

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

2025 Parish Profile



Welcome to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, a vibrant community of faith on the Crystal Coast of North Carolina.

Our History

St. Andrew's has a rich history dating back to the early 20th century, serving as a beacon of hope and support for generations.

Our Mission

Our mission is to follow Christ without delay and bring others into Christ's gracious presence.

Our Programs

We offer a variety of programs for all ages, including children's chapel, youth groups, and adult Bible studies.

Our Community

We believe in building strong relationships within our community and reaching out to those in need.



Our Future

We are excited about the future of St. Andrew's and our continued commitment to serving our community.

St. Andrew's

St. Andrew's Church is a welcoming and vibrant community of faith with a rich history, committed to serving the community through various programs and outreach efforts.



Who are we at St. Andrew's?



Our children comprise our Welcome Committee and greet new guests each Sunday during our 10am Rite II service. They also assist Deacon Carol with dismissing the congregation.

Welcoming

St. Andrew's welcomes and accepts all who come to worship by ensuring a warm and inclusive environment by making newcomers feel comfortable from their very first visit. Our parish is open to diverse viewpoints and spiritual practices to encourage people to explore their faith in a nonjudgmental space.

**WE BELIEVE THAT NO ONE COMES TO A WORSHIP SERVICE BY ACCIDENT.
YOU ARE HERE BECAUSE GOD IS WORKING IN YOUR LIFE.
WHEREVER YOU ARE ON YOUR JOURNEY OF FAITH,
YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.**



Family

St. Andrew's emphasizes the idea of a church family, where parishoners support each other both spiritually and personally. We maintain a strong sense of community and encourage connection with opportunities such as Sunday coffee hour following our 10am service and monthly potluck suppers.



"When I think of St. Andrew's, I think of a loving and supportive community. I have grown up in St. Andrew's since I was nine and I couldn't ask for a better church family. I joined the church choir alongside my mom and was welcomed with open arms. I got the privilege of growing up surrounded by a supportive and welcoming group of people that fostered my love for music and helped me grow as an individual. I am so grateful for the connections and bonds that have grown from our church family."

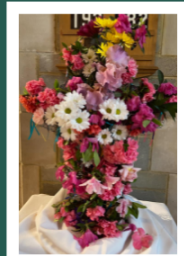
~Kayleigh Heden





Joyful

St. Andrew's vibrant music program blends traditional hymns while also honoring other gospel music and seeks to unite voices across generations. Our passionate leadership and organist thoughtfully includes soloists, other musicians, our children, and handbell choir to provide a joyful, spiritual atmosphere that is a powerful expression of our faith and connects worshippers to the church service.



Loving

St. Andrew's remains steadfast in its belief of inclusivity and acceptance of all who come to worship by loving one another as Jesus commands us.

In addition, we seek to love all beyond our walls through our outreach programs and stewardship. Our St. Andrew's parish thrives when called upon to meet the needs of our surrounding community through campaigns such as our annual Turkey Drive. We also remain active in our community through many outreach programs including our St. Andrew's Thrift Shop, Martha's Mission, Towel Ministry and our youth-led Meals on Wheels program.



Home of the Crystal Coast

St. Andrew's is located in Morehead City on the coast of North Carolina in Carteret County. Carteret County is home of the Crystal Coast, an 85 mile stretch of coast that is part of the Southern Outer Banks stretching from the island of Ocracoke to Emerald Isle and Cedar Point. The Southern Outer Banks is made of 11 different communities and boasts a wide array of activities including beaches, water activities, parks, nature trails, fishing, shopping, theatre, breweries, local restaurants, bakeries, coffee shops and many other attractions and hosts a variety of year round events. One of our most popular events is the annual NC Seafood Festival held the first weekend of October in downtown Morehead City and is one of St. Andrew's largest fundraising activities. The Crystal Coast is also home to Cape Lookout National Seashore, one of the states's seven lighthouses.



Based on the 2023 US Census Bureau, Morehead City has a population of approximately 9,863 and our broader Carteret County boasts a population of 69,615 and continues to steadily grow. Carteret County is also in close proximity to 2 local military bases. The Carteret County Public School System is also a top rated, statewide public school system with a total of 18 schools.

Learn more about our local communities by exploring the following websites:

Town of Morehead City:

- Website: <https://www.moreheadcity.nc.org/>

Carteret County, NC

- Website: <https://www.carteretcountync.gov/>

Crystal Coast, NC

- Website: <https://www.crystalcoastnc.org/>

Carteret County Public Schools

- Website: <https://www.carteretcountyschools.org/>