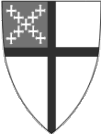


Taizé

# St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

100 Arroyo Piñon Drive, Sedona, AZ 86336

928-282-4457 www.saint-andrews.org



## The Twenty-fifth Saturday after Pentecost Transgender Day of Remembrance

Saturday, November 20, 2021 7:00 pm

*A service of Evening Prayer with Taizé music*

*Officiant:* As we begin worship, we acknowledge the traditional peoples of the land on which we stand: the Yavapai Apache, Hopi, Navajo, and Ancient Peoples. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land.

### Commemoration of Transgender Americans who died to date in 2021.

Tonight, we are observing Transgender Day of Remembrance. So far in 2021, the Human Rights Campaign has recorded more violent deaths of transgender and gender non-conforming people than any year prior since the organization began tracking this data in 2013. However, the actual number could be much higher. In commemoration of Transgender Day of Remembrance, we remember the lives, mourn the loss, and pray for the souls of the following individuals:

“Davarea” Alexander	Tiara Banks	Shai Vanderpump
Samuel Edmund Damián Valentín	Jahaira DeAlto Balenciaga	Miss CoCo
Bianca “Muffin” Bankz	Natalia Smüt	Pooh Johnson
Dominique Jackson	Iris Santos	Zoella “Zoey” Rose Martinez
Fifty Bandz	Tiffany Thomas	Disaya Monae
Alexus Braxton	Keri Washington	Briana Hamilton
Chyna Carrillo	Thomas Hardin	Kiér Lapri Kartier
<i>Siblings:</i>	Whispering Wind Bear Spirit	Mel Groves
Jeffery “JJ” Bright & Jasmine Canady	Sophie Vásquez	Royal Poetical Starz
Jenna Franks	Danika “Danny” Henson	Jessi Hart
Aidelen Evans	Serenity Hollis	Jo Acker
Diamond Kyree Sanders	Poe Delwyn Black	Rikkey Outumuro
Rayanna Pardo	Oliver “Ollie” Taylor	Marquiisha Lawrence
Jaida Peterson	Tierramarie Lewis	Jenny DeLeon
Dominique Lucious	EJ Boykin	
Remy Fennell	Taya Ashton	

### Gathering Song

‘When the night becomes dark’

*Songs & Prayers from Taizé #25*

*When the night becomes dark, your love, O Lord, is a fire; your love, O Lord, is a fire.*

*Officiant:* Let us pray the Psalm responsively by half verse.

### Psalm 33

1 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous; \*  
**it is good for the just to sing praises.**

2 Praise the Lord with the harp; \*  
**play to him upon the psaltery and lyre.**

3 Sing for him a new song; \*  
**sound a fanfare with all your skill upon the trumpet.**

4 For the word of the Lord is right, \*  
**and all his works are sure.**

5 He loves righteousness and justice; \*  
**the loving-kindness of the Lord fills the whole earth.**

6 By the word of the Lord were the heavens made, \*  
**by the breath of his mouth all the heavenly hosts.**

7 He gathers up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin \*  
**and stores up the depths of the sea.**

8 Let all the earth fear the Lord; \*  
**let all who dwell in the world stand in awe of him.**

9 For he spoke, and it came to pass; \*  
**he commanded, and it stood fast.**

10 The Lord brings the will of the nations to naught; \*  
**he thwarts the designs of the peoples.**

11 But the Lord's will stands fast for ever, \*  
**and the designs of his heart from age to age.**

12 Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! \*  
**happy the people he has chosen to be his own!**

13 The Lord looks down from heaven, \*  
**and beholds all the people in the world.**

14 From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze \*  
**on all who dwell on the earth.**

15 He fashions all the hearts of them \*  
**and understands all their works.**

16 There is no king that can be saved by a mighty army; \*  
**a strong man is not delivered by his great strength.**

17 The horse is a vain hope for deliverance; \*  
**for all its strength it cannot save.**

18 Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon those who fear him, \*  
**on those who wait upon his love,**

19 To pluck their lives from death, \*  
**and to feed them in time of famine.**

20 Our soul waits for the Lord; \*  
**he is our help and our shield.**

21 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him, \*  
**for in his holy Name we put our trust.**

22 Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us, \*  
**as we have put our trust in you.**

**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.**

### Gospel Reading

Matthew 18:21-35

*Lector:* A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew.

Then Peter came and said to him, ‘Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?’ Jesus said to him, ‘Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

‘For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, “Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.” And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, “Pay what you owe.” Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, “Have patience with me, and I will pay you.” But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, “You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?” And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.’

*Lector:* Here ends the Reading.

**Silence** (1 minute)

**Song** ‘Nothing can trouble’ *Songs & Prayers from Taizé #29*  
*Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten. Those who seek God shall never go wanting.*  
*Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten. God alone fills us.*

**SILENCE** The beginning and ending of the Silence is announced by a bell tone. During this period of silence, we will light prayer candles on your behalf while you offer personal petitions. Of course, you may light your own candles at home. \*\*There will be one minute of silence after all the candles are lit.\*\*

**Intercessions** ‘Christ Jesus’ *Songs & Prayers from Taizé #32*  
*The ‘Responsive song verse’ will be sung twice (with repeat) after each intercession.*

*Christ Jesus, Lord and Savior! Christ Jesus, Lord and Savior!*

God our Father, you gather us into the communion of your Church: give us life by your love.

