

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.

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 14, 2025

We are livestreaming the 10am service.

Prelude Air from Suite No. 1 for Organ

Florence Beatrice Price (1887-1953)

Processional Hymn 645 "The King of love my shepherd is"

St. Columba

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, 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, "There¹ is no¹ God." *

All are corrupt and commit abominable acts;
there is¹ none who does¹ any¹ good.

2 The LORD looks down from heaven up¹ on us¹ all, *

to see if there is any who is wise,
if there is¹ one who¹ seeks after¹ God.

3 Every one has proved faithless;

all a¹ like have turned¹ bad; *
there is none who does¹ good;¹ no, not¹ one.

4 Have they no knowledge, all those¹ evil¹ doers *

who eat up my people like bread
and do not¹ call up¹ on the¹ LORD?

5 See how they¹ tremble with¹ fear, *

because God is in the¹ company¹ of the¹ righteous.

6 Their aim is to confound the¹ plans of the¹ afflicted, *

but the¹ LORD¹ is their¹ refuge.

†7 Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come¹ out of¹ Zion! *
when the LORD restores the fortunes of his people,
Jacob will re¹joice and ¹Israel be¹ 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 439 “What wondrous love is this”

Wondrous Love

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. Adrian 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 *Room Enough*

African American Spiritual

Oh brothers, don't stay away, Brothers, don't stay away,

Brothers don't stay away, Don't stay away.

Chorus:

For my Lord says there's room enough, Room enough in the Heav'ns for you.

My Lord says there's room enough, Don't stay away.

Oh sisters, don't stay away.

Chorus *For my Lord says there's room enough, etc.*

Oh mourners, don't stay away.

Chorus *For the Bible says there's room enough, etc.*

Oh sinners, don't stay away.

Chorus *For the angel says there's room enough, etc.*

Oh, children, don't stay away.

Chorus *For Jesus says there's room enough, etc.*

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 Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

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 *I'm A-going to Eat at the Welcome Table*

African American Spiritual
arr. Carl Diton (1886-1969)

I'm a-going to eat at the welcome table..

I'm a-going to feast on milk and honey...

I'm a-going to fly all around in heaven...

I'm a-going to wade cross Jordan's river...

Communion Hymn 664 "My Shepherd will supply my need"

Resignation

The congregation is encouraged to sing the hymn.

Thanksgiving after Communion

BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 525 "The Church's one foundation"

Aurelia

Dismissal

Clergy Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude *Toccata from Suite No. 1 for Organ*

Florence Beatrice Price

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Join us for the parish picnic at the Hunnewell home at 845 Washington St.

How to use your smartphone to connect to the listening system



For parishioners who use Bluetooth enabled hearing aids, we use the *ListenWiFi* streaming service to enhance your personal listening. Download *ListenWiFi* from your app store and follow the instructions at the ushers table to connect your app to the church system.



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.



The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Dorothy Anna Willis by Frances and Mark Antonelli.

Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Dell Beggs, Judith Boland, Jean Childs, Kim Francour, Erica Gelser,
Peter Mahoney, Heather Schaefer, and Liz J. Tecca

Altar Flowers the flower guild

Serving at 8am

Lay Eucharistic Minister Harriet Thompson

Ushers Nancy Kohl & Bob Ware

Serving at 10am

Acolytes Crucifer, Jason Lowe; Torch, Emmy Svedlund;
and Torch, Katherine Svedlund

Broadcast Tech Volunteer Rob Brandt

Greeters Sarah & Greg Harris

Lay Eucharistic Ministers Laura Brown MacKinnon, Kate Farella,
Erica Gelser, and Suzy Littlefield

Readers Michael Kemp and Madison Riley

Ushers Travis Anza, Matthew Benfer, Frank Hunnewell,
and Justin Wahls

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Churches of the Neponset River Deanery

