

# Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 11, 2022

We are livestreaming the 10am service.

Prelude Sheep may safely graze

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Processional Hymn 410 "Praise, my soul, the King of heaven"

Lauda anima

#### 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 his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

BCP p. 355

S 278 Gloria in excelsis (front section of hymnal)

William Mathias

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* Together we pray.

People

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

First Lesson: Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28

At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert toward my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse—a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgment against them.

"For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good." I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled. I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the Lord, before his fierce anger. For thus says the Lord: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end. Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed; I have not relented nor will I turn back.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 14

David Hurd (after Gibbons)

#### The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.



- 1 The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." \*
  All are corrupt and commit abominable acts;
  there is none who does any good.
- 2 The LORD looks down from heaven uplon uslall, \*
  to see if there is any who is wise,
  if there islone who seeks after God.
- 3 Every one has proved faithless; all allike have turned bad; \* there is none who does göod; no, not one.
- 4 Have they no knowledge, all those evil doers who eat up my people like bread and do not call up on the LORD?

- 5 See how they tremble with fear, \*
  because God is in the company of the righteous.
- 6 Their aim is to confound the plans of the af flicted, \* but the LÖRD is their refuge.
- †7 Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! \*
  when the LORD restores the fortunes of his people,
  Jacob will re joice and Israel be glad.

Second Lesson: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full

acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 423 "Immortal, invisible, God only wise"

St. Denio

Gospel: Luke 15:1-10

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it,

he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light

a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have

found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon Rev. Sarah Robbins-Cole

BCP p. 358 Nicene Creed

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 Anthem Draw us in the Spirit's tether

Draw us in the Spirit's tether,

For when humbly in Thy name, Alleluia! Alleluia!

Two or three are met together

Thou are in the midst of them;

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Touch we now Thy garment's hem.

*As the brethren used to gather* 

In the name of Christ to sup,

Then with thanks to God the Father

Harold Friedell (1905-1958)

Break the bread and bless the cup,

So knit Thou our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living

Make as sacraments of Thee,

That by caring, helping, giving

We may true disciples be.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

We will serve Thee faithfully.

Doxology Hymn 380 v 3 "Praise God from whom all blessings flow" Old 100th Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;

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!

S 151 Fraction Anthem (front section of the hymnal)

David Hurd

All are welcome to receive communion. Ushers will direct the congregation.

Communion Anthem Locus iste

Anton Bruckner (1824-1896)

This place was made by God; A priceless holy place, It is without fault.

Praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Communion Hymn 469 "There's a wideness in God's mercy"

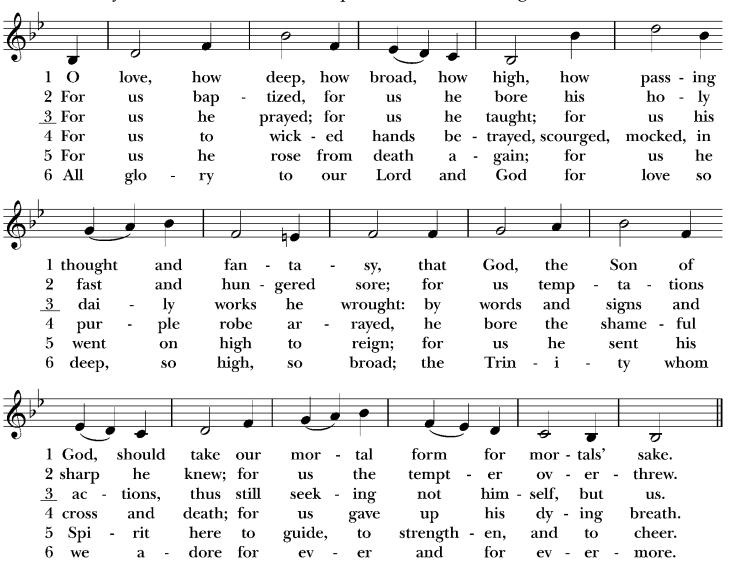
St. Helena

Thanksgiving after Communion

BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 448 "O love, how deep, how broad, how high" Deus tuorum militum



#### Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Benediction

Postlude In dir ist Freude

J.S. Bach

Please join us for refreshments after the service.



