

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 18, 2016

Prelude Jesu joy of man's desiring

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Processional Hymn 475 "God himself is with us"

Tysk

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

BCP p. 355

Gloria S 278 William Mathias

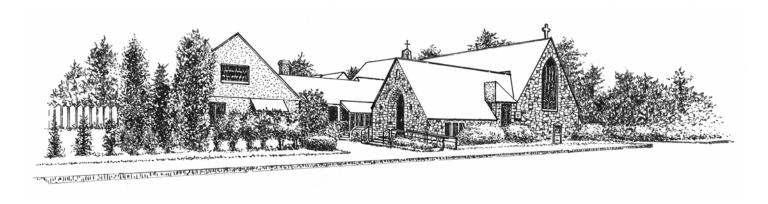
Collect of the Day

Celebrant

Together we pray.

People

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.



First Lesson: Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: "Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King not in her?" ("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?") "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I

mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored? O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 79:1-9

David Hurd

The congregation is encouraged to sing the Psalm



- 1 O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance; they have profaned your holy temple; *
 they have made Je rusalem a heap of rubble.
- 2 They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds of the air, and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the field.
- 3 They have shed their blood like water on every side of Je rusalem, and there was no one to bury them.
- 4 We have become a relproach to our neighbors, * an object of scorn and de rision to those a round us.
- 5 How long will you be angry, O'LORD? * will your fury blaze like fire for ever?
- 6 Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who have not known you * and upon the kingdoms that have not called up on your Name.

- 7 For they have de voüred Jacob * and made his dwelling a ruin.
- 8 Remember not our past sins; let your compassion be swift to meet us; * for we have been brought very low.
- 9 Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of your Name; * deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your Name's sake.

Second Lesson: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For

there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 583 "O holy city, seen of John"

Morning Song

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I

have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it

eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in

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

Sermon Rev. Catherine Healy

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 the Bread and the Wine

Offertory Anthem My eyes for beauty pine

Herbert Howells (1892-1983) text Robert Bridges (1844-1930)

My eyes for beauty pine, my soul for Goddes grace: No other care nor hope is mine, to heaven I turn my face. One splendour thence is shed from all the stars above: 'Tis named when God's name is said, 'Tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love. And every gentle heart that burns with true desire is lit from eyes that mirror part of that celestial fire.

Doxology Hymn 380 v. 3 "Praise God from whom all blessings flow"

Old 100th

Eucharistic Prayer A

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Franz Schubert Sanctus S 130

The Breaking of the Bread

much. If then you have not been faithful

with the dishonest wealth, who will en-

trust to you the true riches? And if you

to another, who will give you what is

have not been faithful with what belongs

your own? No slave can serve two mas-

ters; for a slave will either hate the one

and love the other, or be devoted to the

one and despise the other. You cannot

serve God and wealth."

Ushers will direct the congregation to communion stations, starting from the rear of the church and moving forward. Gluten-free wafers are available. All are welcome to receive communion.

Communion Anthem If ye love me

Thomas Tallis (c. 1505-85)

If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may 'bide with you forever; E'en the spirit of truth;

Communion Hymn 676 "There is a balm in Gilead"

Balm in Gilead

Thanksgiving after Communion

BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 488 "Be thou my vision"

Slane

Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude In dir ist Freude

J.S. Bach



Please join us for coffee hour following the 10am service hosted by Lynda Sperry & Bill Wiberg.

Flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of

Dorothy Tower Harvey, Robert C. Hussey, Helen Fisk Robertson, and Katrina H. Tagget.

Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Barbara Bergstrom, Nancy Echlov, Erica Gelser, Becky Hamlin, Paige Manning, Debbie Monti, Mary Scanlon, Ellen Staelin, Laura Stettner, and Jill Whiting Greeters Winnie & Tom Faust

Serving at 8am

Lay Reader/Chalice Bearer Mary Scanlon Ushers Mark Benjamin and Ken Graves

Serving at 10am

Acolytes Diana Faust, Elizabeth Robbins-Cole,
Maggie Donahue, Kelly Rawson, and Drew Donahue
Chalice Bearers Margaret Blackwell, Al Bornemann, David Hamlin,
Joanna Horobin, Debbie Lorenz, and Anne Prensner
Lay Readers Becky Hamlin and Paul Merry
Ushers David Boghosian, Adams Carroll, Alan Joachim,
David Osborn, Ryan Osborn, Terri Rawson, and Larry Scott

