



Holy Eucharist
and
Confirmation
Sunday, October 15, 2023
10:00 am

Welcome Thank you for joining us today at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church! Our spiritual call is to "Worship Christ, Grow Together, and Serve Others."

Guests We would love to meet you and give you a gift at the Information Kiosk in the Gathering Space. We ask that you sign the Guest Register. You can learn more about our parish family at www.standrewsvalpo.org.

Children Our Children's Ministry, (ages 3 (potty-trained) thru 5th grades) meet Sundays at 9:15 am in the Children's Wing. We use the Godly Play program. Please contact ministry leader Jennifer Rodd at sundayschool@standrewsvalpo.org

Youth For Youth Group information, please contact ministry leader Jennifer Rodd at sundayschool@standrewsvalpo.org

Prayer Ministry Our Intercessory Prayer Team meets Tuesdays at 9:00 am. Please contact Katy Hamilton at khamilton@standrewsvalpo.org



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Church Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday 9am-4pm

Worship /Bible Studies

Saturday	5:30 pm	Rite II Service
Sunday	8:00 am	Rite I Service
	10:00 am	Rite II Service
Tuesday	7:00 am	Men's Bible Study
Wednesday	9:00 am	
		Morning Prayer w/Discussion

Welcome to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
The 20th Sunday after Pentecost - Proper 23 Year A
Holy Eucharist and Confirmation
Sunday, October 15, 2023
Bishop Douglas Sparks



The flowers are given to the Glory of God from Barb Claypool in loving memory of her husband Jim.

Greeter(s): Dawn Martinek

EM: Julien Smith

**From the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)
Music in the Black Folder (FLD)**

Open Hymn *Hymnal 20*

FLD

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

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

Bishop There is one Body and one Spirit;

People **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Bishop One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People **One God and Father of all.**

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Bishop Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the Readings.

The First Reading

Exodus 32:1-14

Linda Halas

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and

brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the LORD." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'"

The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23

FLD

The Second Reading

Philippians 4:1-9

Rich Kado

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in every-

thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel Acclamation *NCH 313*

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Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.

The Gospel

Matthew 22:1-14

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

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

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

Bishop The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The RT. Rev. Dr. Douglas E. Sparks

The Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

BCP 415

The Baptismal Covenant	BCP 416
Prayers for the Candidate	BCP 305
<i>People</i> Lord, hear our prayer.	
The Confirmation	BCP 418
The Peace The peace of the Lord ...	BCP 419
<i>People</i> And also with you.	
The Announcements	
Liturgy of the Eucharist	
The Offertory Sentence	BCP 376
The Offertory Hymn <i>Hymnal 348</i>	FLD

Celebrant *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*

Lift up your hearts. 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 Sanctus <i>Gather 166</i>	FLD
The Great Thanksgiving <i>The Lord be with you...</i>	BCP 361

Celebrant *People*

A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread <i>Fraction Anthem...</i>	FLD
The Lord's Prayer <i>Our Father, who art in heaven...</i>	BCP 364
Invitation to Communion <i>The Gifts of God...</i>	BCP 364
Communion Hymn <i>NCH 332</i>	FLD
Communion Hymn <i>Hymnal 339</i>	FLD
Communion Hymn <i>Hymnal 316</i>	FLD
The Postcommunion Prayer <i>Almighty and everliving God,...</i>	BCP 366
The Blessing	
The Postcommunion Hymn <i>Hymnal 556 vs 1-5</i>	FLD
The Dismissal	BCP 366
<i>People</i> Thanks be to God.	



Megan Summers (10-16)

Jennie Brock (10-17)

Pamela McBride (10-17)

Jill Ritchie (10-18)

Nancy Seeley (10-19)

Susan Foster (10-20)

Jason Myers (10-20)

Theresa Argueta (10-21)

Ken and Janice Martinek (10-16)

Stu and Megan Summers (10-17)



Danny Reynolds (2019)

Richard Sederstrom (2019)

Stanislaw Masolak (2018)

Robert Julian (2016)

Lucille Szelinski (2012)

James Crise (2012)

Roger Gaebel (1998)

Dora L. Sabinske (1993)

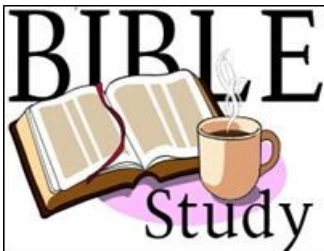
Frederic A. Gibbs (1992)

John T. Hines (1981)

Church Happenings



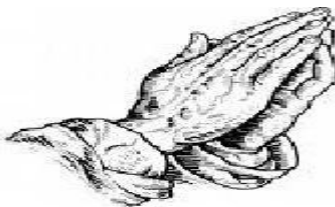
Do you like to solve a mystery? Do you like Italian Food? If so, on **October 25, 5:30-7:00 pm** you can join us and try to figure out who killed the Sr. Warden. The murder will take place at the St. Andrew's Speak-easy. You are welcome to come in costume or everyday clothes. Once you have signed up, you will be given a password to enter the Speak-easy. There will be a sign-up sheet in The Gathering Space. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Michelle Klemczak at 219-462-4946 or email at mkleczak@standrewsvalpo.com



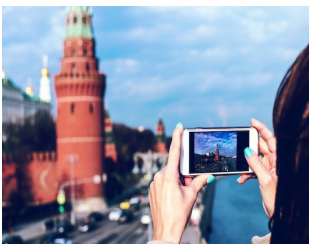
Wednesday at 6:30 pm we will have service of Holy Eucharist with Healing followed by a bible study. You may come for either or both. Bring some snacks and enjoy fellowship. We will be doing this every Wednesday night except our 4th Wednesday parish Social Event.



Saturday, October 28 at 3-5pm Trick-or-Treating event. **Donations needed:** individually wrapped candy, instant hot chocolate packets, regular-size marshmallows, and Hershey's chocolate bars. Take a Post-it note from the closet doors with a donation item on it. Please place item in Education Wing Office. Thank you very much to all who have donated.



Starting October 21, we will be having an Intro to Contemplative Prayer and will continue on October 28, and November 11. The Rev. John Schramm will be leading the group. If you are interested please contact Michelle at office@standrewsvalpo.org or 219-462-4946



Paparazzi Sunday!! October 22 at all services – Unleash your inner artist! Cameras & phones welcome! Take pictures before, during, after the service, around the building or property. Include your favorite views, details, and people, and expected or unexpected shots. Send photos to the parish office for our library of images, to be used on our web site and social media to show off St. Andrew's! No particular skills needed, and if you need help forwarding images, we can do that!

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