



ST. ANDREW'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Third Sunday of Lent
March 3, 2024

We are livestreaming the 10am service.

Prelude *Erbarm dich mein, o Herre Gott* (Have mercy on me, O God)

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Processional Hymn 574 "Before thy throne, O God, we kneel"

St. Petersburg

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer p. 351

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People God's mercy endures for ever.

Confession

BCP p. 352

Kyrie S 98 (front section of hymnal)

William Mathias

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Together we pray.

People Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson: Exodus 20:1-17

Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any

work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19

Richard Farrant (ca.1530-1581)

The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.



- 1 The heavens declare the ¹glory of ¹God, *
and the ¹firmament shows his ¹handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its ¹tale to an ¹other, *
and one night imparts ¹knowledge to an ¹other.
- 3 Although they have no ¹words or ¹language, *
and their ¹voices are not ¹heard,

- 4 Their sound has gone out into 'äll' lands, *
and their message to the 'eñds' of the 'world.
- 5 In the deep has he set a pa'vilion for the 'sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a 'champion to 'run its 'course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the 'end of it a'gain; *
nothing is 'hidden from its 'burning 'heat.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect and re'vives the 'soul; *
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives 'wisdom' to the 'innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just and re'joice the 'heart; *
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives 'light' to the 'eyes.
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean and en'dures for 'ever; *
the judgments of the LORD are true and 'righteous' alto'gether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than 'much fine 'gold, *
sweeter far than honey, than 'honey' in the 'comb.
- 11 By them also is your 'servant en'lightened, *
and in keeping them 'there is 'great re'ward.
- 12 Who can tell how 'often he 'of'fends? *
— 'cleanse me from my 'secret 'faults.
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get do'minion' over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound,
and 'innocent of a 'great of'fense.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be ac'ceptable in your 'sight, *
O LORD, my 'strength and 'my re'deemer.

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the

foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to

those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 676 "There is a balm in Gilead"

Balm in Gilead

Gospel: John 2:13-22

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house

will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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 “Cujus animam gementem” from Stabat Mater in F minor
Giovanni Battista Pergolesi (1710-1736)

*Her grieving heart so full of tears and anguish,
Pierced as though with a sword.*

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*

S128 Sanctus (front section of hymnal) *William Mathias*

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Agnus Dei S 160 (front section of hymnal) *Mason Martens*

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

Communion Anthem “Vidit suum dulcem natum” from Stabat Mater in F minor
Giovanni Battista Pergolesi

She watched her dear son dying forsaken as he yielded up his spirit.

Communion Hymn 318 “Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face” *Nyack*

Thanksgiving after Communion *BCP p. 365*

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 525 “The Church's one foundation” *Aurelia*

Dismissal

Clergy Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude *Wir danken dir, Herr Jesu Christ* (To thee, Lord Jesus, we give thanks)

J.S. Bach

Meal Packing will continue downstairs after the service: there is no coffee hour.

Please join us.



Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Laura Brown MacKinnon, Elizabeth Clarke, Nancy Echlov,
Wendy Haering, Angie Johnson, Ntonhle Kekana, Jen Martin, and Heather Schaefer

Serving at 8am

Lay Eucharistic Minister Wendy Haering
Ushers Jane Givens and Mark Housel

Serving at 10am

Acolytes Crucifer, Eloise Svedlund; Torch, Dininar Alpers;
Torch, Tawanda Masiwa; and Banner, Sino Masiwa
Broadcast Tech Volunteer Rob Brandt
Lay Eucharistic Ministers Sarah Dent, David Hamlin,
Joanna Horobin, and Sam Schaefer
Readers Nora Tracy Phillips and Jen Martin
Ushers Terri Rawson-Wakefield, Kris Vanin, Michael Vanin, and Michael Wakefield

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Churches of the Cape & Islands Deanery
Trinity Chapel, Oak Bluffs
Church of the Holy Spirit, Orleans
St. Peter's Church, Osterville
Christ Church, Plymouth
Boston Episcopal Charitable Society

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.



About the Readings

Exodus 20:1-17 The Ten Commandments set forth the duties of the Israelites to God and to those within the community. The commandments are covenant demands founded on their special relationship to God that specify ways that right relationships are endangered or violated. The commandments concerning human interrelationships have parallels in other ancient cultures, but those concerning the people's relationship to God are unique to the Old Testament. Verses 4-6 probably originally forbade physical representations of Yahweh, confirmed by the absence of such artifacts in excavations of Israelite sites even when idols of other gods are found. Verse 7 is not a prohibition against God's name in oaths, but against swearing falsely or misusing God's name for spells and incantations. This led eventually to a refusal among pious Jews to pronounce the sacred name of Yahweh at all. Verse 12 is directed more toward the responsibilities of grown children for the support of and respect for aged parents than toward the behavior of young children. Verse 13 prohibits murder, not capital punishment or warfare. "Covet" (v. 17) probably implies an attempt to acquire unlawfully ("defraud," Mark 10:19).

