



ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Ascension Sunday May 29, 2022

*Masks are optional at St. Andrew's.
We are livestreaming the 10am service.*

Prelude *Intermezzo in A Major, Op.118 no. 2* Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)
Processional Hymn 214 "Hail the day that sees him rise" *Llanfair*

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation Book of Common Prayer p. 355

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Collect for Purity BCP p. 355

S 278 Gloria in excelsis (front section of hymnal) *William Mathias*

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Together we pray.

People Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

First Lesson: Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles

whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying

with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you;

and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing upward toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking upward toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 47

David Hurd (after Gibbons)

The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.



- 1 Clap your hands, ¹all you ¹peoples; *
shout to ¹God with a ¹cry of ¹joy.
- 2 For the LORD Most ¹High is to be ¹feared; *
he is the great ¹King ¹over ¹all the ¹earth.
- 3 He subdues the ¹peoples ¹under us, *
and the ¹nations ¹under our ¹feet.
- 4 He chooses our in ¹heritance ¹for us, *
the pride of ¹Jacob ¹whom he ¹loves.
- 5 God has gone ¹up with a ¹shout, *
the ¹LORD with the ¹sound of the ¹ram's-horn.
- 6 Sing praises to ¹God, sing ¹praises; *
sing ¹praises to our ¹King, sing ¹praises.

7 For God is King of all the earth; *
sing praises with all your skill.

8 God reigns over the nations; *
God sits upon his holy throne.

9 The nobles of the peoples have gathered together *
with the people of the God of Abraham.

10 The rulers of the earth belong to God, *
and he is highly exalted.

Second Lesson: Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who

believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 488 "Be thou my vision"

Slane

Gospel: Luke 24:44-53

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the

scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses

of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them.

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

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 *Going to heaven!*

Aaron Copland (1900-1990)

from a poem by Emily Dickinson (1830-1886)

Going to Heaven!

I don't know when —

Pray do not ask me how!

Indeed I'm too astonished

To think of answering you!

Going to Heaven!

How dim it sounds!

And yet it will be done

As sure as flocks go home at night

Unto the Shepherd's arm!

Perhaps you're going too!

Who knows?

If you should get there first

Save just a little space for me

Close to the two I lost —

The smallest "Robe" will fit me

And just a bit of "Crown" —

For you know we do not mind our dress

When we are going home —

I'm glad I don't believe it

For it would stop my breath —

And I'd like to look a little more

At such a curious Earth!

I'm glad they did believe it

Whom I have never found

Since the might Autumn afternoon

I left them in the ground.

Doxology Hymn 380 v 3 “Praise God from whom all blessings flow” Old 100th
 Eucharistic Prayer C BCP p. 369
 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!
 S151 Fraction Anthem (front section of hymnal) David Hurd
All are welcome to receive communion. Ushers will direct the congregation.
 Communion Hymn 702 “Lord, thou hast searched me” *Tender Thought*
The congregation is encouraged to sing the communion hymn.
 Thanksgiving after Communion BCP p. 365
 Blessing
 Recessional Hymn 719 “O beautiful for spacious skies” *Materna*
 Dismissal
Clergy Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!
People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!
 Postlude *Heut Triumphiert Gotte Sohn* J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

We welcome and thank Jenny Chui-Chun Tang, Senior Music Performance Faculty in Piano and Keyboard Skills and Co-Director, Wellesley Chamber Music Society today. She played the prelude and accompanied the offertory anthem.

Join us for coffee hour in the parish hall.



If this is your first time at St. Andrew’s — Welcome!

We’re glad you found us. Please use this QR code to fill out a *seeker information form* which may also be found in the narthex or with a member of our Membership committee so that our clergy and members of our congregation can welcome you and help you get engaged with our church.



Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in Memory of

Pat Davis, given by the Reed McReynolds family;

Nathaniel Kettendorf, given by Jane Kettendorf

Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Dell Beggs, Laura Brown MacKinnon, Elsie Deane,
Nancy Echlov, and Debbie Lorenz

Flowers the Flower Guild

Serving at 8am

Lay Eucharistic Minister Nancy Echlov

Serving at 10am

Acolytes Crucifer, Emma Barry

Broadcast Tech Volunteer Rob Brandt

Lay Eucharistic Ministers Meg Harris and Ann Johnson

Lay Readers Paul Merry and Karen Pekowitz

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Parishes of the Merrimack Valley Deanery

St. Andrew's Church, Methuen

St. Paul's Church, Newburyport

St. Paul's Church, North Andover

Merrimack Valley Project

Deacons



Notices & 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.

Memorial Day Weekend

There is no church school, or Rite-13 this Sunday. Kids' Place will be open.

Hunnewell Garden Tour

The Hunnewell family have offered to organize another tour of the gardens at the home of Luisa Hunnewell at 845 Washington Street. This follows the popularity of the tour last summer. The tour will take place **at 10am on Thursday, June 2**, and it will be open to the first 20 parishioners who request a space on the tour. Please contact Adrian by email to book a place.

