

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany
February 11, 2018 10:30 am Worship
The Holy Eucharist, Rite Two

Welcome to
St. Andrew's
Episcopal Church
STILLWATER, OKLAHOMA



About This Worship Service

Worship in the Episcopal Church is liturgical in nature; that is, we used a fixed “script” to guide us through a worship experience in which all are participants.

Although you may be new to a liturgical form of worship, much of the liturgy we use is ancient, some parts dating back to the first centuries following the life and ministry of Jesus; other parts, such as the Lord’s Prayer and parts of the Prayer of Consecration are original to Jesus himself.

This worship booklet contains everything you need to participate fully in this worship service, including suggestions for when it would be appropriate to stand, sit, or kneel; when it would be appropriate to “cross” oneself, etc. However, these are only suggestions and we don’t want you to do anything you’re uncomfortable doing or incapable of doing. Additionally, the responses which the congregation makes are shown in bold text.

Brief introductions to the Bible readings can be found on the last page.

If you have any questions about anything you see going on, please don’t hesitate to ask anyone sitting near you. Or, you can call the church office at (405) 372-3357. You can also call or text Fr. Jim Cook at (405) 780-5316. Or, you can visit our website: www.SaintAndrewsChurch.org

Childcare is provided from 9:15 AM through to the end of the 10:30 AM worship. You may ask an usher or greeter for directions to the nursery.

Bathrooms are available in both the Parish Hall and the Admin/Ed Building. You may ask an usher or greeter for directions.

Make no mistake, we're glad you've joined us for worship! While you're waiting for the service to begin, please take a moment to silence your cell phones and other electronic devices. Thanks!

The Holy Eucharist, Rite Two

Organ Prelude

Andante tranquillo (Sonata III)
– Felix Mendelssohn

The Congregation may stand.

Hymn 137

O wondrous type! O vision fair
of glory that the Church may share,
which Christ upon the mountain shows,
where brighter than the sun he glows!

With Moses and Elijah nigh
the incarnate Lord holds converse high;
and from the cloud, the Holy One
bears record to the only Son.

With shining face and bright array,
Christ deigns to manifest today
what glory shall be theirs above
who joy in God with perfect love.

And faithful hearts are raised on high
by this great vision's mystery;
for which in joyful strains we raise
the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

O Father, with the eternal Son,
and Holy Spirit, ever One,
vouchsafe to bring us by thy grace
to see thy glory face to face.

Opening Acclamation BCP 355

✝ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
**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.**

“Glory to God”

See the white card in the pew rack for the music.

Priest Glory to God in the highest,

People and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty
God and Father, we worship you,
we give you thanks, we praise you
for your glory.

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the
Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us; you are seated at
the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you
alone are the Lord, you alone are
the Most High, Jesus Christ, with
the Holy Spirit, † in the glory of
God the Father. Amen.**

Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

The Congregation may kneel.

O God, who before the passion of your
only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the
holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by
faith the light of his countenance, may be
strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed
into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus
Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and

the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

The Congregation may be seated.

Readings from Holy Scripture

2 KINGS 2:1-12

A reading from the second book of Kings.

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, “Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?” And he said, “Yes, I know; keep silent.”

Elijah said to him, “Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho.” But he said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?” And he answered, “Yes, I know; be silent.”

Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood

at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.” Elisha said, “Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.” He responded, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.” As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, “Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!” But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 50: 1-6



1. The Lord, the God of gods, has | **spoken;**
he has called the earth from the rising of the
sun to its | **setting.**
2. Out of Zion, perfect in its | **beauty,**
God reveals himself in | **glory.**

3. Our God will come and will not keep | **silence**;
before him there is a consuming flame,
and round about him a raging | **storm**.
4. He calls the heavens and the earth
from a- | **bove**
to witness the judgment of his | **people**.
5. “Gather before me my loyal | **followers**,
those who have made a covenant with me
and sealed it with | **sacrifice**.”
6. Let the heavens declare the rightness of his |
cause;
for God himself is | **judge**.

