

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.

The Third Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2026

We are livestreaming the 10am service.

Prelude *Christ lag in Todesbanden (Christ lay in death's fetters)* J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Processional Hymn 174 "At the Lamb's high feast we sing" Salzburg

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation Book of Common Prayer p. 355

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

S 278 Gloria in excelsis (front section of hymnal) William Mathias (1934-1992)

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Together we pray.

People O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson: Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified."

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be

forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 116: 1-3, 10-17

David Hurd (after Gibbons)

The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.



1 I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my¹suppli¹cation, *
because he has inclined his ear to me when¹ever I¹called up¹on him.

2 The cords of death entangled me;
the grip of the¹grave took¹hold of me; *
I¹came to¹grief and¹sorrow.

†3 Then I called upon the¹Name of the¹LORD: *
"O LORD, I¹pray you, ¹save my¹life."

10 How shall I re¹pay the¹LORD *
for all the¹good things¹he has¹done for me?

11 I will lift up the¹cup of sal¹vation *
and¹call upon the¹Name of the¹LORD.

12 I will fulfill my¹vows to the¹LORD *
in the¹presence of¹all his¹people.

13 Precious in the ¹sight of the ¹LORD *
is the ¹deäth ¹of his ¹servants.

14 O LORD, ¹I am your ¹servant; *
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have ¹freed me ¹from my ¹bonds.

15 I will offer you the ¹sacrifice of ¹thanksgiving *
and ¹call upon the ¹Name of the ¹LORD.

16 I will fulfill my ¹vows to the ¹LORD *
in the ¹presence of ¹all his ¹people,

17 In the ¹courts of the ¹LORD's house, *
in the midst of you, O Je¹rusalem.¹
Halle¹lujah!

Second Lesson: 1 Peter 1:17-23

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake.

Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 184 "Christ the Lord is risen again!"

Christ ist erstanden

Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now on that same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but

they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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.

Peace

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Presentation of Bread and Wine

Offertory Anthem "Love bade me welcome" from *Five Mystical Songs*

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

text by George Herbert (1593-1633)

*Love bade me welcome; yet my soul drew back, guilty of dust and sin.
But quick-eyed Love, observing me grow slack from my first entrance in,
Drew nearer to me, sweetly questioning if I lack'd anything.*

'A guest,' I answer'd, 'worthy to be here:' love said, 'You shall be he.'

'I, the unkind, ungrateful? Ah, my dear, I cannot look on Thee.'

Love took my hand and smiling did reply, who made the eyes but I?'

'Truth, Lord; but I have marr'd them: let my shame go where it doth deserve.'

'And know you not,' says Love, 'Who bore the blame?' My dear, then I will serve.'

'You must sit down,' says Love, 'and taste my meat.' so I did sit and eat.

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. Amen.*

Eucharistic Prayer A

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Sanctus S 125 (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 S 151 (front section of hymnal)

Richard Proulx

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

Gluten free wafers are available.

Communion Anthem *O taste and see*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

text Psalm 34:8

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is:

blest is the man that trusteth in him

Communion Hymn 335 "I am the bread of life"

I am the bread of life

Thanksgiving after Communion

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Blessing

Recessional Hymn 296 "We know that Christ is raised and dies no more"

Engelberg

Dismissal

Clergy Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude *Heut triumphieret Gottes Sohn (Today the Son of God triumphs)*

J.S. Bach

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**Join us for a festive reception in the parish hall
to celebrate and honor Katharine Clark,
who is retiring as parish administrator.**

How to use your smartphone to connect to the listening system



We recently installed *ListenWiFi* for parishioners who use hearing aids with Bluetooth capabilities. Download the *ListenWiFi* app from your app store. Then follow the instructions at the ushers table for how 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 flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Elizabeth A. and Louis A. Woltzen by Paige Manning.**

Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Becky Hamlin, Debbie Lorenz, Linda McCammond, Debbie Monti,
Caren Parker, Laura Hewitt Riley, Liz Rogers, Pamela Tusiime,
and Betsy Veidenheimer
Altar Flowers the flower guild

Serving at 8am

Lay Eucharistic Minister Tom Palmer
Ushers Mark Benjamin and Ken Graves

Serving at 10am

Acolytes Crucifer, Katherine Svedlund; Torch, Emmy Svedlund; and Torch, Abby Dietz
Broadcast Tech Volunteer Rob Brandt
Greeter Tim Raeke
Lay Eucharistic Ministers Suzy Littlefield and Ann Johnson
Readers Ali Reaves and Harriet Thompson
Ushers David Boghosian, Eric Cigan, Lisa Howe, and David Osborn

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Churches of the Charles River Deanery
Church of the Redeemer, Chestnut Hill
Boston College Campus Ministry, Chestnut Hill
St. Dunstan's Church, Dover
Christ Church, Needham



Icon of the Week

St. George

c.275

George was born of Christian parents in the third century, and as a youth, chose a soldier's life. The emperor, Diocletian, advanced him to the grade of tribune. George's initial notoriety may have resulted from his faithfulness and witness to Christ during the persecutions of 303 to 304. It is said that he "gave his goods to the poor," and openly confessed Christianity. When the emperor began to persecute the Christians, George rebuked him and gave up his commission. Much of the legend of George dates back to the eighth century, and more was developed in the centuries that followed. The familiar legend of George slaying the dragon, probably developed from Greek mythology, is not associated with him until the 12th century when George was recognized as the patron saint of soldiers and he was called upon in support of those who would fight in the Crusades. The shield under which his soldier's fought became a symbol of national pride for the English and in time was adapted as the national flag. In 1347, King Edward II declared George the patron saint of England. Renowned for his defense of all in need, St. George was called "the Quick to Hear" in the Middle East by both Christians and non-Christians. An archetype of the victory of good over evil, this classic St. George and Dragon icon shows the saint rescuing a princess. Interestingly, the "St. George's Shield" — white shield emblazoned with a red cross — is also the basis of the Episcopal Church flag and seal.

