

**The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
Morning Prayer
St. Andrew's Church
October 5, 2025**



St. Andrew's Episcopal Church is called to love God and to love one another through worship, fellowship, education, and outreach; and looks for opportunities to collaborate and serve throughout our community and the world.

All stand.

Opening Hymn #551

Rise up, ye saints of God!

1 Rise up, ye saints of God! Have done with less - er things, give
2 Rise up, ye saints of God! His king - dom tar - ries long: Lord,
3 Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where his feet have trod; and

heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the King of kings.
bring the day of truth and love and end the night of wrong.
quick-ened by the Spi - rit's power, rise up, ye saints of God!

The musical score is written for three voices (Soprano, Alto, and Tenor/Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a clear harmonic structure. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves, with line numbers 1, 2, and 3 indicating different parts of the hymn.

Opening Sentence

Officiant: We give you thanks, O God, we give you thanks, calling upon your Name and declaring all your wonderful deeds.

Confession and Absolution

Officiant: Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

All: God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Invitatory and Psalter

Read responsively, by half verse

Officiant: O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.

All: **And your glory all the day long.**

OFFICIANT

Venite | Psalm 95:1-7

Read responsively, by half verse.

All: **The Holy One is in our midst: O come let us worship.**

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving *
and raise to the Lord a shout with psalms.

For you are a great God; *
you are great above all gods.

In your hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are yours also.

The sea is yours, for you made it, *
and your hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For you are our God, and we are the people of your pasture and the sheep of your hand. *
Oh, that today we would hearken to your voice!

All: **The Holy One is in our midst: O come let us worship.**

The Lessons

Please be seated.

LECTOR

Psalm of the day

read responsively, by half verse.

Psalm 137

- 1 By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept, *
when we remembered you, O Zion.
- 2 As for our harps, we hung them up *
on the trees in the midst of that land.
- 3 For those who led us away captive asked us for a song,
and our oppressors called for mirth: *
"Sing us one of the songs of Zion."
- 4 How shall we sing the LORD'S song *
upon an alien soil.
- 5 If I forget you, O Jerusalem, *
let my right hand forget its skill.
- 6 Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth
if I do not remember you, *
if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy.
- 7 Remember the day of Jerusalem, O LORD,
against the people of Edom, *
**who said, "Down with it! down with it!
even to the ground!"**
- 8 O Daughter of Babylon, doomed to destruction, *
**happy the one who pays you back
for what you have done to us!**
- 9 Happy shall he be who takes your little ones, *
and dashes them against the rock!

Glory to the holy undivided Trinity, one God,*
As it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

LECTOR

A Reading from the Book of Lamentations

Lamentations 1:1-6

How lonely sits the city
that once was full of people!
How like a widow she has become,
she that was great among the nations!
She that was a princess among the provinces
has become a vassal.
She weeps bitterly in the night,
with tears on her cheeks;
among all her lovers
she has no one to comfort her;
all her friends have dealt treacherously with her,
they have become her enemies.
Judah has gone into exile with suffering
and hard servitude;
she lives now among the nations,
and finds no resting place;
her pursuers have all overtaken her
in the midst of her distress.
The roads to Zion mourn,
for no one comes to the festivals;
all her gates are desolate,
her priests groan;
her young girls grieve,
and her lot is bitter.
Her foes have become the masters,
her enemies prosper,
because the LORD has made her suffer
for the multitude of her transgressions;
her children have gone away,
captives before the foe.
From daughter Zion has departed
all her majesty.
Her princes have become like stags
that find no pasture;

they fled without strength
before the pursuer.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

LECTOR

Second Song of Isaiah

from St. Helena Breviary

Led by Lector and read responsively, by half verse.

Seek for God who wills to be found; *
call upon the One who soon draws near.
Let the wicked forsake their ways *
and the unrighteous their thoughts;
And let them turn to God, who will have compassion, *
to our God who richly pardons.
For my thoughts are not your thoughts, *
nor your ways my ways, says the Holy One.
For as the heavens are higher than the earth, *
so are my ways higher than your ways,
and my thoughts than your thoughts.
For as rain and snow fall from the heavens, *
and return not again, but water the earth,
Bringing forth life and giving growth, *
seed for sowing and bread for eating,
So is my word that goes forth from my mouth; *
it will not return to me empty,
But it will accomplish that which I have purposed, *
and prosper in that for which I sent it.

LECTOR

A Reading of the Second Letter to Timothy

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

LECTOR

Canticle Q

A Song of Christ's Goodness

Anselm of Canterbury

Jesus, as a mother you gather your people to you; *

you are gentle with us as a mother with her children.

Often you weep over our sins and our pride, *

tenderly you draw us from hatred and judgment.

You comfort us in sorrow and bind up our wounds, *

in sickness you nurse us and with pure milk you feed us.