# 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.



#### Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in Memory of

Laurence Reineman given by Linda Reineman, and Helen Fisk Robertson given by Helen Robertson

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

Altar Guild Adele Beggs, Judith Boland, Jean Childs, Zebby Dubé, Erica Gelser, Karen Mc Adams, Heather Schafer, Cynthia Scott, and Liz Tecca Flowers the Flower Guild

#### Serving at 8am

Lay Eucharistic Minister Nancy Echlov

#### Serving at 10am

Broadcast Tech Volunteer Rob Brandt
Lay Eucharistic Minister Joe Hamilton
Lay Reader Lisa Howe
Ushers Dave Boghosian, Lakey MacArthur,
Terri Rawson-Wakefield, and Paul Zusky

# Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Parishes of the North Shore Deanery
Ascension Memorial Church, Ipswich
St. Stephen's Memorial Church, Lynn
Emmanuel Chapel, Manchester-by-the-Sea
Ministries to the Homeless
Christ the King Anglican Church, Lynn



# Icon of the Week

# Dame Julian of Norwich c.1342-c.1417

Of Dame Julian's early life, we know little, only the probable date of her birth. Her own writings in the Revelations of Divine Love are concerned only with her visions that she experienced when she was thirty years old. She had been gravely ill and was given the last rites; suddenly, on the seventh day, all pain left her, and she had fifteen visions of the Passion. These brought her great peace and joy. "From that time, I desired oftentimes to learn what was our Lord's meaning," she wrote, "and fifteen years after I was answered in ghostly understanding: 'Wouldst thou learn the Lord's meaning in this thing? Learn it well. Love was his meaning. Who showed it thee? Love. What showed he thee? Love. Wherefore showed it he? For Love. Hold thee therein and thou shalt learn and know more in the same.' Thus it was I learned that Love was our Lord's meaning." She became a recluse, an anchoress, at Norwich soon after her recovery from illness, living in a small dwelling attached to the Church of St. Julian. Even in her lifetime, she was famed as a mystic and spiritual counselor and was frequently visited by clergymen and lay persons. Many have found strength in the words the Lord had given her: "I can make all things well; I will make all things well; I shall make all things well; and thou canst see for thyself that all manner of things shall be well."

#### Her feast day is May 8.

Lord God, in your compassion you granted to the Lady Julian many revelations of your nurturing and sustaining love: Move our hearts, like hers, to seek you above all things, for in giving us yourself you give us all; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen



# **About the Readings**

**Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28** In today's reading, true to his prophetic call, Jeremiah announces the devastating realty of God's judgment on the kingdom of Judah. God looks down upon the people and their land, and foresees the inevitable consequences of their evil ways. Judah will be destroyed because it replaced the covenant obligations of fidelity and obedience with idolatry, infidelity, apostasy, and disobedience. It forgot its first commandment obligation to center its life on God and instead organized life around objects which it thought it could control. Since the covenant has not been kept, God's destructive and punishing judgment is irrevocable.

**Psalm 14** This lament psalm divides the world in two categories: the foolish and the wise. Although the foolish and wicked now persecute the wise and good, the psalmist envisions a time when God's judgment will make the appropriate rewards and punishments.

1 Timothy 1:12-17 This selection begins a seven-week series of readings from two letters traditionally attributed to St. Paul. 1 and 2 Timothy, along with Titus, are called the pastoral epistles because of their emphasis on the proper ordering of the administration and worship of the

Church. Many scholars today believe that these letters were not written by Paul himself but by a later follower. Such an author may have pieced together some of Paul's personal letters and added material that presented oral Pauline teaching which addressed later situations. Today's reading is a thanksgiving for Paul's conversion, especially as it serves as a paradigm of God's mercy in the conversion of all "sinners." A phrase characteristic of Paul's emphasis on tradition is "the saying is sure" (v. 15) indicating a quotation from familiar teaching or hymns.

