



ST. ANDREW
ANGLICAN CHURCH

A Creative Spiritual Community

Holy Eucharist



Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2026

10:00 a.m. service

Welcome to St. Andrew's!
All are welcome here.



Sunday Ministries	8:00	10:00
Sidespersons/Greeters		Kathy, Irene, Ruth, Dennis, Fran
Server	David Smethurst	Haven Duncan McLean
Readers	Mary Larkin	Suzanne Gaby
		Patricia McLeod
Intercessor	David Smethurst	Marilyn Shade
Chalice		Yvette Bird
Coffee		Rene Melville, Suzanne Gaby, Cathy Dexter
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Altar Flowers - Given to the Glory of God - Marilyn Shade

Prelude

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Land Acknowledgement

We gather on lands which have been the homes of SENĆOᑦTEN and HUL'Q'UMI'NUM' speaking Coast Salish peoples from time immemorial, and their encounter with the Creator in this place goes before our own.

Opening hymn (CP#526) *God Is Our Fortress And Our Rock*

God is our fortress and our rock,
our mighty help in danger;
He shields us from the battle's shock
and thwarts the devil's anger:
for still the prince of night
prolongs his evil fight;
he uses every skill
to work his wicked will –
no earthly force is like him.

Our hope is fixed on Christ alone,
the Man of God's own choosing;
without him nothing can be won
and fighting must be losing:
so let the powers accursed
come on and do their worst;
the Son of God shall ride
to battle at our side
and he shall have the victory.

The Word of God will not be slow
while demon hordes surround us,
though evil strike its cruellest blow
and death and hell confound us:
for even if distress
should take all we possess,
and those who mean us ill
should ravage, wreck, or kill
God's kingdom is immortal!

The Gathering of the Community

Presider God of the resurrection, we gather this morning
as a community of believers. We come with joy to
greet one another and to tell again and again the
amazing news:

All **Christ is risen! Love is victorious over death!
You have given us new life in the name of your Son!**

Presider May our singing, praying, listening, and
proclaiming be a testimony
to the power of your love,

All **to make us a new creation as a community of faith.
We pray in the name of the risen Christ. Amen.**

Refrain *to Verses*

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

1. You are God: we praise you. You are Lord: we ac - claim you. *to Refrain*

You are God e - ter-nal; all cre - a - tion wor-ships you.

2. All the an - gels in the heav-ens chant your praise in end - less song! *to Refrain*

Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly. God of pow - er and might.

3. The a - pos - tles all praise you. All the proph - ets ac - claim you. *to Refrain*

All the mar - tyrs and your faith - ful peo - ple wor-ship you.

4. God, cre - a - tor, we praise you. Je - sus the Christ, we a - dore you. *to Refrain*

Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, we wor-ship you.

Collect of the Day

Presider Generous God,
whose life is freely given in Jesus Christ our Lord:
All **as you have opened for us your house of many rooms,
so may we make a place for the rejected and unloved,
and share in the work of peace;
through Jesus Christ the cornerstone.
Amen.**

Proclamation of the Word

First Reading

Reader A reading from the Book of Acts (7:55-60).
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
All **Thanks be to God.**



Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

¹ In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;

let me never be put to shame;

deliver me in your righteousness.

² Incline your ear to me; make haste to deliver me.

³ Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,

for you are my crag and my stronghold;

for the sake of your name,

lead me and guide me.

⁴ Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me,

for you are my tower of strength.

⁵ Into your hands I commend my spirit,

for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

¹⁵ My times are in your hand;

**rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those
who persecute me.**

¹⁶ Make your face to shine upon your servant,

and in your loving-kindness save me.”

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Epistle Reading

Reader A reading from the First Letter of Peter (2:2-10).

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Gradual Hymn (CP#283) *By All Your Saints Still Striving*

- 1 By all your saints still striving,
for all your saints at rest,
your holy name, O Jesus,
for ever more be blessed.
You rose, our King victorious,
that they might wear the crown
and ever shine in splendour
reflected from your throne.
- 2g We praise you, Lord, for Philip,
blest guide to Greek and Jew,
and for young James the faithful,
who heard and followed you.
O grant us grace to know you,
the victor in the strife,
that we, with all your servants
may wear the crown of life

Gospel Reading

Presider May God be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John (14:1-14).

All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Presider The Gospel of Christ.

All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

(Gradual hymn continued)

- 3 Then let us praise the Father
and worship God the Son
and sing to God the Spirit,
eternal Three in One,
till all the ransomed number
stand before the throne,
ascribe all power and glory
and praise to God alone.

Sermon The Rev. Kelly Duncan

Anthem *Blessed are the Persecuted*

Affirmation of Faith

All We believe in an Easter God who transforms darkness into light and despair into hope. We believe God is working for good, changing the darkness of the tomb into a vision of Easter joy!

We believe in the risen Christ who touches us through song and silence, word and witness; who calls us by name to enter the promise of paradise. We believe in the Holy Spirit who invites us to leave behind the empty burial clothes and walk in resurrection power.

