

# 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.*

## Third Sunday after Pentecost June 9, 2024

*We are livestreaming the 10am service.*

Prelude

Processional Hymn 47 "On this day, the first of days"

*Gott sei Dank*

### The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

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

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

Collect for Purity

BCP p. 355

S 278 Gloria in excelsis (front section of hymnal)

William Mathias (1934-1992)

Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* Together we pray.

*People* O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson: 1 Samuel 8:4-11, 16-20,

All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, "You are old and your sons do not

follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations." But the thing displeased Samuel when they

said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the Lord, and the Lord said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them."

So Samuel reported all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will

take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots.

He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the Lord will not answer you in that day."

But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, "No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles."

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      Thanks be to God.

### Psalm 138

- 1 I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; \*  
before the gods I will sing your praise.
- 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, \*  
because of your love and faithfulness;
- 3 For you have glorified your Name \*  
and your word above all things.
- 4 When I called, you answered me; \*  
you increased my strength within me.
- 5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, \*  
when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- 6 They will sing of the ways of the LORD, \*  
that great is the glory of the LORD.
- 7 Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; \*  
he perceives the haughty from afar.

- 8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; \*  
 you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;  
 your right hand shall save me.
- 9 The LORD will make good his purpose for me; \*  
 O LORD, your love endures for ever;  
 do not abandon the works of your hands.

Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—“I believed, and so I spoke”—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our

inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 475 “God himself is with us”

*Tysk*

Gospel: Mark 3:20-35

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

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? If a king-

dom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin” — for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around

him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

*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 Hymn 325 “Let us break bread together”

*Let Us Break Bread*

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

BCP p. 361

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.

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

Thanksgiving after Communion

BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 493 "O for a thousand tongues to sing"

*Azmon*

Dismissal

*Clergy* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* Thanks be to God.

Postlude

**We welcome and thank Carson Cooman, guest organist.**

**Join us for refreshments on the patio.**

## **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 worshippers 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.



**The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
James J. Gallo by Linda Gallo.**

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

*Altar Guild* the Altar Guild

*Flowers* the Flower Guild

**Serving at 8am**

*Lay Eucharistic Minister* Nancy Echlov

*Ushers* Nancy Kohl & Bob Ware

**Serving at 10am**

*Broadcast Tech Volunteer* Rob Brandt

*Lay Eucharistic Ministers* Joe Hamilton, Harry Condon,  
Cam McCormick, and Margaret Zusky

*Readers* Lisa Howe and Tim Phillips

*Ushers* Travis Anza, Matthew Benfer, and Paul Zusky

**Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**

*Churches of the Merrimack Valley Deanery*

Frank D. Ashburn Chapel/Brooks School, North Andover

St. Anne's Church, North Billerica

All Saints' Church, West Newbury

St. Mark's Church, Westford

Episcopal City Mission



# Icon of the Week

## St. Mitrophan Tsi Chung

December 10, 1855–June 10, 1900

Tsi Chung was born into an Orthodox Christian family in China on December 10, 1855. His father died when he was a child, and he was raised by his grandmother, Ekaterina and his mother, Marina, who was a teacher at the Orthodox mission school for girls. The mission priest charged his teacher to take great care in educating Tsi Chung, to prepare him for the priesthood. Before reaching 20 years of age, he was appointed to the post of catechist for the Orthodox mission. However, he did not want to accept ordination, saying “How can a person with insufficient abilities and charity dare to accept this great responsibility?” But under the urging of his priest and the persuasion of his teacher, Tsi Chung obeyed and was ordained to the priesthood.

As a priest, he assisted in translating and editing the Bible, the service books, and writings of the Church fathers into Chinese. For 15 years, he tirelessly served God and the faithful entrusted to his care. Fr. Mitrophan had a reputation as a very humble, quiet, and peaceful person. Together with his wife, children, and the people of his parish, he was murdered on June 10, 1900, during the Boxer Rebellion.

**His feast day is June 11.**

*We pray for your faithful martyrs who gave their lives spreading your Word. Lord, we are mindful that so great is our love for you that even though we walk in a world where speaking your name can mean certain death, your faithful still speak it. Help us work for a world where all may speak their creeds and pray their prayers without fear of violence. Hear the prayers of those who abide with you in dangerous times and in dark valleys, and who die with your name on their lips. Draw them quickly to your side where they might know eternal peace. Amen.*



# 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.*

## 5pm Sunday Services

There will be NO 5pm Sunday Service **today, June 9** due to a clergy commitment. 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.