Christ Church, Medway

St. Michael's Church, Milton

St. John's Church, Westwood

Trinity Church, Stoughton,

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Bible Reading Questions

1. In Jeremiah, what will be said to this people?
 - a. You are incredibly brilliant with high SAT scores
 - b. Who said you were stupid?
 - c. Do you like eating fruit in the desert?
 - d. Judgement has arrived
2. In the Psalm 14 it says
 - a. The fool has said "Am I God?"
 - b. Please pass the bread
 - c. The Lord is our refuge
 - d. Evildoers are the smart ones
3. In 1 Timothy he says:
 - a. We need to be men of violence like Jesus
 - b. God gives out punishment, not mercy
 - c. Jesus is a very impatient chap
 - d. Christ came into the world to save sinners
4. In the passage from Luke it says:
 - a. Pharisees are not the grumbling types
 - b. Shepherds need to be paid more if they have to worry about one lost sheep
 - c. Heaven prefers the Ninety-Nine Restaurant to one lost sinner who repents
 - d. Angels of God rejoice for one repentant sinner

Reading and Sermon Notes



Icon of the Week

St. Rupert (Robert) of Salzburg

660–710

Rupert, a member of a noble Frankish family, lived in the eighth century during the time of Childebert III, King of the Franks. He was appointed bishop of Worms, Germany, and then dedicated himself to spreading the faith among the Germans. With the patronage of Duke Thedo of Bavaria, he took over the deserted town of Luvavum about 697, which became Salzburg, Austria. Rupert founded a church, a monastery, and a school; brought in groups of missionaries; and established a nunnery at Nonnberg with his niece, Eerentrudis, serving as the abbess.

He developed salt works to support the mission. Because of the importance of salt (*salz* in German) to the saint's work, his attribute is a salt bucket. The bucket may have different shapes in different images. One also sees a pallium, a long band of cloth adorned with crosses symbolizing authority, that hangs from the neck of an archbishop. Rupert founded what later became the archdiocese of Salzburg. The monastery, the church, and the works became the nucleus for the city of Salzburg. He died at Salzburg and is venerated as the first archbishop of this major diocese in the West. Rupert is revered as the Apostle of Bavaria and Austria.

His feast day is September 24.

God, you built up your Church by means of the religious zeal and apostolic care of St. Rupert. Grant by his intercession that we may ever experience a new increase of Faith and holiness. 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.

Parish Picnic

Please plan to attend the parish picnic **after the 10am service today, September 14**. The picnic will be held at the Hunnewell home at 845 Washington St. and is a wonderful way to reconnect with the parish community. See you there!

Morning Prayer Has Resumed, with Changes . . .

Please join us [on our website](#) for morning prayer **at 8:30am Monday through Thursday**—we are making changes to how we receive prayer requests and chat. For several years, we have taken prayer requests and chatted during morning prayer on Facebook. [This year we are moving to our website to chat](#). When you get to the Morning Prayer box, you will need to add your name and click “join audience.” Then you need to click the speech bubbles in the upper right and click “unmute broadcast” to participate. See you there!

Name Tag Reminder!

As we return to church this fall and welcome new faces, please wear your name tag and introduce yourself to others. If you need a new name tag, contact membership@st-andrewswellesley.org.

Your Realm Account

Realm is our parish database and online directory, where you can find contact information and photos of fellow parishioners. If you don't have an account, [email Kate](#) to request an invitation. Be sure to check your spam or junk folder for an email from St. Andrew's Episcopal Church (notifications@onrealmmail.org). You can also download the **Realm Connect** app for your phone from the App Store or Google Play.

9am Adult Christian Learning

Adult Christian learning classes resume **today, September 14, at 9am** with a three-part series on *Personal Faith and Discipleship*. Our first class is *Vice & Virtue: Being a Whole Imperfect Person*. Join us for every class or just for the classes that interest you. We meet **in the parish hall or on Zoom** (the link will be in the e-Pistle). —[Margaret Schwarzer](#)

Kids' Place Childcare on Sundays

Today, September 14, Kids' Place is open from **9:45am to 11:30am**. Kids' Place is for children three and under, or any older child who would prefer to be in nursery care rather than church school.

