



ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Fourth Sunday of Advent December 18, 2016

Prelude *In Dulci Jubilo* James Woodman (b.1957)

Processional Hymn 56 "O come, O come, Emmanuel" (vs. 1-5) *Veni, veni, Emmanuel*

Blessing of the Advent Wreath

Together Blessed are you, Sovereign Lord, merciful and gentle: to you be praise and glory for ever! Your light has shone in our darkened world through the child-bearing of blessed Mary; grant that we who have seen your glory may daily be renewed in your image and prepared like her for the coming of your Son, who is the Lord and Savior of all. Blessed be God for ever.

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

Trisagion S 102 Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924)

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.

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Collect of the Day

Celebrant Together we pray.

People Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Christmas Pageant

The congregation may remain seated during the pageant. The choir and congregation will share in singing the pageant hymns to give everyone a chance to sing these favorite carols.

Hymn 83	O come, all ye faithful (vs. 1-3)	<i>Adeste fideles</i>
Hymn 79	O little town of Bethlehem (vs. 1-2)	<i>St. Louis</i>
Hymn 101	Away in a manger (vs. 1-2)	<i>Cradle Song</i>
Hymn 96	Angels we have heard on high (vs. 1-2)	<i>Gloria</i>
Hymn 99	Go tell it on the mountain (vs. 1-2)	<i>Go Tell It on the Mountain</i>
Hymn 111	Silent night (v. 1)	<i>Stille Nacht</i>
Hymn 128	We three kings of Orient are (vs. 1-5)	<i>Three Kings of Orient</i>
Hymn 100	Joy to the world (vs. 1-4)	<i>Antioch</i>

The Peace

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Junior Choir Anthem *The Light Come Down*

Kirby Shaw

1. *Once a long, long time ago, something happened you should know. Tiny little baby boy, born in Bethlehem. Shepherds watching o'er their flocks, they be in for quite a shock! Tiny little baby boy, born in Bethlehem.*

Refrain

And the light come down, gloria! And the light come down. Glory to the newborn King! And the light come down, gloria! Shining all around! Hear the angels sing!

2. *The angel of the Lord proclaimed, "Don't worry, don't be afraid." Tiny little baby boy, born in Bethlehem. "If you want to celebrate, time for you to relocate." Tiny little baby boy, born in Bethlehem.*

Refrain

3. *In a lowly manger lay, to show us a better way. One bright star to navigate wise men come to validate tiny little baby boy, born in Bethlehem. Nothing in the world so great, soul and spirit liberate! Tiny little baby boy, born in Bethlehem.*

Refrain

Presentation of the Bread and the Wine

Doxology Hymn 380 (v. 3) "Praise God from whom all blessings flow"

Old 100th

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP p. 367

Sanctus S 131

Gerald Near

Fraction Anthem S 151

David Hurd

The Breaking of the Bread

Ushers will direct the congregation to communion stations, starting from the rear of the church and moving forward. Gluten-free wafers are available. All are welcome to receive communion.

Communion Anthem *Angelus ad Virginem*

Medieval carol

The angel came to the Virgin, entering secretly into her room; calming the Virgin's fear, he said, "Hail! Hail, queen of virgins: you will conceive the Lord of heaven and earth and bear him, still a virgin, to be the salvation of mankind; you will be made the gate of heaven, the cure of sins."

To this, the noble Virgin, replying, said to him, "I am the humble maidservant of almighty God. To you, heavenly messenger, and bearer of such a great secret, I give my consent, and wishing to see done what I hear, I am ready to obey the will of God."

"How can I conceive, when I have never known a man? How can I transgress resolutions that I have vowed with a firm mind?" The grace of the Holy Spirit shall do all this. Do not be afraid, but rejoice without a care, since your chastity will remain in you unspoilt through the power of God."

Hail, Mother of our Lord, who brought peace back to angels and men when you bore Christ! Pray your son that he may show favor to us and blot out our sins, giving us help to enjoy a blessed life after this exile.

Communion Hymn 268 "Ye who claim the faith of Jesus"

Julion

The communion hymn is sung by all.

Thanksgiving After Communion

BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 57 "Lo! he comes, with clouds descending"

Helmsley

Dismissal

Clergy Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude *In Dulci Jubilo*

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)



2016 Christmas Pageant Cast

Narrators Campbell Mecke, Charlotte Snow, and Eloise Svedlund
Mary Annika Svedlund
Joseph Owen Graves
Gabriel Matilda Houghton
Speaking Angel 1 Francesca Grossetti
Speaking Angel 2 Katherine Svedlund
Speaking Angel 3 Kate Snow
Speaking Angel 4 Sophie Hunter
Speaking Angel 5 Julia Pekowitz
Innkeeper 1 / Speaking Shepherd Brooke and Tory Daws
Innkeeper 2 / Camel Herder Jackson Barry
Innkeeper 3 / Speaking Shepherd ... Caroline Condon and Anne Fitzpatrick
King and Page 1 Bill and Alexa Pekowitz
King and Page 2 Jonas and Emmy Svedlund
King and Page 3 Emily and Maggie Hammond
Donkey Caden and Connor Young
Camel Colin Graves and Michael Hunter
Star Bearer Emma Barry

