

# Fourth Sunday of Advent and the Christmas Pageant December 18, 2022

We are livestreaming the 10am service.

Prelude Nun komm der Heiden Heiland BWV 659

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Processional Hymn 56 "O come, O come, Emmanuel"

Veni, veni, Emmanuel

Blessing of the Advent Wreath

Celebrant

Blessed are you, Sovereign Lord, merciful and gentle: to you be praise and glory for ever! Your light has shone in our darkened world through the child-bearing of blessed Mary; grant that we who have seen your glory may daily be renewed in your image and prepared like her for the coming of your Son, who is the Lord and Savior of all.

People

Blessed be God for ever.

### 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 forever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

BCP p. 355

Trisagion S102 (front section of hymnal)

Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924)

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.

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### Collect of the Day

Celebrant Together we pray.

People Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that

your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity

of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

# **Christmas Pageant**

The congregation remains seated during the pageant.

The choir and the congregation will all sing these favorite carols.

Hymn 83	O come, all ye faithful (vs. 1-3)	Adeste fideles
Hymn 79	O little town of Bethlehem (vs. 1-2)	St. Louis
Hymn 101	Away in a manger (vs. 1-2)	Cradle Song
Hymn 87	Hark the Herald Angels (vs. 1-2)	England's Lane
Hymn 109	The First Noël (vs. 1-2)	The First Nowell
Hymn 111	Silent night (v. 1)	Stille Nacht
Hymn 128	We three kings of Orient are (vs. 1-5)	Three Kings of Orient
Hymn 100	Joy to the world (vs. 1-4)	Antioch

Peace

Announcements

# The Holy Communion

Presentation of Bread and Wine

Offertory Anthem "Infant holy, infant lowly"

Polish Carol arranged by David Willcocks (1919-2015)

Infant holy,
Infant lowly,
Swift are winging
Angels singing,
For His bed a cattle stall;
Noels ringing,
Tidings bringing,

Little knowing Christ the Babe is Lord of all.

Christ the Babe is Lord of all.

Flocks were sleeping,
Shepherds keeping
Vigil till the morning new;
Saw the glory,
Heard the story,
Tidings of a Gospel true.

Thus rejoicing,
Free from sorrow,
Praises voicing,
Greet the morrow,
Christ the Babe was born for you!

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

Old 100th

**Eucharistic Prayer B** 

BCP p. 367

S129 Sanctus (front section of hymnal)

Robert Powell (b. 1932)

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast.

S 156 Fraction Anthem (front section of hymnal) Christ our Passover

Gerald Near

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

### Offertory Anthem People, Look East

Besançon Carol

People, look east. The time is near
Of the crowning of the year.
Make your house fair as you are able,
Trim the hearth and set the table.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the guest, is on the way.

Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare,
One more seed is planted there:
Give up your strength the seed to nourish,
That in course the flower may flourish.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the rose, is on the way.

Birds, though you long have ceased to build, Guard the nest that must be filled. Even the hour when wings are frozen God for fledging time has chosen. People, look east and sing today: Love, the bird, is on the way.

Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim
One more light the bowl shall brim,
Shining beyond the frosty weather,
Bright as sun and moon together.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the star, is on the way.

Angels, announce with shouts of mirth Christ who brings new life to earth.
Set every peak and valley humming With the word, the Lord is coming.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the Lord, is on the way.

Communion Hymn 265 "The angel Gabriel from heaven came" Gabriel's Message

The communion hymn is sung by all.

Thanksgiving after Communion BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 57 "Lo! he comes, with clouds descending" Helmsley

Dismissal

*Clergy* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

Postlude Der Tag, der ist so freudenreich BWV 605 J.S. Bach

Please join us for fellowship following the service, hosted by Wendy Haering & Thomas Engels,
Joanna Horobin & Alan Joachim,
and Margaret & Paul Zusky.