**Luke 15:1-10** The two parables in today's reading make the same point. They answer those who criticized Jesus for having any dealings with the outcast and despised. It was a strong ancient principle, especially among the Pharisees, that one should not associate with sinners. "Sinners" were both those who led immoral lives and those whose occupations were considered sure to lead them into immorality—tax collectors, shepherds, etc. "Sinners" could not hold office or act as legal witnesses. Jesus turns this attitude around by using the unwearied search of a shepherd for a lost sheep or of a poor woman for a lost coin as an image for God's unchanging love toward the sinner. God's constant seeking-out of the lost is manifested in Jesus' redeeming ministry. God's love takes the initiative; the sinner's

response is repentance. But rejoicing is the central note of these parables, for there is no mention of penitence.



# **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.

## Homecoming Sunday is Today!

We welcome the return of the choir and the start of church school. We will welcome Margaret back from her sabbatical and celebrate the addition of Sarah Robbins-Cole to our clergy team as our interim associate rector for youth and family.

# Dedication of the Budney Doors

Today we are dedicating the Budney doors, the new front doors to the church sanctuary. The Budney doors were given in honor of parishioner Albert J. Budney Jr. by WEC Energy Group on his retirement from their board. The Budney doors were installed as part of our sanctuary renovation during the pandemic. As we emerge from the pandemic, now seems a fitting time to dedicate them.

RenewalWorks Spirituality Initiative On Sunday, September 25, we will welcome the Rev. Jay Sidebotham, the director of the RenewalWorks Initiative as our guest preacher. We will be launching the Renewal-Works Spirituality Initiative as part of our discernment of God's direction for St.

Andrew's at the beginning of this program year. You may remember that Rev. Sidebotham came to speak to us at the beginning of 2020 when were about to undertake the initiative just when the pandemic fell upon us. You will be hearing more about the details of RenewalWorks over the next few weeks.

-Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole

#### All-Parish Picnic

Please plan to attend the picnic at the home of Luisa Hunnewell at 845 Washington Street after the 10am service on Sunday, Septem-



ber 18. This fellowship event will be a wonderful way to reconnect with the parish community after the summer. There will be food, fun, and the return of the ice cream man! Casual attire is encouraged at both church and the picnic. Volunteers are needed to help with baking, setup, serving, parking, and cleanup! Please using the QR code to sign up or contact Jenny Sawyer with questions.

#### Coffee Hour Hosts!

We would like to recruit more parishioners to host coffee hour after the Sunday 10am service. Responsibilities involve providing and hosting a snack (cookies, cakes, fruit, cheese and crackers), and doing the clean up after coffee hour is over. The sextons set up the tables, make the coffee, provide cream and sugar, and hot water for tea. Typically, a host will arrive just before the 10am service to put out snacks and then will leave the service after communion to finish setting up. The clergy and other parishioners are around to help with the cleanup. If your willing to be a host, please sign up on the paper signup sheet after the Sunday services on September 11 and 18, or email Adrian. An email with a sign up schedule will be sent out after September 18 to all those who indicate they are willing to host asking you to sign up for a particular date. Thanks!

# 9am Christian Learning

St. Andrew's will begin our 9am Christian learning classes on Sunday, September 25. We will be considering the cultural dynamics between *Science and Faith*, offering a series on *Prayer Practices*, and inviting Boston College professor Dr. Jim Weiss to reflect on the spiritual power of our *Episcopal Liturgy*. Get ready to pray the psalms, learn about icons, experience the scientific and spiritual power of light, and other soulful adventures. Join us in person or online (Zoom) every Sunday of our fall term. —Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

# Wednesday 7:30am Service

We have resumed the 7:30am Communion service in the transept chapel. This is a small intimate service which lasts half an hour. The service is followed by coffee in the Harvey Room for those who wish to stay for fellowship. If you have any questions, please speak to Adrian or Margaret.