His feast day is April 23.

Almighty God, you commissioned your holy martyr George to bear before the rulers of this world the banner of the cross: Strengthen us in our battles against the great serpent of sin and evil, that we, too, may attain the crown of eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. 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.

Kate Clark Retirement Reception

The reception will take place in the parish hall **today, April 19, immediately after the 10am service**. All are welcome as we give thanks for Kate's 17 years of service to St. Andrew's as the parish administrator. We will be presenting Kate her retirement purse.

9am Adult Christian Learning

Join us on **today, April 19**, when parishioner Liantsoa Jenny Ratsimbazafy teaches a class on *A God From Far Away: The Rise of Christianity in Madagascar*. On **Sunday, April 26**, The Rev. Dr. James Weiss, professor at Boston College, offers insights on *A New Archbishop of Canterbury: The Right Rev. Sarah Mullally*. Join us in **Room 2 downstairs on 4/19 or on Zoom** (the link will be in the e-Pistle). —Margaret Schwarzer

Hunnewell Garden Tour



Scan the QR code to sign up on Realm to join horticulturist David Dusenbury on a tour of the Hunnewell grounds on **Tuesday, June 2 from 10:00 to**

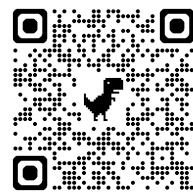
11:30am. Please park in the circle and meet at front steps. Maximum attendees: 25. Since this is a popular St. Andrew's event, please no guests. —Lynda Sperry and Sarah Harris

April Showers Grocery Drive

The forecast is for April Showers of (no, not rain)—groceries to support our needy neighbors at St. Stephen's Youth Programs. Please consider adding items (cooking oil, canned fruit, canned meat, granola bars, oatmeal) to your grocery shopping and dropping them in the narthex **any time in April and early May**. Many families are feeling the squeeze of higher prices and reduced benefits. Bags are in the narthex with lists of items, and you can contact Cam McCormick (617-584-9434). Thank you!

The Screwtape Letters

Stage Production



Following my Lenten talk on C.S. Lewis, in which I spoke about *The Screwtape Letters*, I want to let you know that there will be a 90-minute production of *The Screwtape Letters* on **Saturday, June 6, at 4pm** at the Emerson Cutler Majestic Theatre in Boston. Sarah and I will be going and it would be lovely to see other parishioners there. Scan the QR code to buy tickets.

—Adrian Robbins-Cole

One Week and Counting. Bargain Haul is Almost Here!

We hope you are busy gathering great items to donate to Bargain Haul 2026. **Drop-off starts in one week: Sunday, April 26, from 11:30am to 3pm.** We look forward to receiving all your pre-sorted items for the sale.

We have been in touch with our outreach partners to find out what they can use. Please considering donating the following: winter outerwear, boots, pillows, blankets, sleeping bags, and small appliances. This list is to encourage you to think about what you can clear out of your space to make the lives of others better.

It is NOT too late to volunteer! If you have a free morning or afternoon the week of **April 27, Monday to Wednesday**, we would love your help. Please let us know and we will assign you to where your help is most needed.

Be sure to save the date of **Friday evening, May 1, 6 to 8pm for parish night.** We will be serving appetizers and beverages while you shop and bid on the Silent Auction. Admission is \$10 per person or \$20 per family.—Bob Ware and Caroline Hudson



Children and Youth

Please see previous announcements for any intergenerational information.

Kids' Place Childcare

Kids' Place is for children three and under, or any older child who would prefer to be in nursery care and is open **from 9:45 to 11:45am.**

Church School

Godly Play I, Godly Play II, and Upper School will not meet this Sunday because of the Patriots' Day weekend and the start to the public school vacation week.

Rite-13

- **Today** No class on Patriots' Day weekend
- **April 26** class at **4:30pm**

Youth Group

- **Today** Off for vacation week and Patriots' Day
- **April 26** Bargain Haul drop-off **11:15am to 3pm** lunch provided
- **May 2** Join Sarah and Adrian for layaway for Bargain Haul. It's a ton of fun! We need helpers from **8 to 11:30am.** Come for all or part of Bargain Haul.
- **May 3** Make dinner, Yankee swap, and Bargain Haul fashion show



Gratitude

Mite Boxes

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our mite box fundraiser and for your generosity throughout the year. We raised \$10,560.18 for Agassiz Village, which will go toward four full camperships plus a considerable number of new swimsuits for campers. If you would still like to contribute, your donation will be gratefully received.

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

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Worship Erica Gelser

Youth Formation Anna Lee Wahls

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** 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; please ring the intercom) 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 meetings and gatherings, *unless otherwise announced below*

- Sundays** • 9am adult Christian learning • 9:45am Kids' Place • 9:45am church school
• 11am coffee hour • 4:30pm Rite-13 • 5:45pm youth group
- Thursdays** • 12pm weekly beginner's Bible study • 5pm children's choir
• 7:30pm senior choir
- First and third Saturdays at 8am** • men's Bible study
- Second Tuesdays at 11am and second Wednesdays at 7pm** • open Bible study

Sunday, April 19

NO church school, Rite-13, or youth group

Kids' Place is open

Monday, April 20

parish office closed

NO morning prayer

Tuesday, April 21

10:30am pastoral care team

Thursday, April 23

NO children's choir rehearsal

Sunday, April 26

11:30am Bargain Haul drop off



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