Psalms 19 The psalmist celebrates God's revelation, expressed universally in creation and specially in the law. Pagan nations acclaimed the divinity of certain elements in nature (sun, moon, fire, etc.). Here the psalmist counters those claims by boasting that all of nature declares the glory of Israel's God, the Creator.

1 Corinthians 1:18-25 Paul sets forth the general principle that the wisdom of God appears to be folly to those wise in worldly terms, while to those in the process of salvation, it reveals the power of God. Human-centered wisdom, which is itself closely related to our efforts, will be overturned by God. Knowledge of God is possible through natural revelation, but the certainty sought for by submitting God to the world's criteria of proof, either pragmatically in "signs" (v. 22) of power or intellectually in "wisdom" (V. 22) is not possible. God's act of "foolishness" and "weakness" (V. 25) confounds both what the Jews expected of the Messiah and what Greeks believed about the immortal and impassible nature of divinity. This principle of reversal is illustrated by the Corinthian church itself. Most of its

members were not from the intellectual, political or social elite. (Indeed, the gospel appealed to slaves, women and children!) God chooses what the world counts worthless to overturn the world's expectations.

John 2:13-22 Today's gospel recounts the cleansing of the temple and the questioning of Jesus' authority. Jesus gives an enacted parable similar to the prophetic deeds of Jeremiah and Ezekiel. In the temple courtyard, unblemished animals

were sold for sacrifice, and pagan coins were exchanged for Jewish coinage to pay the temple tax. Jesus attacks not only the dishonesty of the temple trade but its very existence. The merchants had set up shop in the temple's outer courts, the only area open to Gentiles who came to pray and seek Israel's God. Jesus' death and resurrection are the ultimate sign of his authority. As the water of the old covenant has been replaced with the wine of the new (2:1-11), so Jesus replaces the temple as the focus of worship.



Icon of the Week

Desmond Tutu

1931–2021

Desmond Tutu was a South African Anglican cleric. He studied theology at the University of South Africa and King's College London. He became an Anglican priest in 1961 and Bishop of Lesotho in 1976. In 1978 he became general secretary of the South African Council of Churches and an eloquent and outspoken advocate for the rights of Black South Africans. Tutu emphasized nonviolent protest and encouraged other countries to apply economic pressure on South Africa. He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1984 "for his role as a unifying leader in the non-violent campaign to resolve the problem of apartheid in South Africa."

In 1986 he was elected the first Black Archbishop of Cape Town and titular head of South Africa's 1.6-million-member Anglican church. He was named chancellor of the University of the Western Cape in Bellville, South Africa in 1988. He retired from the primacy in 1996 and became chairman of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, charged with hearing evidence of human rights violations under White rule. In 2010 he retired from public life. "When the missionaries came to Africa, they had the Bible and we had the land. They said, 'let us pray.' We closed our eyes. When we opened them, we had the Bible, and they had the land."

His feast day is December 26.

"Disturb us, O Lord, when we are too well-pleased with ourselves, when our dreams have come true because we dreamed too little, because we sailed too close to the shore. Disturb us, O Lord, when with the abundance of things we possess, we have lost our thirst for the water of life when, having fallen in love with time, we have ceased to dream of eternity and in our efforts to build a new earth, we have allowed our vision of Heaven to grow dim. Stir us, O Lord to dare more boldly, to venture into wider seas where storms show Thy mastery, where losing sight of land, we shall find the stars. In the name of Him who pushed back the horizons of our hopes and invited the brave to follow." — Adapted prayer, Desmond Tutu



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.

Meal Madness, Today

Come one, come all from 8:30am to 9:45am today! Church school will take over at **9:45am** so others can get to the 10am service. We are committed to packing 13,000 (*yes, thirteen thousand*) rice and bean meals for the Pearl Street Cupboard & Café in Framingham. Generous donations from parishioners, added to the outreach budget, expanded our capacity for this once-a-year event. Plan to come and roll up your sleeves. It's a family affair. Come see us downstairs

Lenten Choral Evensong

Tonight, March 3, at 5pm the senior choir will sing in a Lenten Choral Evensong. We will feature James Stevens's arrangement of an old familiar hymn, *Nearer my God, to Thee*, in an a cappella version. Also included in the service is George Dyson's *Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in F*. We will conclude with *Grace before Sleep* by Susan LaBarr based on a poem by Sara Teasdale. Thomas Handel will be our guest organist. Please come and invite your neighbors and friends. There will be a reception following the service in the parish hall.

Pledge Envelopes

Pledge envelopes have arrived and are on the usher's table in the back of the church.