# Database/Directory Changes

We have made the switch to a **new database called Realm**, and we have moved everyone into the online directory! When you join, you will be able to



change and update your own personal information at any time, look other parishioners up, and register your children for church school.

You should have received an automated email from "St Andrew's Episcopal Church notifications@onrealmmail.org", (on August 22) about your "Privacy Change Notification," and another asking you to join our online directory. We have discovered that lots of people's second email went to their spam folder so please look there for your follow-up email.

Look for more information as the fall progresses. Please join us online. This is going to be a great year!

#### Interested in Senior Choir?

St. Andrew's senior choir begins rehearsing again on Thursdays at 7:30pm. We are looking for new members—high school students are welcome! Please join us and try it out. Singing is so much fun and good for the soul and spirit. If you can't make a commitment to every Thursday night and Sunday—no worries!—in the busy lives that we lead not many can. We can work this out. Please contact Wardie, the music minister.

#### Youth Music Director!

We are thrilled to have **Ciara Cheli** joining the St. Andrew's team this fall. She is a 2020 graduate of Wellesley College and has sung with our senior choir on many occasions. Ciara comes from northern California and is working at Northeastern University before she pursues a masters in conducting in the fall of 2023. She brings with her significant experience working with children aged five to 12 on theater production and dance. She has also helped direct five musical productions involving children and adults.

Our youth music program has changed from weekly rehearsals to an exciting new program centered around three events.

- Sunday, December 18, traditional Christmas pageant with carols.
- **Sunday, March 26**, musical theater performance as part of the 10am service.
- Sunday, May 21 Youth Sunday Rehearsals will start six weeks prior to each event on Sunday mornings following the 10 am service. More details to follow.

## Family Promise Metrowest

Family Promise has always responded to emerging needs—this newest need couldn't be more explicit: families in the LIFE and SAIL programs are having trouble accessing enough food to feed their families.

So what can we do? They have researched every partner that provides food and have made sure that every family is accessing these resources. But it isn't enough. They want to offer the 25 families in these programs a monthly food budget subsidy. They are asking for donations of \$25 gift cards to Stop & Shop or Market Basket. To give each family a \$50/month subsidy through December, they must collect 200 gift cards by the end of September.

If you can donate one (or more!) gift cards, please click one of the links above and purchase a card to be shipped directly to Family Promise at 6 Mulligan St., Natick, MA 01760. Thank you for considering this emergency request from Family Promise families.

#### Save-the-Date Oktoberfest

Join us for a night of fellowship with music, food, and drinks! **Saturday, October 15 at 6:30pm** in the parish hall ... festive attire.

## Village Church October Luncheon

After a two-year break, St. Andrew's parishioners are excited to host our Village Church neighbors for an October luncheon on **Tuesday**, **October 11**, **from 11:30am to 1:30pm**. (This luncheon has been a tradition between

(This luncheon has been a tradition between the two churches since the mid-1970s!) Lunch will be provided and Sarah Robbins-Cole will be discussing the topic of happiness. This event is open to all parishioners, and we hope you can join us to welcome our friends from Village Church. A donation of \$15 is suggested. A sign-up sheet is posted in the narthex as well as outside the parish hall. Or email Ginny Snow to let her know you would like to attend, or you have questions.

• ginnysnow@me.com

# Men's Bible Study

Are you interested in Men's Bible Study? The group meets on the first Saturday of the month (usually) at 8am and is led by Adrian. The next meeting will be Saturday, October 2. New members are welcome and are encouraged to come to try the group out.

The group meets via Zoom and spends about a year working through a book of the Bible. This year we will be reading the Gospel according to Mark No expertise or homework is required. The sessions consist of passages and then questions or comments will be invited—the passages are discussed both from a theological perspective and a personal spiritual perspective. If you have any questions or would like the Zoom link for the meeting, please contact Adrian.

