



ST. ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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WELCOME TO ST. ANNE'S!

Whatever your religious background, wherever you are in your faith journey, and however you have come to be here, we are glad you have joined for worship today. We hope you will experience God's presence among this community, people, place, and prayers.

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Celebrations & Thanksgivings • April 27 - May 4

Birthdays

George Shaffer, Kristina Sanders, Charlotte Smith, Joe Bellman, Kathy Breeding, Mary Johnson, Linda McFadyen, Connor Poole, Chris Kpadeh, Luc Sciallo, Susan Contostavlos, Adam Skitol

Anniversaries

Gary Voegele & Marion Billings, Jason & Eve Angerosa, Jeremy & Tracy Hanford, Seward & Angelique Cooper

Flowers to the glory of God.

We at St. Anne's acknowledge we are on the traditional lands of the Manaboac and Piscataway people. We honor with gratitude the land itself and the continued existence of Native peoples today and into the future.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

THE WELCOME

THE ENTRANCE RITE

THE GATHERING HYMN

There's a wideness in God's mercy

The Hymnal 470

Beecher



1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer-cy like the wide-ness of the sea;
2 There is no place where earth's sor-rows are more felt than up in heaven;
3 For the love of God is broad-er than the mea-sure of the mind;

there's a kind-ness in his jus-tice, which is more than lib-er-ty.
there is no place where earth's fail-ings have such kind-ly judg-ment given.
and the heart of the E-ter-nal is most won-der-ful-ly kind.

There is wel-come for the sin-ner, and more gra-ces for the good;
There is plen-ti-ful re-dem-p-tion in the blood that has been shed;
If our love were but more faith-ful, we should take him at his word;

there is mer - cy with the Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
 there is joy for all the mem - bers in the sor - rows of the Head.
 and our life would be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

People responses are in bold.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia

Jesus, our way, our truth, and our life: As the gift of this new day unfolds, open our hearts and minds to you, that we may see you clearly and follow where you lead; to you, risen Savior, we offer praise, now and always. **Amen.**

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

Glory to God in the Highest

The Hymnal S278

William Mathias

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
 might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,

on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4, you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the

Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of

God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The people are seated for the readings and the psalm.

THE FIRST READING

ACTS 8:26-40

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over to this chariot and join it.” So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” He replied, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: “Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.”

The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus.

As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

PSALM 22:24-30

The psalm is read responsively by whole verse.

- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
- 25 **The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: ***
"May your heart live for ever!"
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 **For kingship belongs to the Lord; ***
he rules over the nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
- 29 **My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; ***
they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN
We are one in the Spirit

St. Brendan's



1 We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord;
2 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand;
3 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side;
4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come,



we are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord,
we will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand,
we will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side,
and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son,



and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:
and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:
and we'll guard hu - man dig - ni - ty and save hu - man pride:
and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:



And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our



love; yes, they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love.

THE GOSPEL

JOHN 15:1-8

The people stand and turn to face the Gospel.

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the indication of the preacher.

THE SERMON

The Very Rev. Jessica T. Holthus

A brief period of silence is observed for reflection on the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED

The people stand as they are able.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through

him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Reader and People pray responsively

PLANNING FOR RITES AND RITUALS

Christ has gathered us as branches of the true vine. Let us offer prayers to God in whom we abide.

For the whole world: all nations, peoples, tribes, families, and creation.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Mark and Gayle our Bishops, our clergy Jessica, Maria, Nancy, Anne, and Winston, and for all who minister in God's church, and all the holy people of God.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For all places in strife and unrest, that you may inspire all your people to seek a just peace and that we may hear the voices of those who are unheard.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For all those requiring ongoing care, all those in danger and need, and those struggling with food or housing insecurity, may we abide with one another extending your loving presence.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For those who suffer in mind, body, or spirit. We pray especially for Kathy, Angie, Jamie, Bruce & Jean, Gerald, Nancy, Sue, Rich, Eleanor, Katherine, Nora, Rachel, James, Grace, Brandon, Eloise, Ester, Joe, James, Semaj, Pierrein, Helene, and Michael, our presiding Bishop. *(Please pray either silently or aloud for those you wish to remember.)* Stir up in us a spirit of grace and generosity, that we may give freely to those in need.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For the dying, the dead, and all who mourn, we lift them into your comforting care. We pray especially for Fae Schaffer who died last week.

To you, O Lord, our God.

CONCLUDING COLLECT

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, who abides in all who love you. Hear the prayers we offer this day and give us your Spirit of peace to love our siblings; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

WELCOMING THE CHILDREN

The Sunday school children and teachers process in and share what they learned.

THE PEACE

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

At this time we invite you to share the peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God.



We invite you to give generously to support the mission and ministry of St. Anne's. You can scan the QR code, text-to-give at 703-997-4436, or go to our website at stannes-reston.org.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN

God is Love, let heaven adore Him

The Hymnal 379

Abbot's Leigh

1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let
2 God is Love; and Love en - folds us, all the world in
3 God is Love; and though with blind-ness sin af - flicts all

earth re - joice; let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him
one em - brace; with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,
hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind - ness

and ex - alt him with one voice. God who laid the earth's foun-
ev - ery child of ev - ery race. And when hu - man hearts are
guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and hell shall

da - tion, God who spread the heaven a - bove, God who breathes through
 break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod, then we find that
 nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain; God is Love, so

all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.
 self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.
 Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

THE DOXOLOGY

As the offering is brought forward the following is sung:

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

LEVAS 56

New Doxology

Praise God, from whom all — bles - sings — flow; Praise Him, all crea-tures here be - low;
 Praise Him a - bove, ye — heav - enly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.
 A - - - men. A - - - men!

