

# Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost October 22, 2017

Prelude Sonata in E-flat Largo

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Processional Hymn 372 "Praise to the living God"

Leoni

#### 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 (front section of hymnal)

William Mathias (b. 1934)

Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* Together we pray.

People Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory

among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; 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 33:12-23

Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways,

so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that

I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth." The Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The Lord'; and I will be gracious

to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live." And the Lord continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen."

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 99

Edwin George Monk (1819-1900)

The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.



- 1 The LORD is King; let the people tremble; \* he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.
- 2 The LORD is great in Zion; \*
  he is high above all peoples.
- †3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; \*
   he is the Holy One.
- 4 "O mighty King, lover of justice, you have es'tablished'equity; \* you have executed justice and'righteous'ness in'Jacob."
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and fall down before his footstool; \*

   he is the Holy One.

- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, \* they called upon the LÖRD, and he answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; \*
  they kept his testimonies and the de cree that he gave them.
- 8 "O LORD our God, you answered them in deed; \*
  you were a God who forgave them,
  yet punished them for their evil deeds."
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and worship him upon his holy hill; \*
  for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

Second Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Iesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of

Reader The Word of the Lord.People Thanks be to God.

the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead— Iesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

Gradual Hymn 591 "O God of earth and altar"

King's Lynn

Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to

the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

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 BCP p. 360

Peace

Announcements

#### The Holy Communion

Presentation of Bread and Wine

Offertory Anthem Give almes of thy goods

Christopher Tye (c. 1500-1573)

Give almes of thy goods, and turn never thy face from any poor man: And then the face of the Lord shall not be turned away from thee.

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

Eucharistic Prayer A BCP p. 361

Sanctus S 129 (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 The Lord bless you and keep you

John Rutter (b. 1945)

The Lord bless you and keep you;

The Lord make His face to shine upon you,

To shine upon you and be gracious,

And be gracious unto you.

The Lord bless you and keep you;

The Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon you.

The Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon you;

And give you peace, and give you peace;

And give you peace, and give you peace. Amen.

Communion Hymn 689 "I sought the Lord, and afterward I knew"

Faith

Thanksgiving after Communion

BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 573 "Father eternal, Ruler of creation"

Langham

Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude Prelude and Fugue in C major

J.S. Bach



### Please join us for refreshments following the 10am service,

hosted today by Jenny Sawyer and Lynda Sperry.

# Flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in celebration for the lives of Helene & Hector Bossange.

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

Altar Guild Elizabeth Clarke, Jo Dermer, Linda Gallo, Blair Glennon,
Pam Henrikson, Donna Kell, Debbie Lorenz, Linda Reineman, and Beverly Wood
Flower Guild Cynthia Ballantyne and Melissa Bradley
Greeters Jenny & Mark Sawyer

#### Serving at 8am

Lay Reader/Chalice Bearer Margaret Blackwell Ushers Janet Flett and Charlie Zabriskie

#### Serving at 10am

Acolytes Lily Curtis, Christiaan Eikeboom, Caroline Grape,
Ben Clarke, and Emma Barry

Chalice Bearers Joe Hamilton, David Hamlin, Joanna Horobin, and Suzy Littlefield

Lay Readers Becky Hamlin and Mary Scanlon

Ushers Steve Beach, Harry Condon, Greg Hunter,

Scott Jones, Peter Lull, and Jeff Waldron

#### Serving at 5pm

Lay Reader/Chalice Bearer Blair Glennon

#### Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Parishes of the South Shore Deanery
Church of St. John the Evangelist, Hingham
St. John's Church, Holbrook
Trinity Church, Marshfield
Church of Our Saviour, Milton

Commission on Ministry



# **About the Readings**

From Preparing for Sunday <a href="http://standrewswellesley.org/worship">http://standrewswellesley.org/worship</a> reading.html

Exodus 33:12-23 This reading demonstrates Moses' close relationship with God. Exhausted from the burden of leading the people through the wilderness, Moses complains that he does not have enough help to accomplish his task. God responds by promising to be present in person to make sure that Moses and the people will go in safety. But Moses is not satisfied with God's general presence and asks for a personal experience of God's "glory" (a visible manifestation of God's invisible being). God consents but indicates that this experience will have to be very limited because no human can confront God directly and survive. Moses' experience is twofold. First God utters the personal divine name YHWH ("the Lord"), revealing God's overflowing graciousness and mercy. Then after God's glory has passed, Moses is allowed to see only God's back.

**Psalm 99** Psalm 99 is a hymn celebrating God's kingship. This hymn is written in three stanzas, each of which closes with a refrain about God's holiness (vv. 3, 5, 9). The first stanza (vv. 1-3) celebrates this holiness as revealed by God's kingship, the

second (vv. 4-5) as revealed by God's justice, and the third (vv. 6-9) as revealed by God's faithfulness in history. Moses and Aaron represent the priests and Samuel the prophets who intercede for the welfare of the people. The references to the sacred ark (vv. 1, 5) indicate that the psalm was probably written before the exile into Babylon.

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 In Paul's absence, his community were exposed to the attacks of local Jews and Gentiles. His concern for their welfare led him to send Timothy back to visit. His joy at Timothy's encouraging report occasioned Paul's letter. He adapts the common form of a Greek letter to his own purposes. After saluting the recipients, Paul proceeds to a thanksgiving that he expands to express his sense of God's activity among them. He knows that God has chosen them. The evidence of their election lay in the power wrought by the proclamation of the good news.