Jesus, by your dying, we are born to new life; *

by your anguish and labor we come forth in joy.

Despair turns to hope through your sweet goodness; *

through your gentleness, we find comfort in fear.

Your warmth gives life to the dead, *

your touch makes sinners righteous.

Lord Jesus, in your mercy, heal us; *

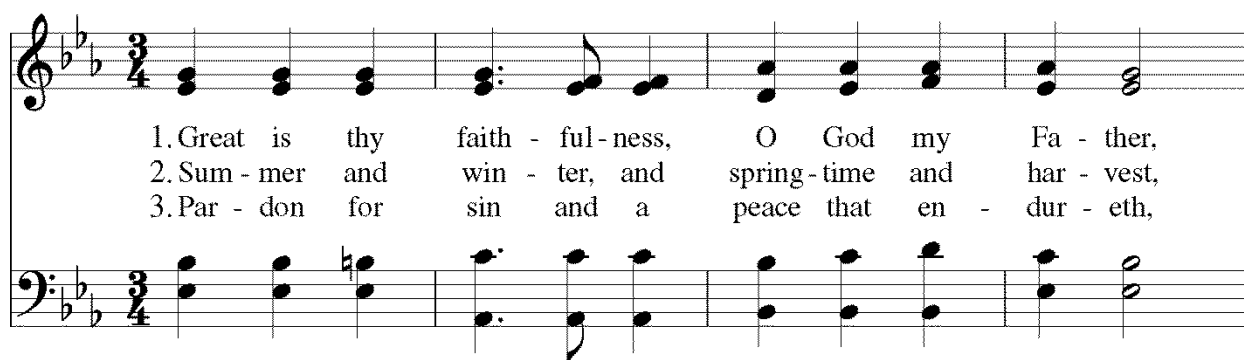
in your love and tenderness, remake us.

In your compassion, bring grace and forgiveness, *

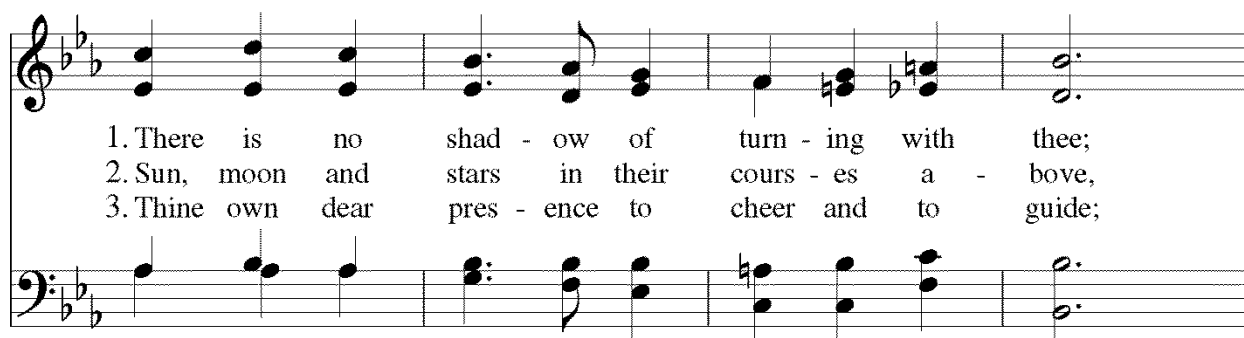
for the beauty of heaven, may your love prepare us.

Gradual Hymn LEVAS #189

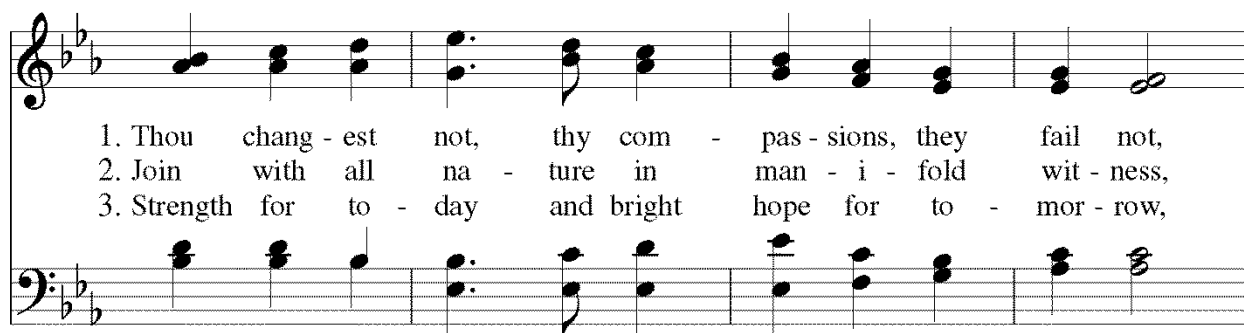
Great is thy faithfulness




1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther,
 2. Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
 3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



1. There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee;
 2. Sun, moon and stars in their cours - es a - bove,
 3. Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;



1. Thou chang - est not, thy com - pas - sions, they fail not,
 2. Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness,
 3. Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,



1. As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 2. To thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy and love.
 3. Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Great is thy faith - ful-ness! Great is thy faith - ful-ness!

Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed,

Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!

LECTOR

A Reading from the Gospel of Luke

Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to

him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

The Meditation

The Apostles' Creed

Please stand and face the cross.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Offerings of Time and Talent

Officiant: This fall, we are lifting up St. Andrew's many ministries--the gifts of time and talent that help us worship and serve.

Look around: here are all the folks that make worship possible, even without clergy! LEMS, lectors, altar guild, ushers, acolytes, music, tech, especially Valerie, Rae, Jen, Brenda, MaryAnn, Ella, Abby, Annette, Wendy, Kappa, Julie, David, Jane, Martin, Susan, Cathy, Jennifer, Janet, and Charlie.

The Offertory Sentence

Officiant: Let us offer ourselves, our time, our talent, our treasure, our hopes and fears with gladness unto God.

Offertory Hymn #660

O Master, let me walk with thee

1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with thee in low - ly
 2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,
 3 Teach me thy pa - tience; still with thee in clos - er,
 4 in hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the

paths of ser - vice free; tell me thy se - cret;
 win - ning word of love; teach me the way - ward
 dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith
 fu - ture's broad - ening way, in peace that on - ly

help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
 feet to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.
 sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong,
 thou canst give, with thee, O Mas - ter, let me live.

LEM

The Prayers

LEM: God be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

LEM: Let us pray,

LEM: Help us, O God our Savior;

All: **Deliver us and forgive us our sins.**

LEM: Look upon your congregation;

All: **Give to your people the blessing of peace.**

LEM: Declare your glory among the nations;

All: **And your wonders among all peoples.**

LEM: Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;

All: **Never forget the lives of your poor.**

LEM: Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;

All: **And your favor to those who are true of heart.**

LEM: Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;

All: **So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our lives.**

Collect of the Day

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray,

All: **Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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.

LEM

The Prayers of the People

Remain standing. The people are encouraged to add their own petitions.

LEM: In peace, we pray to you, O God.

Silence

LEM: For all people in their daily life and work;

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

LEM: For this community, the nation, and the world;

All: **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

LEM: For the just and proper use of your creation;

All: **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

LEM: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

All: **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

LEM: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

All: **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

LEM: For Sean, the Presiding Bishop; for Matt, Allen, and the diocesan ministry team;
for Allison, our priest-in-charge; and for all lay ministers;

All: **For all who serve God in the Church.**

LEM: For the Lenape, Munsee, and Esopus peoples, original settlers of these lands.

All: **Remind us of our history and make us grateful.**

LEM: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. Have compassion on those who suffer from sickness, grief, or trouble, especially *Charles, Edna, Sheila, DuSean, Lisa, Mary, Gabriel, Joan, Gwenn, Nancy, Patricia, Ola, Joe, Janet, Charles, Martha, Elizabeth, James, Molly, Vickie, Linda, Charlene, Christine, and all facing exclusion or harm*, and those we now name. [*Please add your own names, aloud*].

LEM: Hear us, Lord;
All: **For your mercy is great.**

LEM: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. For those celebrating birthdays, anniversaries, or accomplishments, *especially Brenda & Hush, Valerie & Bill, Anne & Noa, Jennifer & Tom on their anniversaries*; and we pray for those we now name. *[Please add your own names, aloud]*.

LEM: We will exalt you, O God;
All: **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

LEM: We pray for all who have died, *[Please add your own names, aloud]* that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
All: **Who put their trust in you.**

The Peace

Officiant: The Peace of Christ be always with you.
All: **And also with you.**

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

**Almighty God, Author of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Officiant: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Announcements

Closing Hymn #671

Amazing Grace

1 A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound, that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his
 4 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
 *5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

1 saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but
 2 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 3 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
 4 have al - rea - dy come; 'tis grace that brought me to
 5 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

1 now am found, was blind but now I see.
 2 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 3 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 4 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 5 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

The melody may be sung in canon at distances of either two or three beats.

Concluding Sentence

Officiant: Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.** *Ephesians 3:20,21*

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MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR TODAY

LEM/Officiant:	Valerie McAllister
Lector:	Brenda Hush
Usher:	Jen Cutter
Altar Guild:	Jennifer McPherson
Organist:	Janet Frommer
Coffee Hour:	Luba Brown
Live Stream Tech:	Charlie Burgner