Margaret's Sabbatical

On June 1, I will begin my sabbatical, finding refreshment and reflection time for study, travel, and a small research project. I'll be prayerful for all of you while I'm away. I'll return on August 15 and look forward to all the conversation, ministry, and fellowship we will share then. Blessings.

Pentecost Celebration, June 5!

Children are encouraged to celebrate Pentecost in worship next Sunday, with streamers and party hats! There will be childcare available in Kids' Place for the 10am service.

You could make a difference!

Do you have a favorite organization that could be transformed with a \$5,000 grant? Outreach grant applications are due **this Tuesday, May 31**. Parishioners are invited to propose a project, domestic or international, that addresses new needs or significant, specific expansion of existing projects. Think of fresh ways we can expand our mission to help others. A grant of up to \$5,000 can make a difference in people's lives. If you have questions, please contact Joanna Horobin at outreach@standrewswellesley.org, the vestry person for outreach, or Adrian Robbins-Cole, the clergy liaison to the outreach committee. [See the guidelines for applications on the Outreach page](#) of our website. Also, please check out the Spring issue of The Call, page 6, for more information.

5pm Sunday Service in June

We will be celebrating the 5pm Holy Communion Service on **Sunday, June 5, and for the rest of the month of June**. We will then take a break over the summer and recommence the service on Homecoming Sunday in September. It is a beautiful and peaceful service on a Sunday evening.

Kids' Place Nursery



St. Andrew's is offering professional childcare. "Kids' Place" is open from **9:45-11:15am, Sundays through June 5.**

Please ensure your child is registered.

Family Promise Opportunities

There are two families at Family Promise who will be moving to Mulligan Street in early June. St. Andrew's and Village Church will be helping the families during **the week of June 13.** St. Andrew's will be responsible for preparing and delivering meals and hosting on **June 15 and 16.** If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Anne Manners at awritesu@aol.com or Heidi Harper at heidiharper73@gmail.com.

Summer/Fall Read: *The Language of God* by Francis Collins

Our adult formation committee is excited to offer a summer read that is written in a breezy style but packs a wallop. In this book, the head of the Human Genome Project and recent Director of the National Institutes of Health talks about his life as a scientist and

an active Christian. The subtitle says it all: "*A Scientist Presents Evidence for Belief.*"

Collins uses C.S. Lewis as his guide but also says some fresh things about living a life of science and faith. We will explore this book in our **October 9am** Christian Learning classes. To purchase a book, email Lorna Ruby at Wellesley Books at lorna@wellesleybooks.com and mail a check for \$14.50 made out to St. Andrew's to Margaret at St. Andrew's. Please write "science book" in the memo. Lorna will email you and tell you when you can pick up the book at the bookstore. —Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

Our Transept Icon

Each Sunday morning, we have candles lit on our transept altar and an icon resting nearby. This icon, a depiction of Jesus' sacrificial love for us, is dedicated to the Ukrainian people and their courageous stand against the brutal invasion staged against them. You are welcome to pray at the altar rail before or after our Sunday services. We remember Ukraine and all the sacrificial love in the world taken on for a higher purpose.



Gratitude

Spring Tea

Many thanks to all those who worked hard to make the Spring Tea last Saturday such a success. Thanks to Julia Pekowitz, one of our high school students, for hosting the tea and for the help given to her by her sister Alexa and Julia's other friends. Thanks also to Ginny Snow and the members of the fellowship committee who helped support the event.

Vestry

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- **In an emergency, please contact Adrian on his cell phone: 603/831-4938.**
- 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 us know of names that should be added to our prayer list.

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Weekly Calendar

- The **Holy Eucharist** is currently celebrated on **Sundays at 8am and 10am** (*also online*). **Morning Prayer** online is offered weekdays at **8:30am** on our website, our YouTube Channel (*use the QR code for a link to our YouTube channel to watch the recording after the service*), and on Facebook, unless otherwise noted.



- **Senior Choir** rehearsal is on **Thursdays at 7:30pm**.
- Staff is continuing to work some hours remotely. Generally, **parish office hours** are Monday through Thursday, **9am to 5pm**, and Friday, **9am to 12pm**.
- **12-Step Programs** Men's AA, Wednesdays, 8pm; Women's AA, Thursdays, 7pm; Emotions Anonymous, Saturdays, 9:30am.

Sunday, May 29

9am Senior Choir
9:45am Kids' Place
11am Coffee Hour

Monday, May 23

Parish Office Closed

Wednesday, June 1

7:30pm Men's Book Club

Thursday, June 2

9:45am Church School Committee

Saturday, June 4

8am Men's Bible Study
4:30pm Wedding Service

Sunday, June 5

Pentecost Sunday

9am Senior Choir
9:45am Kids' Place
11am Coffee Hour



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