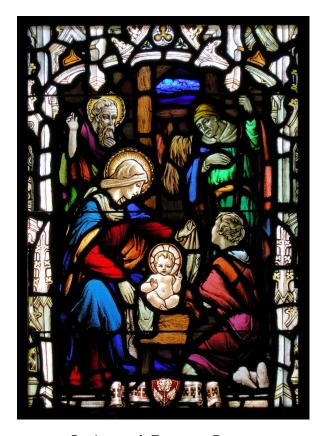
HOLY EUCHARIST THE SEASON OF ADVENT 10:00AM



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Thank you for joining us for worship today! Please leave this leaflet on the table in the entryway narthex to be reused.

Please participate in our service in whatever way you feel comfortable. Invitations to stand, kneel, or sit, are included in the text. Children are welcome to use the resources in the front left corner of the nave, and the nursery will be open for parent/guardian-supervised play (with live streaming of the liturgy). Congregational responses are found in the **bolded** words.

Please note that our worship is live-streamed. In the regular course of the service, attendees will not be visible, **except at communion.** If you do not wish to appear, please let an usher know and we will bring the sacrament to you at your seat. Also, please note that if you are near a camera, your audio may be broadcast.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude see insert

Opening Hymn see insert

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed are you, holy and living One

People You come to your people and set them free.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

A St. Andrew's member household will lead the lighting of the Advent wreath as the people sing verses from People, Look East, found on the insert.

Archangelsky

SONG OF PRAISE

Trisagion S-102 (sung three times)

Holy God, Holy and Mighty,

Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

SEE INSERT FOR READINGS AND PSALM.

SERMON

Please stand as you are comfortable for our confession of faith.

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 people kneel or are seated.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For our leaders, this community, the nation, and the world; For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation; For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all impacted by gun violence, war, economic inequality, and gender based violence or oppression and all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to those who are sick, in need, or alone.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the truth.

In our diocese, we pray for [...]. Among our St. Andrew's Mission and Outreach concerns, we pray for [...]

For our siblings in the worldwide Anglican Communion, Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and Ketlen, our bishop, and all other ministers.

For all who serve God in this Church.

We pray especially for [...] who celebrate birthdays or anniversaries this week. Give grace to all whose lives are linked with ours.

May we serve Christ in one another, and love one another as God loves us.

For those who have died in the faith of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone, (especially...). For those who mourn.

We commend them into your hands.

For those who are included in the St Andrew's prayer list and all those we name now, either silently or aloud. *The People share their own prayers.*

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our

neighbor.

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

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please stand as you are comfortable as we greet one another with a sign of God's peace.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

The people are seated.



THE HOLY COMMUNION

Each week, an offering is collected as a symbol of our life and labor and to support the work of the church. To make a gift online, please scan the code or visit www.standrewspgh.org/giving
Thank you.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

see insert

OFFERTORY HYMN

The Doxology #380 v. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Please stand as the ushers bring the gifts of our offerings.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to restore the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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:

THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS S-130

Schubert

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

Please kneel or be seated. The Celebrant continues.

Holy and gracious Creator: 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: Celebrant

People Christ has died. Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, 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 Christ.

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 Beloved Jesus Christ, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has 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 BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia. Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Fraction Anthem

S-164 Schubert

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, Redeemer, Redeemer of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

All who are baptized, from any tradition, are welcome to receive. If you'd prefer a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available; let the priest know. You may drink from the chalice. Please signal to an usher if you wish to have communion brought to you in your seat.

COMMUNION HYMN

see insert

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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

The Celebrant offers the blessing.

CLOSING HYMN see insert

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Welcome to Saint Andrews!

Please fill out a newcomer card if you're here for the first time. Put it in the offering plate, or give it to the clergy.

About our service: This service is the Holy Eucharist (or "Holy Communion" or "Mass"), according to a Rite Two of the 1979 Book of Common Prayer (BCP). Our 8am service (spoken, in a more contemplative style without music) meets in the Chapel and is using Rite One with more traditional language for Advent. Please stay for coffee after church!

Restrooms: For the restrooms, please exit the church at the front pulpit side door. Restrooms (with changing tables) are down the hall on the right. An all-gender restroom is at the top of the stairs immediately to your right; it is also accessible by elevator.

The Episcopal Church: St Andrew's is part of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh, which extends south to West Virginia, north to the perimeter of Butler County, and as far west as Somerset. Our diocesan bishop is The Rt. Rev. Ketlen Solak. The head of the Episcopal Church in the US is the Most Rev. Sean Rowe. We are part of the global Anglican Communion, with congregations in 160 countries.

Welcome, children! Children and infants (including all their shrieks and gurgles) are warmly welcomed at St Andrew's. We have kids' programs during the 10am service (with a special children's sermon on the first Sunday of the month), but all children are always welcome in worship as well.

Visit us on the web at <u>www.standrewspgh.org</u> to learn more and subscribe to our email newsletter.

VESTRY

Rector: The Rev. Sara Irwin Senior Warden: Jane Parkhurst (25) Junior Warden: Matthew Walsh (26)

Treasurer: Arthur Noonan (25) Clerk: Anthony Crisafio (26)

Term 2025: Matt Knoblock Term 2026: Ray Williams

Term 2027: Ben Kelley, Chuck Reynolds, and Laurel Roberts

CHURCH STAFF

Shelby Barza - Church Secretary Shawn Brooks - Finance Administrator Becky Marinov - Director of Sunday School Pamela Shaw - Interim Organist & Choirmaster Becky Usner - Sexton

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ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS AT ST. ANDREW'S

December 1: Sunday morning Advent Series (9am)<u>Light of the World: A Beginner's Guide to Advent</u> by AJ
Levine. In-person in the Rectory Conference room.

