



ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany February 12, 2023

We are livestreaming the 10am service.

Prelude *Herr Jesu Christ dich zu uns wend*

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Processional Hymn 390 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Lobe den Herren

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

S 236 Benedictus es Domine (front section of hymnal)

John Rutter (b. 1945)

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you.

Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;

we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.

Glory to you seated between the Cherubim; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; In the high vault of heaven, glory to you.

Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you!

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Together we pray.

People O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments

we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Moses said, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you

today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:1-8

David Hurd (after Gibbons)

The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.



- 1 Happy are those whose way is blameless, *
who walk in the law of the LORD!
- 2 Happy are they who observe his decrees *
and seek him with all their hearts!
- 3 Who never do any wrong, *
but always walk in his ways.
- 4 You laid down your commandments, *
that we should fully keep them.

- 5 Oh, that my ways were ^{made so di}rect *
that I might keep your statutes!
- 6 Then I should not be put to shame, *
when I regard all your commandments.
- 7 I will thank you with an unfeigned heart, *
when I have learned your righteous judgments.
- 8 I will keep your statutes; *
— do not utterly forsake me.

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? For when one says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not merely human?

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 467 "Sing my soul, his wondrous love"

St. Bees

Gospel: Matthew 5:21-37

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not murder'; and 'whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the

council; and if you say, 'You fool,' you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and

offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

“It was also said, ‘Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.’ But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

“Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.’ But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let your word be ‘Yes, Yes’ or ‘No, No’; anything more than this comes from the evil one.”

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Sarah Robbins-Cole

Nicene Creed

BCP p. 358

Prayers of the People

After each bidding the Reader says, Lord, in your mercy.

The People reply, Hear our prayer.

Confession of Sin

BCP p. 360

Peace

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Presentation of Bread and Wine

Offertory Anthem *If ye love me* Thomas Tallis (c. 1505-1585)

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father,

And he shall give you another comforter

That he may 'bide with you forever, e'en the spirit of truth

Doxology Hymn 380 v3 "Praise God from whom all blessings flow" *Old 100th*

Eucharistic Prayer B BCP p. 367

S130 Sanctus (front section of hymnal) Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828)

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

S164 Fraction Anthem (front section of hymnal) Franz Peter Schubert

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

Communion Anthem *Teach me, O Lord* Thomas Attwood (1765-1838)

text psalm 119:33

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes,

And I shall keep it unto the end.

Communion Hymn 304 "I come with joy to meet my Lord" *Land of Rest*

The congregation is encouraged to sing the communion hymn.

Thanksgiving after Communion BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 414 "God, my King, thy might confessing" *Stuttgart*

Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude *In dir ist Freude* J.S. Bach

Join us for coffee hour in the parish hall.



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.



About the Readings

Deuteronomy 30:15-20 The book of Deuteronomy is presented as Moses' farewell address to the Israelite people gathered at the border of the promised land. It reinterprets Mosaic instruction (the Jewish Torah or Law) to deal with the situations of later history. This reading comes from Moses' third address (chaps. 29–30) and challenges the people to decide between two ways of living. The format reflects ancient treaties that concluded with a call to the gods to act as witnesses to the treaty. Here the whole created universe is called to witness the covenant (31:28). The people are urged to "choose life," not merely a prolongation of days but the fullness received in love, obedience and faithfulness to God.

Psalms 119:1-8 This psalm is an acrostic psalm, in which the first line of each of its 22 eight-line stanzas begins with a successive letter of the Hebrew alphabet. It is the longest in the Bible. In this reading, the psalmist describes those who are blessed because of their fidelity to

God's commands and asks God to give wisdom and discernment for keeping them.

1 Corinthians 3:1-9 In addition to adopting party designations (1:12), the Corinthians seem to have enjoyed categorizing one another's spiritual maturity. Paul informs the Corinthians that they are far from being as spiritually mature (2:6) as they think. Although they have received the Spirit in baptism and are thus implicitly "spiritual," their strife shows that they are not living out their true status. Instead they are living in the "flesh," like mere human beings. Flesh, for Paul, is not the opposite of spirit; rather, flesh is what is human, weak, mortal, liable to sin. Far from acting as if their lives were determined by the Spirit, the Corinthians' parties and labels show that they are determined by individual or human considerations.

