



ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. Andrew's is dedicated to supporting your spiritual life. Spirituality is how we are in relationship to God, to other people, to the world around us, and to ourselves.

First Sunday after Pentecost Trinity Sunday & Holy Baptism, May 26, 2024

We are livestreaming the 10am service.

Prelude *Air from Suite No. 1 for Organ*

Florence Beatrice Price (1887-1953)

Processional Hymn 362 "Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!"

Nicaea

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer p. 299

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;

People There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Together we pray.

People Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity:

Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson: Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean

lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed, and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 29

David Hurd (after Gibbons)

The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.



- 1 Ascribe to the¹LORD, you¹gods, *
ascribe to the¹LÖRD¹glory and¹strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory¹due his¹Name; *
worship the¹LORD in the¹beauty of¹holiness.
- 3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;
the God of¹glory¹thunders; *
the LORD is up¹on the¹mighty¹waters.

- 4 The voice of the LORD is a ^{powerful} voice; *
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the LORD ^{breaks} the cedar trees; *
the LORD ^{breaks} the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon ^{skip} like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon ^{like} a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the LORD ^{shakes} the wilderness; *
the LORD ^{shakes} the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees ^{withe} *
and strips the forests bare.
- †9 And in the temple of the LORD *
— all are crying, “Glory!”
- 10 The LORD sits enthroned ^{above} the flood; *
the LORD sits enthroned as King for ever more.
- 11 The LORD shall give ^{strength} to his people; *
the LORD shall give his people the ^{blessing} of peace.

Second Lesson: Romans 8:12-17

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but

you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

*'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free
'tis the gift to come down where you ought to be
And when we find ourselves in the place just right
'Twill be in the valley of love and delight.*

*When true simplicity is gained
To bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed
To turn, turn will be our delight
'Till by turning, turning we come round right.*

*'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free
'tis the gift to come down where you ought to be
And when we find ourselves in the place just right
'Twill be in the valley of love and delight.*

Gospel: John 3:1-17

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you

hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

Baptisms of Theodore Ritchie Harper, Ezra Dowling Heher, and Harry Simon Heher

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Peace

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Presentation of Bread and Wine

Offertory Anthem *Zion's Walls*

Revivalist Song
arranged by Aaron Copland

*Come fathers and mothers, come sisters and brothers,
Come join us in singing the praises of Zion.*

*O fathers, don't you feel determined, to meet within the walls of Zion?
We'll shout and go round the walls of Zion.*

Doxology Hymn 380 “Praise God from whom all blessings flow”

Old 100th

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

Eucharistic Prayer A

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S125 Sanctus (front section of hymnal)

Richard Proulx

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Fraction Anthem S151 (front section of hymnal)

David Hurd

*All are welcome to receive communion. Ushers will direct the congregation.
Gluten free wafers are available.*

Communion Anthem *Heart, we will forget him*

Aaron Copland

text on a poem by Emily Dickinson (1830-1886)

*Heart, we will forget him
You and I, tonight.
You may forget the warmth he gave,
I will forget the light.*

*When you have done, pray tell me,
That I my thoughts may dim;
Haste! lest while you're lagging,
I may remember him!*

Communion Hymn 702 "Lord, thou hast searched me"

Tender Thought

The congregation is encouraged to sing the hymn.

Thanksgiving after Communion

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Blessing

Recessional Hymn 719 "O beautiful for spacious skies"

Materna

Dismissal

Clergy Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude *The Butterfly, Op. 30, No. 9*

Sergei Bortkiewicz (1877-1952)

**We welcome and thank Jenny Tang, pianist
as well as Benedict Hensley and Kristin Watson, soloists.**

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.



Assisted Listening We use the *Listen Everywhere* app for worshipers who use hearing aids with Bluetooth capabilities. Download the *Listen Everywhere* app from your app store. Instructions for how you connect your app to the church system are at the ushers table.



Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Kim Carlson, Blair Glennon, Heidi Harper, Sarah Harris, Ann Johnson,
Paige Manning, Liz Parsons, and Star Zabriskie

Flowers the flower guild

Serving at 8am

Lay Eucharistic Minister Nancy Echlov

Usher Harriet Thompson

Serving at 10am

Acolytes Crucifer, Conor Donahue; Torch, Christina Lowe; Torch, Jason Lowe;
and Banner, Ben Mahoney

Broadcast Tech Volunteer Rob Brandt

Lay Eucharistic Ministers Joanna Horobin, Laura Brown MacKinnon,
Adams Carroll, and Margaret Zusky

Readers Margaret Zusky and Megan Burns

Ushers Steve Beach, Harry Condon, Scott Jones, and Peter Lull

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Churches of the Merrimack Valley Deanery

Grace Church, Lawrence

Esperanza Academy, Lawrence

St. Anne's Church, Lowell

St. John's Church, Lowell

Congregations: Lectors, Worship Leaders, Eucharistic Ministers and Visitors



Icon of the Week

Holy Trinity

From a story in the book of Genesis called *The hospitality of Abraham*, Abraham meets three men later discovered to be angels. Based on Russian iconographer Andrei Rublev's famous icon of the Holy Trinity painted in 1411, this icon depicts the unity of the Godhead—God in three persons—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, which was the first time the Godhead was depicted as three persons.

These angels create a circle inviting us into the center. The angels are depicted talking. The gestures are smooth and restrained, demonstrating the sublime nature of their conversation. The left angel symbolizes God the Father. His right hand is in the gesture for the *exordium* (saying something important). The central angel represents Christ. The red and gold stole draped over this figures' right shoulder is modeled after that worn by the sons of the Byzantine emperors indicating royalty; here it indicates Christ's divine Sonship. The right angle represents the Holy Spirit. The blue color of the Holy Spirit's robe symbolizes divinity, the green color represents new life.

The wings of two angels, the Father and the Son overlap. The blue color of the Son's robe symbolizes divinity, the brown color represents earth—his humanity—and the gold speaks of kingship of God. The wings of the Holy Spirit do not touch the Son's wings, they are imperceptibly divided by the Son's spear. The poses and the inclinations of the Holy Spirit and the Son's heads demonstrate their submission to the Father, yet their placement on the thrones at the same level symbolizes equality. The tree symbolizes the Tree of Life and serves as a reminder of Jesus's death on the cross and his subsequent resurrection, which opened the way to eternal life. Finally, the mountain is a symbol of the spiritual ascent, which mankind accomplishes with the help of the Holy Spirit.

The unity of the Trinity's underlying reality expresses unity and love between all things: That they may all be one just as you, father, or in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. —John 17: 21



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.


Community Learning Class

Today, **May 26**, we will have a combined church school class **in the children's chapel starting at 9:45am**. Older children are invited to attend and help during the class. Children will be learning about Memorial Day and the importance of gratitude.

Help the Memorial Rose Garden

We are looking for people to help keep the memorial rose garden in tip top shape this summer. Tasks include deadheading spent roses, watering, and weeding. If you can help during any part of the summer (June through August), please contact [Wardie Mannix](#).

Outreach Grant Nominations

 Each year, as part of our outreach ministry, we provide grants of up to \$5,000 each to selected charitable organizations nominated by parishioners. Have a favorite charity? Nominate it! Selection details and grant applications are available on our website, under SERVE/OUTREACH. **Applications for the next round are due by May 31.**

Prayer List

Our parish prayer list has grown and is too long to read out at every Sunday service. From now on, we will spilt the list into two

halves, and rotate reading each half Sunday by Sunday. The full list will be printed each week in the e-Pistle. We will be refreshing the Prayer List in June. Please contact Adrian **by June 5** to let him know if your loved one remains on the prayer list.

Teacher Appreciation and Last Church School Class

Our last regularly scheduled church school class will be on **Sunday, June 2**.

- **Kids' Place** downstairs across from choir room.
- **Godly Play I** pre-K to first grade meet in the children's chapel which is adjacent to the church sanctuary.
- **Godly Play II** grades two and three meet in Room 201 (formerly known as the Rite-13 room).
- **Upper School/Way of Love** grades four and five meet in Room 204.
- **Rite-13** grades six and seven meet in Room 202.

We invite all church school teachers to attend next week's Sunday service so we can publicly recognize and thank them for all their work this year! And then, we will gather in the playground for refreshments after the service. All teachers, parents, and children are welcome.

9am Christian Learning

We have had a soul-stretching year together. Please join us next September when we begin next term's classes.

Do you have an idea for a class? Please share your idea or question with Carrie Hawley, our chair of adult formation, or with me. — [Rev. Margaret Schwarzer](#)

Worship with *common cathedral*

Please join us in outreach to unhoused people in Boston by serving lunch and worshipping at *common cathedral*. We are looking for a few more parishioners to join the fellowship on **Sunday, June 2**, and a newly added date of **Sunday, August 11**. The ministers for this effort are especially appreciative of our support in the summer when many donors are away. Can you make bag lunches at home or in the St. Andrew's kitchen? Sign up on Realm or contact [Cam McCormick](#) or [Scott Jones](#).

