ushers: Kathryn Barnes, Rodger Piehl

Bell Ringer: Jim Wortley

Lay Eucharistic Visitor: Ann Garvin Coffee Hour Host: Dawn Barron

#### **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 Colsman, Kari Paetzold, Marty Gillen, Critter, Lisa Jaqua, John Ramsey, Maria Trombley, Ramon Howing, Amy Schulte and family, Bill Harper, Jim Medlock, George Varghese, Read Gignilliat, Joshua Jackson, Martin & Saloni Bridgeman, Jennifer Whiteford, Sandra Sloan, Shirley Harden, Rudy Haertl, Barb and Roger Bowen, and Marylou Slater

#### Prelude

Divinum Mysterium

Wilbur Held (1914-2015)

# THE WORD OF GOD

#### Hymn

Of the Father's love begotten

#82, The Hymnal 1982 (Blue Book)

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Celebrant

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

AllAlmighty 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.

#### HYMN OF PRAISE

Angels we have heard on high

#96, The Hymnal 1982

GLORIA 8:00 am only

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you,

we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

> Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

> > *Please be seated.*

#### THE FIRST LESSON Isaiah 61:10-62:3

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my whole being shall exult in my God;

for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,

as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,

so the LORD God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,

until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch.

The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory;

and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give.

You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

#### PSALM 147:13-21

- <sup>13</sup> Worship the LORD, O Jerusalem; \* praise your God, O Zion;
- <sup>14</sup> For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; \* he has blessed your children within you.
- He has established peace on your borders; \* he satisfies you with the finest wheat.
- He sends out his command to the earth, \* and his word runs very swiftly.
- <sup>17</sup> He gives snow like wool; \*
  he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.
- He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; \* who can stand against his cold?
- He sends forth his word and melts them; \* he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.

- <sup>20</sup> He declares his word to Jacob, \* his statutes and his judgments to Israel.
- <sup>21</sup> He has not done so to any other nation; \* to them he has not revealed his judgments. Hallelujah!

#### **THE SECOND LESSON** Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian.

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Reader The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

#### SEQUENCE HYMN

Lully, lullay, thou little tiny child

#247, The Hymnal 1982

THE GOSPEL *Iohn 1:1-18* 

> Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

> In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

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

THE SERMON The Rev. Paul Frolick

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

Rejoicing that we have seen the salvation of God in the birth of Jesus, let us pray for the church, the world, and all people in need. A brief silence Your Word became flesh and lived among us, revealing your glory full of grace and truth. We give you thanks for the gift of Jesus, born to dwell with us in love; for light that shines in the darkness; for mercy made visible; and for hope made human. Open our hearts in gratitude, that our lives may bear witness to your Word at work among us.

People God of love, draw us together in peace.

Your Word calls a people into being and sends us into the world as bearers of your light. Strengthen your church in every place and tradition. Renew the baptized in faith, courage, and compassion, that we may proclaim your good news in word and deed and share in your work of healing, justice, and reconciliation. God of love, draw us together in peace.

Your Word comes with justice to rule the earth with fairness. Inspire the leaders of all nations and the citizens of the world to order our economic lives to promote dignity and equality for all in your global household. God of love, draw us together in peace.

Mountains and rivers clap and sing as your Word makes all things new. Awaken us to the damage we do to your world and mend our ways, that all creation might breathe again with the liveliness of your blessing. **God of love**, draw us together in peace.

Your Word took on human form to seek us out and guide us home. May Christ be born in us today to lead us into the lives for which we were made. God of love, draw us together in peace.

From your majesty on high to the lowliness of the stable, your Word has power to sustain all things. Comfort those who are hungry, sick, or suffering, remembering especially those on our prayer list. *Pause* Make us mindful of the needs of those who are homebound. Bless them with your presence and help us attend to their needs. God of love, draw us together in peace.

In a moment of silence, let us pray for those who are dear to us. Silence Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours; grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. God of love, draw us together in peace.

Your Word is our beginning and our end. We give thanks for the witness of your faithful servants whose earthly life has ended, remembering especially those in whose memory the flowers have been given this Christmas season. Silence Grant to them eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them.

