WELCOME TO SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2026 10:15 AM



In the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, welcome! We are honored and delighted that you have chosen Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church as a place to worship this morning. If you are visiting with us for the first time, please complete a Connect Card located on the back of the pew in front of you and place it in one of the offering plates. A nursery is available for children ages 0–4, should you wish to make use of it during the service. We would be grateful for the opportunity to learn more about you and thank you for joining us. We invite you to participate fully in today's worship and pray that you experience Christ's presence among us as we gather in prayer, Word, and Sacrament.

Daryl T. Hay+
Rector

Rector The Rev. Daryl T. Hay, Rector
Dr. Linda Patterson, Director of Music

Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Pentecost
The Holy Eucharist: Rite II
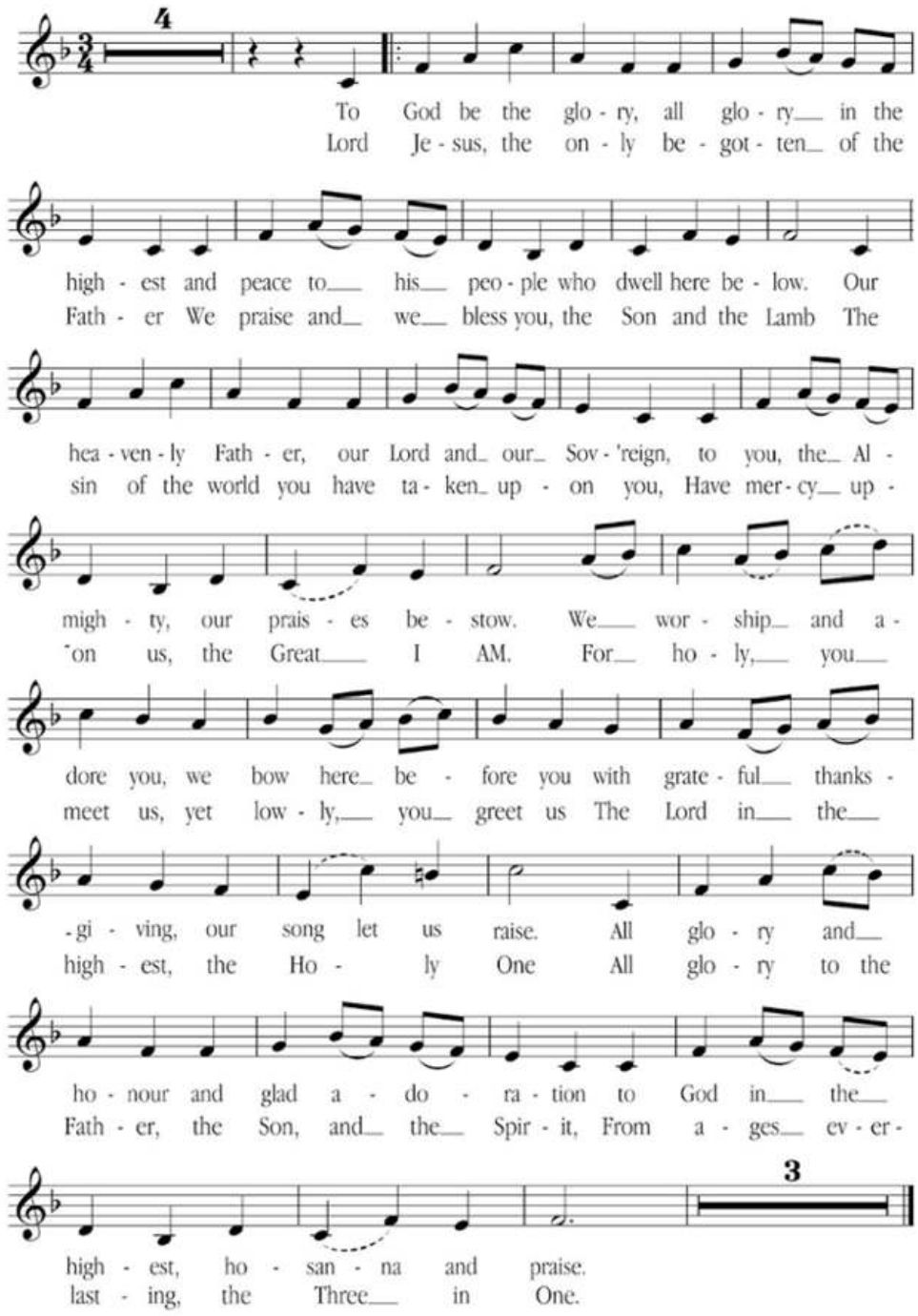
The Word of God

OPENING VOLUNTARY: Voluntary on *Nun danket alle Gott* Wilbur Held (1914-2015)

OPENING HYMN: 7 Christ, Whose Glory

OPENING ACCLAMATION (BCP pg. 355)

OPENING ANTHEM Gloria *(Malcolm Archer)*



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP pg. 357)
The People kneel.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

FIRST READING: Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

The People sit.