Matthew 5:21-37 Today's and next Sunday's gospels come from the section called "the six antitheses" (5:21-48), so named from the repeated phrase "it was said...but I say." Fundamentally, the antitheses are a statement about who Jesus is and what authority he bears (7:28-29). They also illustrate how Jesus fulfills the law (5:17). He does not pit his teaching against the law, but against the rabbinic interpretations and traditions. Jesus reveals the spirit of the law in a new

standard of righteousness. These antitheses reach back past the Mosaic law to the original or "creation will" of God. This means that in some cases (murder, adultery, love of enemy) the law has been strengthened; Jesus' command is "not only...but also." Attention is shifted from external action to internal intention. In other cases (divorce, oaths, retaliation), the law as practiced is abrogated and external performance is altered.



Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Adele Beggs, Judith Boland, Jean Childs, Zebby Dube, Erica Gelser, Peter Mahoney, Karen McAdams, Heather Schaefer, Cynthia Scott, and Liz J. Tecca

Altar Flowers the Flower Guild

Serving at 8am

Lay Eucharistic Minister Thomas Palmer

Ushers Nancy Kohl and Bob Ware

Serving at 10am

Acolytes Crucifer, Cameron Cowperthwaite; Torch, Caroline Martin;
and Torch, Rebecca Martin

Broadcast Tech Volunteer Rob Brandt

Greeters Sarah & Greg Harris

Lay Eucharistic Ministers Joanna Horobin and Paul Shackford

Readers Ann Johnson and Michael Vanin

Ushers Travis Anza, Matthew Benfer, Lakey MacArthur, and Paul Zusky

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Parishes of the Cape & Islands Deanery

St. Mary's Church, Barnstable

St. Peter's-on-the-Canal, Buzzards Bay

St. Christopher's Church, Chatham

St. Andrew's Church, Edgartown

Union of Black Episcopalians



Icon of the Week

Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Mother Teresa was born on August 26, 1910, in Skopje, Albania. She left home at 18 to be a missionary, arriving in Calcutta on January 6, 1929. Small of stature, rocklike in faith, Mother Teresa of Calcutta was entrusted with the mission of proclaiming God's thirsting love for humanity, especially for the poorest of the poor.

On September 10, 1946 during a train ride from Calcutta to Darjeeling, Mother Teresa received her "call within a call." Jesus revealed, by means of interior locutions and visions, the desire of his heart. "Come be My light ... I cannot go alone." The Missionaries of Charity was established in the Archdiocese of Calcutta on October 7, 1950. By the early 1960s, Mother Teresa began to send her sisters to other parts of India. By 1997, Mother Teresa's sisters numbered nearly 4,000 members and were established in 610 foundations in 123 countries of the world. Numerous awards, beginning with the Indian Padmashri Award in 1962 and the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979, honored her work, while an increasingly interested media began to follow her activities.

The whole of Mother Teresa's life and labor bore witness to the joy of loving, the greatness and dignity of every human person, the value of little things done faithfully and with love, and the surpassing worth of friendship with God. But there was another heroic side of this great woman that was revealed only after her death. Hidden from all eyes, hidden even from those closest to her, was her interior life marked by an experience of a deep, painful, and abiding feeling of being separated from God, even rejected by Him, along with an ever-increasing longing for his love. She called her inner experience, "the darkness." The "painful night" of her soul, which began around the time she started her work for the poor and continued to the end of her life, led Mother Teresa to an ever more profound union with God. Through the darkness she mystically participated in the thirst of Jesus, in his painful and burning longing for love, and she shared in the interior desolation of the poor.

Her feast day is September 5.

"We think sometimes that poverty is only being hungry, naked, and homeless. The poverty of being unwanted, unloved, and uncared for is the greatest poverty." — *Mother Teresa*



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.

Souper Bowl Collection

You're not too late! Please pick up hearty soups for *The Souper Bowl*, **today, February 12** the same day as the Super Bowl! The Wellesley Food Pantry needs to be restocked so shop for:

- Lentil, pea, bean
- Vegetable
- Tomato
- Cream of anything soups
- Any kind of chowder
- Chili and stews
- **No chicken soup**: we have plenty.