B-SAFE Summer 2024 is Coming!

During **the week of July 29 to August 2**, we will be hosting the St. Stephen's B-SAFE week. We will be providing 60 grocery bags of food for St. Stephen's Youth Program families. We will need volunteers **Monday through Wednesday, July 29 to 31**, to prepare bags to deliver to St. Stephen's.

Save the date of **Friday, August 2**, for the fun summer field trip at St. Andrew's, starting with games, karaoke, origami, and crafts. Volunteers needed, no experience necessary—kids and adults welcome—to make

this day possible. The kids will pack their own picnic lunch from grab-and-go options and take the bus to a state park for an afternoon of swimming.

[Look for the signup in Realm](#). 2024 is our 25th summer of involvement with SSYP: let's make it our best ever! Contact [Karen Pekowitz](#) or [Cam McCormick](#)

Youth Choir!

We are exploring the possibility of restarting our youth choir this fall. The specifics will be worked out when we know how many families are willing to commit to the program.

Our bass section leader, Benedict Hensley, is excited to direct children from second grade to sixth grade and will prepare them to sing monthly in our services. If there are several younger children (pre-K to first grade) who would like to participate, we will plan a choral program for them as well! The plan is to have a weekly practice possibly on a Monday late afternoon coupled with a light supper (if there is interest).

For more information, please see or email [Benedict Hensley](#), [Wardie Mannix](#) or [Sarah Robbins-Cole](#).

5pm Sunday Services

There will be **NO 5pm Sunday Service on June 9** due to a clergy conflict. The last 5pm service before the summer break will be **on Sunday June 16**. The 5pm service will resume on Sunday, September 8 which is Homecoming Sunday.



Gratitude

Youth Service

Thank you to all those who participated in Youth Sunday especially our readers Bennett Farney, Ellen and John Wahls, and Ashley and Madison McCaslin. Also, thanks go to Kara Eichelberger for her shared sermon with Sarah! Thank you to all the youth ushers and greeters as well.

Bake Sale

Thank you to all who participated in the Bake Sale last Sunday through baking, buying, and donating! We raised \$770 for the Pine Street Inn and GiveDirectly. Thank you particularly to the church school committee and Veronica and Emily Bacon for hosting coffee hour.

Graduation Congratulations

Thank you to Pam Byron, Becky Hamlin, Pamela Grossetti, and Lynda Sperry for arranging and hosting the graduation congratulations. Thank you for the cake, flowers, balloons, and all the kind words. I am immensely grateful to the entire congregation of St. Andrew's for all of the support that I have received from you over the years. — Sarah Robbins-Cole

Vestry

- Any member of the vestry can be emailed at their ministry address. All addresses are on our website: <https://standrewswellesley.org/about/vestry/>

Adult Formation Carrie Hawley

Clerk Tad Heuer

Communications

Fellowship Ginny Snow

Finance Justin Wahls

Human Resources Laurin Baldwin

Membership Amanda Curtis

Outreach Herb Manning

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Stewardship Madison Riley

Treasurer Joe Hamilton

Wardens Megan Burns

Tom Faust

Worship Erica Gelser

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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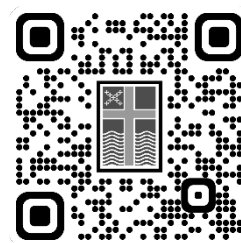
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Weekly Calendar

- 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**.
- **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 and/or by email for the following Sunday. **After Sunday, June 9**, the parish office will be open **Monday through Thursday, 9am to 3pm**, and **Friday, 9am to 12pm**, unless otherwise noted or announced.
- **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, May 26

9:45am Kids' Place
9:45am Combined Church School
10am Holy Eucharist & Holy Baptism
11am Coffee Hour

Monday, May 27

Parish Office Closed
NO Morning Prayer this day
7pm Finance Meeting

Tuesday, May 28

7pm Vestry Meeting

Thursday, May 30

12pm Beginners Bible Study

Saturday, June 1

8am Men's Bible Study

Sunday, June 2

9:45am Kids' Place
9am Worship with *common cathedral*
9:45am Last Church School
11am Coffee Hour
11am Church School Celebration