# 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.



# **Christmas Pageant Cast**

## Chorus of Angels, Sheep, and other Nativity Characters

Scarlett Farella, Teddy Finnerty, Imogen Heuer, Brutus Mitchell, Fiona Mitchell, Maisie Mitchell, Calvin Nurthen, Madden Nurthen, Katherine Svedlund, and George Urban

Thanks to all who participated in the annual Christmas pageant, especially the stage crew and parents who helped make this production possible! Special thanks also to Caroline Condon for her leadership and directorial support. Thank you all for a memorable pageant, and we'll see you next year!



### The flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of

Grant Warner Eustis, Nancy Eustis, and John P. Eustis II by the Eustis family.

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

Altar Guild Bonnie Akins, Becky Hamlin, Jennie Hunnewell Kaplan, Linda McCammond, Libby McClintock, Debbi Monti, Caren Parker, and Liz Rogers Altar Flowers the Flower Guild

### Serving at 8am

Lay Eucharistic Minister Cam McCormick Ushers Mark Benjamin and Ken Graves

#### Serving at 10am

Acolytes Crucifer, Eloise Svedlund; Torch, Alex Dehn; and Torch, Ben Dehn
Broadcast Tech Volunteer Greg Hunter
Greeters Betsy & Rob Veidenheimer
Lay Eucharistic Ministers Meg Harris and Joanna Horobin
Ushers David Boghosian, Adams Carroll, Marie Dunell,
Alan Joachim, and David Oborn

### Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Parishes of the Alewife Deanery
Episcopal Chaplaincy at Harvard, Cambridge
Lutheran Episcopal Chaplaincy at MIT, Cambridge
The Society of St. John the Evangelist, Cambridge
Hospital Chaplaincies & Healthcare Chaplains



# **Christmas & Epiphany Services**

### Christmas Eve Services Saturday, December 24

### Children's Service at 3pm

This half-hour service is aimed at young children. We sing carols, hear the Christmas story, and have a children's homily (no Holy Communion). The service is followed by birthday cake.

### Family Eucharist at 5pm

This hour-long Holy Communion service is the most well attended Christmas Eve service at St. Andrew's. The service ends with the church darkened and everyone holding a candle as we sing "Silent Night."

### Choral Service & Holy Eucharist at 10pm

This is a traditional service with communion, carols, a sermon, and choral anthems. A 20-minute musical prelude precedes the hour-long service with the full choir and a string quartet.

**Christmas Day Service** Sunday, December 25 at 10am This is a relaxed one-hour service with communion, Christmas carols, and a short homily.

**Epiphany Fireside Service** Sunday, January 8, 2023 at 5pm This Holy Communion service, in the parish hall with a roaring fire, is attended by an intergenerational congregation. We hear a short Epiphany homily and sing Epiphany hymns followed by a potluck.



# St. Andrew's Cheerful Givers

# 2023 Stewardship Campaign Givers 249 of target 300 givers through December 13, 2022

Every effort has been made to be as current as possible. If you have questions about your name on the list, please reach out to Joanne Butler.

Anonymous (1)

**Bonnie Akins** 

Hope Aldrich

Pam & Elmore Alexander

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Connie & Peter Barnes

Sharon & Jamison Barr

Wendy & Jonathan Barry

Maggie & Jonathan Baxter

Christine & Steve Beach

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Barbara Bergstrom

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Mark Housel Suzy & Josh Littlefield

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Luisa Hunnewell Linda & Peter Lull

Luisa Hunnewell & Larry Newman Isabel Lyndon

Cynthia & Sam Hunt Lakey & Hugh MacArthur

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Muffy & Peter Johannsen Pat & Dick MacKinnon

Jeanne Johnsen Amy & Ted Madden

Ann & Lane Johnson Hillary & Lou Madge

Nancy & Allen Jones Paige & Herb Manning

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Mary Reineman & Paul Kappel Jennifer & Ansley Martin

Ntonhle Kekana & Graham Masiiwa Karen & Jeff McAdams

Linda & John McCammond Dot Reed

Libby McClintock Meg Reed

Carolyn McCoy Linda Reineman

Llynda McFarlane Sandra Rigney

Karen & Tom Melican Laura & Madison Riley

Paul Merry Elizabeth Robbins-Cole

Karen Metcalf Karen Robbins Taylor

Wendy Miller Sarah & Adrian Robbins-Cole

Diane Mitchell William Robbins-Cole

Stephanie & Bradley Mitchell Rennie Roberts

Lois & Douglas Mizzi Helen Robertson

Debbie & Tom Monti Julie & Mason Ross

Lauren & David Murphy Barbara & Frank Rowbotham

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Suzanne & Will Nystrom Ann Schwarz