Church School Today

- **Godly Play I** pre-k to first grade meet in the **children's chapel**
- **Godly Play II** grades two and three meet in **Room 201**
- **Upper School/Way of Love** grades four and five meet in **Room 204**

Confirmation Class

Confirmation class **today, September 14, at 4:30pm in the Harvey Room.**

Youth Group

- **September 14 6pm** Introduction to Bible study and dinner
- **September 21 TBD** Apple picking, leave right after church
- **September 28 6pm** Cooking night and Bible study
- **October 5**
 - **After church** *common cathedral*
 - **5pm** Blessing of the Animals
 - **6pm** Dinner and Bible study, also prepare for Agassiz Village trip
- **October 12** Agassiz Village service trip and retreat
 - **October 11–13 (Sat–Mon):** Teen-focused retreat with intergenerational opportunities, free time, games, Bible study, and worship, including Sunday worship with Christ Church, Norway.
 - **October 12–14 (Sun–Tue):** Adults join in for extended service and retreat time. Accommodations are dorm-style (double rooms); additional space and day visits are available.

Rite-13

Rite-13, for sixth and seventh graders, is **today, September 14, at 4:30pm in Room 201.**

Join the Children's Choir

Children's choir began on **Thursday, September 4**, and we would love you to join us! We learn all about music, singing in choir, and our Episcopal liturgical music tradition using The Royal School of Church Music (RSCM) curriculum. Children's choir sings during our all parish Eucharists (typically on the first Sunday of the month).

We rehearse Thursday evenings **from 5 to 5:45pm** followed by an opportunity for food and fellowship for participants and their families. To sign up please email [Benedict Hensley](#). • **Note:** We are offering this opportunity to children in grades two to six, but if you have a child outside this age range who is interested, please contact Benedict.

Coffee Hour Hosts!

Coffee hour is held after every 10am Sunday service and is hosted by a volunteer. Imagine how good you will feel after you have helped bring parishioners together to chat, catch up, and reconnect. Hosting is simple: buy some snacks, place them on trays in the parish hall, and clean up. (The sextons make the coffee.) Please email [Adrian Robbins-Cole](#) or [Hillary Madge](#).

Prayer List

The prayer list has grown quite long over the summer. Consequently, at Sunday services, we will be splitting the list in half and reading one half one week, and the second half the following week. The complete prayer list will be in the e-Pistle every week. We will be doing a quarterly refreshment of the list **in October**. If you have a loved one on the current prayer list and would like them to remain on the list, [please email Adrian](#).

Soul Sisters

Our first meeting will be on **Tuesday, September 16, from 6 to 7:30pm in the parish hall**. We'll share dinner together—the church will provide the main, please bring a side—and be guided in meditation by Kevan Gale.

Looking ahead, our next gatherings will focus on a book discussion of *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi.

- **Tuesday, October 14 at 6pm**
- **Thursday, October 16 at 10am**

Theo of Golden tells the story of a mysterious man who quietly transforms a Southern town through his gifts to strangers, sparking connection, curiosity, and community.

The Ministry Fair

Join us for the third annual ministry fair on **Sunday, September 21, after the 10am service in the parish hall**. This is a great opportunity to learn about the many ways to get involved at St. Andrew's—from volunteer ministries to fellowship and education programs.

Bible Studies

- **Weekly Beginner's Bible Study**

We meet on **Thursdays, from noon to 1pm**. In September, we will finish our exploration of St Paul's epistle to the Romans. In October, we will begin a new series with the Acts of the Apostles. All are welcome. Join us [online every Thursday](#). — [Adrian Robbins-Cole](#)

- **Monthly Open Bible Study** resumes on **Tuesday, October 14, and Wednesday October 15**. This year, we are studying the Book of Exodus. No preparation is needed; we read and reflect together. Join us on either the **second Tuesday of each month at 11am**, or on the **second Wednesday of each month at 7pm**.

Come to the Harvey Room or join us online; the Zoom link is in the e-Pistle. — [Margaret Schwarzer](#)

- **Men's Bible Study** We will resume on **Saturday, October 4, at 8am**. New members are welcome. We meet on the first and third Saturday of each via Zoom. It is a great group exploring the bible from a scholarly perspective and also discussing what the passages mean to us in our lives. Contact [Adrian Robbins-Cole](#) who runs the group.

Join the St. Andrew's Usher Ministry!