O God, by your Word you created all things, and in your Word made flesh you have drawn near to us in love. Receive the prayers we bring, and let your Word take root in us, that our lives may shine with your glory and join the song of all creation, now and forever. Amen.

#### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

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

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.

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.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS



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#### OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY

Interlude on 'Coventry Carol'

W.S. Lloyd Webber (1914-1982)

#### CHILDREN'S ENTRANCE HYMN

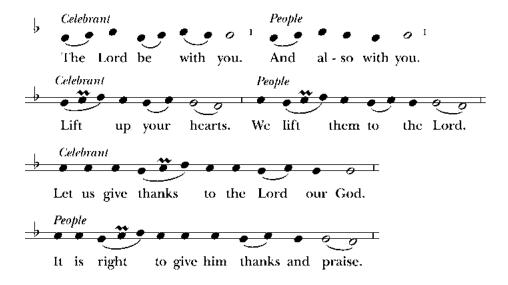
Away in a manger

#27, LEVAS II (Red and Black Book)

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B



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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

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.

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

Jesus, Lamb of God

#S 164, 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.

#### **COMMUNION HYMN**

O little town of Bethlehem

#79, The Hymnal 1982

#### 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**

From heaven above to earth I come

#80, 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.

Thanks be to God. People

#### **POSTLUDE**

Von Himmel hoch, da komm ich her, BWV 606

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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# THIS WEEK -

#### Sunday, December 28

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)

#### Tuesday, December 30

12:00 PM Caregivers' Luncheon (L)

# Wednesday, December 31 New Year's Eve

7:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Cpl) 10:00 AM Centering Prayer (Cpl/Z)

# Thursday, January 1 New Year's Day

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Срl)

#### Friday, January 2

12:15 РМ Holy Eucharist (Cpl) 7:00 РМ Alcoholics Anon (PH)

### Sunday, January 4

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)

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

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Caregivers' Luncheon: An open invitation is extended to parishioners who may be giving care to a loved one. We'll meet for an hour this Tuesday, December 30 at noon in the Lounge for lunch, reflection, and mutual encouragement. For more information, or to make a reservation for lunch, please contact Fr. Paul at pfrolick@standrewsaa.org or 585-241-9317.

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 31, we'll read and reflect on Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14, found on page 685 in the *Book of Common Prayer*. All are welcome.

There is **no Evensong on Wednesday, December 31**. Evensong services resume Wednesday, January 7.

**New Year's Day Holy Eucharist:** Thursday, January 1 at 10:00 am in the Chapel. Let the God of hope fill you with joy and peace as you greet the new year with prayers and Holy Eucharist.

**Book Discussion:** "How We Learn to Be Brave: Decisive Moments in Life and Faith" by Marianne Edgar Budde. Join facilitator Jackie Doneghy on January 13, 20, and 27 from 7-8:30 pm via Zoom (link provided upon registering) for a discussion on Bishop Budde's book. A work of inspiration, this book provides the key junctures in life that, when navigated with faith and discernment, make the way for us to become our courageous selves. *For more information and to register, contact Jackie Doneghy at jdgail696@aol.com or 734-546-0397.* 

Actor's Wanted! The St. Andrew's Players are looking for actors in a production of Thornton Wilder's *Our Town*, to be staged in the sanctuary on February 20 and February 22. Rehearsals will begin with a reading on Friday, January 16 at 7:00 pm in the Lounge. There are many parts to fill, large and small -- we are particularly interested in casting a high school-aged boy and girl. Talk to Norm Richert (nrichert@comcast.net) if you are interested.

# **Annual Parish Meeting**

Sunday, January 25, 2026 11:30 am Parish Hall

Annual Parish Reports
Reports are due by January 14.
Please submit your report to
Kate Riedel at communications@
standrewsaa.org.

Thank you those who have agreed to stand for election.

Nominees for the Vestry are:
Kathryn Barnes
Diane Long
Dennis Powers
Norm Richert

Nominee for Convention/ Deanery delegates is: Luke Thompson

Following Article IV, 4.04 (a) (4) of our Bylaws, "Additional candidates may be nominated by the submission of a written nomination containing the signatures of at least ten adult communicants in good standing (not including the nominee) to the parish office no later than January 10th.