



# ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

BOCA GRANDE † FLORIDA

*"Bringing God and people together in love through Jesus Christ"*

## Sunday Worship

9:30 A.M.

## Staff

The Rev. Michelle Robertshaw  
*Rector*

The Rev. Chris Gray  
*Assisting Priest*

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Mon — Thurs  
9:00 A.M. — 4:00 P.M.

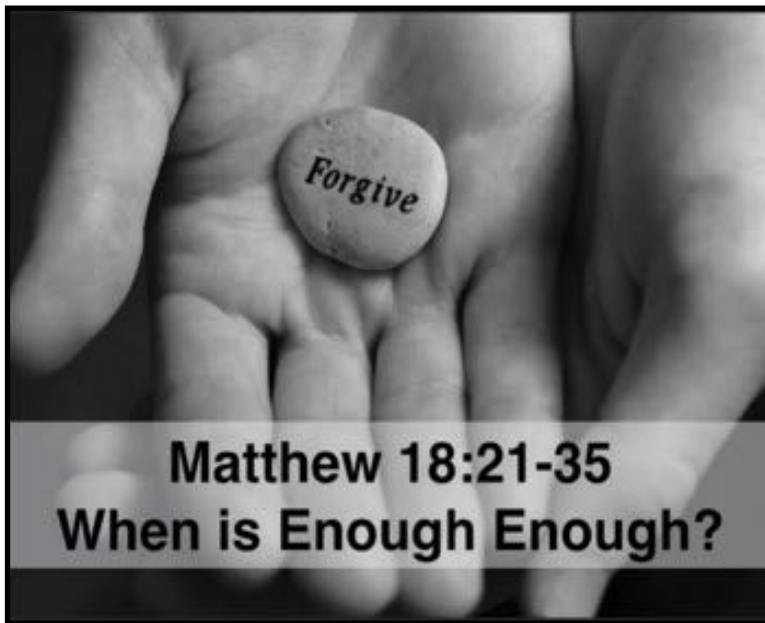
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THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

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# Welcome

Thank you for worshipping with us today. We hope you find a connection between your desire to come and what you experience. We are a community drawn together by faith in God's love made known in Jesus Christ, expressed by forgiveness and acceptance rather than getting it right. However you identify, you belong here. We connect with each other by knowing and accepting each other as we are, and together serve others here in Boca Grande and in the wider community. Visitor cards are in the pew to help us get to know you better. They can be returned in the offering plate at the back of the church or handed to an usher.

**Restrooms are located next door in the Chapter House.**

*We're so glad*  
**YOU'RE  
HERE!**

# The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

## *The Word of God*

### THE PRELUDE

*Suite #4 in d*

G.F. Handel

### THE PROCESSIONAL

*When morning gilds the skies*

Hymnal, 427 (v. 1 - 3)



When morn - ing gilds the skies, my heart, a - wak - ing, cries,  
When mirth for mu - sic longs, this is my song of songs:  
No love - lier an - ti - phon in all high heaven is known



may Je - sus Christ be praised! When eve - ning sha - dows fall,  
may Je - sus Christ be praised! God's ho - ly house of prayer  
than, Je - sus Christ be praised! There to the e - ter - nal Word



this rings my cur - few call, may Je - sus Christ be praised!  
hath none that can com - pare with: Je - sus Christ be praised!  
the e - ter - nal psalm is heard: may Je - sus Christ be praised!

### THE ACCLAMATION

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

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

## SONG OF PRAISE

Hymnal, 390

Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -  
a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy  
dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with  
health and sal - va - tion; join the great throng, psal - ter - y,  
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his  
or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion.  
peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST LESSON

**GENESIS 50:15-21**

Lector A reading from the book of Genesis.

After Jacob died, Joseph's brothers said to each other, "What if Joseph still hates us and wants to get even with us for all the cruel things we did to him?" So they sent this message to Joseph: Before our father died, he told us, "You did some cruel and terrible things to

Joseph, but you must ask him to forgive you." Now we ask you to please forgive the terrible things we did. After all, we serve the same God that your father worshiped. When Joseph heard this, he started crying. Right then, Joseph's brothers came and bowed down to the ground in front of him and said, "We are your slaves." But Joseph told them, "Don't be afraid! I have no right to change what God has decided. You tried to harm me, but God made it turn out for the best, so that he could save all these people, as he is now doing. Don't be afraid! I will take care of you and your children." After Joseph said this, his brothers felt much better.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALM

## PSALM 103:1-13

Lector The Psalm appointed for today is a portion of Psalm 103.  
Let us read responsively by half verse.

- 1 Bless the Lord, O my soul, \*  
**and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.**
- 2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, \*  
**and forget not all his benefits.**
- 3 He forgives all your sins \*  
**and heals all your infirmities;**
- 4 He redeems your life from the grave \*  
**and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;**
- 5 He satisfies you with good things, \*  
**and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.**
- 6 The Lord executes righteousness \*  
**and judgment for all who are oppressed.**
- 7 He made his ways known to Moses \*  
**and his works to the children of Israel.**
- 8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, \*  
**slow to anger and of great kindness.**
- 9 He will not always accuse us, \*  
**nor will he keep his anger for ever.**

- 10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, \*  
**nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.**
- 11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, \*  
**so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.**
- 12 As far as the east is from the west, \*  
**so far has he removed our sins from us.**
- 13 As a father cares for his children, \*  
**so does the Lord care for those who fear him.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

*O Master, let me walk with thee*

Hymnal, 660



O Mas - ter, let me walk with thee in low - ly  
 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,  
 Teach me thy pa - tience; still with thee in clos - er,  
 in hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the



paths of ser - vice free; tell me thy se - cret;  
 win - ning word of love; teach me the way - ward  
 dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith  
 fu - ture's broad - ening way, in peace that on - ly



help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.  
 feet to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.  
 sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong,  
 thou canst give, with thee, O Mas - ter, let me live.

