

# ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Edgartown, Massachusetts



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*Edgartown, Martha's Vineyard*

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## The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II  
July 12, 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

**T**HIS MORNING'S OPENING HYMN was written by the noted English hymn writer and priest Christopher Wordsworth and first appeared in *The Holy Year* (1862). The text celebrates the Lord's Day as the weekly commemoration of Christ's resurrection and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Drawing together themes of creation, redemption, and sanctification, it presents Sunday as a foretaste of the eternal rest and joy of God's kingdom. The tune ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN is a German folk melody first published in the sixteenth century. Its graceful, dance-like character and memorable melodic shape have made it a favorite for congregational singing.

The text of Hymn 440 was penned by Tobias Clausnitzer and first published in 1663. It is a prayer for attentive hearing of God's Word, asking Christ to open the hearts and minds of worshipers to receive divine truth. The hymn reflects the pietistic Lutheran emphasis on scripture as a means of grace while expressing a universal Christian desire to listen faithfully and respond obediently. The author cleverly draws allusions to various points in the liturgy; perhaps the most notable is a reference to the *Sursum Corda* at the words "drawn from earth to love thee solely." The tune LIEBSTER JESU was composed by Johann Rudolph Ahle and first appeared in 1664. Its noble simplicity and balanced phrases provide a contemplative setting for the text. Widely regarded as one of the finest chorale melodies of the Lutheran tradition, it has inspired numerous composers, including works by Johann Sebastian Bach.

Frank von Christierson wrote Hymn 698 which first appeared in 1976. It is a prayer for renewal by the Holy Spirit, asking Christ's living presence to shape the thoughts, actions, and relationships of believers. Reflecting themes of discipleship and sanctification, the hymn emphasizes that Christian faith is not merely belief but a continual transformation into the likeness of Christ. The tune FLENTGE was composed by Carl F. Schalk, one of the most influential Lutheran composers of the twentieth century. Written specifically for this text, its broad phrases and steady rhythm combine to create dignified strength with lyrical warmth.

After a dissolute youth, Robert Robinson, author of Hymn 686, was converted and became a Methodist minister. Written in 1758, it is a grateful response to God's sustaining grace. Drawing on biblical imagery and personal testimony, Robinson reflects on God's guidance throughout life while acknowledging the human tendency to wander from the faith. The tune NETTLETON is an American folk melody first published in Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music* (1813). Though its composer is unknown, it has become one of the most enduring tunes in American hymnody.

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

## Prelude

Liturgical Prelude III

George Oldroyd  
(1886–1956)

Hymn 48      *O day of radiant gladness*      *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* O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through 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 25:19–34

These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham’s son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean. Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, “If it is to be this way, why do I live?” So she went to inquire of the Lord. And the Lord said to her, “Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; the one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger.”

When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau’s heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.

When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob.

Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, “Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!” (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, “First sell me your birthright.” Esau said, “I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?” Jacob said, “Swear to me first.” So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 119:105–112**      *Read responsively*

- 105 Your word is a lantern to my feet \*  
    **and a light upon my path.**
- 106 I have sworn and am determined \*  
    **to keep your righteous judgments.**
- 107 I am deeply troubled; \*  
    **preserve my life, O Lord, according to your word.**
- 108 Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of my lips, \*  
    **and teach me your judgments.**
- 109 My life is always in my hand, \*  
    **yet I do not forget your law.**
- 110 The wicked have set a trap for me, \*  
    **but I have not strayed from your commandments.**
- 111 Your decrees are my inheritance for ever; \*  
    **truly, they are the joy of my heart.**
- 112 I have applied my heart to fulfill your statutes \*  
    **for ever and to the end.**

**The Epistle**

Romans 8:1–11

There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## The Gospel

Matthew 13:1–9, 18–23

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

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: “Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!

“Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

*Gospeler* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## Sermon

The Rev. Laura B. Goodwin

*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*

**Welcome and Prayer for the Transition**

*The Prayer for the Transition may be found on the inside back cover of this bulletin*

## — The Holy Communion —

**Hymn at the Presentation**      *Please stand*

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all  
crea-tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly  
host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

*Words:* Thomas Ken (1637–1711)

*Music:* OLD HUNDREDTH, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.;  
harm. after Louis Bourgeois (c. 1510–c. 1561)

## 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 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 -  
deem - er of the world: give — us your peace. —

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

## Communion Hymn 698

*Eternal Spirit of the living Christ*

*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 686      *Come, thou fount of every 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**      Praeludium in D dur      Johann Kaspar Ferdinand Fischer  
(1656–1746)

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

Fr. Bob is keeping regular office hours  
Monday, Wednesday, and Friday  
from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm  
and by appointment.

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## Today's Ministers

<i>Celebrant and Preacher</i>	The Rev. Laura B. Goodwin
<i>Presider</i>	The Rev. Canon Robert Edmunds
<i>Organist</i>	Robert Lehman
<i>Lay Leader</i>	Jo-Ann Taylor
<i>Lector</i>	Meg Carman
<i>Prayers</i>	Chris White
<i>Usher</i>	Chris White
<i>Flowers</i>	Palmer Marrin
<i>Video Op</i>	Heather Anne Slayton
<i>Coffee Hour</i>	Bonnie Akins
<i>Counters</i>	Palmer Marrin and Cheryl DeWitt

### *Today we remember*

The Rev. John A. Greely and Mary Greely  
Ashley Elizabeth Flack and Janet Elizabeth Flack

*in whose loving memory the altar flowers are given.*

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**The Rev. Laura B. Goodwin** received an MDiv. From Wycliffe College (Anglican) in Toronto, Ontario in 2008 and was ordained to the priesthood in the Diocese of Western Massachusetts (Episcopal) in December 2008. Prior to ordination, Laura spent many years in active lay ministry as a preschool teacher and director, parish administrator, and in various roles at summer camps. She served St. Andrew's Church in North Grafton and Holy Spirit Episcopal Church in Sutton before retiring in 2022. In retirement, she served as Interim Rector at Christ Church in Fitchburg, MA from 2023-2025. She currently is Retired Associate at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Gardner, MA, and Pastor Emeritus for Worcester Fellowship, an inter-denominational outdoor church for the marginalized in Worcester, MA. Laura lives in Fitchburg with her husband Todd and a spoiled cat. They enjoy hiking, kayaking, and spending time with their grandson James.

## 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](mailto: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.

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 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 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*

## Search Prayer for the Parish

Almighty God, Giver of every good gift,  
Look with favor upon this selection committee.  
Guide our minds as we work to choose a new rector for this parish.  
Grant us wisdom, discernment, and a clear sense of your will,  
as we seek a faithful pastor who will care for your people  
and equip our ministries.  
We pray that the Holy Spirit will be present throughout this process,  
guiding the search committee, the vestry and all potential candidates.  
May we be united in our desire to find the person you have chosen for us.  
May our new rector be a beacon of love, hope and faith in our community.  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## 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](https://www.paypal.com/donate?hosted_button_id=3ZNAWBG5ZM3NC)) If you have questions, they may be directed to: [office@standrewsmv.org](mailto: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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