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Charlotte & Tim Surgenor Sally Whitman

Elizabeth & Jonas Svedlund Ken Wiberg

Nancy & Craig Tashjian Virginia & Geoffrey Wickwire

Liz & Paul Tecca Alain Williams du Marquis d'Assarac

Eleanor Tedesco Sally & Dudley Willis

Beth & Mac Thomas Ruth Wilson

Harriet Thompson Laurie & Jeff Witt

Lia & Roberto Tron Lorri Woodacre

Joann & Terry Tuytschaevers Maggy & Al Woodcock

Coryell & Greg Urban Fred Wright

Kris & Michael Vanin Karen & Michael Young

Betsy & Rob Veidenheimer Star & Charlie Zabriskie

Katherine Vig Margaret & Paul Zusky

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. —2 Corinthians 9:7



# Icon of the Week

# **Folk Nativity**

Maria (Mary) is sitting or kneeling to the right of the child. Seen by the spectator, she is on the left. Behind or next to her is the ox, which does not actually appear in Luke's Gospel but is considered a kosher animal and symbolizes the people of Israel and Christianity. From the left, i.e. from Mary's side, the shepherds approach with their sheep. They represent the believers who bring sacrificial animals, food and clothing.

Giuseppe (Joseph) is on the left side of the baby Jesus, that is, on the right if seen by the viewer. Next to Joseph is the donkey, also not mentioned in Luke's Gospel. The donkey is interpreted as an impure animal and symbolizes non-religious or even pagan people. The three wise men also symbolize the pagan world. Gaspar, Melchior, and Balthazar are the "wise men of the East" who donate gold, incense, and myrrh. With youth, middle age, and old age, they are on the one hand a symbol for the different stages of people's lives. On the other hand, their origins from Africa, Asia and Europe are associated with the three continents known at the time. Since Melchior represents the European continent and therefore the West, the designation "Three … from the East" is not entirely correct.

It is also important that the stable of the crib is always open and freely visible to the viewer. This is a symbol that everyone, regardless of nationality and faith, is welcome and welcomed by Jesus. If there are several angels around the Christmas crib, they form the heavenly choir. Unlike the announcing angels, they are located on the right, left or both sides, next to the stable. The star symbolizes the complete process of Jesus' birth and only appears from this moment on in the dark sky of the Holy Night. The three saddle animals (not in this icon) belonged to the three wise men represented the continents known at the time: the elephant, is usually placed next to King Gaspar, representing the African continent; King Balthazar rides on a camel as a representative of Asia, and Melchior rides a horse as a representative of Europe.



# **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.

#### Between Christmas & New Year

There will be **NO** Morning Prayer the week between Christmas and New Year. In addition, our office hours will be minimal this week. We will be **closed on Monday, December 26** in observance of Christmas, and we will be **open Tuesday through Friday 9am to 12pm**.

#### Year End Donations

Looking towards year end, please observe the following to complete your pledge(s):

- **IRA Distribution:** Distributions checks do not note the account holder's name; **if you have already arranged for a check to be sent** *please let me know the company and the amount.*
- Checks: Please mail ASAP.
- Online: If paying by credit card, please process your request by December 27. If paying by ACH, process by December 28. Payments submitted online can take 48 hours to be received and may not be credited until Tuesday, January 3, 2023. January 2 is a bank holiday.
- **In-person**: Drop in the collection **plate by December 25**, or in the church mailbox (outside) **by noon on December 30**.

Please reach out with any questions and thank you for your continued support of St. Andrew's! — Joanne Butler

# **Sharing Advent Spiritual Practices**

You will have received an email from Adrian earlier this week inviting you to join him in an Advent Spiritual practice of reading a chapter a day of Luke's Gospel.

