



# The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

## November 14, 2021

**WELCOME**

to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

a member of the Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant

**St. Andrew's Episcopal Church**

Big Rapids, MI

Seeking every day to love God  
with our whole heart, mind, and  
soul, and to love our neighbors  
as ourselves.

**St. Mary's Episcopal Church**

Cadillac, MI

We strive to live out the Great  
Commandment: To love the  
Lord with all our heart, soul, and  
mind and to love our neighbors  
as ourselves.

If you have a faith or are seeking one, you are always welcome here.

If you are visiting or looking for a spiritual home,  
we'd love to get to know you.

**THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II**

**THE WORD OF GOD**

*All stand as able.*

**Processional Hymn**

**Hymnal 1982, #647**

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

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

Celebrant 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.**

**The Gloria**

All **Glory to God in the highest,  
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.

### **The Collect of the Day**

Celebrant     The Lord be with you.

**People**        **And also with you**

Celebrant     Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **The Lessons**

*All sit as able.*

### **First Reading**

**1 Samuel 1:4-20**

Reader        A reading from the book of Samuel.

On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the Lord had closed her womb. Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the Lord had closed her womb.

So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the Lord, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?" After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the Lord. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the Lord. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: "O Lord of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head." As she continued praying before the Lord, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. So Eli said to her, "How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine." But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time." Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him." And she said, "Let your servant find favor in your sight." Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer. They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the Lord; then they went back to their

house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the Lord remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the Lord."

Reader            The Word of the Lord.

**People            Thanks be to God.**

**The Psalm**

**1 Samuel 2:1-10**

Hannah prayed and said,  
"My heart exults in the Lord;  
my strength is exalted in my God.  
My mouth derides my enemies,  
because I rejoice in my victory.  
"There is no Holy One like the Lord,  
no one besides you;  
there is no Rock like our God.  
Talk no more so very proudly,  
let not arrogance come from your mouth;  
for the Lord is a God of knowledge,  
and by him actions are weighed.  
The bows of the mighty are broken,  
but the feeble gird on strength.  
Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread,  
but those who were hungry are fat with spoil.  
The barren has borne seven,  
but she who has many children is forlorn.  
The Lord kills and brings to life;  
he brings down to Sheol and raises up.

The Lord makes poor and makes rich;  
he brings low, he also exalts.

He raises up the poor from the dust;  
he lifts the needy from the ash heap,  
to make them sit with princes  
and inherit a seat of honor.

For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's,  
and on them he has set the world.

“He will guard the feet of his faithful ones,  
but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness;  
for not by might does one prevail.

The Lord! His adversaries shall be shattered;  
the Most High will thunder in heaven.

The Lord will judge the ends of the earth;  
he will give strength to his king,  
and exalt the power of his anointed.”

## **Second Reading**

## **Hebrews 10:11-25**

Reader

A reading from the book of Hebrews.

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, “This is the covenant that I will make with them

after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds," he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

**Reader**            The Word of the Lord.

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

*All stand as able.*

**Gospel Hymn**

**Bulletin Insert**

*Lost in the Night*

**The Holy Gospel**

**Mark 13:1-8**

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

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





**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 people kneel or stand as able.*

## **The Prayers of the People**

**Form IV**

Intercessor 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.  
We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; the  
Standing Committees of Eastern and Western

Michigan; Anne, our Canon Missioner; Radha, our Rector; our Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant;

St. Mark's, Grand Rapids – Christian Brocato, Rector

St. Augustine's, Benton Harbor – Cynthia Caruso, Rector

We pray for all those in our diocese discerning calls to ministry, both lay and ordained. In particular, we pray for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Priests, including Alicia, Joe, Natalie, Alex, Derek, Catherine, Rebecca, Matt, Dell, Joanna, Kurt, and Anne Marie. We pray also for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Deacons, including: Joy, Trish, Mark, Jim, Michelle, and Linda. We remember with gratitude the retired clergy of the diocese. *Silence*

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor 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.

We pray for Joe, our president; Gretchen our governor; Fred, our mayor. *Silence*

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor 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*

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy  
**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor 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*

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy  
**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor 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.

We pray for those in the St. Andrew's circle of prayer: Doug, Marty & Rachel, Patsy, Michelle, Richard, Eileen, Ryan, Jim, Wahl & Rees Family, Beth;

For those in the St. Mary's circle of prayer: Tom, Mike, John, Erika, Penney, Keith, Mike, George, Barb, Jim, Barbaranne, Lori, Deliah, Renee, Linda, Val;

For our family and friends in the armed forces and who are first responders: Richard, Corey, Matt, Teylor, Tony, Kim, Drew, Eli, Jon, Richard, Tony;

And for all those we name at this time. *Silence*

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

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

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Officiant 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.**

### **Prayer for Heroic Service**

○ Judge of the nations, we remember before you with grateful hearts the men and women of our country who in the day of decision ventured much for the liberties we now enjoy. Grant that we may not rest until all the people of this land share the benefits of true freedom and gladly accept its disciplines. This we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

**All** 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.

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. **Amen.**

## The Peace

*All stand as able.*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People** And also with you

*The People greet one another in the name of the Lord; in this season we encourage a bow, wave or other appropriate gesture.*

## The Celebration of Special Days and Announcements

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### Offertory

Celebrant O Lord our God, you are worthy to receive glory and honor and power; because you have created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being. *Revelation 4:11*

*A stationary offertory plate may be found at the back of the sanctuary.*

### The Great Thanksgiving

#### Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP, pg. 361

*All stand as able.*

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.

*The celebrant continues with the proper preface.*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**All**     **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*The people stand or kneel as able.*

*The celebrant continues.*

Celebrant     Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

*The celebrant continues.*

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

**All**             **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

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

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

### The Invitation

Celebrant 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.

*All are welcome at God's table.*

*Please come to the bottom of the steps to receive communion. Return to your seat by the side aisle. If you do not wish to receive communion, please cross your arms over your chest. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, ask the priest for one when you come up.*

### Communion Hymn

**Hymnal 1982, #645**

### Postcommunion Prayer

*All stand or kneel as able.*

Celebrant Let us pray.  
All **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body**



of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out to do the work you  
have given us to do, to love and serve you as  
faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to  
you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory,  
now and for ever. Amen.

**The Blessing**

*All stand as able.*

Celebrant     The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son,  
and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain  
with you always. **Amen.**

**Recessional Hymn**

**Hymnal 1982, #592**

**The Dismissal**

Celebrant     Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People        Thanks be to God.**

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