

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Naive drawing in the style of an ancient map of Jerusalem, 2011

Welcome to St. (Andrew's

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist • November 16, 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.

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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. Children and youth in preschool through high school attend Sunday School from 9:45 am until they join their families during the Children's Entrance Hymn. *Preschoolers need to be picked up by a parent.*

Sunday, November 16, 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 AM Holy Eucharist

11:15 AM Coffee Hour (Lounge)

11:15 AM Reimagining Justice (Parish HALL)

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for *The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria*.

In our own diocese we pray for the clergy and people of *St. John's* (*Clinton*).

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/ Preacher: Paul Frolick Assisting: JoAnn Kennedy Slater Seminarian: Felicity Thompson

Director of Music & Organist: Deborah Friauff

Organ Scholar: Oliver Steissberg

Acolytes: Harry McLaughlin, Addy Peterson,

Collin Murchison *Lectors:* Church School

Intercessor: Donna Wessel Walker

Eucharistic Ministers: Chris Schetter, Dennis Powers, Carmela Brown, Felicity Thompson Ushers: Kathryn Barnes, Kurt Hagemeister

Bell Ringer: Jim Galezewski

Lay Eucharistic Visitor: Dennis Powers

Coffee Hour Host: Mary White

Altar Guild: Anna Dutton, Judy Woods,

Carol Himelhoch

Bread Baker: Stephen Bates

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, Judy Garton-Zavesky, Sean O'Keefe and family, Marty Gillen, Roger Eva, Lisa Jaqua, Bob Cahan and family, John Ramsey, Maria Trombley, Ramon Howing, Amy Schulte and family, Edward White, Bill Harper, Jim Medlock, and George Varghese

For Nile Harper, who died this week.

Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of St. Margaret of Scotland and in thanksgiving for Margaret Grace by Donna Wessel Walker

THE WORD OF GOD

Hymn

Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth

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

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

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

All

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLORIA

Mass of the Holy Spirit

Susan Calvin Fletcher



COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON Malachi 4:1-2a

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

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

PSALM 98



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- Sing to the LORD a new song, * for he has done marvelous things.
- With his right hand and his holy arm * has he won for himself the victory. All Sing Antiphon
- ³ The LORD has made known his victory; * his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- ⁴ He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, * and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. **All Sing Antiphon**
- ⁵ Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; * lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- ⁶ Sing to the LORD with the harp, * with the harp and the voice of song. **All Sing Antiphon**
- With trumpets and the sound of the horn * shout with joy before the King, the LORD.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, * the lands and those who dwell therein. All Sing Antiphon
- ⁹ Let the rivers clap their hands, * and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, when he comes to judge the earth.
- In righteousness shall he judge the world * and the peoples with equity. All Sing Antiphon

THE SECOND LESSON 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our LORD Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were

with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the LORD Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN

If thou but trust in God

#635, The Hymnal 1982

THE GOSPEL Luke 21:5-19

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

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

The Rev. Paul Frolick THE SERMON

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.

Gathered in the Name of Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all people. A brief silence God of life, you made the universe with all its marvelous order, its atoms, worlds, and galaxies, and the infinite complexity of living creatures. Grant that, as we probe the mysteries of your creation, we may come to know you more truly and more surely fill our role as stewards in your name. Every day we stand in the shade of trees we did not plant. We live in houses we did not build. We eat food we did not produce. We ponder ideas that are not original to us. So too, we live in a body with a mind and a spirit that we did not choose or create. Let us never take for granted the many blessings you have freely bestowed upon us.

People God of hope, hear our prayer.

God of creation, in Christ you give us hope for a new heaven and a new earth. Grant us wisdom to interpret the signs of our times, courage to stand in the time of trial, and faith to witness to your truth and love. God of hope, hear our prayer.

God of grace, we ask your blessings on this congregation. May we be generous in supporting the work done here in your name. May we nurture a strong faith in the many children who enter our doors. Help us and all parents and

grandparents in our desire to raise children with inquiring and discerning hearts, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **God of hope, hear our prayer.**

God of reconciliation, we ask for healing for the divisions in our nation. Teach us to listen deeply to one another and learn to respect each other in spite of our differences. Fill our land with your spirit of reconciliation that we may truly be one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all. **God of hope, hear our prayer.**

God of peace, we pray for the people of Ukraine, Gaza, Sudan, and all those impacted by the devastation of war. May we all be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace. **God of hope, hear our prayer.**

God of healing, have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, including those on our prayer list and all whose suffering is known to you alone. *Silence* Grant them compassionate caregivers and restore them to wholeness and health in your good time and in your good way. **God of hope, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation. *Prayers may be offered silently or aloud*.

