



# SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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**Sunday, August 15, 2021** MORNING PRAYER • *St. Mary the Virgin*

## Calendar

### Sunday, August 15

**Holy Eucharist** (*In-Person*)

9:00 am in the Church

**Morning Prayer** (*Virtual*)

10:00 am on YouTube

**Coffee Hour** (*Virtual*)

10:45 am on Zoom

### Wednesday, August 18

**Holy Eucharist** (*In-Person*)

7:00 am in the Chapel

### Friday, August 20

**Holy Eucharist** (*In-Person*)

12:15 pm in the Church

### Sunday, August 22

**Holy Eucharist** (*In-Person*)

9:00 am in the Church

**Morning Prayer** (*Virtual*)

10:00 am on YouTube

**Coffee Hour** (*Virtual*)

10:45 am on Zoom

**Masks are required for all in-person events**

**This bulletin is for use only with our Morning Prayer service on YouTube.**

A bulletin for the in-person Holy Eucharist will be available at church on Sunday.

**AUGUST 1 - SEPTEMBER 5, 2021**

# JOIN US THIS SUNDAY!

<b>In-Person</b>	<b>Online</b>
<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>
<b>Holy Eucharist</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
<i>in the Church</i>	<i>on YouTube</i>

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## Announcements

### Attention Families!

**The 9:15 am Family Service and in-person Church School classes resume on Sunday, September 12!**

In order to prepare for the upcoming year, we are asking families planning to attend the 9:15 service and/or Church School families to **register online by August 15**. For more information or if you have not yet received the registration link, please email [Carol Ferguson](mailto:Carol.Ferguson@standrewsaa.org).



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- ▶ [WATCH THE SERVICE](#) at 10:00 am
- ▶ [COFFEE HOUR](#) on Zoom at 10:45 am

Use our [Morning Prayer text](#) or follow the Book of Common Prayer, pg. 75.

## Prelude: *Ave Maria*

Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

Deborah Friauff, Soprano

*Hail Mary, full of grace, The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed, Blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Hail Mary! Hail Mary, Mother of God, Pray for us sinners, Now and at the hour of our death. Hail Mary.*

## Hymn: *By All Your Saints* [Verse 2: Saint Mary the Virgin] Hymnal, no. 232



- 1 By all your saints still striv - ing, for all your saints at rest,
- 2 *(Insert the stanza appropriate to the day)*
- 3 Then let us praise the Fa - ther and wor-ship God the Son



your ho - ly Name, O Je - sus, for ev - er - more be blessed.  
and sing to God the Spi - rit, e - ter-nal Three in One,



You rose, our King vic - tor - ious, that they might wear the crown  
till all the ran - somed num - ber who stand be - fore the throne



and ev - er shine in splen - dor re - flect-ed from your throne.  
a - scribe all power and glo - ry and praise to God a - lone.

Saint Mary the Virgin *August 15*

We sing with joy of Mary

whose heart with awe was stirred

when, youthful and unready,

she heard the angel's word;

yet she her voice upraises,

God's glory to proclaim,

as once for our salvation

your mother she became.

## Opening Sentences

Book of Common Prayer, pg. 77

## Grace and Peace

### Preces

Hymnal, no. S-33  
Book of Common Prayer, pg. 80

### Invitatory: *Venite*

Book of Common Prayer, pg. 80

### Psalm 34:1-9

- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times; \*  
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
- 2 I will glory in the Lord; \*  
let the humble hear and rejoice.
- 3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; \*  
let us exalt his Name together.
- 4 I sought the Lord, and he answered me \*  
and delivered me out of all my terror.
- 5 Look upon him and be radiant, \*  
and let not your faces be ashamed.
- 6 I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me \*  
and saved me from all my troubles.
- 7 The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, \*  
and he will deliver them.
- 8 Taste and see that the Lord is good; \*  
happy are they who trust in him!
- 9 Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, \*  
for those who fear him lack nothing.

### First Lesson: Isaiah 61:10-11

Barbara Mackey-King

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.

**The Gospel:** Luke 1:46-55

Barbara Mackey-King

“My soul magnifies the Lord,  
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,  
for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant.  
Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;  
for the Mighty One has done great things for me,  
and holy is his name.  
His mercy is for those who fear him  
from generation to generation.  
He has shown strength with his arm;  
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.  
He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,  
and lifted up the lowly;  
he has filled the hungry with good things,  
and sent the rich away empty.  
He has helped his servant Israel,  
in remembrance of his mercy,  
according to the promise he made to our ancestors,  
to Abraham and to his descendants forever.”

**Sermon**

Fr. Alan Gibson

In the Name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Artistic renderings of Jesus and the Saints have been around for about as long as there has been a Church. These expressions tell us a lot about Christians through the centuries, how they visualized the stories, what they believed or sought to believe, and how they placed themselves in and what they sought from their faith. The desire to adorn places of worship, public squares, and private homes with articles of devotion is not uniquely Christian, but it has thrived in our tradition. These painting, icons and statues often tell us as much about the artists and the community or patron for whom they were labored, as they do about the person being depicted. These creations are first and foremost offerings to God, but they are also works of art, teaching tools, and marketing devices meant to make the faith more relatable and appealing. I remember one unusual image of Jesus from an old high school curriculum that styled this Semitic son of Israel to look more like the captain of an English rugby team. I guess this image was meant to set teenaged hearts aflutter or to swell them with a spirit of comradeship. In seminary we called him the “Jock Jesus.”