If you like to attend the 8am or 10am Sunday service, please consider joining our incredible team of ushers! It's a wonderful way to serve St. Andrew's, and a great way to get to know more of your fellow parishioners. Training is quick and easy, and you are always in the company of veteran ushers who will help you learn the ropes. [Contact Terri Rawson-Wakefield](#).

Blessing of the Animals

Our much-loved *Blessing of the Animals* service will be at **5pm on Sunday, October 5**. The service will take place in the church and pets and animals of all kinds are welcome! We will sing a hymn, say some prayers, and the clergy will come around and individually bless each animal. We will also give thanks for all our pets who have passed away but whose memory we still cherish.

Coventry Suppers

A long-standing tradition at St. Andrew's, these casual potluck dinners are held in parishioners' homes and offer a warm, relaxed way to connect—especially for newcomers. Groups of eight to 12 people gather for simple meals and good conversation throughout the year. **Sign up at the parish picnic, on [Realm Connect](#), or emailing membership@standrewswellesley.org and/or fellowship@standrewswellesley.org by Sunday, October 12**. After sign-ups close, groups will be formed and a "first convener" assigned to host the initial gathering. Most groups meet four to six times during the year.

Joint Luncheon with Village Church

St. Andrew's parishioners are excited to host our Village Church neighbors for a luncheon on **Tuesday, October 21 at 12pm in the parish hall**. (This luncheon has been a tradition between our churches since the mid-1970s!) Lunch will be provided and Sarah Robbins-Cole will be discussing the topic of *Happiness And Human Connection*. You can sign-up to attend three ways: • [Sign up on Realm](#) • the Sign up sheet in the narthex, and • [email Ginny Snow](#)

Fall Read: *Inner Excellence*

Inner Excellence—Train Your Mind for Extraordinary Performance and the Best Possible Life by Jim Murphy. New York Times bestselling author, Jim Murphy is a performance coach for some of the best athletes in the world. His Christian faith and his own experiences as an athlete and coach to the Texas Rangers generated the wisdom in this book: how to live your "best possible life." This is the book Adrian preached about in his Easter sermon. Order it online or send Margaret an email and she will order it for you for \$16.99. Adrian will lead a discussion of the book in a 9am adult Christian learning class. —[Margaret Schwarzer](#)

Audio/Visual Team

Sharing our beautiful services with the greater world and maintaining contact with our remote congregation depends on the team of volunteers who operate our video broadcasting system each Sunday. Volunteers receive training and real-time support in performing this task. If you have any desire to learn more about technology, or already have a background in the technical side of video and sound production and want to lend your talents. Please contact our broadcasting coordinator, [Rob Brandt](#).

Social Media

To stay up to date with St. Andrew's virtual content, make sure to like and follow St. Andrew's on the social media platforms you use.

- Follow our parish instagram, [@staswellesley](#), for photos of our parish life throughout the week.
- Subscribing to our [YouTube Channel](#) will let you know when new service videos are posted.

Following our [Facebook page](#) and turning on notifications will help you know when we are live.

Vestry

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

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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*) and **5pm**. **Morning Prayer** is offered online **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.
- **Parish office hours** are **Monday through Thursday, 9am to 4pm** (the doors are locked at 1 pm) and **Friday, 9am to noon** (church access by appointment) unless otherwise announced. **Tuesday at noon is the deadline for all materials** for the bulletin, the e-Pistle, or any 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.



Regular weekly meetings and gatherings, *unless otherwise announced below*

Sundays • 9am adult Christian learning • **9:45am** Kids' Place • **9:45am** church school programs • **11am** coffee hour • **4:30pm** confirmation class

• **4:30pm** Rite-13 • **6pm** youth group

Thursdays • 12pm weekly beginner's Bible study • **5pm** children's choir rehearsal

• **7:30pm** senior choir rehearsal

Sunday, September 14

11am parish picnic

Tuesday, September 16

10am pastoral care team meeting

2pm altar guild heads meeting

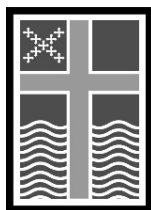
6pm soul sisters

Thursday, September 18

10:30am North Hill Holy Eucharist

Sunday, September 21

11am coffee hour and ministry fair



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