



Thanksgiving Day

November 25, 2021

10 am

Welcome to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

The Tree of Life is Growing Here

*We are called to offer sanctuary in the city,
to grow in God's love,
to seek the renewal of the world*

Welcome to this service of Holy Communion. We rejoice in this opportunity to gather together for worship and fellowship. Please help us to maintain a safe and welcoming environment by observing these guidelines:

Please be seated in one of the marked spaces.

When we exchange the peace, please maintain your distance.

Please wear your mask throughout the service (except when receiving communion).

Wine at Communion. This morning we will experiment with offering consecrated wine at communion. Though we cannot yet share the common cup, we invite you, if you choose, to receive the wine as well as the bread today. After receiving the bread, take a glass from the nearby table, consume it, and leave the glass on the next table.

Children are always welcome to participate fully in worship, as they are able and interested. Busy boards, service guides, and books are available in a basket in the Narthex to help your child participate with you in worship. Our Minister to Children & Youth, Zoe, will be glad to help you find the best options for your children.

Safety Guidelines for Our Parish: Our Bishop continues to urge us to demonstrate care for our community and neighbors by wearing masks and maintaining social distance, even if we are vaccinated. We do so because not all are able to be vaccinated, some remain at risk, and in order not to create further division in our communities between the vaccinated and the unvaccinated. If you would like to know more about our current practices, please contact elizabeth@standrewdenver.org.

THANKSGIVING DAY

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Organ Voluntaries

The Tolling of the Great Bell

The People stand as they are comfortable at the ringing of the entrance bells.

The Processional Hymn: 290

ST. GEORGE'S, WINDSOR

The 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

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.**

The Song of Praise: S 278 (*front portion of hymnal*)

Gloria in excelsis

The Collect of the Day

Thanksgiving Day

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

The First Reading

Joel 2:21-27

Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the Lord has done great things! Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears its fruit, the fig tree and vine give their full yield. O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat

in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

V. The Word of the Lord.

R. **Thanks be to God.**

Silence is kept. The People remain seated for the singing of the Gradual.

The Gradual: Psalm 100

Jubilate Deo

All sing the Antiphon:

Anglican Chant: *Francis Jackson (b. 1917)*



We are his peo-ple and the sheep of his pas-ture.

The choir sings the verses:

- 1 Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.
- 2 Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- 3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.
- 4 For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

All repeat the Antiphon

Silence is kept. The People stand as they are comfortable for the proclamation of the Gospel.

The Sequence

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

All sing the Alleluias



The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord: and thou givest them their meat in due season. **Alleluia.** Thou openest thine hand: and satisfiest the desire of every living thing. **Alleluia.**

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 6:25-33

V The Holy Gospel of Our Savior Jesus Christ † according to Matthew .

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

Jesus said, “I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you- you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”

V The Gospel of the Lord.

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

At the invitation of the preacher, the People sit.

The Sermon

The People stand and sing

The Nicene Creed

1. I be - lieve in God al - might - y, Au - thor of all things that
2. I be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and cru - ci -
3. I be - lieve in God's own Spir - it, bond - ing all the saints with-

be, Mak - er of the earth and heav - ens, Keep - er of the sky and
fied; tak - en from the cross, was bur - ied— True Life there had tru - ly
in One church, cath - o - lic and ho - ly, where for - give - ness frees from

sea. I be - lieve in God's Son, Je - sus, now for
died. I be - lieve that on the third day Christ was
sin; in the bod - y's res - ur - rec - tion, for the

us both Lord and Christ, of the Spir - it and of
raised up from the grave, then as - cend - ed to God
break - ing of death's chain gives the life that's ev - er -

Mar - y born to bring a - bun - dant life.
right hand. He will come to judge and save.
last - ing. This the faith that I have claimed.

Words: Sylvia Dunstan (1955-1993), metrical paraphrase of the Nicene Creed
Music: *Dombnach Trionoide*, Gaelic melody, harm. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

A Litany of Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea,

We thank you, Lord.

