

The 17th Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 19, Year B
September 16, 2018 *8:00 AM Worship*
The Holy Eucharist, Rite One

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 One

The Entrance of the Ministers

The Congregation may stand.

Opening Sentences

BCP 323

 Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

“Glory be to God on High”

Glory be to God on high, and on earth
peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the + glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

The Congregation may kneel.

O God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee, mercifully grant that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Congregation may be seated.

Readings from Holy Scripture

PROVERBS 1:20-33

A reading from the book of Proverbs.

Wisdom cries out in the street;

in the squares she raises her voice.

At the busiest corner she cries out;

at the entrance of the city gates she speaks:

“How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple?

How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing
and fools hate knowledge?

Give heed to my reproof;

I will pour out my thoughts to you;

I will make my words known to you.

Because I have called and you refused,

have stretched out my hand and no one heeded,
and because you have ignored all my counsel
and would have none of my reproof,
I also will laugh at your calamity;
I will mock when panic strikes you,

when panic strikes you like a storm,
and your calamity comes like a whirlwind,
when distress and anguish come upon you.
Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer;
they will seek me diligently, but will not find me.
Because they hated knowledge
and did not choose the fear of the Lord,
would have none of my counsel,
and despised all my reproof,
therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way
and be sated with their own devices.
For waywardness kills the simple,
and the complacency of fools destroys them;
but those who listen to me will be secure
and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.”

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 19

Lector: That portion of the psalter appointed to be read is from Psalm 19. Let us recite it responsively by the whole-verse.

1. The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament shows his handiwork.
2. **One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.**

3. Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard,
4. **Their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world.**
5. In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
6. **It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat.**
7. The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
8. **The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.**
9. The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
10. **More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**
11. By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.
12. **Who can tell how often he offends? Cleanse me from my secret faults.**
13. Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

14. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

JAMES 3: 1-12

A reading from the letter of James.

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue — a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig

tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Congregation may stand.

MARK 8: 27-38

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

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

 Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the

sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Congregation may be seated.

The Nicene Creed

BCP 326

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.

The Congregation may kneel.

Prayers of the People

BCP 328

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers – especially Michael our Presiding

Bishop, and Edward our Bishop – that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land – especially the President of the United States, the Members of Congress, and the Justices of the Supreme Court – that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants + departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of Blessed Andrew and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Finally, we 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. Andrew's Church, Grove; and the Center for the Assistance of Infants and Families (CAIF), Ministry for Education & Welfare of Young Children, in the Diocese of Uruguay.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: The Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan, The Most Rev'd Ezekiel Kumir Kondo, Archbishop of the Province of Sudan, and Bishop of Khartoum.

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.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

BCP 331

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. **Amen.**

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, + pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Comfortable Words

Hear the Word of God
to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

The Congregation may stand.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And with thy spirit.

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

Afterwards, the Congregation may be seated.

Greetings & Announcements

The Offertory

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

The Congregation may stand for the Presentation.

The Presentation of Our Alms

All things come of thee, O Lord,
and of thine own have we given thee.
Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer II

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

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

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Proper Preface for The Lord's Day Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. + Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Congregation may kneel.

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take,

eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled + with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the
unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be
unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.
AMEN!

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 336

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 337

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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 is difficult to remove.

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.**

Let us pray.

The Congregation may kneel.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

The peace of God, which passeth 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 Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Departure of the Ministers.

Introductions to the Bible Readings

Proverbs 1:20-33

Our opening lesson is an instructional poem in which Wisdom is personified as an attribute of God's character and a virtue to be sought and possessed. Lady Wisdom actively seeks out those as yet unformed in character and strives to gain their attention, for she offers to lead them into the way of life and goodness. Those who scoff or refuse her instruction court calamity, but those who listen will dwell secure.

Psalm 19

A hymn which glorifies the Creator God, with special praise for God's law and a prayer for avoidance of sin.

James 3:1-12

In this New Testament lesson the community is reminded that one who instructs others will be held to a high standard, and such a position should only be aspired to by those well-formed in faith. Of particular concern are habits of speech. The tongue is compared to a small rudder able to control a large ship at sea. There is great danger in an uncontrolled tongue, and many forms of careless speech are

enumerated. The Christian must learn self-discipline in order that God may be glorified.

Mark 8:27-38

In the gospel Peter recognizes that Jesus is the Christ, and Jesus then describes the true nature of the ministry of the Son of Man and what it means to follow in his way. The passage reminds us that during Jesus' lifetime and afterward there was speculation about his role. Some saw him as a kind of re-embodiment of John the Baptist or another prophet. Peter is called "Satan" because his words are a temptation to turn away from the suffering and death which come before resurrection. Disciples must also learn that the true self and true life are found by those who will let themselves be lost for the sake of Jesus and the gospel.