A Reading from the Book of Joshua.

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: 'Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many.'

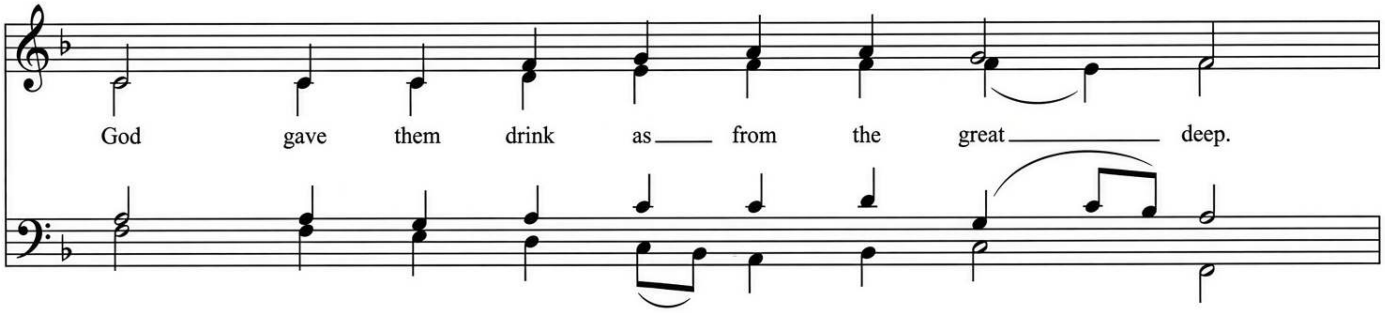
Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."

Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God."

But Joshua said to the people, "You cannot serve the Lord, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the Lord and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good." And the people said to Joshua, "No, we will serve the Lord!" Then Joshua said to the people, "You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the Lord, to serve him." And they said, "We are witnesses." He said, "Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the Lord, the God of Israel." The people said to Joshua, "The Lord our God we will serve, and him we will obey." So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 78:1-7
Remain seated.



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[1]Hear my teaching, O my people; *
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
[2]I will open my mouth in a parable; *
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times. **ANTIPHON**
[3]That which we have heard and known,
and what our forefathers have told us, *
we will not hide from their children.
[4]We will recount to generations to come
the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord, *
and the wonderful works he has done. **ANTIPHON**
[5]He gave his decrees to Jacob
and established a law for Israel, *
which he commanded them to teach their children;
[6]That the generations to come might know,
and the children yet unborn; *
that they in their turn might tell it to their children;
[7]So that they might put their trust in God, *
and not forget the deeds of God,
but keep his commandments. **ANTIPHON**

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together

with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN Hymn 68 Rejoice, Rejoice Believers

Children in Pre-K through second grade are invited to follow the Processional Cross to Children's Chapel.

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:1-13
All stand.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON The Rev. Daryl T. Hay

THE NICENE CREED (BCP pg. 358)
The People stand.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: FORM IV (BCP pg. 388)
The People kneel.

CONFESSION OF SIN (BCP pg. 360)

THE PEACE

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning arr. William Allen Pasch

Wake! Awake! Keep your lamps trimmed!
Dark night will soon be gone.
Keep your lamps trimmed and burnin',
For this work's almost done.
Children don't grow weary,
For this work's almost done.
Darker midnight lies before us,
'fore this work's almost done.
Lo, the morning soon is breaking.
For this work's almost done.