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

St. Mark's Church, Southborough
St. Mark's Chapel, St. Mark's School, Southborough
All Saints' Church, Stoneham
Life Together: The Diocesan Intern Program
Ministries with the Deaf



About the Readings

From Preparing for Sunday http://standrewswellesley.org/worship reading.html

Jeremiah 8:18–9:1 Jeremiah introduces us to the personal anguish of a spokesman for God. He proclaimed God's way of life to a community on its way to death. They were unwilling to listen and had no desire to hear and heed God's word. His powerful poetic images and personal prayers match the unimaginable and devastating realty of God's judgment on the kingdom of Judah. In today's reading, Jeremiah's sadness overwhelms him because he knows the people's idolatrous affront to God admits of no easy solution. There is no quick fix, no medicine that can restore the people to health. God's judgment is certain and will be devastating.

Psalm 79:1-9 The psalmist invites the people to reflect upon their past history and learn from their mistakes in relation to God. Though God chose to make a covenant with them, the people have forgotten god's commands and rebelled. They cannot afford to do this any longer so they must be more dedicated to learning God's ways.

1 Timothy 2:1-7 Today's reading begins a section on Church order (2:1–3:15), focusing on prayer. First, prayer is to be offered for all people. The assertion of the universality of God's grace may be aimed at those who taught that only the enlightened few would be saved. Second, prayer is to be offered for civil leaders. Prayer for pagan authorities was part of Jewish worship and the early Church prayed for the civil authorities as guarantors of the social structure within which the Church's mission could be pursued in tranquility. Finally, prayer is to be offered as an outgrowth of unity in the community.

Luke 16:1-13 The parable of the dishonest manager has often puzzled interpreters. Many scholars teach that the main point is the steward's quick and resolute action in establishing a new life for himself. Thus it is a parable of crisis,

stressing the need to make a decision about Jesus and to act on it. Recently another approach has been taken, based upon the economics of the time. The bills probably represented goods received by the debtors on credit. The amount by which the steward reduced the bills may have been interest on the cost of the goods. Such interest was illegal, but was common in commercial transactions and justified in such cases by some rabbinic interpreters. Or the amount may have represented the steward's own

commission on the transaction. Thus, the steward gives up the profit (his own or the rich man's) in return for the debtors' gratitude. In verses 10-13, Luke supplies three sayings of Jesus that give clues about how to unravel this parable. These guidelines reflect the attitudes of fidelity and trust that servants ought to display in their commitment to service of their master.



Notices & Announcements

Newcomers and visitors: We extend a warm welcome to those who are new in our community. Please fill out one of the welcome cards in the narthex (foyer) and hand it to a greeter for a fuller welcome!

Blessing of Students

Today, September 18, at the end of the 10am service, all students—from preschool through graduate school—will be called forth to receive a blessing for the year ahead.

- Rev. Catherine Healy
- catherine@standrewswellesley.org

Confirmation Parents' Meeting

Parents and guardians of eighth-grade confirmation students are invited to a meeting in the Rite-13 room (on the upper level) on **Sunday, September 25, at 9am**. Attendance is required for at least one parent or guardian of each confirmand. Confirmation class will begin on Sunday, October 16, at 5pm.

- Rev. Catherine Healy
- catherine@standrewswellesley.org

Kids' Place Coffee

All parents with children ages 4 and under are invited to bring their kids and stop by Kids' Place for coffee on **Sunday**, **September 25**, **after the 10am service**. Come chat with the clergy and meet other families with young children at St. Andrew's.

- Rev. Catherine Healy
- <u>catherine@standrewswellesley.org</u>

First Youth Group Meeting

The high school youth group will have its first meeting of the year on **Sunday, September 18, from 6:45 to 8pm** in the Rite-13 room. All youth in grades 9-12 are invited to attend.