We believe the Spirit is always renewing the church and making us people who act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with God.

We believe we are Easter people, welcoming everyone, and although we are not perfect, we are, by God's grace, a sign that with God, all things are possible. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Peace

Presider My friends in Christ, may the peace of God be always with you.

All And also with you.

Offertory hymn (CP#300) *Christ is Made the Sure Foundation*

- 1 Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord, and precious,
binding all the church in one,
holy Zion's help forever,
and her confidence alone.

- 2 All that dedicated city,
dearly loved of God on high,
in exultant jubilation
pours perpetual melody,
God the One-in-Three adoring
in glad hymns eternally.

- 3 To this temple, where we call thee,
come, O Lord of hosts, today;
with thy wonted loving-kindness,
hear thy servants as they pray;
and thy fullest benediction
shed within its walls always.

- 4 Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
what they ask of thee to gain,
what they gain from thee forever
with the blessed to retain,
and hereafter in thy glory
evermore with thee to reign.

- 5 Laud and honour to the Father
laud and honour to the Son,
laud and honour to the Spirit,
ever three, and ever one,
one in might and one in glory,
while unending ages run.

**The Holy Eucharist
Prayer over the Gifts**

Presider Blessed are you, O God,
ruler of heaven and earth.

All Day by day you shower us with blessings.
As you have raised us to new life in Christ,
give us glad and generous hearts,
ready to praise you and
to respond to those in need,
through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.
Amen.

Presider May God be with you.

All And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to God.

Presider Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider It is indeed right that we should praise you
... to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of po - wer and might;
hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!
Bles - sed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -
san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Presider Holy God, source of life and goodness ...
... Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All

Congregation:



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en.
Christ will come, come a-gain.

Presider Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection...
... all glory is yours, All-loving God, now and forever.

All



A - men, A - men, A - men, A - men.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider Let us pray as Jesus taught us.



Our Fa-ther in hea-ven, hal-lowed be your
name; your king-dom come, your will be done on
earth, as in heav'n. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread; for -
give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-against
us. Save us from the time of trial, and de-li-ver us from
e-vil. For the king-dom, the pow-er, and the glo-ry are
yours; now and for-ev-er. A - men.

Fraction Sentence

Presider Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All **Now we are raised to new life.**

Presider We were buried in your tomb.

All **Now we share in your resurrection.**

Presider Live in us, that we may live in you.

Presider These are the gifts of a gracious God.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Communion

Communion hymn (CP#476) *Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless*

1 Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless
your chosen pilgrim flock
with manna in the wilderness,
with water from the rock.

2 We would not live by bread alone,
but by your word of grace,
in strength of which we travel on
to our abiding place.

3 Be known to us in breaking bread,
and do not then depart;
Saviour, abide with us, and spread
your table in our heart.

4 Lord, sup with us in love divine;
your body and your blood,
that living bread, that heavenly wine,
be our immortal food.

Communion hymn (CP#522) *Rock of Ages*

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee.
Let the water and the blood from Thy wounded side which flowed
be of sin the double cure: save from wrath and make me pure.

Not the labours of my hands can fulfill Thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hands I bring; simply to Thy cross I cling.
Barren come to Thee for dress; helpless, look to Thee for grace;
foul, I to the fountain fly; wash me, Saviour, or I die!

While I draw this fleeting breath, when my eyes shall close in death,
when I soar to worlds unknown, see Thee on Thy judgement throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee.

Communion Hymn (CP#82) *Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises*

Refrain:

Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises!
All our hearts are filled with gladness!
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1 Christ the Lord to us said, "I am wine, I am bread,
I am wine, I am bread." Give to all who thirst and hunger.

Refrain

2 Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,
strong of faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joyful gospel.

Refrain



Prayer after Communion

Presider Life-giving God,

All in the mystery of Christ's resurrection,

you send light to conquer darkness,

water to give new life,

and the bread of life to nourish your people.

Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection,

so that we may show your glory

to all the world,

through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

Closing Responses

Presider We go out into the world as people of God in this place,

All and may the God who raised Jesus from the dead

grant us grace,

the Son who gave his life for us give us peace,

and the Spirit who is with us day by day,

inspire us to great service both now and forever.

Amen.

Closing Hymn (CP#244) ***We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight***

- 1 We walk by faith, and not by sight;
no gracious words we hear
from him who spoke as none e'er spoke;
but we believe him near.
- 2 We may not touch his hands and side,
nor follow where he trod;
but in his promise we rejoice
and cry, "My Lord and God!"
- 3 Help then, O Lord, our unbelief;
and may our faith abound,
to call on you when you are near,
and seek where you are found:
- 4 that, when our life of faith is done,
in realms of clearer light
we may behold you as you are,
with full and endless sight.

Dismissal

Presider Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve our God.

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Weekly Cycle of Prayer

In our parish, we pray for Trish Mamic, Dianne Marks, Barbara Marshall, Joan Maytom, and Marks and Margaret McAvity.

In our community, we pray for Cordova Bay Elementary School, the administration, staff, and students.