## THE GOSPEL

MATTHEW 18:21-35

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## THE SERMON

The Reverend Chris Gray

forgive



## THE NICENE CREED

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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lector Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People **that we all may be one.**

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

People **that your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Lector We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; especially Michael our Presiding Bishop, Doug our bishop, Mother Michelle and Father Chris, our priests.

People **that they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Lector We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
People **that there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Lector Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
People **that our works may find favor in your sight.**

Lector We remember all who are sick; especially those on our parish prayer list and all who have asked for our prayers. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
People **that they may be delivered from their distress.**

Lector Give to the departed eternal rest.  
People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Lector We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
People **may we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Lector Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. *(silence)*

Celebrant Trusting in your covenant of mercy, O God, we lift our prayers to you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

## CONFESSON OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Let us pray for the forgiveness of our sins.  
*(A moment of silence is observed so that we may make our silent confession before God).*

People **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant 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.

People **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

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

## THE OFFERTORY

*Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

## THE DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Hymnal, 380 (v. 3)

## *The Holy Communion*

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharist Prayer A

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant 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:

### SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow - er and might,  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith,

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

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

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. 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.

People sing



Celebrant

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

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

*Silence as the Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.*

## THE FRACTION ANTHEM



*(All baptized persons regardless of denominational affiliation are invited to receive Holy Communion. If it is not in your conscience to receive, please consider coming forward for a simple blessing.)*

COMMUNION MUSIC

*Amazing Grace*

Traditional American Melody

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant and People

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## THE BLESSING

Celebrant

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 for ever, **Amen.**

## THE PROCESSIONAL

*Rise up ye saints of God*

Hymnal, 551



Rise up, ye saints of God! Have done with less - er things, give  
Rise up, ye saints of God! His king - dom tar - ries long; Lord,  
Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where his feet have trod; and



heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the King of kings,  
bring the day of truth and love and end the night of wrong.  
quick-ened by the Spi - rit's power, rise up, ye saints of God!

## THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## THE POSTLUDE

*The Lord Bless You and Keep You*

Peter Lutkin

# Announcements

## Serving Today

Usher Anne Honey and Bob Burke  
Lector Jay Spurgeon

## Bible Studies and Fellowship

**Women's Bible Study & Fellowship**  
Fridays @ 10:00<sub>A.M.</sub> - Zoom

**Men's Bible Study & Fellowship will be on hiatus for the month of September. We will resume Tuesday, October 3.**

For Zoom links and more information about our Bible studies visit our website.  
[www.standrewsbocagrande.org](http://www.standrewsbocagrande.org)

## Altar Flowers

Do you have a special day you'd like to commemorate? How about a someone you'd like to honor or remember? You can sign up to provide altar flowers and have that event or person noted in the Sunday announcements. A sign up sheet can be found in the narthex. More than one individual can sign up for the same day. Cost is \$65 per bouquet and we have two spaces available each week. Checks should be made payable to *St. Andrew's*.

## Seeking Ushers and Lectors

Please consider serving as an usher or a lector in the upcoming months. Contact Robin, our parish administrator, if you are interested. Mother Michelle will provide training if this ministry is new to you. Please sign up in the narthex.

## Name Tags

Name tags help us to remember old faces and get to know new ones. **If you have not ordered a name tag yet or if you have misplaced yours, please place your name on the sign-up sheet located in the back of the church or contact the church office** and we will order one for you. The cost is \$10.00 each.

# Your Prayers are Requested for...

## Pastoral Prayer List

John Berley  
Dennis Berry  
Vera Chelnokov  
Bob Corl  
Hadley Cox  
Sue Embres  
Gene Findlay

Tom Floyd  
Alice Gorman  
Pam Hannah  
Sam Holt  
Rob Knapp  
Shelley Lewis  
Kathy Litzinger  
Paul & Maureen Manetti

Priscilla Masselink  
Emily Nord  
Bobby Parker  
Frankie Rediker  
Hal Russell  
Pat Ryan  
Amy Staples

## Military Prayer List

Blaise Bess  
Ben Constantinides  
Colin Jackson

Karl Jackson  
Anthony Kopp  
Alex Lovo

Michael Manetti  
Renier van Breen  
Arch Wilson

## ST. ANDREWS' VESTRY MEMBERS

### Class of 2024

Don Farrar  
Louise Head  
Janet Williams

### Class of 2025

Rick Granger \*\*  
Jim Griesemer  
Kay Kemper  
David Smith \*

### Class of 2026

Mick Aslin  
Anne Beatty  
Michael Courts  
Kimberly Whipple

*\* Senior Warden \*\* Junior Warden*

Connie Duckworth (Treasurer)

Mary Campbell (Clerk)



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