DOXOLOGY Hymn 380, verse 3

The People stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (BCP pg. 361)

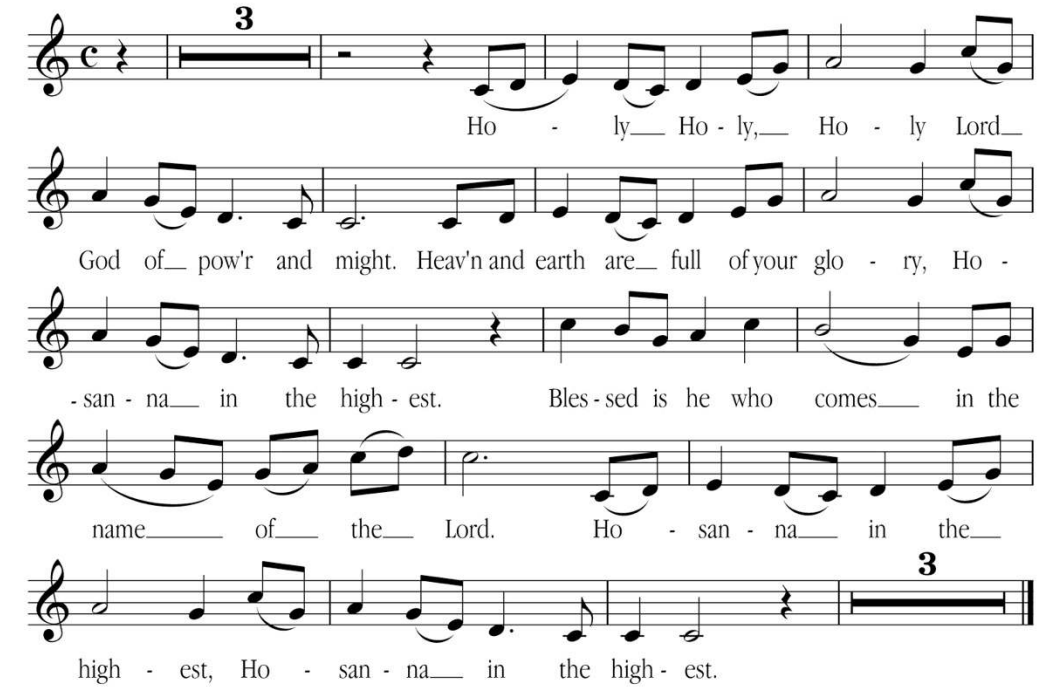
SANCTUS S 129 Holy, holy, holy *(Sanctus and Benedictus)*

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Rite II

Malcolm Archer

The English Folk Song Mass



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The People kneel.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP pg. 364)