**Responsive song verse:** *Christ Jesus, Lord and Savior! Christ Jesus, Lord and Savior!*

God our Father, you never take back your call and your gifts: give us life by your love.

**Responsive song verse:** *Christ Jesus, Lord and Savior! Christ Jesus, Lord and Savior!*

Son of the living God, your faithfulness enables us to remain always faithful to you: give us life by your love.

**Responsive song verse:** *Christ Jesus, Lord and Savior! Christ Jesus, Lord and Savior!*

Son of the living God, you are familiar with our trials and our poverty: give us life by your love.

**Responsive song verse:** *Christ Jesus, Lord and Savior! Christ Jesus, Lord and Savior!*

Holy Spirit, in our lives you stimulate a desire for peace and justice: give us life by your love.

**Responsive song verse:** *Christ Jesus, Lord and Savior! Christ Jesus, Lord and Savior!*

Holy Spirit, your road leads us towards all who suffer in our society: give them life by your love.

**Responsive song verse:** *Christ Jesus, Lord and Savior! Christ Jesus, Lord and Savior!*

Holy Spirit, you have placed gifts in our hearts to make us creators of communion: give us life by your love.

**Responsive song verse:** *Christ Jesus, Lord and Savior! Christ Jesus, Lord and Savior!*

**[In Unison]** Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Responsive song verse:** *Christ Jesus, Lord and Savior! Christ Jesus, Lord and Savior!*

**SILENCE** (4 minutes)

Let us pray the prayer that Jesus taught us:

**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.**

**Sending Song**

‘Sing out, my soul’

*Songs & Prayers from Taizé #24*

*Sing out, my soul, my heart rejoices in the Lord!  
(hum) Sing out, my soul! (hum) Sing out, my Soul!*

**A Prayer for Transgender Remembrance Day**

O Holy Trinity, God of Diversity and Inclusion, known to us in the person of Jesus Christ: As we mark this Transgender Day of Remembrance, we lift up to you all of our Transgender siblings. We remember their struggles and sacrifices to be treated with the respect and dignity that is due to all of your children. We commit ourselves to love our Transgender neighbors as we love our Cisgender neighbors, as we love our Gay Neighbors, and as we love our Straight neighbors. Help us to Love one another as children of God, just as you Love us, and sent your Son to be Savior of us all. It is in his Name we pray. Amen.

*adapted from a prayer shared by Nate Bostian - glaad.org*

*Officiant:* Let us pray together.

*A Prayer of St. Chrysostom*

**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.**

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Officiant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

*2 Corinthians 13:14*

## Tonight's Worship Leadership

Winnie Follett – Officiant

Anthony Petrone – Music Director & Organist

Marie Brown, Jan Haury – Lectors

Paul Troutman – Zoom Operations

*Songs & Prayers from Taizé.* Chicago, IL: Les Presses de Taizé: GIA Publications, Inc., 1991.  
Songs and service music reprinted under One License #A-727590, including Podcast/Streaming.

### *Transgender Remembrance Day*

Source: [https://reports.hrc.org/an-epidemic-of-violence-fatal-violence-against-transgender-and-gender-non-confirming-people-in-the-united-states-in-2021?\\_ga=2.47325799.1963741886.1637196412-159278254.1637196412#victim-id](https://reports.hrc.org/an-epidemic-of-violence-fatal-violence-against-transgender-and-gender-non-confirming-people-in-the-united-states-in-2021?_ga=2.47325799.1963741886.1637196412-159278254.1637196412#victim-id)

*“For the second year in a row, the trans community has seen a grim milestone: 2021 has become the deadliest year on record, just as 2020 was. Each and every name read and recognized on the Trans Day of Remembrance represented a full, rich life that did not deserve to be cut short. The rhetoric and stigma aimed by anti-equality political leaders and public figures at transgender and non-binary people have led to an unprecedented level of horrific violence against our transgender community. We must fight for change. We must dismantle this stigma. We must bring this epidemic of violence to an end.”*

- Joni Madison, Interim President of the Human Rights Campaign

+ + +



### St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

**Feast Day of St. Andrew – Nov. 21**  
**Thanksgiving Day @ 10am**  
**First Sunday of Advent – Nov. 28**

**Sundays in November: @ 9am**  
**Holy Communion, *In-person & Livestream***

**Saturdays: Contemplative Taizé @ 7pm**  
**November 6, 13 & 20 Evening Prayer, Livestream**  
**November 27 Holy Communion,**  
***In-person & Livestream***

 **100 Arroyo Piñon Drive, Sedona**  
**www.saint-andrews.org**   
**facebook.com/StAndrewsSedona**  
**928.282.4457**