RSVP to sara@standrewspgh.org.

December 5: Thursday morning Book Group (9am)
Songs for the Waiting: Devotions inspired by the Hymns of
Advent, by Magrey DeVega for the season of Advent.
Contact wmrun@pitt.edu for Zoom link.

December 7: Highland Park Light Up Night (5-7pm) Stop by St Andrew's for s'mores and a visit from St Nick!

December 14: Rector's Advent Party (2-4pm)

Drop by for food, drink, fun, and fellowship with St. Andrew's Rector, Sara, and St. Paul's Rector, Noah, with their children Isaiah and Adah, and also members of St. Paul's and St. Andrew's. All are welcome to come to this annual informal Advent gathering! Please bring gloves and knit hats to be donated to local ministries for those in need. 240 Woodhaven Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15228

December 15: Christmas Pageant (10am service)

Hear the Christmas story anew, thanks to our Church School! Stay for cookies and community after the service.

December 24: Christmas Eve

4pm service: with children's sermon

7pm service: traditional candlelight with choir

December 25: Christmas Day Service at 10am

December 29: No 8am service. Lessons & Carols at 10am.

BULLETIN INSERT FOR DECEMBER 15: THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

PRELUDE

O, Come Emmanuel & Shepherds (Nativity Suite) Wilbur Held

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Arise, the Kingdom is at Hand C. Tye
Arise, the kingdom is at hand, the King is drawing nigh,
O come with joy, thou faithful band, to meet the Lord most high!
LOOK up, ye souls weighed down with care, the Sov'reign is not far,
Look up, faint hearts, from your despair, Behold the Morning Star!

COMMUNION HYMN #334

Praise the Lord, rise up rejoicing

CLOSING HYMN #68

Rejoice, rejoice believers

Postlude

As with Gladness Men of Old

Wilbur Held

E. Farjeon

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

God of gladness, you give us the gift of your peace even when we are struggling and unsure. May we trust in you and live in the light of your promises.

People, Look East (verse 3; Besançon)
Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim
One more light the bowl shall brim,
Shining beyond the frosty weather,
Bright as sun and moon together.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the star, is on the way.

THE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Our children tell the story, but we all sing the hymns! As we meet the characters in the Christmas story, we'll sing a few verses of our favorite hymns. Our regular liturgy will resume at the Prayers of the People.

O Come All Ye Faithful

Hymnal 83

O come, all ye faithful
Joyful and triumphant
O come ye, oh come ye to Bethlehem
Come and behold him
Born the king of angels
Oh come let us adore him
Oh come let us adore him
Christ the Lord

O Little Town of Bethlehem.

Hymnal 79

Oh, little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie,
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep,
The silent stars go by.
Yet in the dark streets shineth
The everlasting light
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight

Away in the Manger

Hymnal 101

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, The Little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head; The stars in the sky looked down where he lay, The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

Hark the Herald Angels Sing Hark! The Herald angels sing Hymnal 87

Glory to the newborn king
Peace on earth and mercy mild
God and sinners reconciled
Joyful all ye nations rise
Join the triumph of the skies
With the angelic host proclaim
Christ is born in Bethlehem
Hark, the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn king

We Three Kings

Hymnal 128

We three kings of Orient are
Bearing gifts we traverse afar,
field and fountain, moor and mountain,
following yonder star...
O-o star of wonder, star of night
Star of royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to thy perfect light

Silent Night

Hymnal 111

Silent night, holy night
All is calm, all is bright
Round you virgin Mother and child
Holy infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace

Go Tell it on the Mountain

Hymnal 99

Go, tell it on the mountain,
Over the hills and ev'ry where;
Go, tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born!
(*Refrain*)
While shepherds kept their watching

O'er silent flocks by night, Behold throughout the heavens There shone a holy light. (*Refrain*)

SERVING TODAY

Acolyte: Watson Montgomery
Eucharistic Server: Anthony Crisafio
Second Chalice: Wes Rohrer
Lector: Tadd Bevan
Vestry Member of the Day: Arthur Noonan

Ushers: Kathy Culver & Jim Culver

St. Andrew's Prayer List

Healing for Watson Montgomery; Lorette Fuller; Peg Ghrist; Helen Hagopian; Linda Hagopian; Emma Mosley; Nancy Gillies, cousin of Molly Montgomery; Andrew Dartt, godson of Nita and John Kellum; Bruce Phillips; Lynn Phillips, daughter-in-law of Paul Phillips; Sharyn, sister of Jane Parkhurst; Frank Plavan, brother of Karen Plavan; Chris, daughter of Dana Phillips.

BIRTHDAYS

We celebrate those having a birthday this week, Jane Parkhurst, Emma Mosley, and Patty Maloney.

The Flowers are Given to the Glory of God by Gene & Janet Filipek in celebration of St. Andrew's children.

{If you would like to dedicate flowers in celebration or memory for a future service, please contact the church office or Julia Reynolds at julialreynolds@gmail.com. The suggested donation is \$50.}

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanks to our Church School teachers and families for bringing the Christmas story alive today!