



# The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 25, 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, #366, v 1-4**

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.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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**

**2 Samuel 11:1-15**

Reader        A reading from the first book of Samuel.

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem. It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of

the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, "This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite." So David sent messengers to get her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, "I am pregnant." So David sent word to Joab, "Send me Uriah the Hittite." And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, "Go down to your house, and wash your feet." Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. When they told David, "Uriah did not go down to his house," David said to Uriah, "You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?" Uriah said to David, "The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing." Then David said to Uriah, "Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back." So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house. In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. In the letter he wrote, "Set Uriah in the

forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die."

Reader        The Word of the Lord.

People        **Thanks be to God.**

**The Psalm**

**Psalm 14**

- 1    The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." \*  
    All are corrupt and commit abominable acts;  
    there is none who does any good.
- 2    The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all, \*  
    to see if there is any who is wise,  
    if there is one who seeks after God.
- 3    Every one has proved faithless;  
    all alike have turned bad; \*  
    there is none who does good; no, not one.
- 4    Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers \*  
    who eat up my people like bread  
    and do not call upon the Lord?
- 5    See how they tremble with fear, \*  
    because God is in the company of the righteous.
- 6    Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, \*  
    but the Lord is their refuge.
- 7    Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! \*  
    when the Lord restores the fortunes of his people,  
    Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad.

## Second Reading

**Ephesians 3:14-21**

Reader        A reading from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians.

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. **Amen.**

Reader        The Word of the Lord.

**People        Thanks be to God.**

*All stand as able.*

## Gospel Hymn

**Hymnal 1982, #304**

## The Holy Gospel

**John 6:1-21**

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

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

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed



**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; Skip,  
our Assisting Bishop; the Standing Committees of  
Eastern and Western Michigan; Anne, our Canon  
Missioner; Radha, our Rector; our Central  
Michigan Episcopal Covenant;

Christ Church, Owosso – Paul Brunell, Priest  
St. Johns-by-the-Lake, Onekema – Edward  
Emenheiser, Priest-in-Charge

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; Tom, 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: Tammy, Derrick & Ruth, Betty, Eileen,  
Donna, Kevin, Kris, Bob & Beth, Suzanne, Ryan;

For those in the St. Mary's circle of prayer:  
Dennis, Dale, Jim, Barbara, Hannah, George, Barb,  
Val, Katie, Mike & Linnea, Eli, Renee, Lorie &  
Deliah

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

### **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 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.*

**Offertory Music**

**Beth Hamelund**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

**Eucharistic Prayer A**

*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. 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:

**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.*

Celebrant 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:

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

Celebrant      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:

**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, #335**

## 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.**

## The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People** Thanks be to God.

## Recessional Hymn

Hymnal 1982, #517

## Announcements

**St. Mary's Feast Day Celebration** - St. Mary's feast day is August 15. We will celebrate with a special service, a farewell to Rachel Whiteman, and a meal after the service! All are invited.

**Invitation to Eagle Scout Ceremony** - Gavin William Mathison will be having his Eagle Scout Court of Honor at St. Andrew's Church on Saturday August 14th at 2 pm. Gavin painted the St. Andrew's rectory as his Eagle Scout project. The family has extended the invitation to St. Andrew's and hopes that you can attend. There will be cake and refreshments after the ceremony.

If you have an announcement you would like printed in the bulletin, please email it to [standrewsbr@gmail.com](mailto:standrewsbr@gmail.com).

CHURCH SCHEDULE: JULY 26-AUGUST 1		
Monday	Noon-2:00 pm 8:00 pm	St. Mary's DME Open AA Meeting at St. Mary's
Tuesday		
Wednesday	Noon-1:00 pm	AA Meeting at St. Andrew's
Thursday	Noon-2:00 pm 7:00 pm	St. Mary's DME Open AA Meeting at St. Mary's
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday	10:00 am 10:15 am	St. Mary's: Holy Eucharist St. Andrew's: Morning Prayer

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULE

Service	Today	Next Sunday: August 1
Officiant	The Rev. Canon Anne Hallmark	TBD
Reader	Betty Stolarek	Chris Lisuzzo
Intercessor	Mark Lauzon	Janie Shepherd-Worthington
Open/Close	Beth Hamelund	Chirs Lisuzzo
Music	Beth Hamelund	Alex Weller
Altar Guild	Janie Shepherd-Worthington	Coleen Dice

### LECTIONARY NEXT WEEK

#### The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

**Hebrew Scripture:** 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a

**Psalm:** Psalm 51:1-13

**New Testament:** Ephesians 4:1-16

**Gospel:** John 6:24-35

#### St. Andrew's Monthly Worship Format

Our services take place at 10:15 am each Sunday.

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday – Morning Prayer

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Holy Eucharist

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Alternates Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist

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