- Rev. Catherine Healy
- catherine@standrewswellesley.org

New Men's Bible Study

A new monthly men's Bible study led by the rector will have its first meeting on **Saturday**, **October 1**, **from 8 to 9am** in the Harvey Room. The group will meet once a month and the theme of the first six sessions be will an exploration of key passages from Matthew's Gospel under the theme *Jesus and what he means for our lives*. Feel free to come along to the first session on October 1 to see if the Bible Study is something that appeals to you. No homework, just bring a bible with you—coffee and donuts will be provided. We will start promptly at 8am and finish at 9am on the dot. — Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole

adrian@standrewswellesley.org

All of God's creatures have a place in the choir!

Come and make music at St. Andrew's this year. We have a variety of ways to get involved for all ages and abilities and would love to help you find another rewarding way to be a part of our vibrant community.

- SENIOR CHOIR Open to high school students and adults of all ages; rehearses Thursdays 7:30-9pm and Sundays 9am; sings the 10am service and additional special offerings throughout the year. Directed by Wardie Mannix.
- JUNIOR CHOIR Open to all children kindergarten through eighth grade; rehearses Sundays 9-9:45am; sings about once a month and at special services. Directed by Amanda Kern.
- INTERGENERATIONAL CHOIR Bring your pets, bring your entire family and raise your voices together at this year's Blessing of the Animals on October 2 at the 5pm service. There will be an informal rehearsal Sunday, September 25 from 11:30am to 12:15pm, and we will meet at 4:15pm before the service on October 2 for a final run through. Please note there will be another open call to sing with this choir at the 5pm service on Christmas Eve—more details to come! Co-directed by Wardie Mannix and Amanda Kern.
- CHILDREN'S OPERETTA Rodney, the Church Mouse by Elizabeth Owens Dean—we are looking for a group of older children (grades 4-8) to be a part of this special performance and shared with the congregation at the 10am service on St.

- Andrew's Day, **Sunday**, **November 20**. Please contact Amanda Kern.
- Wardie Mannix 781/789-6462
- wardie@standrewswellesley.org
- Amanda Kern 774/291-9143
- amanda@standrewswellesley.org

Coffee Hour Hosts

Please sign up to host coffee hour. Coffee hour is a great opportunity for parishioners to better get to know one another, build a network, and strengthen the St. Andrew's sense of community. You can host alone or with a friend, or with your family, or we will set you up with a co-host, on a snack or a coffee-only day, in the fall, winter, or spring, with the cat or wearing a hat. You will like it—you will see. The community will appreciate your efforts.

Please sign up online by going to the St. Andrew's website, clicking on the SERVE tab and clicking on SIGN-UP, or notifying Hillary Madge • hmadge@mandhgroup.com

Memorial Service Vickye Kivett

The date of Vickye's memorial service has been changed to **Saturday**, **October 1**, **at 11am**. All are welcome to attend the service to give thanks for Vickye's life and commend her soul to the mercy of God's keeping.

- Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole
- adrian@standrewswellesley.org

Name Tags

Name tags are a great way to get to know folks and help everyone feel welcome. St. Andrew's membership committee offers lovely reusable magnetic name tags for all members. If you would like a new or replacement name tag, please contact Jane Andrews at jmlandrews@gmail.com or at 781/431-1372.

A Note from the Treasurer's Office

Please catch up on any pledge payments you may have missed over the summer months. Our cash flow drops off, and we would like to get back on track. Thank you for your help. — Ruth Hubert

• <u>ruth@standrewswellesley.org</u>

Coventry Suppers

Coventry Suppers have been a meaningful tradition for years at St. Andrew's, providing an opportunity for both new and current members to gather for simple meals at each other's homes. It is intended to be a casual evening in which members contribute dishes creating a lovely form of fellowship and a way to meet and connect on a new level.

Once you sign up to participate—no later than **Sunday**, **October 2**—the fellowship and membership committee chairs will form small groups of 8-10 people and distribute the list of members in your group in early October. A "first convener" will be designated as the first dinner host(s), where the group can then discuss how often to gather during the year.

You can sign up to participate on the signup sheets in the narthex, or on the St. Andrew's website (under the HAPPENINGS tab, click FELLOWSHIP). Thank you so much!
Jenny Sawyer • jennysawyer10@gmail.com
and Becky Hamlin • dbhamlin@comcast.net

A picture's worth 1,000 words

That's why we're excited to be planning a fresh new pictorial directory of St. Andrew's parish family. And as with any family portrait, it won't be complete without you and your family represented!

