

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 24, 2017

Prelude Ich ruf' zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Processional Hymn 527 "Singing songs of expectation"

Ton-y-Botel

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 280 (front section of hymnal)

Robert Powell

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: Exodus 16:2-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into

this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On

the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?" And Moses said, "When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord." Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining." And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation

of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God." In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat."

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45

David Hurd

The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.



- 1 Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name; * make known his deeds a mong the peoples.
- 2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, and speak of all his marvelous works.
- 3 Glory in his holy Name; * let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

- 4 Search for the LORD and his strength; * continually seek his face.
- 5 Remember the marvels he has done, *
 his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,
- 6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, *
 O'children of Jacob his chosen.
- 37 He led out his people with silver and gold; *
 in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.
- 38 Egypt was glad of their going, *
 be cause they were a fraid of them.
- 39 He spread out a cloud for a covering and a fire to give light in the night season.
- 40 They asked, and quails ap peared, * and he satisfied them with bread from heaven.
- 41 He opened the rock, and water flowed, * so the river ran in the dry places.
- 42 For God remembered his holy word and Abraham his servant.
- †43 So he led forth his people with gladness, * his chosen with shouts of joy.
- 44 He gave his people the lands of the nations, and they took the fruit of others toil.
- 45 That they might keep his statutes and observe his läws. Halle lujah!

Second Lesson: Philippians 1:21-30

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so

that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated

by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suf-

fering for him as well—since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

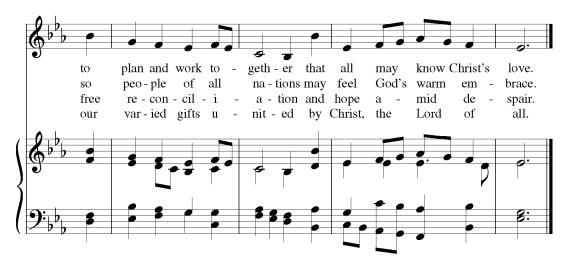
Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 778 (Wonder Love and Praise) "We all are one in mission"

Nyland





Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

Clergy The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last

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

and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

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 BCP p. 360

Peace

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Presentation of Bread and Wine

Offertory Anthem Hear my prayer

Moses Hogan (1957-2003)

O Lord, please hear my prayer,

In the mornin' when I rise.

It's your servant bound for glory.

O dear Lord, please hear my prayer.

O Lord, please hear my prayer,

Keep me safe within your arms.

It's your servant bound for glory.

O dear Lord, please hear my prayer.

When my work on earth is done,

And You come to take me home,

Just to know I'm bound for glory, and to hear you say "well done."

Done with sin and sorrow, have mercy, mercy. Amen.

Doxology Hymn 380 v. 3 "Praise God from whom all blessings flow" Old 100th

Eucharistic Prayer A BCP p. 361

Sanctus S 125 (front section of hymnal)

Robert Powell

Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem S 151 (front section of hymnal)

David Hurd

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 Simile est regnum

Cristobal Morales (c. 1500-1553)

The kingdom of heaven is like a householder who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. And he went out about the third hour and saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them: "Go also into my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is just"

Communion Hymn 309 "O Food to pilgrims given"

O Welt, ich muss dich lassen

Thanksgiving after Communion

BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 690 "Guide me, O thou great Jehovah"

Cwn Rhondda

Dismissal

Clergy Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude Alle Menschen müssen sterben

J.S. Bach



Please join us for refreshments following the 10am service, hosted today by Lisa Hastings.

Flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in celebration for the lives of Constance F. Anthony, Edward L. Anthony, Victoria Noble Anthony, and Joseph & Ellin Onorato

Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Jo Dermer, Linda Gallo, Blair Glennon, Wendy Haering, Pam Henrikson,
Donna Kell, Debbie Lorenz, Linda Reineman, and Beverly Wood