2 CORINTHIANS 4: 3-6

A reading from St. Paul’s second letter to the
Christians in Corinth.

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those
who are perishing. In their case the god of this
world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to
keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of
the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For
we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus
Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for
Jesus’ sake. For it is the God who said, “Let light
shine out of darkness,” who has shone in our
hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the
glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Congregation may stand.

Hymn 129

*Stanzas 1-3 before the Gospel;
stanza 4 afterwards.*

Christ upon the mountain peak
stands alone in glory blazing;
let us, if we dare to speak,
with the saints and angels praise him.
Alleluia!

Trembling at his feet we saw
Moses and Elijah speaking.
All the prophets and the Law
shout through them their joyful greeting.
Alleluia!

Swift the cloud of glory came.
God proclaiming in its thunder
Jesus as his Son by name!
Nations cry aloud in wonder!
Alleluia!

This is God's belovèd Son!
Law and prophets fade before him;
first and last and only One,
let creation now adore him!
Alleluia!

MARK 9: 2-9

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

✝ Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Once the Minister has entered the Pulpit and invoked the Holy Trinity, the Congregation may be seated.

Following the sermon, a few moments of silent reflection are observed. Afterwards, the Congregation may stand.

Let us reaffirm our faith.

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 BCP 388

Intercessor: The Prayers of the People are taken from Form 4, which is found on page 388 of the Book of the Common Prayer.

The Congregation may kneel.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have ✝ died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with blessed Andrew and all your saints in your eternal kingdom. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

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

We pray for those in need of healing, especially [*Names*], and any others we might name in our hearts or aloud.

We pray for those with other cares and concerns, especially [*Names*], and any others we might name in our hearts or aloud.

We pray for those who have ✝ died, especially [*Names*], and any others we might name in our hearts or aloud.

We pray for those serving in the Armed Forces, especially [*Names*], and any others we might name in our hearts or aloud.

We pray for those who travel, especially [*Names*], and any others we might name in our hearts or aloud.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: Emmanuel, Shawnee; St. Andrew's, Mission Church, Tacuarembó, Uruguay.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: The Anglican Church of Canada; The Most Revd Frederick Hiltz Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada.

And we give thanks for the many blessings of this life:

We join in thanksgiving with [*Names*], and any others we might name in our hearts or aloud.

And in thanksgiving for [*Names*], and any others we might name in our hearts or aloud.

We pray for those celebrating a birthday or wedding anniversary this week and invite them to come forward for a special prayer.

The birthday tradition at St. Andrew's is that when you come forward for your prayer, if you wish, you may place in the birthday cross an amount of money in coins equal to your age. The

funds contributed are added to the clergy discretionary funds which are used to provide assistance to those in need.

The Celebrant concludes with the following collect.

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

BCP 360

Let us confess our sins
against God and our neighbor.

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 Minister stands and says

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 Congregation may stand.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

The members of the Congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Greetings & Announcements

The Offertory

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his name;
bring offerings and come into his courts.

Offertory Anthem

“Sing, Ye Righteous”
– Lodovico Viadana

Sing, oh sing, ye righteous, unto the Lord,
And exalt in song the Lord of hosts!
Praise Him, praise ye the Lord above,
Oh praise His name!
Sing, rejoice in the Lord and exalt Him,
Praise Him ye people!
Sing ye a new song, sing and exalt Him,
Sing ye, praise and exalt Him in harmony!
Sing ye, praise the Lord!

– Psalm 33:1-3

The Congregation may stand.

Presentation of Our Alms

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

The Great Thanksgiving BCP 361
Eucharistic Prayer A

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him 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 of the Epiphany Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

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, Holy, Holy Lord”

See the white card in the pew rack for the music.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of you glory;
Hosanna in the highest.
✚ Blessed is he who comes in
the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The Congregation may kneel.

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 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,

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.

Breaking of the Bread
& Lamb of God

See the white card in the pew rack for the music.

Priest Alleluia. Christ our Passover
is sacrificed for us;

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

Priest Lamb of God,

People **you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God,

**you take away the sins of the world;
Grant us peace.**

The Invitation to Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion of the People

All persons who seek God are invited to receive Holy Communion.