God of eternity, we commend to your mercy all whom we love but see longer. *Silence* May they have rest and peace in your eternal kingdom. **God of hope, hear our prayer.**

God of abundance, we thank you for the many gifts you have given us. May we serve your creation as we seek your new heaven and new earth. Help us take these gifts out into a world filled with distress and calm it. Help us take these gifts out into a world filled with pain and heal it. Help us take these gifts out into a world filled with silence and speak up for justice. In Jesus's name we pray. **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



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

God is Our Refuge and Strength

The St. Andrew's Adult Choir Allen Pote (b. 1945)

God is our refuge and strength; a present help in time of trouble through the mountains shake in the heart of the sea, though the waters roar and foam, we will not fear. Come and behold the work of the Lord, the awesome acts of God. He is in the midst of his people, in all the earth.

He is the Word, we are his hands, he will lead us. He is the air, we are his song, we will celebrate his presence all the day long. He is the rain, we are the stones, he will cleanse us. He is the air, we are his song, we will celebrate his presence all the day long.

CHILDREN'S ENTRANCE HYMN

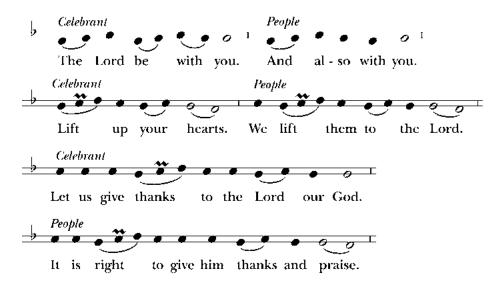
"Thy kingdom come!"

#615, The Hymnal 1982

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A



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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. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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



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> Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

> He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.





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> 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

Rejoice in the Lord

The St. Andrew's Cherub Choir Jane Lindner (b.1940)

Rejoice in the Lord, again I will say: rejoice! Be gentle to all, the Lord is near. Rejoice in the Lord, again I will say, rejoice! Be thankful and pray, and God will give you peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

Lord of all hopefulness

#482, 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

I want to walk as a child of the light

#490, 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

Chorale Prelude on 'Ein fest burg ist Unser Gott'

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

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THIS WEEK -

Sunday, November 16

Holy Eucharist (C) 8:00 AM Coffee Hour (Lobby) 8:45 AM

9:15 AM Family Service (Cpl)

9:45 AMSunday School

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist (С)

11:15 AM Coffee Hour (L)

11:15 AM Reimagining Justice (PH)

Tuesday, November 18

6:00 рм Finance (Z)

6:00 PMBook Discussion (Cpl)

Wednesday, November 19

7:00 AMHoly Eucharist (Cpl)

10:00 AM Centering Prayer (Cpl/Z)

4:30 PM Jr Handbell Choir (C)

Cherub Choir (CL) 4:30 PM

Junior Choir (CL) 5:15 PM

6:00 рм Evensong (Cpl)

Handbell Choir (C) 6:30 PM

Thursday, November 20

10:00 AM Bible Study (Z)

12:15 PM Division Street Pipes (C)

Holy Eucharist (Cpl) 5:15 PM

Adult Choir (CL) 7:15 PM

Friday, November 21

Walking Group 8:15 AM

12:15 PM Holy Eucharist (Cpl)

7:00 PM Alcoholics Anon (PH)

Saturday, November 22 Habitat for Humanity Build

11:00 AM Christmas Pageant Meeting (Cpl)

11:00 AM Felicity Thompson's Ordination

Sunday, November 23

New Member Welcome

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist (C)

Coffee Hour (Lobby) 8:45 AM

9:15 AM Family Service (Cpl) 9:45 AMSunday School

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist (С)

11:15 AM Coffee Hour (L)

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

TODAY AT ST. ANDREW'S

Reimagining Justice through Restorative Justice: Today from 11:15 am - 12:45 pm in the Parish Hall. The Restorative Justice approach to crime brings together the people who are directly impacted (perpetrator and victim) to identify harms, needs and obligations created by the offense. Restorative Justice seeks to heal and put things as right as possible by encouraging communication, seeing other viewpoints, and taking responsibility. Through presentation, discussion and role play, we will explore its use.

UPCOMING EVENTS -

Outreach and Social Justice Book Discussion: "Jesus Changes Everything" by Stanley Hauerwas on Tuesday, November 18 at 6:00 pm in the Chapel. "Jesus Changes Everything," is not just the book's title, but the Gospel Good News. Each of the short essays offer insights into some of our contemporary cultural challenges and how we can respond as followers of Jesus.