9am Christian Learning

Join us **today, March 3**, for *Learning with Our Hands: A Meal-Packing Event*, (see first announcement on this page). Join us **Sunday, March 10**, when David Guydan will lead us in discussing chapter 4, the fourth word, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?", from Jon Meacham's book *Hope of Glory*. Come to class if you have read the book or if you haven't. Everyone is welcome; come to every class or just ones that interest you. There is childcare at 8:55am in Kids' Place so parents can join. Classes are hybrid and the Zoom link is in the e-Pistle. — [Rev. Margaret Schwarzer](#)

Lenten Book

During Lent, we will be reading Pulitzer Prize winning author Jon Meacham's book, *The Hope of Glory: Reflections on the Last Words of Jesus from the Cross*. This short book, 100 pages long, offers beautiful questions and insights on Jesus' final words to humankind. Each book is \$18. We will share reflections and insights in our 9am Christian learning classes during Lent. Email me if you want to order the book and mail a check made out to "St. Andrew's" with "Lenten Book" in the memo. I will email you when you can pick up your book at Wellesley Books.

— [Rev. Margaret Schwarzer](#)

Church School

Today, all children aged six and above should meet in the parish hall at 9:45am to participate in the **Meal Madness event** (see previous announcement). Parents of children under age six are asked to accompany their children to meal packing, or they may attend Godly Play I or Kids' Place.

Confirmation Class

Confirmation class will meet **Sunday, March 10, at 5:45pm, in Room 201.**

Laetare Sunday

Next Sunday, March 10, the fourth Sunday of Lent, is known as *Laetare Sunday*. The word Laetare comes from the traditional introit for the day which begins, "Laetare Jerusalem" which means "Rejoice Jerusalem." Other names for the day are Mothering Sunday, Refreshment Sunday, mid-Lent Sunday, or Rose Sunday. Traditionally, this was a Sunday when people would return to their mother church where they received the sacrament of baptism. The day eventually became Mother's Day in Commonwealth countries. On Laetare Sunday the clergy will be wearing the rose array. Feel free to join us by wearing something pink or rose!

Sunday Concert Next Week

Wellesley College's Advanced Performance Seminar will give a concert on **Sunday, March 10, at 2pm** in the sanctuary. All are invited, free of charge, to hear these talented students.

Lenten Potluck & Program

Join us on **Wednesday nights** during Lent. At **6:30pm** we will enjoy a potluck dinner; the church will provide the entrée and drinks; you bring a salad or a dessert. **From 7:10pm to 8pm, join us in person or on Zoom** for a program on the theme *Ancient Scripture/ Modern Life*. Each talk will apply one of Scripture's formative teachings to modern life. Zoom link is in the e-Pistle.

- **March 6** *Loving Our Neighbor* with Pam Alexander.
- **March 13** *Considering Miracles* with David Guydan.
- **March 20** *Turning the Other Cheek* with Adrian Robbins-Cole.

Invitation to Temple Beth Elohim

We have been invited, along with the other Christian churches of Wellesley, by Temple Beth Elohim to join them on **Friday, April 5**, for **Shabbat worship (6pm)**, a **tour of the sanctuary (7:15pm)** and **dinner (7:30pm)**. This is an opportunity for us to deepen our bonds of affection and support for our local Jewish community. If you have questions or would like to attend, please [contact Adrian](#).

Nametags for Newcomers

Welcome newcomers! If you joined our church in the past year and don't have a nametag yet, [please email membership committee member Becky Hamlin](#) who can get a magnetic name tag for you.

Bishops' Annual Appeal

Every year the Bishop of Massachusetts invites individual Episcopalians to make a donation to the Bishops' Annual Appeal. The donations are used to make grants, allocations and program support to mission initiatives, congregations, and special ministries, as well as support for the wider church. Examples are: Food 4 Kids, sponsored by the Church of the Holy Spirit, Orleans MA; the University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth Campus Ministry; work with immigrant communities in Boston; a collaboration between Grace Church, Medford and Divine savior Parish in Bogota, Colombia. [Go to the Diocesan website to give.](#)

Spring Coats Needed

Every coat donated will go directly to migrant families in shelters and emergency housing facilities that Circle of Hope supports. They need coats of all sizes, small to XL, for children, teens, women, and men. Please give only gently used coats that you yourself would wear. There are two bins, one in the office hallway and one in the parish hall. Circle of Hope is a Needham-based non-profit that partners with homeless shelters, healthcare clinics, and community programs in Boston/MetroWest.



Gratitude

St Andrew's Stitches

Thank you very much to the St. Andrew's Stitches for their wonderful display of the garments to be sent to Ukraine. Thank you to all the stitchers for their loving work creating these clothing items on behalf of the St. Andrew's congregation.

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** 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 (generally) **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 or by 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.



Sunday, March 3

8:30am Meal Packing Madness
8:55am Kids' Place
9am Coffee Hour for 8am Worshipers
9:45am Church School (Godly Play I and meal packing)
11:30am Newcomers Brunch
5pm Lenten Evensong

Monday, March 4

7pm Stained Glass window task force
7:30pm Men's Book Club

Tuesday, March 5

10:30am Bargain Haul Meeting

Wednesday, March 6

6:30pm Lenten Potluck & Program

Thursday, March 7

9:45am Church School Meeting
12pm Beginner's Bible Study

Sunday, March 10

8:55am Kids' Place
9am Christian Learning
9:45am Church School
11am Coffee Hour
2pm Wellesley College Recital
5:45pm Confirmation Class



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