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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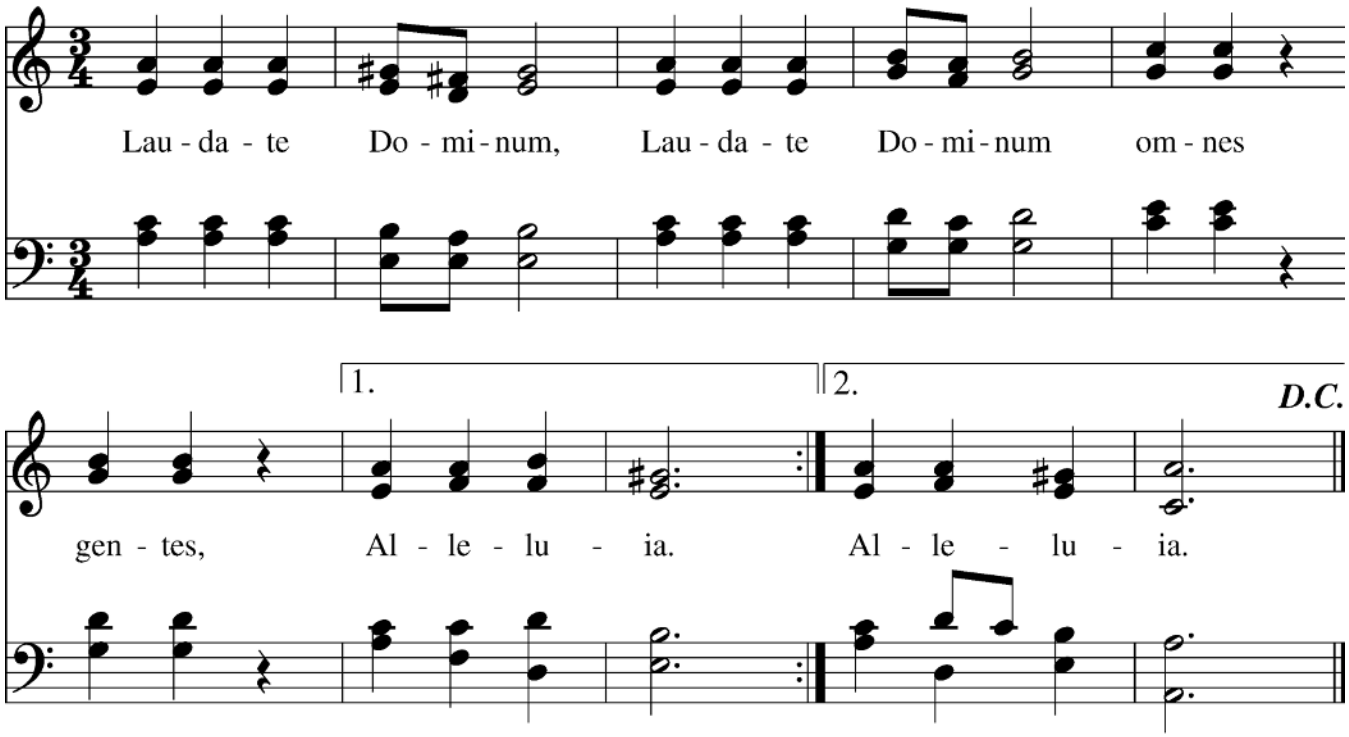
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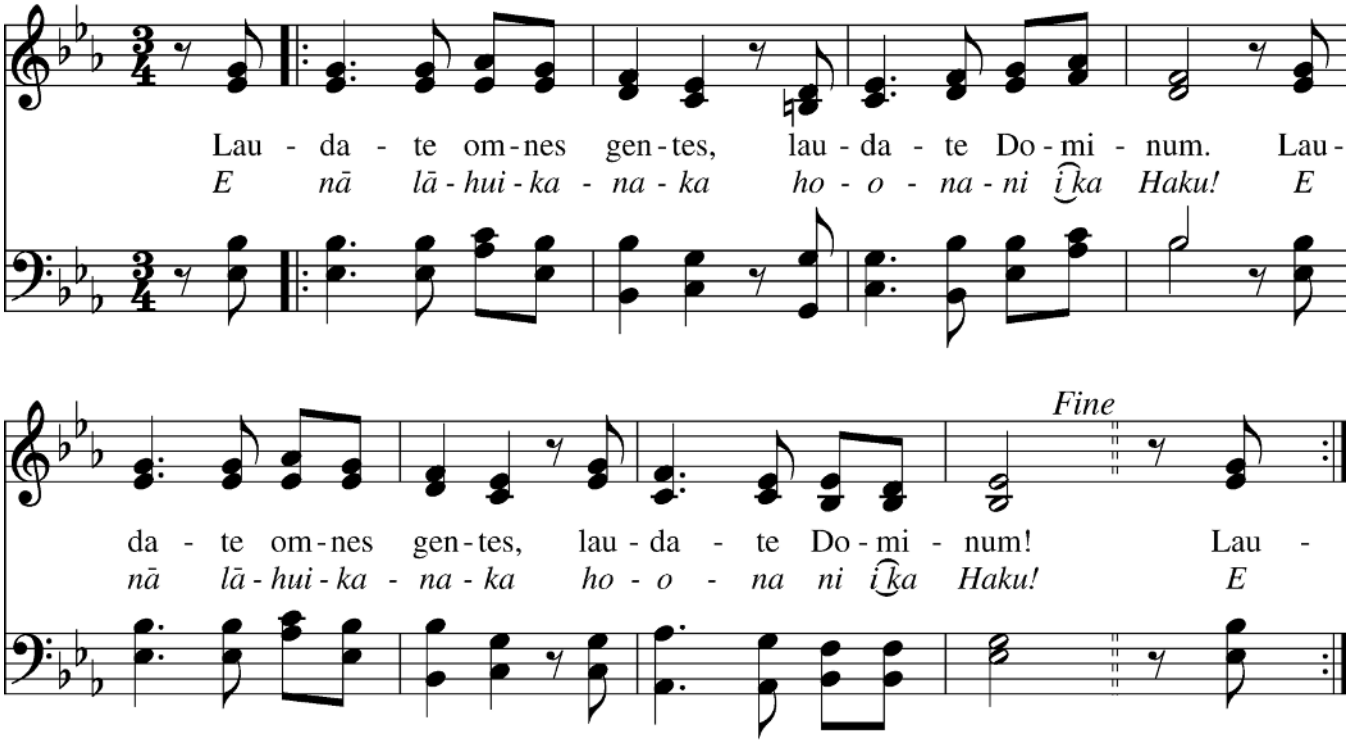
COMMUNION HYMNS:

Laudate Dominus



Translation: Praise the Lord, all you peoples.