Flower Guild Linda Gallo and Ruth Wilson

Greeters Caren & Randy Parker

Serving at 8am

Lay Reader/Chalice Bearer Paul Criswell Ushers Janet Flett and Charlie Zabriskie

Serving at 10am

Acolytes Lily Curtis, Christiaan Eikeboom,

Caroline Grape, Ben Clarke, and Emma Barry

Chalice Bearers D.D. Alexander, Adams Carroll, Joanna Horobin,

Jeanne Johnsen, Ann Johnson, and Anne Prensner

Lay Readers Jane Andrews and Marissa Caldwell

Ushers Steve Beach, Harry Condon, Greg Hunter,

Scott Jones, Peter Lull, and Jeff Waldron

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Parishes of the North Shore Deanery
St. Michael's Church, Marblehead
St. Mary's Church, Rockport
Grace Church, Salem
St. Peter's Church, Salem

Congregations: Secretaries and Administrators



About the Readings

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

Exodus 16:2-15 Today's reading recounts one of the many instances of the people's murmuring during the time of the exodus (see also Exodus 32 and Numbers 11 and 14). The Israelites long for the meat and bread they ate in Egypt. The Lord responds by providing for them both flesh and bread, but on God's own terms, one day at a time. Thus God may "test" (v. 4) their faith. God acts, saying: "You shall know that I am the Lord your God" (v. 12). This statement of recognition occurs in the priestly writings, in Isaiah and in

Ezekiel. God's actions disclose, to believer and unbeliever, the Lord of our world and life. God provides from nature's bounty for the Israelites, reliably supplying the needs of an unreliable people.

Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45 This hymn praises God who promised the land of Canaan to the covenant people and then kept the promise. The people are invited to praise God and seek God's presence (vv. 1-6) The whole story of the land "from the original promise to Abraham (vv. 7-11), to the an cestors in Canaan (vv. 12-15), Joseph in Egypt (vv. 16-22), Israel in Egypt (vv. 23-38) and Israel in the wilderness (39-45)" reveals how faithful God always was to the original promise.

Philippians 1:21-30 The church in Philippi was Paul's first congregation formed on European soil, and his relationship with it remained consistently warm and close. Because of Paul's references to being imprisoned and to the imperial guard (1:13), it was often thought that this letter was written from Rome about AD 62. Some scholars now believe that it was written earlier from Ephesus, where the praetorian guard was also stationed. In today's selection, Paul meditates upon the possibility of imminent execution. For Paul, both life and death are under the rule of Christ. Though life means communion with Christ, death will bring even fuller communion. Life, however, includes the opportunity to serve Christ further.

Matthew 20:1-16 The parable of the laborers in the vineyard is found only in Matthew. The point of the parable lies in the landowner's actions and is thus sometimes called the parable of the generous employer. The question "Are you envious because I am generous?" (v. 15) may be more literally translated "Is your eye evil because I am good?" An "evil eye" indicates a jealous, ungenerous, envious attitude. Matthew has chosen to set the parable before the Zebedee brothers' question on precedence (20:20-27). Thus it stands as a reminder to disciples in the Church that the first may again become last if they grumble at the reward the Lord gives to others, even to latecomers. The strength of Jesus' message is found in his words about God's generosity. God, as supreme Judge, has the right to say "I grant mercy to whom I will."



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!

9am Christian Learning Series

Please join us this week for our Early Christian Art Series. This Sunday, we consider Our Four Gospels: Man, Lion, Ox, and Eagle. Join us in Room 2.

- Rev. Margaret Schwarzer
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Kids' Place Family Coffee

Kids' Place (preschool and younger) children and their parents are invited to a special coffee hour **today after the 10am service** in the Kids' Place room. Come meet the membership committee and get to know your fellow parents. — Rev. Catherine Healy • catherine@standrewswellesley.org

5pm Informal Service and Potluck

The first of our informal services for this season will be **tonight at 5pm in the parish hall**. It will be followed by a potluck supper. The service includes an informal liturgy, contemporary music, a discussion instead of a formal sermon and Holy Communion. The service is about 45 minutes long. The service is aimed at both young and old. We launched this new service earlier this year in response to feedback from the parish survey.

The service will be once a month on the following Sundays in 2017: **October 29 and November 26**. — Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole

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Acolyte Training

Youth in grades eight to twelve are invited to become acolytes in Sunday worship. Training for high school students will be **tonight at 6pm** (before the youth group meeting). — Jen Olivetti

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High School Youth Group

After the fall camping trip, the first high school youth group gathering of the year will be **tonight from 6:45 to 8pm.** Join us for games, worship, and a cookout!