For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, revealing the image of Christ,

We thank you, Lord.

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,
We thank you, Lord.

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,
We thank you, Lord.

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,
We thank you, Lord.

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,
We thank you, Lord.

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,
We thank you, Lord.

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,
We thank you, Lord.

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord;
To him be praise and glory, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Please observe appropriate social distancing as you exchange the peace. At the invitation of the Celebrant, please be seated for announcements concerning the life of the parish.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Anthem: O give thanks unto the Lord

William Croft (1678-1724)

O give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon his Name. Tell the people what things he hath done.

Hallelujah!

Psalm 105:1-3

The Offertory Hymn: 705

FOREST GREEN

The People stand.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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 our thanks and praise.**

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 with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

The Sanctus & Benedictus: S-128 (*front portion of the hymnal*)

After the singing of the Sanctus, the people may stand or kneel as they are comfortable

The Celebrant continues

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:

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

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.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Fraction

The Celebrant breaks the bread. A period of silence may be kept.

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia.**

The Fraction Anthem: O esca viatorum

J. Michael Haydn (1735-1806)

[*Sung in Latin*] O food of life, O bread of angels, O manna from on high; we hunger, Lord: Feed us, and do not deny us your sweetness, whose hearts yearn for you.

attrib. Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274)

The Invitation to Communion

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Behold who you are; become what you receive.

The People sit

The Communion of the People

All are welcome at God's table. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers.

The Communion Motet: Glory, Love, and Praise and Honor

melody: Johann Georg Ebelin (1637-1676)

arr. William H. Harris (1883-1973)

Glory, love, and praise and honor
for our food
now bestowed
Render we the donor.

Source of all our gifts and graces,
Christ we own;
Christ alone
Calls for all our praises.

Bounteous God, we now confess thee;
God, who thus
blessest us,
Meet it is to bless thee.

He dispels our sin and sadness,
life imparts,
cheers our hearts,
Fills with food and gladness,

Thankful for our every blessing,
let us sing
Christ the Spring,
Never, never ceasing.

Who himself for all hath given,
us he feeds,
us he leads
To a feast in heaven.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

The Communion Hymn: 424

EAST ACKLAM

The People stand during the final verse of the hymn

The Post Communion 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

The Processional Hymn: 397

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

The Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Organ Voluntary



Those Who Serve Today

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev'd Elizabeth P. Randall, *Rector*

Assisting: The Rev'd Elizabeth Garfiled, *Deacon*

Server: Alicia McKim **Crucifer:** Oriole Hart

Thurifer: David Tweed

Reader: Betsy Hoover

Eucharistic Visitor: Katie Schmidt

Keep Up with our Parish Life

In- Person Still Point, Sunday November 28 5:30 pm. All are Welcome!

Our regular Still Point self-guided reflection, with scripture, poetry, and questions for meditation, is available here: <http://www.standrewdenver.org/still-point>.

We Depend on Your Generous Support! Please give generously to support our mission and ministries in one or more of the following ways:

- Go to the St. Andrew's website (www.standrewdenver.org) and use the **Donate** button at the bottom of the page using a credit or debit card.
- Text to donate: text to 310-582-5828 (For your first text you will have to set up an account and provide a credit/debit card number. After that it is as easy as texting! Please contact our Treasurer Bob Mosher (bobdmosher@gmail.com) for details on setting this up.)

For more information about parish ministries and becoming involved in the life of the parish, please visit our website, www.standrewdenver.org.

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Garden Guild: Diane Jameson
Social Justice Ministry: Sue Kilgore

Worship Schedule

Sunday

9:00 am - Choral Eucharist (in person)

11:00 am - Choral Eucharist with incense (in person and live-streamed)

5:30 pm - Still Point, *second and fourth Sundays* (in person)

Thursday

5:45 pm - Choral Evensong (in person and live-streamed)

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