At this celebration of the Lord's Supper, bread and wine are blessed and broken and shared in remembrance of Christ Jesus our Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP PRAYER 3

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we sing with joy:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Jubilation Mass

James J. Chepponi

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -

san-na, ho - san-na, ho - san-na in the high-est.

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the

high - est. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho -

san - na in the high - est!

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the

resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ.

Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Blessed are you now and for ever.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. The lyrics are: "A - men, A - men, A - men. A - men, A - men, A - men!" The first staff contains the first three measures, and the second staff contains the remaining three measures. The melody is simple and repetitive, with a final double bar line at the end.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, each in the language of our own heart, we now pray,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory, are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE FRACTION

Christ our Passover

David Hur

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

This is the Body of Christ given for you, for you are the body of Christ given for the world. Come to God's table, be fed by God's hand, and find your place in God's holy family.

To receive communion, process down the side aisle. Hold your palm out flat with two hands if you wish to receive bread dipped in wine by the clergy. Hold one palm out if you wish to receive bread only, or if you wish to receive bread and drink from the common cup, located in the center aisle. Intinction is not permitted. Gluten free wafers are available at a separate station on the font side. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.

THE COMMUNION HYMN

The Angel said to Philip

LEVAS 50

Nyland

1. The an - gel said to — Phil - ip: “Go to a des - ert place.”
 2. The E - thi - ope re - spond - ed: “Lead me and be my guide.
 3. They trav - eled in the — char - iot, And came up - on a brook;
 4. Saint Phil - ip told the — E - thiope: “Be - lieve with all your heart;

1. And there he found an — E - thiope, the treas - urer — to — Can - dace,
 2. Ex - plain the scrip - ture — to me; Here, sit down at — my side.”
 3. The E - thi - ope, ex - ci - ted then looked up — from his book.
 4. And God the Ho - ly — Spir - it Will His own — gift — im - part.”

1. Who sat with - in his char - iot with Ho - ly Writ in hand.
 2. Then Phil - ip ex - e - ge - ted I - sai - ah’s Ho - ly word.
 3. “See Phil - ip, here is wa - ter,” He said, and stopped his steed!
 4. “I do be - lieve that Je - sus Is God’s true, on - ly son.”

1. Asked Phil - ip: “Can you, — bro - ther, the Pro - phet un - der - stand?”
 2. And preached un - to the — E - thiope that Je - sus Christ is Lord.
 3. “What can now,” he im - plored him, “My bap - tism — im - pede?”
 4. And with these words, the — treas - urer A great - er — trea - sure won.

5. O Philip, the evangelist
You brought to Afric's seed
The Gospel of our Savior
In thought, and word and deed,

O may we share Thy fervor
And press on towards the prize;
And heed our Lord's commission
To teach, preach and baptize.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Faithful God, in the wonder of your wisdom and love you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels, and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life. We thank you for the Body of Christ, the bread of heaven, and for the offering of Christ's holy presence, the gift of spiritual communion. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we become One Body in the sacrament of Christ's Body. Transform our lives with your life, for the love we share becomes bread for the world. Amen.

THE BLESSING

May Christ be in our minds, that we may see what is true.

May Christ be in our mouths, that we may speak with power.

May Christ be in our hands, that we may work with tenderness.

May Christ be in our arms, that we may embrace without fear.

May Christ be in our feet, that we may follow with love, and receive the blessing of God Almighty: Parent, Child and Breath of Life this day and always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

I Love to Tell the Story

Voices Found 125

Hankey

1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
 2 I love to tell the sto - ry; more won - der - ful it seems
 3 I love to tell the sto - ry; 'tis pleas - ant to re - peat
 4 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best

of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
 than all the gold - en fan - cies of all our gold - en dreams.
 what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet.
 seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.

I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know 'tis true;
 I love to tell the sto - ry, it did so much for me;
 I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
 And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else can do.
 and that is just the rea - son I tell it now to thee.
 the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
 'twill be the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain

I love to tell the sto - ry, 'twill be my theme in glo - ry,
 to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

The musical score consists of two systems. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The first system contains the first two lines of lyrics, and the second system contains the next two lines. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line with chords and some melodic movement in the right hand.

THE DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth rejoicing in the risen Lord.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Acolytes • *Ian Korbuly, Bryce Korbuly, Maite Hernandez*
Lay Readers • *Holly Inman, Jim Vollman*
Chalice Bearers • *Jim Vollman, Bob Rich, Tom Smith*
Flower Guild • *Martha Furniss, Marion Billings*
Altar Guild • *Tom Smith*
Ushers • *Ray Walser*
Digital Verger • *Shon Cooper*

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, April 28

Children & Youth Choir Rehearsal, 11:30 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.

Youth-Led Worship Rehearsal, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Saving Jesus Redux, 4:00 p.m., Library

Sunday, May 5

Youth-Led Worship, 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, May 19 - Pentecost

Baptisms - 10:00 a.m.

Praying with the African American Spirituals 4:00 p.m., Library

Saturday, June 1

Reston Pride - 12:00 - 6:00 p.m. - Lake Anne

July 6-13

Moving Mountains Mission Trip

July 22-26

Vacation Bible School - Linked by Love