Matthew 22:15-22 The question on the payment of the Roman tax was designed to force Jesus to offend some group, for the Jewish people were bitterly divided on the issue. To advocate payment of the tax as legal, as did the Herodians (the supporters of the ruling family) whose policy was complete loyalty to Rome, would alienate the general populace. At the other extreme, to advocate nonpayment, as did the Zealots, would signal treason and reinforce all the nationalist hopes and fears aroused by the triumphal entry into Jeru-

salem. (Resistance to taxes and the necessary census that preceded them was often the catalyst of insurrection). The Pharisees also hated the tax, which implied their submission to a pagan sovereign rather than to God. Taking the coin, Jesus counsels them to "give" (v. 21; literally to "give back") to the emperor what is his and to give back to God what is God's. Jesus refuses to take sides on the political issue, but uses the situation to address their failure to repay God with what belongs to God, as delineated in 22:34-40.



## **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!

#### Coffee Hour Needs You

The fellowship committee is looking for parishioners to host a coffee hour, either individually, as a family, or with a friend. It's easy and fun: whether you bake or buy, make it elaborate or simple, serve donuts or fruit, the congregation will thank you: Really! And the best part is that you don't even have to make the coffee. So, make someone's day and sign up on the St. Andrew's website by clicking on the SERVE tab and then on VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP. You will also find complete instructions on how to host there. THANK YOU SO MUCH! — Hillary Madge

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All Hallows' Eve Service & Potluck Celebrate All Hallows' Eve with us on Sunday, October 29. Come to the parish hall for face painting at 4:30pm, or join us in the sanctuary for the service at 5pm. We will read some of the Bible's spookiest stories before sharing a meal. Halloween costumes are encouraged! Bring an appetizer or dessert to share. This service will emphasize children's participation; all ages are welcome.

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

# Being Disciples by Rowan Williams Order Your Copy Now

On **Sundays**, **October 29 and November 12**, our rector will lead the **9am** Christian
Learning Series classes on Archbishop Rowan Williams' 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 me if you would like to purchase one.

- Rev. Margaret Schwarzer
- margaret@standrewswellesley.org

#### No Church School on October 29!

There will be no church school for grades K-5 on **Sunday**, **October 29**—sleep in and come to the 5pm All Hallows' Eve service instead! Kids' Place and Rite-13 will meet as usual. — Rev. Catherine Healy • catherine@standrewswellesley.org

#### Museum Trip: Protest in Print

On Sunday, October 29, 25 of us will go to the Davis Museum at Wellesley College to tour *Protest in Print*, an exhibit centering on Martin Luther and the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. Luther tacked 95 theses onto a church door in Germany on October 31, 1517, and the world has never been the same. From 11:45am to 12:30pm, we will host a German-inspired lunch in the Harvey Room. We will depart for the museum at 12:30pm. At 1pm, we will meet with Dr. Meredith Fluke, the exhibit's curator, who will guide us on a tour. Please email me if you want to be on the waiting list.

- Rev. Margaret Schwarzer
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#### Confirmation Prep & Youth Group

Confirmation prep and youth group will next meet on **Sunday**, **October 22**. Confirmation prep meets from **5 to 6:30pm**, and high school youth group from **6:45 to 8pm**. All youth are welcome.

- Rev. Catherine Healy
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#### 9am Christian Learning Series

Please join us **today** for *Canterbury Cathedral: Ancient and Modern Witness*. Cat Healy will share highlights and wisdom from her two weeks as a Canterbury Scholar this past summer. Come find out about Canterbury's modern Christian witness. Babysitting will be provided for children 1 year to 8 years of age. Older children are invited to join us in

**Room 2**. — Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

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#### 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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#### **Book Circle**

Book Circle (formerly Reading Mavens) is open to all, and we hold meetings on **Monday nights at 7pm** in the **Harvey Room.** Our next meeting will be on **Monday, November 13**, and the book will be A *Gentleman in Moscow*, by Amor Towles. The book for December will be announced in next week's bulletin. No need to sign up, just come and join the discussion. We would love to see you!

— Betsy Millane • betsymillane@gmail.com

#### Social Media

Please follow us and tag us on your social media platforms. We are on Instagram @StAsWellesley, Twitter @StAsWellesley, and Facebook. Spread the word. Post pics: We want to see what you are doing.

- Katharine Clark
- kate@standrewswellesley.org

#### Italian Pilgrimage

A subcommittee of adult formation and learning committee continues to meet to plan our 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 November. Please email me if you are considering joining the pilgrimage and haven't contacted me yet. — Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

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#### **Nametags**

Nametags are a great way to get to know folks and help everyone feel welcome. St. Andrew's membership committee offers lovely reusable magnetic nametags for all members. If you would like a new or replacement name tag, please contact Becky Hamlin • <a href="mailto:dbhamlin@comcast.net">dbhamlin@comcast.net</a>

# Deadlines for Weekly Leaflet and e-Pistle Announcements

Announcements and gratitudes (and anything else) for inclusion in the weekly leaflet or e-Pistle are due on Tuesdays at noon. Please limit your announcement to 50-100 words. — Katharine Clark

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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.

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

#### Family Promise Metrowest

Once again, the generosity of St. Andrew's FPM volunteers made for a successful hosting week September 24 to 30. We thank: Frances Antonelli; Charlie, Amanda, and Lily Curtis; Heidi Harper; Mike Mahlenkamp; Anne Manners; Jen Martin; Karen McAdams; Cam McCormick; Herb Nolan; Suzanne Nystrom; Debbie Osborn; Caren Parker; Carol Shedd; Lynda Sperry; and Jessica ans Wesley Stanton. Your hospitality was greatly appreciated!

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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, October 22

See service schedule above
9am Christian Learning Series
9:45am Kids' Place, Church School,
Rite-13
5pm Confirmation Prep
6:45pm High School Youth Group

#### Tuesday, October 24

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

#### Sunday, October 29

See service schedule above
9am Christian Learning Series
9:45am Kid's Place Only
5pm All Hallows' Eve Service and
Potluck