## Open Bible Circle, Last Class of the Year

We have been studying Mark this year, the oldest and shortest gospel. Each class asked for one more class. Join us in the Harvey Room or on Zoom to study Mark: 16: 1- 20, the ending which is not an ending. We will meet **Tuesday morning, June 11 at 11am** or **Tuesday night, June 11 at 7 pm**, to reflect on the last chapter and the gospel as a whole. We will also be considering which book of Holy Scripture to read together next year. —[Rev. Margaret Schwarzer](#)

## 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.

Then, 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](#)

## Soul Sisters

New this fall! Church school committee members have felt called to deepen their spiritual lives in study and prayer. To foster this development, the church school committee has decided to participate in the already established national program of Soul Sisters.

The national mission statement for Soul Sisters is as follows:

*Soul Sisters is a Christ-centered ministry that encourages women across the county to grow in their faith through prayer and studying God's Word both on line and on land. Our hope is that every woman in this group will know Christ in such a way, that His light will shine in them and through them for all the world to see.*



Although this began as an idea from the church school, the church school committee would like to invite any women who feel that they are in need of spiritual sustenance to help face the challenges of caring for others and us. For more information, please see Heather Schaefer, Susan Jackson, or Sarah Robbins-Cole.

## 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 our 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, 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](#).

## St. Andrew's Children's Choir

**New, fall 2024:** we are restarting our youth choir as the St. Andrew's children's choir. We are pleased to announce that our bass section leader, Benedict Hensley will be directing a new choral program based on The

Royal School of Church Music (RSCM) curriculum. Children's choir (second to sixth grade) will sing on the first Sunday of the month with the adult choir. We will rehearse on Thursday evenings, followed by an opportunity for food and fellowship for participants and their families. Starting this fall, please sign up on Realm, or email Benedict Hensley.

- **Note:** We will primarily be offering this opportunity to children in grades two to six, but if you have a child outside of this age range who would be interested, please contact Benedict.

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

## Youth Group Fall Dates

This fall we will have youth group meetings every Sunday evening except those that occur during a long weekend. Some of the dates might change if we decide to have a Saturday outing. Youth group meetings will have a variety of formats including faith formation, service opportunities, excursions, guest speakers, and game night. Some Sunday meetings we will just host a café evening where youth will be invited to come with their homework, or a game, or thank you notes that need writing, and we'll supply the snacks. Tentative dates include: **September 8, 15, 22, and 29; October 6, 20, and 27; November 6, 17, and 24; December 8, and 15**. Be sure to check our weekly bulletin for any updates on date changes.



# Gratitude

## Gathering IN the Greens

Many thanks to Frank and Emily Hunnewell for hosting 25 parishioners on Monday afternoon for a tour of the gardens. With a sun-filled afternoon, the Hunnewells' horticulturalist guided the group around the property and provided a wonderful, informative and welcoming tour of the gardens. It was enjoyed and appreciated by all who attended.

## Church School Committee

Thank you to the church school committee for organizing and hosting the end of year church school party and picnic on June 2.

# Vestry

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- 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

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**Stewardship** Madison Riley

**Treasurer** Joe Hamilton

**Wardens** Megan Burns

Tom Faust

**Worship** Erica Gelser

**Youth Formation** Pamela Grossetti

## Staff

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- 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*). **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. **Morning Prayer** will go on summer holiday after **Thursday, June 13**.
- **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, July 1**, the parish office will be open **Monday through Thursday, 9am to 3pm**, and **Friday, 9am to 12pm**, unless otherwise noted or announced. **In August** the hours will be **Monday through Friday, 9am to 12pm**.
- **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, June 9

9am Worship with *common cathedral*  
11am Refreshments on the patio  
NO 5pm Service

## Monday, June 10

10am St. Stephen's Meal Prep  
7pm Adult Formation Meeting

## Tuesday, June 11

11am Open Bible Study  
4:30pm St. Stephen's Meal Prep  
7pm Outreach Meeting  
7pm Open Bible Study

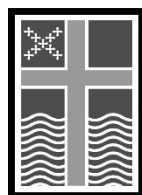
## Sunday, June 16

11am Refreshments on the patio  
5pm Last Service before summer

## Wednesday, June 19

*Juneteenth*

Parish Office Closed



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