



St. Andrew's Episcopal Cathedral

Seventh Sunday after the Pentecost

July 12, 2026 | Holy Eucharist, Rite II | 10:30 a.m.

305 E. Capitol St. | Jackson, MS 39201 | standrews.ms | 601-354-1535

Welcome to St. Andrew's Episcopal Cathedral!

Joyfully proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ through grace-filled worship, radical hospitality, and incarnational faith.

We are glad we can worship together today. Children are always welcome in our service. If you would rather your child be in the nursery or supervised playroom, feel free to take them out the pulpit side arch and through the chapel.

You are welcome to bring them back into the service at any time.

PRELUDE

HYMN H-1982 #372

Praise to the living God!

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THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER (BCP), PAGE 351

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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.**

1. Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

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.

The People may be seated.

THE FIRST READING

ISAIAH 55:10-13

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes

out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

PSALM 65:1-14

1 You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; *
to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.
2 To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, *
because of their transgressions.
3 Our sins are stronger than we are, *
but you will blot them out.
4 Happy are they whom you choose
and draw to your courts to dwell there! *
they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,
by the holiness of your temple.
5 Awesome things will you show us in your
righteousness,
O God of our salvation, *
O Hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the seas that are far away.
6 You make fast the mountains by your power; *
they are girded about with might.
7 You still the roaring of the seas, *
the roaring of their waves,
and the clamor of the peoples.

8 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will
tremble at your marvelous signs; *
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.
9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
you make it very plenteous; *
the river of God is full of water.
10 You prepare the grain, *
for so you provide for the earth.
11 You drench the furrows and smooth out the
ridges; *
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless
its increase.
12 You crown the year with your goodness, *
and your paths overflow with plenty.
13 May the fields of the wilderness be rich for
grazing, *
and the hills be clothed with joy.
14 May the meadows cover themselves with
flocks,
and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; *
let them shout for joy and sing.

THE SECOND READING

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.**

SEQUENCE HYMN H-1982 #530

Spread, O spread, thou mighty word

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THE GOSPEL

MATTHEW 13:1-9, 18-23

Deacon 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."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The People are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON

The Very Rev. Anne M. Maxwell

The People stand at the invitation of the presider.

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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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FORM III

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Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

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

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury, Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Dorothy, our Bishop, and all other priests, and deacons;

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

We pray for Donald, our president, Members of Congress, Justices of the Supreme Court and all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

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

That our works may find favor in your sight.

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

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

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

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

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

Silence

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION

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Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence*

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.

THE ABSOLUTION

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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

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Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION



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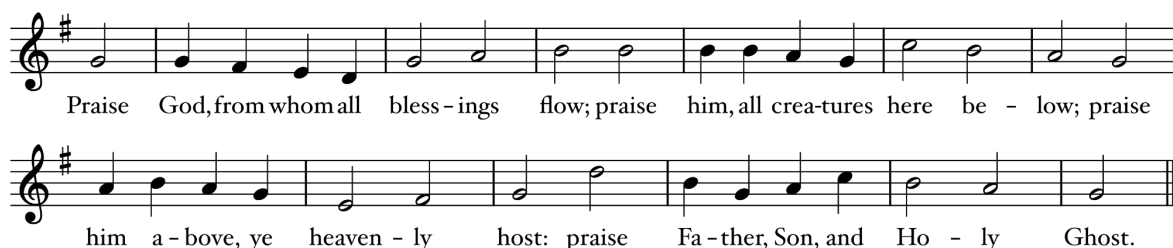
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HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION H-1982 #380 v. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

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All stand.

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Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

