

Saint Andrew's Parish

Kent, Connecticut

Welcome to St Andrew's

If you are visiting or have a prayer request, we invite you to fill out a card that's hanging in the pews and either place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher. Offering envelopes are also available in the pews. We especially welcome all young worshippers! At 10:30, Church School meets downstairs in the undercroft.

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY *Year C*

12 January 2025 8:30 and 10:30 AM

Holy Eucharist, Rite Two, begins on page 355 of the Book of Common Prayer.

An asterisk () indicates items that occur at 10:30 only*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

* **The Prelude** *Adagio from Sonata No. 1* Felix Mendelssohn

All stand, as they are able

* **The Hymn 637** *How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord* LYONS

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity *BCP, p 355*

The Song of Praise

at 8:30 *Glory to God* *BCP, p 356*

at 10:30 **Hymnal S-280** *Glory to God* Robert Powell

The Collect of the Day

BCP, p 214

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

All may be seated

The First Reading

Isaiah 43:1-7

Lector A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord,
he who created you, O Jacob,

he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.

For I am the Lord your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom,
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

Because you are precious in my sight,
and honored, and I love you,

I give people in return for you,
nations in exchange for your life.

Do not fear, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,
and from the west I will gather you;

I will say to the north, "Give them up,"
and to the south, "Do not withhold;
bring my sons from far away
and my daughters from the end of the earth--
everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made."

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

The Response

(8:30) Psalm 29

BCP, p 620

(10:30) Psalm 29; 1-4,11-12
(sung by the Choir; text found on BCP p 620)

The Second Reading

Acts 8:14-17

Lector A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

All stand, as they are able

* **The Hymn 297**

Descend, O Spirit, purging flame

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The Gospel Reading

Luke 3:15-17,21-22

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

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

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

The Homily

The Nicene Creed

BCP, p 358

The Prayers of the People, Form III

BCP, p 387

The Confession of Sin *(said either standing or kneeling)*

BCP, p 360

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People *And also with you.*

All gathered may greet one another in the name of the Lord

All may be seated

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

* **The Anthem** *Down in the river to pray* arr. D. Mennicke

All stand, as they are able, when the ushers bring to the Altar the gifts that have been collected

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer A* BCP, p 361

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

at 10:30 **Hymnal S-125** Proulx

THE LORD'S PRAYER BCP, p 364

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD BCP, p 364

* **The Anthem** *Wade in the water* American Spiritual

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion

Following the direction of the ushers, the People may come forward to receive the Bread and the Wine; if it is easier for you to receive at your seat, please inform one of the ushers, who will arrange this

If you do not wish to receive the Bread and/or the Wine, you are invited to come forward, cross your arms over your chest and receive a blessing from the Celebrant

The Postcommunion Prayer *(said either standing or kneeling)* BCP, p 365

The Blessing

* **The Hymn 296** *We know that Christ is raised* ENGLEBERG

All may be seated

Announcements

The Dismissal

BCP, p 366

*** The Postlude**

Prelude and Fugue in G major

J.S. Bach



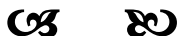
The flowers this day have been given to the glory of God

and

In Memory of Louise DiPentima

and

In Memory of Mary Adele Sebelon



St. Andrew's Prayer List, Week of 01/12/25

Betty Beatty, Carol Matzke, Katie Reed, Jackson, Jacob, James DiMartino and his family, Rob B, Dermott, Tom, Mike, Lisby Ritchie, Neil & Family, Bonnie McLachlan, Cindy Turner, Julie Higgins, Scott, Randy Osolin, Pastor Bob Schipul & family, Walter E., Koo Schadler, Carleigh Flickinger, Molly Chamberlin, Ann Lacey, Lindsay Quella, Brittney Brand, Glenn Sauer, Thomas, Rich Barber, Jim Wyrick, Christine Randolph, **Sherman and Maureen, Jackson, Maureen Diffley**

THIS WEEK AT ST ANDREW'S

Monday, 13 January	LGBTQ+ A.A. meeting	8:00 PM
Wednesday, 15 January	Midweek Holy Eucharist	6:00 PM
Wednesday, 15 January	A.A. for Women	7:00 PM
Thursday, 16 January	A.A. meeting	7:00 PM
Thursday, 16 January	Al-Anon meeting	7:00 PM
Sunday, 19 January	Holy Eucharist: <i>The Second Sunday after the Epiphany</i>	8:30 AM (spoken) 10:30 AM (with music)

There is a **restroom** located in the undercroft (basement) of the church building. There are two additional restrooms located in the Parish House, which sits behind the church. Please ask an usher if you need help locating these facilities.

You will find a complete calendar of activities for the coming week and more information about St Andrew's Parish on our website: **standrewskentct.org**. We are also on Facebook: **[facebook.com/standrewskentct](https://www.facebook.com/standrewskentct)**. We also publish a weekly online newsletter. Please let the Parish Office know if you would like to be added to our distribution list.

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Vestry Class of 2025

Patricia Nordskog
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Vestry Class of 2026

Kathy Fricker
Margie O'Brien
James Vick

Vestry Class of 2027

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