

St. Andrew's is dedicated to supporting your spiritual life. Spirituality is how we are in relationship to God, to other people, to the world around us, and to ourselves.

# The Second Sunday of Easter April 7, 2024

We are livestreaming the 10am service.

Prelude Christ lag in Todesbanden

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Processional Hymn 180 "He is risen, he is risen"

Unser Herrscher

#### The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Hymn 174 (verses 1&4) "At the Lamb's high feast we sing"

Salzburg

Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* Together we pray.

People

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

First Lesson: Acts 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the

resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 133

David Hurd (after Gibbons)

The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.



- 1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, \*
  when brethren live to gether in unity!
- 2 It is like fine oil upon the head \* that runs down up on the beard,
- †3 Upon the beard of Aaron, \*
  and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
- 4 It is like the dew of Hermon \* that falls upon the hills of Zion.
- 5 For there the LORD has or dained the blessing: \*
   life for ever more.

Second Lesson: 1 John 1:1-2:2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—we declare to you what we have seen

and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we

have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 206 "O sons and daughters, let us sing"

O filii et filiae

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Clergy The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in

his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that

through believing you may have life in his name.

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon Rev. Dr. Sarah Robbins-Cole

Nicene Creed BCP p. 358

Prayers of the People

After each bidding the Reader says, Lord, in your mercy. The People reply, Hear our prayer.

Confession of Sin BCP p. 360

Peace

Announcements

#### The Holy Communion

Presentation of Bread and Wine

Offertory Easter Anthem

The Lord is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

(Repeat previous line).

Now is Christ risen from the dead,

And become the first fruit of them that slept.

(Repeat previous lines).

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah.

And did he rise? And did he rise? Did he rise?

Hear it, ye nations! hear it O ye dead!

He rose, he rose, he rose,

He burst the bars of death,

(Repeat previous line twice).

And triumphed o'er the grave.

William Billings (1746-1800)

Then, then, then I rose,

Then I rose, then I rose,

Then first humanity triumphant

Past the crystal ports of light,

And seized eternal youth.

Men all immortal hail, hail, heaven,

All lavish of strange gifts to man,

Thine's all the glory, man's the boundless

bliss.

Doxology Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below; alleluia, alleluia!

Praise him above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP p. 361

S125 Sanctus (front section of hymnal)

Richard Proulx

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Fraction Anthem S151 (front section of hymnal)

David Hurd

All are welcome to receive communion. Ushers will direct the congregation. Gluten free wafers are available.

Communion Anthem I know that my Redeemer liveth

G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth.

And though worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God.

For now is Christ risen from the dead, the first fruits of them that sleep.

Communion Hymn 209 "We walk by faith, and not by sight"

St. Botolph

The congregation is encouraged to sing the hymn.

Thanksgiving after Communion

BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 492 "Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness"

Finnian

Dismissal

Clergy Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude Christ ist erstanden

J.S. Bach

Join us for coffee hour in the parish hall.



#### Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Laura Brown MacKinnon, Elizabeth Clarke, Nancy Echlov, Wendy Haering, Angie Johnson, Ntonhle Kekana, Jen Martin, and Heather Schaefer Flowers the flower guild

#### Serving at 8am

Lay Eucharistic Minister
Ushers Jane Givens and Mark Housel

#### Serving at 10am

Acolytes Crucifer, Eloise Svedlund; Torch, Dininar Alpers;
Torch, Tawanda Masiiwa; and Banner, Sino Masiiwa
Broadcast Tech Volunteer Rob Brandt
Lay Eucharistic Ministers Sarah Harris, Suzy Littlefield,
Cam McCormick, and Paul Shackford
Readers

Ushers Terri Rawson-Wakefield, Kris Vanin, Michael Vanin, and Michael Wakefield

#### Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Churches of the Charles River Deanery
Grace Church, Newton
St. John's Church, Newtonville
St. Mary's Church, Newton Lower Falls
Parish of St. Paul, Newton Highlands
Prison Ministries

#### If this is your first time at St. Andrew's, Welcome!

We are happy you found us. Please use this QR code to fill out a *seeker information form* or check with a member of our membership committee in the narthex so that our clergy and members of our congregation can welcome you and help you get engaged with our church.





**Assisted Listening** We use the *Listen Everywhere* app for worshipers who use hearing aids with Bluetooth capabilities. Download the *Listen Everywhere* app from your app store. Instructions for how you connect your app to the church system are at the ushers table.



