

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Edgartown, Massachusetts



The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II
July 19, 2026

Welcome! Wherever you are in your spiritual journey, we welcome you to St. Andrew's and are grateful for your presence with us this morning. If you would like more information from us, please leave us with your contact information by filling out a card available in your pew. We hope to see you again soon!

This Morning's Hymnody

WRITTEN ABOUT 1680 by the German Reformed pastor Joachim Neander, Hymn 390 is a jubilant paraphrase of Psalm 103, calling all creation to praise God for his goodness, providence, and sustaining care. The melody, LOBE DEN HERREN, first appeared in Germany in 1665 and is one of the finest examples of the Lutheran chorale tradition. Its broad, energetic phrases have made it one of Christianity's most enduring hymns of praise. This morning's closing organ voluntary is built around this tune.

The text of Hymn 482 was written in 1931 by the English author Jan Struther (best known for creating the fictional character Mrs. Miniver). Each stanza is a prayer for Christ's presence at a different time of day – morning, noon, evening, and night – asking that every part of life be shaped by faith, joy, and compassion. It is paired with the traditional Irish tune SLANE, first published in the early twentieth century but rooted in a much older Irish folk melody. The tune's gentle, flowing character beautifully complements the hymn's expression of quiet confidence and devotion.

Among the oldest texts in the Hymnal 1982, Hymn 302 is adapted from a Eucharistic prayer found in the *Didache*, a Christian manual of worship and instruction dating from the late first or early second century, which is one of the most significant resources for the Communion liturgy. The translation is by the Episcopal priest and liturgical scholar F. Bland Tucker, a great figure in the Episcopal Church's liturgical renewal. The hymn's themes of thanksgiving, unity, and the gift of Christ's life make it especially appropriate during Holy Communion. Its tune, RENDEZ À DIEU, was composed by Louis Bourgeois for the 1551 *Genevan Psalter* and has remained one of the most distinguished melodies of the Reformation.

Hymn 344 is a well-loved hymn traditionally attributed to the English Baptist minister John Fawcett (1740–1817), though its authorship has occasionally been questioned. Sung at the conclusion of worship, it asks God's blessing as the congregation leaves to serve Christ in the world. The tune, SICILIAN MARINERS, is adapted from a traditional Sicilian melody by the American musician George Nicholas Allen. Its memorable melody has made it a favorite closing hymn in churches for more than a century.

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It is our tradition to maintain a holy silence upon entering the church.

Prelude

Lantana (*Plymouth Suite*)

Percy Whitlock
(1903–1946)

Hymn 390

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Please stand

Acclamation

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

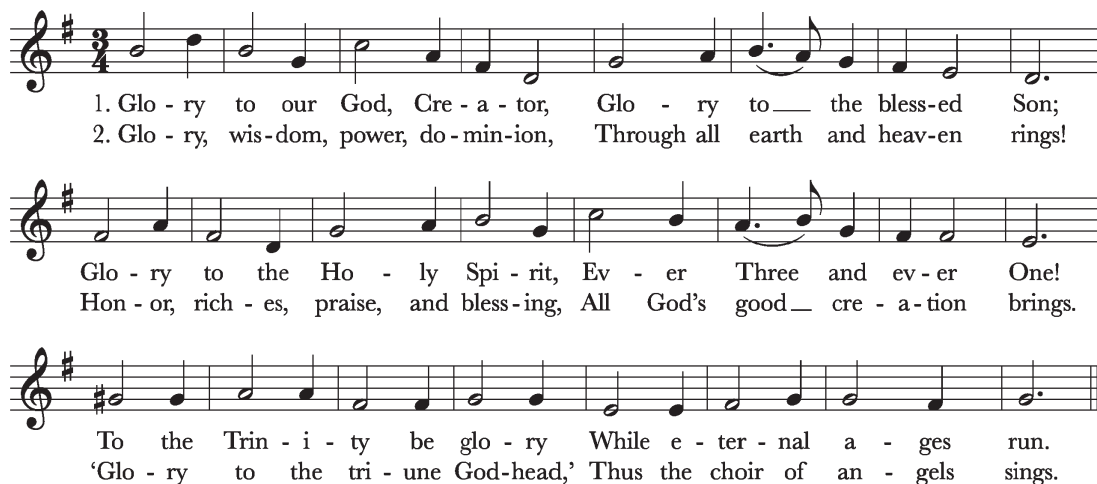
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant 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.

People Amen.

Hymn of Praise



1. Glo - ry to our God, Cre - a - tor, Glo - ry to the bless-ed Son;
2. Glo - ry, wis-dom, power, do - min-ion, Through all earth and heav-en rings!