- Rev. Catherine Healy
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Blessing of the Animals

Join us on **Sunday, October 1 at 5pm** for the annual blessing of the animals, in honor of the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Creatures of every species are welcome to come for a blessing! — Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole

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A Note from the Treasurer's Office

As you return to your normal routine after summer, please try to catch up on any pledge payments missed over the summer months. Thank you for your help. — Ruth Hubert • ruth@standrewswellesley.org

Confirmation Prep

Confirmation prep will next meet **today at 5pm**. We will attend the informal service and potluck. Families are invited to join their confirmands. All eighth-graders are welcome. — Rev. Catherine Healy

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Coventry Suppers

Coventry Suppers are casual evening potlucks that create a lovely form of fellowship. If you are new to the parish or been here a while, this is a great way to meet others. Sign up—by **Sunday**, **October 1**—on the sheets in the narthex, or on the website by clicking on the SERVE tab and then on VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP. The fellowship and membership vestrypersons will form small groups and distribute a list in early October. A "first convener" will be designated, and the group can then discuss how often to gather during the year. — Jenny Sawyer

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common cathedral

Our church will be worshipping with *common cathedral* on **Sunday**, **October 1**. This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the Eucharist with a congregation full of people with housing challenges. We make

sandwiches at St. Andrew's at **8:15am**, worship here at **10am**, then depart for Boston around **11:15am**. We serve lunch, share in worship, and return to Wellesley by **3pm**. Past participants have found this to be a humbling, yet uplifting, experience. — Cam McCormick

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Confirmation Service at St. Andrew's

All are invited to the 2017 deanery (regional) confirmation on **Saturday**, **October 7 at 10:30am at St. Andrew's**. Twenty-one youth and five adults from St. Andrew's, as well as others from parishes around the diocese, will be confirmed in the Episcopal Church. Please pray for those preparing for confirmation. — Rev. Catherine Healy

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Celebration of Confirmands

All those who receive the sacrament of confirmation on **October 7** will be invited forward at the **end of the 10am service on Sunday, October 15**, for a blessing and presentation of prayer books. Family and friends are invited to attend. Join us at coffee hour afterward for a celebratory cake!

- Rev. Catherine Healy
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Columbus Day All-Parish Eucharist

Church school and Rite-13 will not meet on **Sunday, October 8** (Columbus Day weekend). Children are encouraged to join their parents in church for an all-parish Eucharist, with a children's sermon featuring Rodney the Rector Mouse.

Bible Circles

Bible Circle will resume on the morning of **Tuesday, October 10, at 10:30am** and the evening of **Wednesday, October 11, at 7pm.** Each class lasts for an hour. This year, we will read and discuss the Gospel according to John. More information will be in future Sunday leaflets and on the bulletin board outside Margaret's office. All are welcome to join our lively and informative discussions. — Margarethe Kulke

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Swellesley Report Publisher to Speak at October Luncheon

Deborah Brown will speak at the annual October St. Andrew's/Village Church Luncheon on Tuesday, October 10, hosted this year by Village Church. Deborah and her husband, Dan, publish the "Swellesley Report," a popular website providing an abundance of information about our town. Come meet Deborah and learn how she discovers "More than you ever wanted to know about Wellesley!" This annual luncheon, alternately hosted by St. Andrew's, will run from noon to 2pm in Common at the Village Church. Please RSVP by Thursday, October 5 to Pat MacKinnon • pemack@aol.com or Dot Reed 781/235-9584.

Parents' Circle

All parents of children ages 0-18 are invited to an adults-only gathering on **Friday**, **October 13**, **at 7pm** at the home of Ingrid & Carter Houghton, 63 Parker Road in Wellesley. Bring a beverage to share and get to know your fellow parents from St. Andrew's. — Rev. Catherine Healy

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Being Disciples by Rowan Williams Order Your Copy Now

On Sunday, October 29 and November 12, our Rector will lead us in the 9am Christian Learning Series classes on Archbishop Rowan William's slim book on discipleship. This book is one of Adrian's favorites, and it is already a classic. Copies of the book *Being Disciples* are \$10. Please contact Margaret if you would like to purchase one.