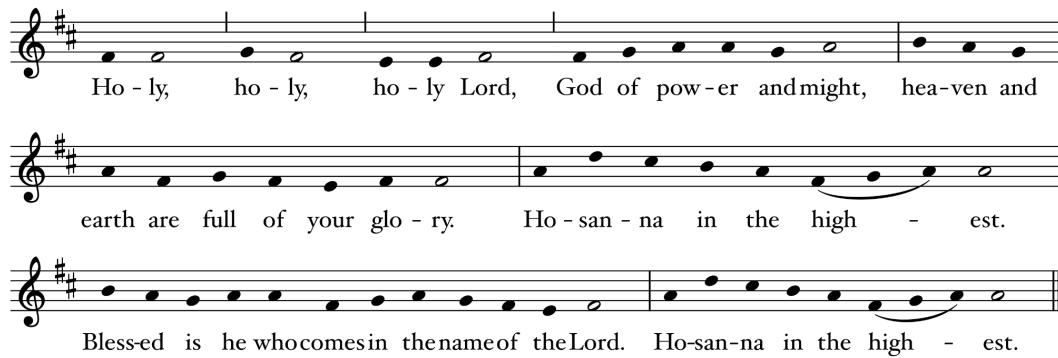
Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider 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. *proper preface* 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:



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.

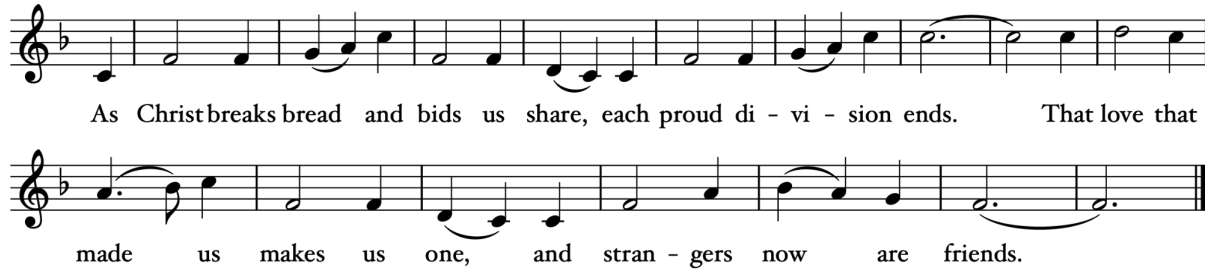
We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending 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 Blessed Virgin Mary, Andrew, and 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.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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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 INVITATION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The People may be seated. If you do not wish to receive the sacrament, you may come forward with your arms crossed over your chest to receive a blessing. Gluten free bread is available upon request. The table of bread and wine is the table of company with Jesus, and all those who love him. So come to this table, you who have much faith, and you who would like to have more; you who have been to this Sacrament often, and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus in the world, and you who have failed; come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

HYMN H-1982 #469

There's a wideness in God's mercy

ST. HELENA

At the Presider's invitation People stand, and remain standing through the end of the service.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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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, H-1982 #7

Christ, whose glory fills the skies

RATISBON

THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon**People* **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

OUR PRAYER LIST

Lily and family, Ruth, Margaret, Joe, Betty, Rhett, Robert, Clay, Lisa, Alex, Kathleene and Kathy. (*The last names are not listed to provide some privacy for those who have asked our prayers but do not necessarily want to answer questions. Our prayers come from the heart and don't need details to be effective*).

AT WEEKDAY PRAYERS, WE PRAY FOR: Chip, Bob, Jackson, Tasha, Barbara, Betsy, Matt, Betty, Chris, Paula, Floyd, Anthony, Cindy, Trey, Norma, Mary, Martha, Gray, Mike, Chip, Anne, Elizabeth, Vee, Jeff, Joanne, Linda, Harrison, James and Joel.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Helen Rogge, mother of Ruth Fletcher; Rick Smythe, friend of David Elliott; David Clark, friend of both Katie Hester and Robert Hauburg; Jeff Grisham, Barbara Ladner, and Paul Hoffman.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO CELEBRATE A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK: Sunday, July 12: Sandra Maris, Andrew Rueff; Monday, July 13: No birthdays; Tuesday, July 14: Jimmy Halfacre; Wednesday, July 15: No birthdays; Thursday, July 16: Kirsten Daughdrill; Friday, July 17: Steve Shafer, Monica Crossley; Saturday, July 18: Bill Hussey, Saxon Mylroie, SavannahGrace Gober; Sunday, July 19: Jean Medley, Sophie Lewis, David Blount, Matthew McLaughlin.