Just as the image of Jesus has been culturally adapted throughout the world his mother ranks a very close second. In Spain and Portugal and the lands they colonized we see the Virgin Mary as a very emotional and tragic woman. Whereas a little further north and east she tends to be viewed as more ethereal and often regal. In the Protestant world we tend to be limited to the Mary of Christmas cards with their reproductions of paintings of Old Masters. Even with this wide proliferation of Mary throughout Christianity, and all the honor paid to her for her role in the work of Salvation, I wonder if we have not done Mary a disservice by all that we have built up around her both through extreme devotion and neglect, depending on your piety, leaving her silent as so many women have been left throughout the history of the Church. Like all the saints, Mary has come to play a particular role in the Church based on what the Faithful need her to be. We fill the gaps in the historical record with our own desires and longings.

Mary was uniquely blessed. Her angelic messenger says that she had “found favor with God,” though without saying specifically why. It’s easy to forget that she was person, a woman with her own will, her own voice, her own faith. In that regard she is no different than any other Christian. She is no different than us. Failing to connect with her on that level is to miss an extraordinary opportunity.

Except for a handful of brief statements and quiet actions, Mary’s song recorded in this morning’s gospel, sung for an audience of one – her cousin Elizabeth – is the most we hear from her. It is her statement of faith. God, who chose her for an exceptional mission also inspired in her an assurance of God’s continuing presence and care through all that is to come, not only for herself but for all who find their faith through the child she is to bear. For Mary that faith would be sorely tested, as it has on some level for everyone that has come after her. I wonder if she recalled her youthful song as the years passed and the trials of her life accumulated. Have we? Does the memory and inspiration of that rush of faith still live in us as we move through our lives?

Some echoes of it must have survived in Mary as her life unfolded because we know that when it involved her son, she was there through it all. That was more than just the strength of a mother’s devotion. The “great things” she foresaw as a newly pregnant teenager were fulfilled beyond any imagining. And none of that would have happened if she had not said “yes” to a divine request.

Was it faith, or the recklessness of youth, or the hope of glory that allowed Mary to do what she did at each step of her journey? Whatever her motivation, it came from a living, open, human heart, not from a well-crafted

statue or the brush of an artist. That's what we can share with her. That's what the Church often forgets in regard to the Mother of Our Lord.

God has equipped us with the same heart that Mary possessed. Will ours be as open to God as Mary's was? Like hers, our hearts can speak, and can even sing, for us. When they do, what does God hear?

## **Apostles Creed**

Book of Common Prayer, pg. 96

## **The Prayers**

### **Collect of the Day**

O God, you have taken to yourself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of your incarnate Son: Grant that we, who have been redeemed by his blood, may share with her the glory of your eternal kingdom; 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.*

**Anthem:** *O Gloriosa Dei Genitrix* (Codex las Huelgas, 14th cent.)  
Celia Bridges, Deborah Friauff

*O God's glorious parent, Mary ever virgin, worthy to bear the lord of all things and, though a virgin, alone worthy to suckle the king of the angels: we ask you, faithful one, to remember us, and to pray to Christ for us, that borne up by your support we may be worthy to reach the heavenly kingdoms.*

## **General Thanksgiving**

Book of Common Prayer, pg. 101

## **Prayer of St. Chrysostom**

## **Concluding Versicle**

Hymnal, no. S-54

Closing Hymn: *Sing We of the Blessed Mother*

Hymnal, no. 278

1 Sing we of the bless - ed Mo - ther who re - ceived the an - gel's  
2 Sing we, too, of Ma - ry's sor - rows, of the sword that pierced her  
3 Sing a - gain the joys of Ma - ry when she saw the ris - en  
4 Sing the chief - est joy of Ma - ry when on earth her work was

word, and o - be - dient to the sum - mons bore in  
through, when be - neath the cross of Je - sus she his  
Lord, and in prayer with Christ's a - pos - tles, wait - ed  
done, and the Lord of all cre - a - tion brought her

love the in - fant Lord; sing we of the joys of  
weight of suf - fering knew, looked up - on her Son and  
on his prom - ised word; from on high the blaz - ing  
to his heaven - ly home; where, raised high with saints and

Ma - ry at whose breast the child was fed who is  
Sa - vior reign - ing from the aw - ful tree, saw the  
glo - ry of the Spi - rit's pres - ence came, heaven - ly  
an - gels, in Je - ru - sa - lem a - bove, she be -

Son of God e - ter - nal and the ev - er - last - ing Bread.  
price of our re - demp - tion paid to set the sin - ner free.  
breath of God's own be - ing, man - i - fest in wind and flame.  
holds her son and Sa - vior reign - ing as the Lord of love.

Postlude: *Salve, 1<sup>o</sup> tono por de la sol re* Sebastián Aguilera de Heredia  
(c. 1565-after 1620)

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**39<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY!**

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for friends who prepare  
for friends to share  
*our food and love*  
each morning.



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