Earthquakes in Turkey and Syria

Partner with Episcopal Relief & Development to provide support to people affected by the deadly earthquake along the border between Turkey and Syria. Visit episcopalrelief.org today to make a contribution to the Turkey-Syria Earthquake Response Fund.

The Syrian American Medical Society (SAMS), a United States-based humanitarian group that supplies medical care in Syria and nearby countries, has a 100% rating from Charity Navigator. SAMS is collecting donations to deliver emergency aid <https://fundraise.givesmart.com/vf/EarthquakeSyria> —Joanna Horobin, for outreach

Spring Youth Musical

Youth of all ages and experience levels are invited to participate in the spring youth musical, which will take place **at the 10am service on Sunday, March 26**. This program will be a retelling of the biblical story of Mary and Martha in the form of a musical theatre revue. **Rehearsals will begin today, February 12, promptly after the 10 am service**. This rehearsal will include a second round of informal auditions, and any young people interested in auditioning for a featured role are especially encouraged to attend!

If you think that you might like to contribute to the stage management team or have any other questions about participation, please contact Ciara Cheli.

9am Christian Learning

Please join us **today, February 12**, in the parish hall when we offer the second class of a three-part series on the *Trinity: Who is Christ?* Adrian will lead the class. Next **Sunday, February 19**, join us for the third class, *Who is the Holy Spirit?* led by Margaret. Everyone is welcome. Babysitting is provided for parents with young children. These classes are hybrid: the Zoom link is in the e-Pistle. The full schedule of spring classes will be available soon. —Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

Kids' Place Reminder

Kids' Place is open Sunday morning at 8:55am for parents who would like to attend 9am Christian learning or senior choir.

Bible Circle: Genesis

This year, we are studying Genesis, our earliest beginnings as a holy people. Join us on **Tuesday, February 14 at 11am in the Harvey Room or on Zoom**. The link will be in the e-Pistle. We will study God's Promise: Chapter 18:1-15 and Chapter 21:1-24. (We meet each month on the second Tuesday of the month at 11am and on the second Wednesday of the month at 7pm.)

– Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

Shrove Tuesday

Please join us **Tuesday, February 21 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm in the parish hall** to observe Shrove Tuesday with a traditional pancake supper. Rite-13 and the fellowship committee are teaming up to serve a meal that will prepare you for the Lenten season. **At 6:30pm** children and parents are invited to process to the children's chapel for their own Ash Wednesday Service. — Ginny Snow • ginnysnow@me.com

Ash Wednesday Services

We strongly encourage you to mark the beginning of the holy season of Lent with ashes. **Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 22**. We hope to see you at one of the Ash Wednesday services at church at **7:30am, noon, and 7pm**, the last of which will be with music. Margaret will also be doing "Ashes-to-Go" at the Wellesley Square

train station starting at 7:30am.

— Adrian Robbins-Cole

Lenten Evensong

St. Andrew's senior choir will be resuming our Lenten Evensong after a COVID hiatus of three years. So mark your calendars for an extraordinary event **on Sunday, February 26, at 5pm**. We will be singing Ola Gjeilo's *Northern Lights* and Susan LaBarr's *Grace Before Sleep* from a poem by Sara Teasdale as well as Stanford's *Mag and Nunc in G major*. Thomas Handel will be our guest organist. A candlelight reception will follow. This is a wonderful opportunity to invite neighbors and friends.

Northern Lights Reception

Let's have a splendid big thank you to Wardie and our magnificent choir after Evensong on **Sunday, February 26, at 5pm**. You are invited to bring tasty morsels on sticks/skewers, plated and ready to serve. A few ideas to get you thinking: olives and cheese, kielbasa and pickles, tortellini with cheese and sun-dried tomato, fruit kabobs, marinated mushrooms or shrimp.

The theme of this year's concert is Northern Lights—does that make you think of smoked salmon or herring? Use your imagination! Your treats can be sweet or savory, they just need to be on sticks!

Note: if you plan to bring something best served warm, plan on how you will make that happen. Thank you for signing up!