- Rev. Margaret Schwarzer
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Coffee Hour Hosts

Please sign up to host coffee hour. This is a great opportunity for parishioners to build and strengthen the St. Andrew's sense of community. You can host alone, with a friend, or with your family. Sign up on the St. Andrew's website by clicking on the SERVE tab and then on VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP, or by notifying Hillary Madge

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Book Circle

Book Circle (formerly Reading Mavens) is open to all. We will hold meetings once a month on **Monday nights at 7pm.** We will read both fiction and nonfiction. No need to sign up: just come and join the discussion. Our next meeting will be on **Monday, October 16 at 7pm in the Harvey Room,** and the book is *Lilac Girls* by Martha Hall Kelly. The book for **November 13** will be *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles. Please feel free to join this group; we would love to see you!

— Betsy Millane • betsymillane@gmail.com

Wellesley Turkey Trot

We are organizing a team from St. Andrew's again this fall, and you/your family are invited! Runners and walkers are welcome **Thanksgiving morning, November 23** (3 miles/5K for teens/adults, less than a mile for children). Adult registration is \$30; children are \$15. There is a registration link available from our website, or you can look for the link in the e-Pistle. Make sure to choose "Join a Team" and select St. Andrew's Church from the list. — Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

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Luau at St. Andrew's

Looking to extend the feeling of summer? Then please save the date for our annual fall fellowship event, and plan to join us on **Saturday**, **October 21 at 6:30pm**. This year's theme is a luau, complete with Hawaiian treats, cocktails, music, and fun—grass skirts optional! Invitations to follow via email.

- Jenny Sawyer
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Italian Pilgrimage

A subcommittee of our adult formation and learning committee continues to meet as we plan our Italian pilgrimage. We will be traveling to Italy on **May 14** and returning **May 25, 2018.** We will be visiting Rome, Assisi, and Florence. We anticipate that parishioners will be able to sign up for the trip in early October. Please email me if you are considering joining the pilgrimage and haven't contacted me yet. — Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

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Episcopal Relief and Development: Hurricane Relief

Many of us are keeping the people affected by the hurricanes in our prayers. If you want to send money to support the relief effort, we encourage you to contribute to Episcopal Relief and Development. Please see the insert in today's leaflet, or make a check out to St. Andrew's with "hurricane" in the memo.

- Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole
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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.

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Gratitude

Parish Picnic

Many, many thanks to all those involved in helping to make the parish picnic a great success! The thoughtfulness and care you put into your contributions to the picnic truly honored the gorgeous setting that Luisa Hunnewell invited us to share! From setup to cleanup, and everything in between (bakers, greeters, parking attendants, lawn game organizers, face painters, moon walk bouncers, cotton candy supervisors, and all those working behind the scenes), everyone came away with a smile...and a bit of a sugar rush. A very special thank you to Luisa for her generosity in hosting this wonderful event! We are very grateful to have spent such a lovely, warm and sunny fall Sunday at her home! And we are thankful to Emily & Frank Hunnewell for their work with the preparations. All in all, it was a great day to connect with friends, welcome new families to the parish, and we thank you all for coming!

Acolyte Training

Many thanks to acolyte director Jen Olivetti for leading two successful acolyte trainings—and welcome to all the new acolytes who have come on board this year!

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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 rehearses most Thursday evenings at 7:30pm, and Sundays at 9am; Junior Choir has rehearsals 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 24

See service schedule above
Family Promise Hosting Week
9am Christian Learning Series
9am Confirmation Parents' Meeting
9:45am Kids' Place, Church School,
Rite-13

11am Kids' Place Coffee5pm Informal Service and Potluck5pm Confirmation Prep6pm High School Acolyte Training6:45pm High School Youth Group

Monday, September 25

7:30pm Finance Meeting

Tuesday, September 26

4pm Communication Meeting 5:15pm Miracle Kitchen Service 7:30pm Vestry Meeting

Sunday, October 1

See service schedule above
9am Coffee Hour for 8am Worshipers
9:45am Kids' Place, Church School,
Rite-13
11am common cathedral visit
11:30am Faith & Practice
5pm Blessing of the Animals