WE GIVE THANKS FOR WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES IN JULY: Gina and Jimmy Halfacre, July 3, 2010; Kathy and Dan Woodliff, July 5, 1980; Ruth and Spence Fletcher, July 6, 1991; Nancy and Jim Loomer, July 11, 1992; Darri and Keith Mansel, July 15, 1978; Diane and David Morse, July 25; Jan and Bill Kientz, July 26, 1969; Judith and Bickham Forshee, July 30, 1994.

IN OUR COMMUNITY CYCLE OF PRAYER, WE PRAY FOR CONTACT, THE CRISIS LINE: Since 1971, the Crisis Line has been responding 24/7 to people who are troubled, stressed, and need someone to listen. Callers are listened to and accepted, options are explored, and information and referrals are provided. For more information, contact Dorothy Triplett at dct003@bellsouth.net.

WEDDINGS | Please contact The Very Rev. Anne M. Maxwell at amaxwell@standrews.ms.

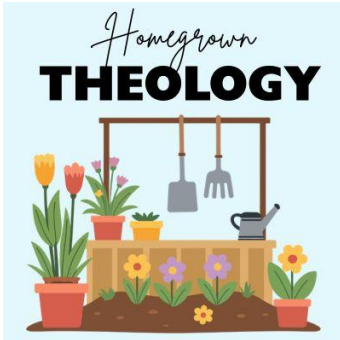
HOLY BAPTISM | Please contact The Very Rev. Anne M. Maxwell at amaxwell@standrews.ms

PRAYER LIST | On Sunday mornings, our prayer list holds those in acute need of prayer. During the week, another prayer list holds those whose need for prayer is less longer term. To add or renew a name on either of these lists, please contact The Very Rev. Anne M. Maxwell at amaxwell@standrews.ms.

PRAYER CHAIN | For prayers at any time, please call in your prayer request to one of our confidential Prayer Chains. For the morning or evening prayer chain, call Melissa Crouch at 601-672-8952.

HOSPITAL VISITS, HOME VISITS, AND PASTORAL CARE | Please call the Cathedral and speak to one of our clergy if you or a family member are in need of pastoral prayer or conversation. Voicemails are sent to our email inboxes. The Cathedral number is 601-354-1535 or you may call the Lay Pastoral Minister on call as listed in the sleeve.

A Look Ahead



Summer Offerings for All Ages

Through August 23 | Sundays at 9:30am

Homegrown Theology | Parish Hall | Adults | standrews.ms/adult-formation

- July 19: Made for Belonging: Quantum Entanglement—A Universe of Connection & the End of Separation, led by Kyle Harshey

Nursery and Playroom | Infants - 5 year olds

Godly Play | Upstairs hallway classroom | Rising 1st - 5th graders

Youth Gathering | Downstairs EYC Room | Rising 6th - 12th graders

Mahjong Group

Monday, July 13 at 1:00pm

Join us to play Mahjong on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month! Contact Susan Duke to participate: 601-937-3828

Burnt Offerings (Men's Dinner)

Thursday, July 16th at 6:30pm

All are welcome! Bring your own meat for the grill, a beverage, and \$15 to pay for sides, which are provided.

Stewpot Pantry Volunteer Week

July 20 - 24

It's St. Andrew's turn to volunteer as Shopping Assistants! Volunteers assist shoppers collect the pantry items they need during their visit. Stewpot staff are present to train new volunteers, so you will have guidance as you serve.

You may sign up with a group or as an individual at standrews.ms/stewpotshop

Cathedral Meet-up @ Fertile Ground

Thursday, July 23 at 6:00-8:00pm | Fertile Ground Beer Co.

Join us at Fertile Ground for a casual evening of fellowship!

Children are welcome to attend with a supervising adult, and dogs are allowed outside if leashed.

Hat Day

Sunday, July 26

Wear your best hat to church! Any type of hat is welcome: fancy, formal, silly, casual- whatever your heart desires

Upcoming St. Andrew's Men's Softball Games

Canton Municipal Complex

- Monday, July 13 at 9pm | Field 3
- Thursday, July 16 at 9pm | Field 3
- Thursday, July 23 at 6pm & 7pm | Field 2 (Double Header)
- Monday, July 27 at 9pm | Field 2
- Tuesday, July 28 at 6pm | Field 2

Spectators are welcome! Men interested in joining our team may contact:

Chris Scott (601-955-6151) or JT Mitchell (601-502-5451)