

The 13th Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 15, Year B
August 19, 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 normally provided during the school year 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

The Congregation may stand.

Hymn 390

Praise to the Lord,
the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him,
for he is thy health and salvation:
join the great throng,
psaltery, organ, and song,
sounding in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord;
over all things he gloriously reigneth:
borne as on eagle-wings,
safely his saints he sustaineth.
Hast thou not seen
how all thou needest hath been
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord,
who doth prosper thy way and defend thee;
surely his goodness
and mercy shall ever attend thee;
ponder anew
what the Almighty can do,
who with his love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord!
O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath

come now with praises before him!

Let the amen
sound from his people again;
gladly for ever adore him.

Opening Sentences

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”

– Lance Massey

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.

Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

The Congregation may kneel.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Congregation may be seated.

Readings from Holy Scripture

PROVERBS 9:1-6

A reading from the book of Proverbs.

Wisdom has built her house,
she has hewn her seven pillars.
She has slaughtered her animals,
she has mixed her wine,

she has also set her table.

She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls
from the highest places in the town,

“You that are simple, turn in here!”

To those without sense she says,

“Come, eat of my bread
and drink of the wine I have mixed.

Lay aside immaturity, and live,
and walk in the way of insight.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 34:9-14

Lector: “That portion of the psalter appointed to be read is from Psalm 34. Let us recite it responsively by the whole-verse.

9. Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, for those who fear him lack nothing.
10. **The young lions lack and suffer hunger, but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.**
11. Come, children, and listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
12. **Who among you loves life, and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?**
13. Keep your tongue from evil-speaking, and your lips from lying words.
14. **Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.**

EPHESIANS 5:15-20

A reading from St. Paul's letter to the Christians in Ephesus.

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Congregation may stand.

Hymn 325

Stanzas 1-2 before the Gospel; stanza 3 afterwards.

Let us break bread together on our knees;
Let us break bread together on our knees;
 when I fall on my knees,
 with my face to the rising sun,
 O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;
Let us drink wine together on our knees;
 when I fall on my knees,
 with my face to the rising sun,
 O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees;
Let us praise God together on our knees;
 when I fall on my knees,
 with my face to the rising sun,
 O Lord, have mercy on me.

JOHN 6:51-58

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

✝ Jesus said, “I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” So Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.”

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.

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

Let us reaffirm our faith.

The Congregation may stand.

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 387

Intercessor: “The Prayers of the People are taken from Form 3, which is found on page 387 of the Book of Common Prayer.”

Let us pray.

The Congregation may kneel.

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 all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for 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.

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: St. Dunstan's Church in Tulsa.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: The Church of South India (United), The Most Rev'd Thomas Kanjirappally Oommen, Moderator of the CSI, and Bishop of Madhya Kerala.

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 fund. 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.**

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.

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 Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Afterwards, they may be seated.

Greetings & Announcements

The Offertory

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

Organ Voluntary

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.

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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”

– Lance Massey

**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!** 🚩

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

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"

– Lance Massey

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.**

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.

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 is difficult to remove.

Hymn 324

Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly-minded,
for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords in human vesture,
in the Body and the Blood
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of Light descendeth
from the realms of endless day,
that the powers of hell may vanish
as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph;
cherubim with sleepless eye
veil their faces to the Presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
“Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, Lord Most High!”

Sending Out Our 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, and remain with you always. Amen.

The Congregation may stand.

Hymn 488

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
all else be nought to me, save that thou art—

thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father; thine own may I be;
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

High King of heaven, when victory is won,
may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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

Introductions to the Bible Readings

Proverbs 9:1-6

In our opening lesson Wisdom is pictured as a gracious hostess who invites the ignorant and foolish to her table. Several centuries before the time of Christ, Wisdom was understood to be an important characteristic of God and was often described as a judicious woman who spoke to

human hearts and minds. In this way some of the feeling of distance between the people and the transcendent God was overcome. Those who heed Wisdom's counsels and do not follow the seduction of folly will be blessed.

Psalm 34:9-14

A hymn of blessing and praise to the Lord for God's deliverance.

Ephesians 5:15-20

In this reading the new Christians at Ephesus are bid to live wisely and, glad with songs, to give thanks for everything to God. Instead of following drunken ways, symbolic of all kinds of foolish behavior, they are to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Because the time is in the grip of evil, opportunities to do the will of the Lord must be used to the full.

John 6:51-58

In the gospel lesson Jesus speaks of the flesh and blood of the Son of Man as the bread from heaven which must be eaten in order to share in the life of the eternal age. Previously in this gospel the bread of life had seemed to signify Jesus' teaching and his presence. Now it is given still more significance with the understanding that the believer may share deeply in the life of Jesus and his self-offering. This experience is enacted in the Holy Communion.