# Icon of the Week

#### **Dietrich Bonhoeffer**

Dietrich Bonhoeffer was an anti-Nazi theologian and pastor during WWII. He was born in Germany in 1906, and is best remembered for authoring the classics, The Cost of Discipleship and Life Together. Although Bonhoeffer did not grow up in a religious home, he announced his plans to join the church when he was 14 years old. After obtaining his doctorate in theology and working in churches abroad, Bonhoeffer became a priest and lecturer in Berlin at the age of 25. Hitler's rise to power marked a turning point in Bonhoeffer's career. Despite the mounting cost, Bonhoeffer spoke out against the Führer's influence. Frustrated by the unwillingness of church leaders to oppose Hitler's anti-Semitism, Bonhoeffer created the Confessing Church, with Martin Niemoller and Karl Barth. Eventually, forbidden to teach publicly, Bonhoeffer taught seminary students underground for the Confessing Church until even they grew reluctant to contradict Nazi leadership. Bonhoeffer briefly sought asylum in the United States, but eventually concluded it was wrong to abandon his friends and returned to Nazi Germany.

Formerly a pacifist, Dietrich Bonhoeffer became persuaded of the need for violence against the Nazi regime and joined a group which plotted to assassinate Hitler. Ultimately, Bonhoeffer was arrested for his involvement in helping Jews flee the country. Still, he continued to teach with the help of guards who smuggled out his writings, until he was transferred to a concentration camp. When his association with other *Abwehr* agents was discovered, Bonhoeffer was hanged in April 1945, just one month before Germany surrendered.

#### His feast day is April 9.

Silence in the face of evil is itself evil: God will not hold us guiltless. Not to speak is to speak. Not to act is to act.



## **Notices and Announcements**

Note: all staff email addresses are on the second to last page. Deadline for materials is noon on Tuesdays for both the bulletin and the e-Pistle.

#### Church School Classes today

- Godly Play I pre-k to first grade meet in the children's chapel which is adjacent to the church sanctuary.
- Godly Play II grades two and three meet in Room 201 (formerly known as the Rite-13 room).
- Upper School/Way of Love grades four and five meet in Room 204.
- **Rite-13** grades six and seven meet in **Room 202**.

Please note that we will not be holding classes on **Sunday**, **April 14** (Patriots' Day weekend). However, Kids' Place will be open for childcare. We will hold a combined class **on Sunday**, **April 21**.

#### 9am Christian Learning

Please join us today, April 7, in the parish hall for *Visio Divina: Images of Resurrection;* we will reflect on two different paintings of the resurrection. Join us Sunday, April 14, when Adrian Robbins-Cole will lead *Cultivating Skills to Truly See "The Other."* Everyone is welcome to attend anytime. There is childcare at 8:55am in Kids' Place so parents can join. Classes are hybrid and the Zoom link is in the e-Pistle. —<u>Rev. Margaret</u> Schwarzer

#### Confirmation Class

Confirmation class will be meeting **today**, **April 7**, **at 5:45pm**, **in Room 201**. We will be preparing the confirmation candidates for the service next Saturday. Parents, feel free to send in your questions or reach out to me via email or phone. —<u>Sarah Robbins-Cole</u>

#### Antisemitism from a Jewish Perspective

In response to so much antisemitism in North America in the past few years, we have been sponsoring a series led by one of our friends at Temple Beth Elohim. Join Eric Rosen today, April 7, from 11:30am to 12:30pm in Room 2 for *Antisemitism from a Jewish Perspective: Modern Antisemitism.* This is Eric's third and final class with us this year. —Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

#### Confirmation, April 13, 2024

Please pray for our confirmation candidates who will be confirmed on **Saturday**, **April 13 at All Saints**, **Brookline**. They are:
Kara Eichelberger, Sophie Emerson, Tanner Francour, Justin Lin, Peter Mahoney, Luke Phelps, and Rosemary Wynnychenko.

Four other candidates will be confirmed at the Cathedral Church of Saint Paul, Boston on Saturday, September 21, at 10:30am. They are Elizabeth Rankin, Andrew Shirley, Amelia Svedlund, and Katherine Svedlund.