## **Coventry Suppers**

September is the time to sign up for Coventry Suppers. These suppers have been a meaningful tradition for years, providing an opportunity to gather for simple meals at each other's homes. These casual dinners in which everyone contributes a dish are especially nice for newcomers, as they allow members of the parish to get to know one another in a small, intimate setting. Many longstanding members also sign up to enjoy meeting new and old parishioners and getting to know each other better. If you would rather regather on Zoom, Coventry Cocktails will be available for those not yet ready to venture into someone else's house. Please sign up at the picnic on September 18. Soon, you can also sign up on our website, with a QR code, on a signup sheet in the narthex or by emailing Ginny Snow at ginnysnow@me.com.

Small groups will be formed after the October 10 deadline, and a list of the members in your group will be distributed in mid-October. A "first convener" will also be designated as the first dinner/cocktail host(s) where the group can then discuss when to gather during the year. Usually, groups meet four to six times over the year.

## New Transept Icon Prayer Station

Many of you are familiar with the spiritual practice of lighting candles in personal prayer before icons. There is a long tradition of this practice in the Episcopal, Roman Catholic, and Orthodox tradition and we are introducing this practice to St. Andrew's.

The icon prayer station is at the transept altar where, before or after services, parishioners can light a candle and say a prayer.

There are two icons at our station. One is a permanent icon of Christ. The other represents the diversity of the Christian faith down the ages and across the globe. This icon will be changed frequently and will have a card describing the saint or image. Our aim is to build up 52 icons so we can have a different icon each week. We have a list of the icons we would like, some of which have been purchased. We are hoping that parishioners will want to purchase an icon from the list. The icons are reproductions and cost about \$50 each. If you would like to sponsor an icon, please let me know.

Our hope is that this icon prayer station offers an opportunity for prayer for those parishioners who find this a helpful spiritual practice. If you have any questions about the icons or this tradition, please do not hesitate to contact me. Adrian

# Book for Discussion: The Language of God by Francis Collins

Our adult formation committee is excited to offer a title that is written in a breezy style but packs a wallop. In this book, Collins, the head of the Human Genome Project and recent Director of the National Institutes of Health, talks about his life as a scientist and an active Christian. The subtitle says it all: A Scientist Presents Evidence for Belief.

Collins uses C.S. Lewis as his guide but also says some fresh things about living a life of science and faith. We will explore this book in our **October 9am** Christian learning classe. To purchase a book, email Lorna Ruby at Wellesley Books at <a href="mailto:lorna@welles-leybooks.com">lorna@welles-leybooks.com</a> and mail a check for \$14.50 made out to St. Andrew's to Margaret at St. Andrew's. Please write "science book" in the memo. Lorna will email you and tell you when you can pick up the book at the bookstore. —Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

# Vestry

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- 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. Holy Eucharist & Healing Prayer is celebrated on Wednesday mornings at 7:30am. 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 to watch the recording after the service), and on Facebook.



- Senior Choir rehearsal is on Thursdays at 7:30pm.
- Staff is continuing to work some hours remotely. Generally, parish office hours are
  Monday through Thursday, 9am to 5pm, and Friday, 9am to 12pm. Tuesday at
  noon is the deadline for any and all materials to be included either in the bulletin
  or by email for the following Sunday.
- **12-Step Programs** Men's AA, Wednesdays, 8pm; Women's AA, Thursdays, 7pm; Emotions Anonymous, Saturdays, 9:30am.

#### Sunday, September 11

Homecoming Sunday 8:55am Kids' Place Nursery 9:45am Church School & Rite-13 11am Coffee Hour

**Tuesday, September 12**7pm Outreach Meeting

#### Sunday, September 18

8:55am Kids' Place Nursery9:45am Church School & Rite-1310am Holy Eucharist & Holy Baptism11am Parish Picnic5:30pm Confirmation Class Informational Meeting