In our Region, we pray for the Parish of St Philip, Cedar, The Rev. Leslie Flynn and the people of the Parish, Cedar, and district.

In our Diocese, we pray for Anna, our Bishop, and for the Parish of St Mary the Virgin, Oak Bay.

In our Ecclesiastical Province, we pray for The Most Rev. John Stephens, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of BC and Yukon, and Archbishop of the Diocese of New Westminster.

In Canada, we pray for The Right Rev. Rod Brant Francis, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Moosonee.

In the world, we pray for the Church of North India (United).

Looking Forward

May 8, 2026	Vintage Fashion Show and Tea Fundraiser at the Church
May 9, 2026	Angeline Vollenhoven's 100th Birthday Celebration 2:00 pm in the Hall
June 13, 2026	Evensong with Christ Church Cathedral at St Andrews at 4pm

***** *This Week at a Glance* *****
(May 3 – May 10 2026)

Sunday	May 3 Fifth Sunday of Easter 8:00 am Holy Communion BCP 10:00 am Holy Eucharist BAS
Monday	10:00 am Labyrinth Walk 1:30 pm Friends of St. Andrew delivery 3:30 pm Zoom Prayer Gathering
Tuesday	1:30 pm Friendship Circle
Wednesday	11:30 am Neighbours Lunch 2:00 pm Line Dancing
Thursday	10:00 am Eucharist 10:45 Bible Study 7:00 pm Choir Practice
Friday	1:30 pm Friends of St. Andrew delivery 2:00pm Vintage Tea and Fashion Show
Saturday	11:30 am Brunch Bunch 2:00 pm Angeline Vollenhoven's 100th Birthday celebration in the Hall
Sunday	May 10 Sixth Sunday of Easter 8:00 am Holy Communion BCP 10:00 am Holy Eucharist BAS



Quarterly Mission
April-June 2026
Alongside Hope (formerly PWRDF)

Announcements

WELCOME TO VISITORS - Would you like to receive a tax receipt for your offering over \$20? Please pick up an offering envelope from the stand on the credenza at the entrance to the church. All are welcome!

COUGH, COLD, FLU, COVID SEASON PROTOCOLS AT ST

ANDREW'S - If you feel at all unwell, please do not come to church. Consider joining in the livestream of the 10am Sunday morning service through the web-site here:

<https://www.standrewssidney.ca/blog>. If you feel that you may be coming down with something, please wear a mask to church. Thank you for thinking of the vulnerable in our community!

VINTAGE FASHION SHOW AND AFTERNOON TEA FUNDRAISER -

Fancy yourself having a dainty Tea with Jane Austen or at Downton Abbey? See vintage fashion, up close and personal. Touch the rich fabrics, admire the needlework, and remember when your mother wore that, or your grandmother, or, goodness sakes, when YOU wore that! Come to St. Andrew's Vintage Fashion Show and Afternoon Tea on Friday May 8 at 2:00 pm. Tickets are \$30. Invite your friends and book a table for 4 or 8! Tickets are available at the church: in person, by phone 250-656-5322, or by email at admin@standrewssidney.ca. See you there!



Readings for May 10, 2026

First: Acts 17:22-31
Psalm: 66:7-18
Epistle: 1 Peter 3:13-22
Gospel: John 14:15-21

RADIO SIDNEY PRESENTS: BEWARE MYSTERIOUS MARK - Join Radio Sidney for a 10 part miniseries about Elder Financial Abuse. Explore a real story with dialog from professionals on the subject. An elderly man welcomed someone into his life. Gradually, trust from his family was eroded, followed by the takeover of his home and finances. This documentary delves into the mechanisms behind this manipulation and the reasons it succeeds, featuring interviews with experts to help you prevent a similar fate. Episodes begin on April 30 at 7:30pm. <https://www.radiosidney.ca/>

AND THEN THERE WERE NONE - Susan Anderson will be performing in an adaption of Agatha Christie's novel. Ten people are invited to a secluded island for a weekend of work or play, all for different reasons and most by mysterious hosts. The charming house seems a wonderful getaway, until the guests start to pass away! Unable to leave the island, the race is on to find out who the murderer is, before the last soldier falls. Mary Winspear Centre, Charlie White Theatre, Friday, May 22 - 7:30PM, Saturday, May 23 - 2:00PM and 7:30PM and Sunday, May 24 - 2:00PM. Tickets are \$30 for Adults, \$25 for Seniors and Students. Tickets are available from the Mary Winspear Center: <https://marywinspear.ca/events-and-programs/and-then-there-were-none/>

CHORAL EVENSONG JUNE 13 AT 4PM - Choral evensong's roots are from the ancient English monasteries. The present format began in the 16th century. Today this old and beautiful service is sung every day of the week in many places around the globe. With its inspiring ethereal music and eloquent language, Choral Evensong can provide a peaceful, restful end to the day. Join us at St Andrew's for a Choral Evensong on Saturday, June 13 2026 at 4pm sung by the Youth Choir of Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria. Freewill offering—all are welcome to attend.

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