Laudate Omnes Gentes



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP pg. 366)

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN: 436 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

DISMISSAL

CLOSING VOLUNTARY: Voluntary on *Nun danket alle Gott* J. S. Bach

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The flowers are given:
In loving memory of Alex Dicky, on her birthday by Wayne Dicky

In thanksgiving for our marriage forty years ago today at St. Andrew's, and for the years James and I shared by Adrienne Frieda

In celebration of my granddaughter Crina's 8th birthday by Carolyn Jaros

LONG TERM PRAYER LIST: Kay, Susan, Kirby, Arthur, Suzan, Beth, Atreyu, Fran, Nathan, Mary, John, Randy, Barbara, Marvin, Norm, Sarah, Danna, Liz, Bill, Bob, Leonora, Julia, Van Eman family, David, Charles, Beverly

MUSIC NOTES: This Sunday's Gospel lesson pushes us into Advent territory–we usually hear about the lamps during the Advent season, but this year, it is read in November. The Offertory Anthem is a setting of the spiritual, with a nod to the Advent hymn, "Wake, Awake" at the beginning.
The Voluntaries today are seasonal pieces on the hymn, "Now Thank We All Our God."

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 15: The Saint Andrew's Choir will be among the choirs from across the Episcopal Diocese of Texas participating in this year's Diocesan Choral Festival at Christ Church Cathedral in Houston 6:00 p.m.

November 18: The Holy Eucharist at Arbor Oaks with Bell Choir at 1:30 p.m.

November 18: Public service of healing with Holy Communion at 5:30 p.m.

November 22: Saint Andrew's Day Sunday Breakfast Tacos at 8:45 a.m. and Vestry elections at 9:15 a.m.

November 25: Thanksgiving Holy Eucharist at 5:30 p.m. followed by Friendsgiving potluck dinner.

December 4: First Friday Christmas Carol Karaoke with Pipe Organ at 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

December 5: Celebrate with Relish at 11:00 a.m.

December 6: Plass Recital: Vivaldi's Gloria 4:00 p.m.

December 24: Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist at 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

December 25: Christmas Day Holy Eucharist at 11:00 a.m.

WEEKLY/MONTHLY MINISTRIES

As plans occasionally shift, we encourage you to check the Saint Andrew's online calendar for the most current information and a complete list of upcoming events.

Sunday – The Holy Eucharist: 8:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. | Faith Formation, 9:15 a.m.

Tuesday – Good Grief Group, 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday – Rector's Bible Study, 10:00 a.m. | Choir Practice, 3:00 & 7:00 p.m. | Handbell Rehearsal (contact Dr. Linda Patterson for details) | Public Service of Healing, 5:30 p.m. (3rd Wednesday of the month) | 20–30 Vision, 6:00 p.m.

Thursday – Men's Breakfast and Bible study, 7:00 a.m. at Rudy's BBQ | Ladies Breakfast, 8:30 a.m. (offsite at Cracker Barrel) | Card Committee, 10:15 a.m. (usually held the 3rd Thursday of the month) | Youth Café Conversations, 7:00 p.m. at Saint Francis Episcopal Church, College Station

Friday – Music Play with Ms. Patty, 9:30 a.m. | First Friday Open Doors (first Friday of the month) | W.I.N.E.© Meet-up (last Friday of the month)

Saturday – DOK, 9:00 a.m. (2nd Saturday of the month) | Flower Guild: Flower Arranging, 10:00 a.m. | Brazos Church Pantry Volunteer Day, 10:00 a.m. (3rd and 4th Saturday of the month)

HELP FILL THE NEED

November Food of the Month: Help support the Brazos Church Pantry by donating **rice** throughout November. Donations may be placed in the collection baskets in the Parish Hall or Narthex. Thank you for helping provide food for our neighbors in need!

First Friday Parking Fundraiser: Help support Saint Andrew's Companion Church in Costa Rica by volunteering to sell parking spaces in our lot during **First Friday**. All proceeds will support projects during our next journey to Costa Rica in March. **See *The Line* for more details!** The next First Friday is December 4.

Join the Communications Team: We're looking for a few volunteer photographers to snap photos at parish events. No fancy camera required. Your phone is perfect. No need to cover everything. Just help when you can, when you're already there. Candid shots of people being people. A handful of photos after an event. That's it. If you've ever thought "somebody should take a picture of that," you might be the somebody. Reach out to Director of Communications Joe Battaglia at communications@standrewsbcs.org and tell him you're in. He'll keep it simple and flexible.

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