

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 10, 2023

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 BCP, p. 355

Processional Hymn All stand as able. Hymnal, #652 v1-3

Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity

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

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

The celebrant prays the collect for purity.

Song of Praise Bulletin Insert

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you

Celebrant Let us pray. *The celebrant prays the collect of the day.*

The Lessons All sit as able. Text found in the bulletin insert.

First Reading Exodus 12:1-14

After the reading: Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm Psalm 149

Second Reading Romans 13:8-14

After the reading: Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn All stand as able.

Hymnal, #526

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 18:15-2

Before the Gospel:

Celebrant Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the Gospel:

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily Mtr. Radha Kaminski

The Nicene Creed Said in unison, all standing as able.

All 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

Form III

Intercessor Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People That we all may be one.

Intercessor Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve

you;

People That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Intercessor

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Prince, our Bishop Provisional; Radha, our Rector; our Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant; Transfiguration, Indian River, St. Luke's, Roger's City - Jeri, Sr. Warden, St. Mark's, Newaygo – BJ, Rector; for all bishops and other ministers. 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 Barrett, Alex, Matt, and Anne Marie, Abraham, John, Stephanie, Thon, Jessica, Julianne, Rachel, Cathy, Kathryn, Kris, Johnathan, Theresa.We pray also for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Deacons, including: Mary, Deb, Laura, Jennifer, Christi, Paige. We remember with gratitude the retired clergy of the diocese. *Silence*

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

Intercessor We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the

world; especially Joe, our president; Gretchen our govenor; Fred, our

mayor;

People That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Intercessor Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People That our works may find favor in your sight.

Intercessor Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; For

those in the St. Andrew's circle of prayer: Beth, Karen & Mark, Christi, Liz, Sharyn, Painter Family, Nan, Sally, Larry & Nancy, Kim; For St.

Mary's circle of prayer: Ron & Judy, Alice, Jennifer, Brian, Madi, Larry, Erin, Dorothea, Candy & Jim, Lonnie & Heather, Mike & Connie; For

our family and friends in the armed forces and who are first

responders: Richard, Corey, Matt, Teylor, Tony, Kim, Drew, Jon,

Sabastian, Noah, Eli, Jess.

People That they may be delivered from their distress.

Intercessor Give to the departed eternal rest.

People Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Intercessor We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Intercessor Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence. The people may add their own petitions.

The celebrant adds a concluding collect.

The Confession of Sin Said in unison, kneeling as able.

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 each other in the name of the Lord.

The Celebration of Special Days and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory The celebrant says the offertory sentence.

While the offertory plates are brought to the altar, all sing:

The Doxology



The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP p. 361

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.

The celebrant offers our thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available to us in Christ, and in response all sing:

The Sanctus Hymnal, #S-129

The people stand or kneel as able while the celebrant gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ's passion and resurrection and prays over the bread and wine. Then says:

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

The celebrant concludes with a prayer for the coming of God's reign. The people respond **AMEN.**

Celebrant

A11

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,

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

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then all sing:

The Fraction

Hymnal, #S-164

The Invitation

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

for ever and ever. Amen.

All are welcome at God's table.

Please come forward and kneel or stand at the altar rail to receive communion. Return to your pew by the side aisle. If you need communion brought to you, let an usher know.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD - You can either,			
RE	CONSUME	Hold out your hands and then eat the bread after it is placed in your hand.	
13	GLUTEN-FREE	If you require a gluten-free wafer, please clasp your hands.	
	BLESSING	If you prefer not to receive, cross your arms for a blessing.	

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE WINE - You can either,			
	DRINK	Hold the base of the chalice and guide it to your lips to drink the wine.	
3	INTINCT	Hold up the bread. The minister will take the bread, dip it for you, and hand it back to you.	
	NOT RECEIVE	Cross your arms. The minister will hold the chalice up, but you will not drink.	

Communion Hymn

Hymnal, #524

Prayer after Communion All stand or kneel as able.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All 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 All stand as able while the celebrant blesses the people.

Recessional Hymn

Hymnal, #525 v1-3

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Altar Flowers for today are given by the Brand Family to the Glory of God and in Thanksgiving for our 76th Wedding Anniversary.

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