Glo - ry to the Ho - ly Spi - rit, Ev - er Three and ev - er One!
Hon - or, rich - es, praise, and bless-ing, All God's good cre - a - tion brings.

To the Trin - i - ty be glo - ry While e - ter - nal a - ges run.
'Glo - ry to the tri - une God-head,' Thus the choir of an - gels sings.

Words: Rachel Cooke, after Horatius Bonar (1808–1889)

Music: WESTMINSTER ABBEY, Henry Purcell (1659–1695), adapt.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Please be seated

— The Word of God —

The Lesson

Genesis 28:10–19a

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, “I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.” Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, “Surely the Lord is in this place – and I did not know it!” And he was afraid, and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.”

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 139: 1–11, 22–23

Read responsively

- 1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before *
and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 6 Where can I go then from your Spirit? *
where can I flee from your presence?
- 7 If I climb up to heaven, you are there; *
if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.
- 8 If I take the wings of the morning *
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- 9 Even there your hand will lead me *
and your right hand hold me fast.
- 10 If I say, “Surely the darkness will cover me, *
and the light around me turn to night,”
- 11 Darkness is not dark to you;
the night is as bright as the day; *
darkness and light to you are both alike.
- 22 Search me out, O God, and know my heart; *
try me and know my restless thoughts.
- 23 Look well whether there be any wickedness in me *
and lead me in the way that is everlasting.

The Epistle

Romans 8:12–25

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 482 *Lord of all hopefulness* *Please stand*

The Gospel

Matthew 13:24–30, 36–43

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’”

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Canon Robert Edmunds

A period of silence follows the Sermon

The Nicene Creed

Please stand

Book of Common Prayer, p. 358

Intercessions and Thanksgiving

Please kneel

Intercessor God Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People That we all may be one.

Intercessor Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Intercessor We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Intercessor We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Intercessor Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People That our works may find favor in your sight.

Intercessor Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People That they may be delivered from their distress.

Intercessor Give to the departed eternal rest;

People Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Intercessor We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Intercessor Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

Intercessor We pray for those on our parish prayer list . . .

Prayers are offered for those on the parish prayer list

Then the Celebrant adds this concluding Collect

Celebrant Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

The Confession *Please remain kneeling*

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

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. 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.

People Amen.

The Peace *Please stand*

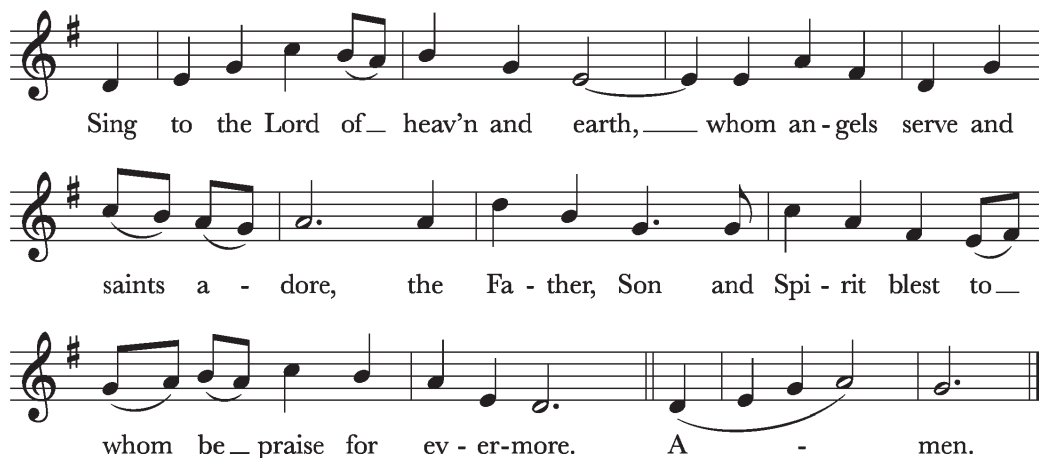
Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Risen Christ

— The Holy Communion —

Hymn at the Presentation *Please stand*



Sing to the Lord of heav'n and earth, whom an-gels serve and
saints a - dore, the Fa - ther, Son and Spi - rit blest to —
whom be — praise for ev - er-more. A - men.

Words: John Samuel Bewley Monsell (1811-1865)

Music: GONFALON ROYAL, Percy Carter Buck (1871-1947)

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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 by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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 and Benedictus qui venit

Organ

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in__ the
high - est, Ho - san - na in__ the high - est. Bless - ed is he__ who
comes__ in the name of the Lord.__ Ho - san - na in__ the high - est.