# Bargain Haul 2024 ... our 90th Year! Drop-off days: Sunday, April 28 to Tuesday, April 30; Work days: Monday, April 29 to Wednesday May 1; Parish Night: Friday, May 3; Public Sale: Saturday, May 4. Top 10 Bargain Haul List

- Donate treasures for the Silent Auction and Treasure Table, and gently used clean items for all departments.
- 2. **Sign up** for the Clean-up team (noon to 2pm, after Public Sale).
- 3. **Come** to Parish Night, **Friday**, **May 3**, and bid at the Silent Auction.
- 4. **Donate** large shopping bags.
- 5. **Spread the word**: Take and place a bumper sticker on your car (easy to remove). Take and place a yard sign (starting on April 14) and return the sign to the church after Bargain Haul.
- 6. **Volunteer to help**. Scan the QR code or email the co-chairs to volunteer.
- 7. The Workers Sale: if you have volunteered, come on Thursday, May 2 from 9 to 11am to shop and to bid at the Worker Sale Auction.
- 8. **Bake** for the Public Sale Bake Sale (<u>contact Jenny Sawyer</u>).
- 9. **Have lunch** at B-Dots Café: Open Monday through Wednesday.
- 10. **Make new friends** and enjoy yourself! Email us if you wish to volunteer and we will connect you to a department that needs help.



Scan the QR Code to learn more about volunteering and to sign up. Or contact Wendy Barry or Bob Ware via email.

#### Families with Youth

Please mark your calendars to help with Bargain Haul. We need youth to help on both **Sunday, April 28** drop-off day, and to staff layaway during Bargain Haul and clean-up afterwards on **Saturday, May 4.** 

#### **Bible Studies**

- Beginners Bible Study Join us <u>online</u>
   every Thursday at noon for the study of
   Matthew's Gospel.
  - -Adrian Robbins-Cole
- Open Bible Study for April, we are reading The Gospel of Mark, the oldest, shortest, and most breathlessly told Gospel. Join us as we consider Chapter 15: The Crucifixion. We will meet on Tuesday, April 9 at 11am and on Wednesday, April 17 at 7 pm. Tuesday's gathering is online only; Wednesday's gathering will be in the Harvey Room and on Zoom.

#### —Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

#### Spring Inquirer's Class

We will be offering a second **Inquirer's Class** this spring. Four classes will be held from **11:30am to 12:30pm in the Harvey Room** for *Episcopal 101*—a chance to reflect upon the core beliefs and practices of our Episcopal Church. Newcomers to the Episcopal Church and longstanding parish members are equally welcome. We will meet on **April 14**, **April 28**, **May 5**, **and May 19**. If you are interested in joining the class, please email me. We have room for 12 to 15 people.

-Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

#### Nametags for Newcomers

Welcome newcomers! If you joined our church in the past year and don't have a nametag yet, please email membership committee member Becky Hamlin who can get a magnetic name tag for you.

#### **Outreach Grant Nominations**



Each year, as part of our outreach ministry, we provide grants of up to \$5,000 each to selected charitable organizagrants of up to \$5,000 each to

tions nominated by parishioners. Have a favorite charity? Nominate it! Selection details and grant applications are available on our website, under Serve: Outreach. Applications for the next round are due by May 31.

#### Worship with common cathedral

You have the chance to "spring into" outreach with St. Andrew's parishioners, who will be providing lunch for, and worshipping with, the congregation of common cathedral. The dates we will be doing this are Sunday, April 21 and Sunday, June 2. This group of mostly unhoused people meets every Sunday at Brewer Fountain in Boston Common. You can make bag lunches at home, or in the St. Andrew's kitchen, and you can worship with their Episcopal service from 12noon to 2pm. Register using Realm, or contact Cam McCormick.

#### Care Meals Ministry

Sign up to provide edible support for those in need: after the birth of a baby, loss of a loved one, illness, accident, or other challenging life event. We are looking for people to provide ready-to-eat meals (homemade or take-out) to parishioners facing some of life's challenging situations. This is a flexible commitment. When meals are needed, people on the care meals list receive an email and can volunteer to provide meals when it is convenient for them. Please contact Lynda Sperry to have your name added to the list.

#### Sarah Awarded Doctorate

We are pleased to announce that the now Rev. Dr. Sarah Robbins-Cole successfully defended her dissertation and was awarded her Doctorate of Ministry in Education Leadership on March 21, 2024. She will be graduating May 9 from Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria, Virginia. The title of her dissertation is Happiness and The Christian Life: Teaching Teens Habits of Happiness through the Practice of a Happiness Examen. She will be presenting her findings in the fall and electronic copies of her dissertation will be available sometime over the summer.



## **Gratitude**

#### Easter Sunday Gratitudes

So many thank-yous are in order.

**Acolytes** Thank you to our acolyte coordinators and thank you to all the young people who served as acolytes.

**Altar Guild** Thank you to all the members of the altar guild who worked tirelessly to prepare the many services during Holy Week and Easter.

**Easter Breakfast** Thank you to the team who hosted the Easter breakfast for the choir, clergy, and other helpers in-between the 9am and 11am Easter Sunday services.