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, November 19, we'll read and reflect on Psalm 46, found on page 649 in the Book of Common Prayer. All are welcome.

Ordination to the Diaconate: Felicity Thompson will be ordained to the Diaconate on Saturday, November 22 at 11:00 am at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul (4800 Woodward Ave., Detroit).

First Meeting: Christmas Pageant · Saturday, November 22 at 11:00 am in the Chapel. Parts for all ages! Can't make the meeting but want to be in the pageant? Contact Norm Richert at nrichert@comcast.net.

New Member Welcome! We'd like to formally recognize and welcome new members to St. Andrew's during worship on Sunday, November 23. We are sending out invitations to people who are new here in the last six months or so, but we know our records are not complete. *If you are new here (and would like to be formally* recognized), please reach out to Fr. Paul at pfrolick@standrewsaa. org or 585-241-9317.

Celebrate the Feast of St. Andrew! Please join us next Sunday, November 23 during the 10:00 am service as we celebrate our annual patronal feast with bagpipes, the premiere of a new commissioned choral setting of Psalm 104 composed by our former Choir Scholar, Dr. Haley Olson, and our New Member Welcome.

Thanksgiving Day: A Holy Eucharist will be held on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 27 at 10:00 am in the Church. The Church Office will be closed November 27-28.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Children's Christmas Store, where the children make or buy (for free) and wrap gifts for their families, will be December 7. If you have any donations of little items, good for any member of the family, please put them in a box outside the office.

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.

If you have sleeping bags, blankets or warm clothing that you are no longer using, please consider donating those items to the Breakfast Program. Our guests are also looking for duffel bags and backpacks to carry their belongings. You do not need to buy anything new; gently used items are appropriate and appreciated. Donations can be dropped in the black bin at the Memorial Garden entrance.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Division Street Pipes at St. Andrew's! Thursdays at 12:15 pm in the Church, through December 4, no recital 11/27. 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, November 20, for a performance by organ department faculty member and University Organist Nicole Keller. Professor Keller is in demand as a concert artist, adjudicator and clinician, and has toured internationally as a concert organist and continuo player. She specializes in eclectic programs seeking to expand the listener's horizons by pairing familiar genres with less familiar ones. Keller's program will include early organ music by Johann Walther and Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck, German Romantic music by Siegfried Karg-Elert, and 20th century English-American organ music by jazz extraordinaire George Shearing.

MUSIC NOTES -

Hymn 598: Lord Christ, when first thou

The lessons this morning anticipate the Advent themes of judgment and warning, as does this rather severe text. It describes the ways human beings have rejected the love of God until the last verse, which asks Christ to "finish our salvation." Written at the request of the dean of Liverpool Cathedral for Advent in 1928, this text is regarded as a masterpiece in applying biblical themes to contemporary life. The author, Walter Russell Bowie (1882-1969), wrote that "it is an effort to express both the solemnity and inspiration of the thought of Christ coming into our modern world in judgment." -- Donna Wessel Walker

God Is Our Refuge and Strength

This morning's anthem by Allen Pote (b. 1945) sets a text derived from Psalm 46. Pote has been a church musician throughout his musical career. He attended Texas Christian University, earning a degree in sacred music, and was a Fulbright Scholar in Belgium studying with the composer Flor Peeters. He co-founded the Pensacola Children's Chorus in 1990 with his wife Susan. Over the next 26 years, they built it into one of Northwest Florida's most prominent arts organizations. "I discovered that my music was sort of a bridge between traditional choral music," he told the Pensacola News Journal in 2017, "and music with more of a contemporary style and beat. It struck a nerve. That's how I became known nationally, I guess." -- Dennis Powers **2026 ANNUAL GIVING GROUNDED** in Community, **GROWING** in Grace

Our Annual Giving Campaign is well underway! In gratitude for this congregation, 119 families have committed \$582,664 representing a 11% increase in their giving over 2025.

We hope you will help us as these families have and do your best to support our mission and ministry in the year ahead.



We are **GROUNDED** in community.



We are **GROWING** in grace.



And we are so **GRATEFUL.**





Pledge Now!

Your 2026 pledge will support our ministry, keep our roots strong, and help our commu-

nity grow. Each gift connects us and strengthens our shared work.







Thank you to everyone who has turned in their Pledge Card!

Your support of the mission and ministry of St. Andrew's will help guide us as we plan for the future.

Please know: The wardens, vestry, rector, and staff are grateful for every pledge of support, no matter the size. And, if your financial situation is such that you cannot pledge this year, please know that we are grateful that you are here, grateful for the many ways you support St. Andrew's, and grateful for your prayers.