Music: DOVE OF PEACE, American Folk Melody, adapt/arr by Robert Lehman

Celebrant 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:

People Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Celebrant 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.

People AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

Book of Common Prayer, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem

Organ

Je - sus, Lamb of God, —

— have mer - cy on us. — Je - sus, bear - er of our

sins: have mer - cy on us. — Je - sus, re -



Music: DOVE OF PEACE, American Folk Melody, adapt/arr by Robert Lehman

Communion Hymn 302

Father, we thank thee who has planted

Sung seated

The Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant and 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

Hymn 344

Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing

Please stand

Dismissal

The People are dismissed and they respond

People Thanks be to God.

*You are invited to be seated and remain for the closing Organ Voluntary.
 Those departing are asked to do so quietly out of respect for those who remain.*

Organ Voluntary

Choralvorspiel: *Lobe den Herren*

Johann Gottfried Walther

(1684–1748)

COFFEE HOUR follows the liturgy in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.
 The Parish Hall is best accessed through the door on Winter Street.

Today's Ministers

<i>Presider and Preacher</i>	The Rev. Canon Robert Edmunds
<i>Organist</i>	Robert Lehman
<i>Lay Leader</i>	Janet Constantino
<i>Lector</i>	Tom Dunlop
<i>Prayers</i>	Chris White
<i>Usher</i>	Tom Dunlop
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Carrie Caldwell
<i>Flowers</i>	Meg Carman
<i>Video Op</i>	Heather Anne Slayton
<i>Coffee Hour</i>	Sara Barrington
<i>Counters</i>	Mardi Moran and Susan Ostrowski

Today we remember

Ruth and Ed Brooks

in whose loving memory the altar flowers are given.

Parish Picnic

Sunday, July 26 — 5:00 pm at the Rectory, 10 Bold Meadow Road, Edgartown. Burgers, Hot Dogs, and Soft Drinks will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share if you are able. Picnic will be held on the lawn – very casual!



Dear St. Andrew's Parishioners,

We have recently encountered two important expenses that were not included in our 2026 budget, and we are asking you to prayerfully consider helping us meet these needs.

Sound System Upgrade

Our current sound system is no longer providing the clarity and reliability our parish needs for worship. Unfortunately, replacing or upgrading the system is not within our current budget. If you are able to help support this \$12,000 project financially, we would be deeply grateful.

Rectory Freshen-Up

As you know, we are preparing to welcome our new Rector. To make the Rectory ready, several necessary repairs, updates, and general clean-up projects have been completed. These unexpected expenses were also not included in our 2026 budget. If you would consider contributing toward the \$10,000 Rectory freshen-up, we would sincerely appreciate your support.

If you would like to make a donation by check, you may place it in the offering plate or mail it to the church. Please note either **"Sound System"** or **"Rectory Work"** in the memo line so we can direct your gift appropriately.

Thank you for your generosity, your prayers, and your continued support of the ministry of St. Andrew's.

Palmer Marrin and Barbara Rush, *Wardens*

Office hours for Fr. Bob this week are
Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday
from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm and by appointment.

Next Sunday, July 26, we will welcome The Rev. Sharon Eckhardt as our guest celebrant and The Rev. Judy Fentress-Williams as our guest preacher.
Fr. Bob will return for services on August 2nd.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

Coffee Hour at St. Andrew's

If you are looking for an easy and fun way to contribute to the Parish during the summer months, this is a perfect opportunity! There are plenty of “old timers” to guide you through the simple steps, and you will never have to work alone! Get in touch with the church office, and we will set you up. Any help at all is greatly appreciated.
office@standrewsmv.org.

Food Pantry

With the high costs of rent on our island, we have neighbors in need of food assistance throughout the year. While the IGI Food Pantry can obtain basic shelf-stable foods for its clients, we would appreciate your help in providing food for seniors on special diets. Please consider donating gluten-free, low-salt, and/or low-sugar items when you come to church. Deb Edmunds will mark them as a donation from St. Andrew's Church and take them to the Pantry.

Giving to St. Andrew's

You may now make a secure contribution to the ministry and mission of our parish by scanning the QR code below with your smartphone camera. The code will take you directly to our online giving page, where you can make one-time or recurring gifts safely and conveniently. (https://www.paypal.com/donate?hosted_button_id=3ZNAWBG5ZM3NC) If you have questions, they may be directed to: office@standrewsmv.org. Your generosity supports the worship, outreach, pastoral care, and many ministries of this congregation. We are grateful for every gift and for all who share in the work of Christ through this parish.



Support our mission

Each must give as they decide in their heart,
not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

— 2 Corinthians 9:7

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