Please send a YES note to Wendy Haering

• wendy.haering@gmail.com

Lent Book

During Lent, our 9am Christian learning series will be reading and discussing Thomas Cahill's *How The Irish Saved Civilization*. After Rome fell, the Celts shone a light in the darkness and preserved the wisdom of the West. Augustine and Saint Patrick's contributions are highlighted. Email me to buy the book: I will confirm when Wellesley Books has your book on hold. Please send a check to St. Andrew's for \$14.40 with "Lenten Book" in the memo. —Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

common cathedral

We will be making and delivering lunch to the *common cathedral* on **Sunday February 26**. Please sign up on the SignUpGenius on the serve page of our website to make sandwiches, pick up water or supplies, and/or make the delivery to the *common cathedral* in Boston. You are invited to worship and have lunch with our guests after the service. This is a simple and satisfying way to deliver on your good intentions. —Cam McCormick

Lenten Program & Potluck

Growing in Christ: Claiming Resilience

Our Wednesday programs start with a potluck supper at 6:30pm. (The church provides the main dish; you bring a salad or dessert.) From 7:10pm to 8pm we will offer a program on the theme: *Growing in Christ: Claiming Resilience*.

- **March 1** *God's Gym*: Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole
- **March 8** *Six Steps to a Compassionate Life*: Rev. Margaret Schwarzer
- **March 15** "*Tikkun olam*" —*Repairing the*

World: Rabbi Rachel Sapphire

- **March 22** *Trauma and Resilience*: psychologist Pam Alexander
- **March 29** *Happiness and the Christian Life*: Rev. Sarah Robbins-Cole

It's Baaaaack! Bargain Haul 2023

That's right, Bargain Haul 2023 is back in full swing including the public sale! Mark your calendar NOW for: **drop-off Sunday, April 30; work week, May 1-4; parish night, May 5; and the public sale, Saturday, May 6.**

As St. Andrew's comes together to serve our community, there are many ways YOU can be part of making Bargain Haul successful. Start thinking about what YOU can donate and how YOU can volunteer your time. We look forward to working with ALL of YOU! We are still looking for chairs for the following departments: boys, housewares, layaway, and the workers sale.

For more details, please contact Becky Hamlin • dbhamlin@comcast.net or Wendy Barry • wendybarry@comcast.net.

Families with Youth

Please mark your calendars to help with Bargain Haul. We need youth to help on both **Sunday, April 30** drop-off day, and to staff layaway during Bargain Haul and clean-up afterwards on **Saturday, May 6.**

Confirmation Lent Service Project

The confirmation class has chosen a dual service project of supporting both Human Relations Service (HRS) and Easter Seals. HRS is a private, non-profit mental health agency serving families and children in Wellesley, Weston, and Wayland. Their mission is to heal lives and strengthen our communities by treating, reducing, and preventing mental illness and to support the well-being of children, families, and institutions in our towns.
<https://www.hrshehelps.org/>

Easter Seals provides essential programs and services to children and adults ensuring that people with disabilities have equal opportunities to live, learn, work and play.
<https://www.easterseals.com/ma/about-us/>

Please be on the lookout for ways that you can support this service project.

The Power of Knitting

“The Revolutionary Power of a Skein of Yarn, Knitting has its own practical magic.”
<https://www.nytimes.com/2023/01/27/opinion/sunday/knitting-fabric-michelle-obama.html?smid=em-share>

If you are interested in getting on the team of knitters—accomplished and new to the art are all welcome—contact Donna Kell.

- donnalb.kell@gmail.com



Gratitudes

Good Sports Service Outing

Thank you to Heather Schaefer and Ansley Martin for chaperoning our Good Sports service outing on Wednesday, February, 8. Five teens accompanied Heather, Ansley, and Sarah Robbins-Cole to Braintree to repackage new sporting goods so they could be delivered to youth who would otherwise not be able to afford sports equipment.

Vestry

Adult Formation Carrie Hawley

Clerk Peter Lull

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Megan Burns

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Youth Formation Pamela Grossetti

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, February 12

8:55am Kids' Place Nursery
9am Christian Learning Series
9:45am Church School & Rite-13
11am Coffee Hour
11am Youth Music Rehearsal

Tuesday, February 14

11am Bible Circle

Thursday, February 16

11am North Hill Holy Eucharist

Sunday, February 19

8:55am Kids' Place Nursery
9am Christian Learning Series
9:45am **No** Church School & Rite-13
11am Coffee Hour
11am Youth Music Rehearsal

Monday, February 20

Parish Office Closed



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