To receive the Bread, extend your palms, one crossed over the other, upwards towards the Minister, and a wafer will be placed into your hands. Gluten-free wafers are available; make your request known to the Minister administering the Bread.

To receive the Wine, please assist in guiding the cup to your lips. Alternately, you may dip the wafer in the wine and place it in your mouth.

If you wish to receive only a Blessing, cross your arms over your chest while kneeling or standing at the altar rail.

If mobility-issues prevent you from coming to the Altar, Communion can be brought to you. Please alert the Greeter to your situation.

Finally, it would be helpful if you blotted your lips of any lip balm or lipstick, as it leaves an oily and/or waxy residue on the linens that can be difficult to remove.

Communion Anthem

“Jesus, Sun of Life, My Splendor”
– George Frideric Handel

Jesus, Sun of Life, my Splendor,
Jesus, Thou, my Friend most tender,
Jesus, Joy of my desiring,
Fount of Life, my soul inspiring,
At Thy feet I cry, my Maker,
Let me be a fit partaker
Of this blessed food from heaven,
For our good, Thy glory, given.

Jesus, Bread of Life, I pray Thee,
Let me gladly here obey Thee,
By Thy love I am invited,
Be Thy love with love requited;
From this Supper let me measure,
Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.
Through the gifts Thou here dost give me
As Thy guest in heaven receive me.

Hymn 7

Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only Light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise!
Triumph o'er the shades of night:
Dayspring from on high, be near;

Daystar, in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn
unaccompanied by thee;
joyless is the day's return,
till thy mercy's beams I see,
till they inward light impart,
glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine!
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!
Fill me, radiancy divine;
scatter all my unbelief;
more and more thyself display,
shining to the perfect day.

Sending our the Lay Eucharistic Visitors

In the Name of God, we send you forth
bearing these holy gifts, that those to
whom you go may share with us in the
communion of Christ's Body and Blood; for
though we are many, we share one Bread
and one Cup. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving [BCP 365](#)

Let us pray.

The Congregation may kneel.

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 peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, ✚ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you this day, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn 460

Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia! not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! he is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how:
though the cloud from sight received him,
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise,
“I am with you evermore”?

Alleluia! bread of Heaven,
Thou on earth our food, our stay!
Alleluia! here the sinful
flee to thee from day to day:
Intercessor, friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal,
thee the Lord of lords we own:
Alleluia! born of Mary,
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great High Priest:
thou on earth both Priest and Victim
in the eucharistic feast.

Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of holy Zion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.

The Dismissal

Grant, O Lord God, that what we have heard
with our ears, and said and sung with our lips,
we may believe in our hearts, and practice in our
lives; for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Organ Postlude

Trumpet Tune on “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!”
– Michael Helman

Introductions to the Bible Readings

2 Kings 2:1-12

From the Hebrew Bible we hear the story of the taking up of the prophet Elijah into heaven and the passing on of his power to Elisha. The narrative illustrates the great favor Elijah found in the eyes of the Lord as he is carried away in a chariot of fire. Elisha is first in despair and rends his clothing in mourning, yet realizes he himself has been chosen to offer continued prophetic vision to the people.

Psalm 50: 1-6

The psalm tells of the majestic and righteous God who requires true sacrifice and thanksgiving of the people.

2 Corinthians 4: 3-6

In this lesson Paul proclaims that Christ is the very image of God, though not all can perceive this truth. This proclamation focuses on Jesus Christ as Lord, and Paul is captive to this message. As light shone forth from darkness in creation, so God has shone forth in the hearts of those to

whom the light of the knowledge of God in Christ has been given.

Mark 9: 2-9

Our gospel is the story of Jesus' transfiguration. The narrative draws upon themes and symbols from Israel's past and its hopes for the future. Moses and Elijah represent the law and the prophets, whose promises Jesus fulfills. The chosen disciples see divine glory reflected in Jesus' human person. A voice from the cloud declares that he is God's beloved Son