Participating is easy. We'll be offering sessions with a professional photographer at the church on the following dates and times:

- Wednesday through Friday, September 28–30, 1 to 7pm
- Saturday, October 1, 10am to 4pm
- Wednesday through Friday, October 19– 21, 1 to 7pm
- Saturday, October 22, 10am to 4pm

You may sign up online directly from St. Andrew's <u>home page</u> or via the link in our weekly e-Pistle. We will also have sign-up sheets in the narthex of the church. Sign up as soon as possible to get the best appointment to fit your schedule.

The program is available at no cost to the church. Every participating family/house-hold that selects a pose for the directory will receive a free directory and a complimentary 8x10 portrait. You will have the opportunity to order additional portraits during your scheduled appointment time, but there is no obligation to do so.

We can't wait to see your smiling face! Questions? Contact Jenny Sawyer

• <u>jennysawyer10@gmail.com</u> or Nancy Hancock • <u>nancyhancock339@gmail.com</u>

Vestry Nominating Committee

The St. Andrew's nominating committee is tasked every year with identifying qualified candidates to serve on our parish vestry and its various committees. Vestry positions are nominated at our annual meeting on **January 29, 2017**. We meet regularly throughout the year to develop a list of candidates for the available openings. As thorough as the process may be, we are cognizant of the fact that there may be parishioners that may not come to mind, others with special talents they may possess don't come to our attention, or some that have aspirations to serve St. Andrew's in a committed role but have not made this known.

As we prepare our final list for review, we are asking parishioners to provide their input and offer their nominations accordingly; even if it is yourself. A list of available openings (January 2017) are: stewardship, Christian learning, and property. Each vestry position also has its own committee and these committees are always looking for new members.

We will be gathering names through the end of September and are very appreciative of your suggestions. Please contact me.

Ansley Martin • <u>mamjr68@gmail.com</u>

Emily Eveleth to speak at Luncheon

The Fellowship Committee is pleased to announce that Emily Eveleth will join us for a presentation and discussion entitled *So Much and More* on **Tuesday, October 11**. This annual luncheon, alternately hosted with the Village Church of Wellesley, is a long-standing tradition and will be in our parish hall

starting at noon. A \$5 donation is requested. Please RSVP to Dot Reed at 781/235-9584 or email Pat MacKinnon at PEMack@aol.com, or sign-up on the bulletin board outside the parish hall.

Emily is best known for her monumental paintings of doughnuts. These works have been noted for how they invest this unlikely subject with unexpected presence and character and the ability to shift across a spectrum of meanings, from visceral to profound. In this presentation she will talk about these works, how she began working with this unusual subject, and why it has captivated her for over 20 years.

Emily received her BA from Smith College and studied painting at the Massachusetts College of Art. Her work is in museum, corporate, and private collections including the Museum of Fine Arts, the Boston Public Library, and Wellington Management. Her work has been written about in *Art in America*, the New Yorker, and the New York Times. She has received grants from the Arts Matters Foundation, an NEA Fellowships for Painting, and was a visiting artist at the American Academy in Rome. She is represented by Danese/Corey in New York and the Miller/Yezerski Gallery in Boston.

Online Giving Now Available

In response to our parish survey, electronic giving is now offered on our website under the GIVE tab. You may choose your checking account, savings account, or credit card to make pledge payments (one-time or recurring payments) or make special contributions (e.g., memorial flowers, outreach). Creating a profile will only take a moment and you will be able to make changes to your donations and view and print your online donation history. So, no need to worry if you forget your checkbook! We hope you will take advantage of this new convenient feature on our website. — Lynda Sperry

• <u>lynda.sperry@verizon.net</u>

Illness and Off-Hour Emergencies

The clergy are always available to assist you. Please email or call the clergy if you or a member of your family expects to be in the hospital and wishes to be visited. Also, please let us know of names that should be added to our prayer list. Our prayers and concerns are with all those in need.

- Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole 603/831-4938
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Gratitude

All Parish Picnic

Many, many thanks to everyone involved in helping with the brilliant parish picnic on Homecoming Sunday last weekend. We especially want to thank Jenny Sawyer, head of our fellowship ministry, who was in charge of organizing the very successful event. Due to the rain, we faced the additional challenge of having to do a last minute change of venue from Luisa Hunnewell's home to the parish hall. Despite the disappointment of this change in location, the rain did not dampen the spirits of the event. There was a very happy buzz of conversation and a good deal of energy in the parish hall as parishioners reconnected with old friends after the summer and

met new people. It was a very nice opportunity to welcome a number of new families to the parish.

Over 70, that's right, 70+ parishioners volunteered! Some baked, some served, others set-up or cleaned-up or recycled, some took photos, and still others ran children's activities. Many of you did double duty, and made this event a wonderful homecoming for St. Andrew's: Molly Aitken, Debbie Alexander, Frances Antonelli, Emma and Wendy Barry, Christine Beach, Barbara Bergstrom, Jackie Borden, Rob Brandt, Megan Burns, Elizabeth Butcher, Elizabeth Clarke, Bill Clover, Amanda Curtis, Jessica Del Prete, Sarah Dent, Jo Dermer, Zebby & Al Dube, Ruth & George Ecker, Erica Gelser, Kate Hammond, Nancy Hancock, Lisa Hastings, Grace Hoffmann, Joanna Horobin, Ingrid Houghton, Frank & Emily Hunnewell, Cathy Hunter, Susan Jackson, Carol Jankowski, the Jones family, Peter Kaufmann, Matt King, Suzy Littlefield, Peter & Linda Lull, Isabella and Laura Brown MacKinnon, The Madge family, Herb & Paige Manning, Jen Martin, Karen McAdams, Cam McCormick, Paul Merry, Shannon Monaghan, Suzanne Nystrom, The Olivetti family, Debbie Osborn, Caren Parker, Karen Peckowitz, Tim Phillips, Tim Raeke, Terri Rawson, Dot Reed, Sandy Rigney, Laura Rodormer, Katherine Roer, Liz Rogers, Scott Sawyer, Mary Scanlon, Cynthia Scott, Martha Sears, Ginny Snow, George Stathis, Mac Thomas, Harriet Thompson, Anne Tong, Michael & Kris Vanin, Anna Lee Wahls, Allison Wheeler, and Star Zabrisky. Many more of you pitched in that day and your work did not go unnoticed.

We extend a special thank you to Luisa Hunnewell who not only offered to host the event, but was instrumental in the planning process as well. Last, but certainly not least, we are blessed to have Lynda Sperry, who thinks of everything and makes it happen, and Steve Killeen, Jenny Sawyer's silent cochair, whose help we can always count on! Thank you to all!

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Calendar

- The **Holy Eucharist** is celebrated on Sundays at 8am, 10am, and 5pm. The **Holy Eucharist** is also celebrated every Wednesday at 7:30am. We offer healing prayer at this service. **Silent Contemplative Prayer** is offered weekdays at 8:45am.
- **Senior Choir** has rehearsal Thursday evenings at 7:30pm, and Sundays at 9am; **Junior Choir** also has rehearsal Sundays at 9am.
- Parish Office hours are Monday through Thursday, 9am to 5pm, and Friday, 9am to 12pm.
- **12-Step Programs** Al-Anon, Tuesdays, 7:30pm; Men's AA, Wednesdays, 8pm; Women's AA, Thursdays, 7pm; Emotions Anonymous, Saturdays, 9:30am; Sober Sisters, Saturdays, 10:30am.

Sunday, September 18

See service schedule above
9am Christian Learning Series
9am Church School New Teacher
Training
9:45am Church School & Rite-13
11am Rite-13 Parents' Coffee Hour
6pm Crucifer Training
6:45pm High School Youth Group

Monday, September 19

7:30pm Stewardship Meeting

Wednesday, September 21

7:30pm Membership Meeting

Thursday, September 22

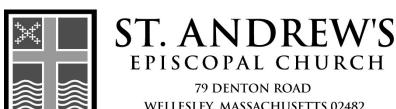
9:30am Altar Guild Meeting 7pm Altar Guild Meeting

Friday, September 23

4pm Youth Group Camping Trip

Sunday, September 25

See service schedule above
9am Christian Learning Series
9am Confirmation Parents' Meeting
9:45am Church School & Rite-13
11am Kids' Place Coffee Hour



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