**Editors/Proofreaders** Great thanks to our proofreaders for reading the multitude of leaflets we used for Holy Week (and the rest of the year, too).

**Flower Guild** Many thanks to the flower guild for all their creativity and hard work in arranging the beautiful flowers that made the church look so wonderful on Easter Sunday.

**Lay Eucharistic Ministers** Thank you to all who served as lay eucharistic ministers at the services during Holy Week and Easter.

**Lily Distributions** Thank you to all the people who helped distribute the lilies after the Easter services to the homes of members of the congregation we wished to especially remember this Easter.

**Readers** Many thanks to all those who shared God's Holy Word by reading Scripture lessons during the services of Holy Week and Easter.

**Senior Choir** Thank you to the choir for all your dedication and hard work during Holy Week and Easter. The music was fantastic and was a high point for many during this holy season.

**Ushers** Thanks to all the ushers who worked so skillfully to ensure that the "traffic flows of people" at our services were smoothly directed.

#### Holy Monday Taizé-Style Service

Thank you to the members of our senior choir and the members of our Taizé-Style working group who helped to create a beautiful Holy Monday service: D.D. Alexander, Laura Brown MacKinnon, Elizabeth Clarke, Liz Dean, Al Dubé, Erica Gelser, Karen Pekowitz, Jenny Sawyer, and Barbara Shellito. Thanks also go to Tiffany Horter, Ben Mahoney, Peter Mahoney, and Thomas Mahoney who contributed to the beauty of the service and the broadcast recording.

#### Happiness Study Participants

Thank you to the teen participants who took part in my doctoral study on happiness. You were an essential part of my research and I am grateful for your time and effort. Thank you to the adults who similarly took part in the happiness experiment. There will be an opportunity to reflect on that experience at a date to be determined later this spring. Anyone who took part in that experiment, I would love to interview about your experience. —Sarah Robbins-Cole

# From Bridges to Moms Program at Brigham & Women's Hospital, February 15, 2024

Handwritten note from Dr. Roseana Means, Director: "Dear St. Andrew's, Many, many thanks ... We are 100% reliant on donations to close gaps in housing, food, safety and transportation for the hundreds of pregnant homeless women who come to the BWH for maternity care. We are not the obstetricians—we are dedicated and concerned case managers and housing specialists led by me who can't sit by and watch these desperate women fall through the health care safety net. Your gift will go towards the vital gift cards, food, transportation and baby essentials that they need most. Thank you and bless you for your support!"

# Vestry

• Any member of the vestry can be emailed at their ministry address. All addresses are on our website: <a href="https://standrewswellesley.org/about/vestry/">https://standrewswellesley.org/about/vestry/</a>

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- In an emergency, please contact Adrian on his cell phone, 603/831-4938. Additional clergy cell phone numbers are: Margaret Schwarzer, 617/733-0661, and Sarah Robbins-Cole, 603/831-4711.
- The clergy are available to assist you if you email or call them if you or a member of your family expects to be in the hospital and wishes to be visited.
- Please let the clergy know of names that should be added to our prayer list.

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# Weekly Calendar

• The Holy Eucharist is celebrated on Sundays at 8am, 10am (also online) and 5pm. Morning Prayer online is offered Monday through Thursday at 8:30am on our website, our YouTube Channel (use the QR code for a link to our YouTube channel), and on Facebook.



- Senior Choir rehearsal is on Thursdays at 7:30pm.
- Parish office hours are (generally) Monday through Thursday, 9am to 4pm, and
  Friday, 9am to 12pm, unless otherwise noted or announced. Tuesday at noon is the
  deadline for all materials to be included either in the bulletin or by email for the
  following Sunday.
- **12-Step Programs** Men's AA, Wednesdays at 8pm; Women's AA, Thursdays at 7pm; Emotions Anonymous, Saturdays at 9:30am; Sober Sisters AA, Saturdays at 10:30am.

#### Sunday, April 7

8:55am Kids' Place
9am Coffee Hour for 8am Worshippers
9am Christian Learning
9:45am Church School
11am Coffee Hour
11:30am Antisemitism from a Jewish
Perspective
5:45pm Confirmation Class

#### **Tuesday April 9**

11am Open Bible Study/Zoom only 7pm Outreach Meeting

#### Thursday, April 11

9:45am Church School Meeting 12noon Beginners Bible Study

#### Saturday, April 13

10:30am Deanery Confirmation Service

#### Sunday, April 14

8:55am Kids' Place 9am Christian Learning 9:45am NO Church School 11am Coffee Hour 11:30am Inquirer's Class



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