We would also like to encourage you to share any Advent spiritual practices that you find enriching with other practices. You can do this by signing onto Realm and sharing your practice by making a **comment** on the **post** in the *Realm* news feed about the **Advent Bible Challenge.** If you are not signed up with *Realm* please **contact our parish administrator Kate** for instructions. Please also look for the daily video **on Instagram and Facebook**.

### 9am Christian Learning

Join us **today at 9am in Room 2** for *Lectio Divina on the Nativity*. Come let Luke 2:1-20 wash over you and find God's invitation to you in Luke's words. The Zoom link is in the e-Pistle.

Join us every Sunday, or just when a class lines up with your interests. Everyone is welcome. Our 9am classes resume on **January 22, 2023**.

—Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

#### Anton's Coats for Kid's and Families

We encourage those who want to donate Coats this year to take them directly to Anton's Cleaner's. There is an Anton's at 277 Linden Street (use the drive-in for Dunkin' Donuts) which will accept coats. Anton's will facilitate the distribution via various organizations serving the needy. The collection continues until January 8, 2023.

## Children's Programs

All children's programs including Kids' Place, church school, Rite-13, Confirmation, and youth group, will be on break **December 19 through January 7**. Programs will start back **Sunday, January 8**. See you in the New Year!

#### First Aid Kits and Defibrillators

We have first aid kits in all the church school classrooms and both kitchens. We also have AED's (Automated External Defibrillator) on every floor: these are marked with big signs on the wall near the cabinet containing the AED. In that cabinet there is also Narcan and other emergency first aid items.

We also have a large first aid kit in the acolytes changing room. *If you are in need of emergency medicine, you should of course call 911,* but feel free to use the first aid kits for minor cuts and scrapes as needed.

## Parking on Denton Road

In this holiday season, please be careful that you do not obstruct the driveways of our neighbors. We wish to maintain good relations with our neighbors and to extend to them the courtesy we would expect from others parking in our own roads. Thanks for your help with this!

# The Wellesley Freedom Team

The Wellesley police department has set up a task force to address incidents that may arise in our town involving racism or other discriminatory conduct. That group, called The Wellesley Freedom Team, is seeking to raise public awareness of its existence as a resource. The Wellesley Freedom Team would like you to know that we are available to victims of racism or bias, or to those who witness such disturbing behavior. Our volunteers provide a safe, confidential space for people to air concerns, be heard, and be connected to available resources that can address victim/witness concerns. The Wellesley Freedom Team, established in March 2021, is part of a network of seven teams in the Greater Boston area. For more visit wellesleyfreedomteam.org/ or contact us at wellesleyfreedomteam@gmail.com



# **Gratitude**

## Alternative Gift Fair

A great big thank you to everyone who has made the Alternative Gift of the AGF a part of their Christmas shopping. Clearly, you know that a gift to family and friends of baby chicks, meals and support for people less fortunate, books, shawls and hats, or school supplies, is a reminder of how fortunate we and the recipient are. Many of you went for the entire bundle, buying everything on the list. This year's fair has been a splendid success. And note, you can still buy your last minute gifts from AGF!

## The Giving Tree

The gifts under and on the Giving Tree have been piling up, another reflection of our desire to make Christmas a happy time for families in our outreach circle. If you see a gift tag on the tree, please take it so we fulfill all of the wishes sent our way. More hats and mittens on the tree will be most welcome!

# Vestry

**Adult Formation** Ansley Martin

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# Staff

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

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# Weekly Calendar

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



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

#### Sunday, December 18

8:55am Kids' Place Nursery
9am Christian Learning
9am Youth Music Pageant Prep
10am Holy Eucharist and
Christmas Pageant
11am Coffee Hour

# **Tuesday, December 20**10am Pastoral Care Meeting

# Saturday, December 24 3pm Children's Service

5pm Family Eucharist 10pm Choral Service & Holy Eucharist

#### Sunday, December 25

There will be no 8am or 5pm service 10am Christmas Day Eucharist

There will be NO Morning Prayer the week between Christmas and New Year.

### Sunday, January 1, 2023

There will be NO Kids' Place, church school, or programs.

8am Holy Eucharist 10am Holy Eucharist 5pm Holy Eucharist