Additional Angels, Shepherds, Sheep & Other Animals Jack Baker, Sabrina Borden, Tessa Borden, Katherine Cumming, Liam Cumming, Wyatt Daws, Calliope Donner, Sara Grossetti, Will Harris, Imogen Heuer, Jack Hudson, Lizzy Hudson, Lucy Kern, Justin Lin, Peter Mahoney, Kendall Reepmeyer, Bryce Rodormer, and Ellen Wahls

Special Thanks To D.D. Alexander, Holly Anza, Emma Barry, Judith Boland, Connor Daws, Liz Dean, Kenneth Graves, Kate Hammond, Catherine Healy, Tad Heuer, Amelia Houghton, Grayson Houghton, Ingrid Houghton, David Kern, and Katherine Roer.



Christmas at St. Andrew's

Christmas Eve Services

Saturday, December 24

Children's Service at 3pm

Family Eucharist at 5pm

Festival Eucharist at 10pm

Christmas Day Service

Sunday, December 25 at 10:30am

Epiphany Fireside Service

Sunday, January 8 at 5pm



Please join us for coffee hour following the 10am service,
hosted by Zebby & Al Dubé and Liz & Harris Parsons.

Flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of
Grant Warner Eustis, Nancy Eustis, and John P. Eustis II.

Serving St. Andrew's today

Altar Guild Barbara Bergstrom, Nancy Echlov, Erica Gelser,
Becky Hamlin, Paige Manning, Debbie Monti, Mary Scanlon,
Ellen Staelin, Laura Stettner, and Jill Whiting

Greeter Kristin Donahue

Serving at 8am

Lay Reader/Chalice Bearer Mary Scanlon

Ushers Mark Benjamin and Ken Graves

Serving at 10am

Acolytes Diana Faust, Elizabeth Robbins-Cole,

Maggie Donahue, Kelly Rawson, and Drew Donahue

Chalice Bearers Al Bornemann, Nancy Echlov, David Hamlin,
Ann Johnson, Donna Kell, and Margaret Zusky

Ushers David Boghosian, Adams Carroll, Alan Joachim,
David Osborn, Ryan Osborn, Terri Rawson, and Larry Scott

Serving at 5pm

Lay Reader/Chalice Bearer Blair Glennon

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Parishes of the Alewife Deanery

Episcopal Chaplaincy at Harvard, Cambridge

Lutheran/Episcopal Chaplaincy at Mass. Institute of Technology, Cambridge

Society of St. John the Evangelist, Cambridge

St. John's Chapel, Episcopal Divinity School, Cambridge

Hospital Chaplaincies and Healthcare Chaplains



Notices & Announcements

Newcomers and visitors: We extend a warm welcome to those who are new in our community. Please fill out one of the welcome cards in the narthex (foyer) and hand it to a greeter for a fuller welcome!

We Need 1,000 Cookies!!

For St. Stephen's Christmas Gift Boxes

Calling all bakers! Jack & Jill Whiting have the Christmas gift boxes prepared for St. Stephen's, but still need 20 bakers to contribute 50 cookies each (all the same kind, your choice) for St. Stephen's, our partner church in Boston. Please deliver your cookies to St. Andrew's kitchen **by tomorrow December 19**, labeling them "for Christmas gift boxes," and email Debbie Osborn regarding your delivery. Thank you for being a part of this very important annual holiday ministry tradition.

— Debbie Osborn

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9am Christian Learning Series

Lectio Divina is a medieval spiritual practice that invites us to hear the holy word particularly intended for us. Join us **today** at **9am in Room 2** to experience this ancient but lively spiritual discipline. We will focus on Luke 2:1-14. — Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

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5pm Christmas Eve

Intergenerational Choir

Make your Christmas Eve at St. Andrew's even more special by singing in the choir with your family and friends! To participate in the intergenerational choir, please pick up music posted outside my office and send me an email. — Amanda Kern

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Important dates:

- **Thursday, December 22: 6-7:30pm**
Intergenerational Choir rehearsal in the sanctuary. Pizza supper after rehearsal!
- **Saturday, December 24: 4pm**
Meet in the choir room for warm-ups and a final rehearsal. The choir sings at the **5pm** service.

Mitten Tree

The St. Andrew's mitten tree is in the parish hall. Please bring new hats, gloves, and mittens for those in need this winter.

— Debbie Osborn

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Advent Book Drive: Support St. Stephen's

This year, our Advent church school outreach project is a book drive for the Blackstone Elementary School library, which is run by volunteers from St. Stephen's in Boston, our sister parish. The Blackstone library has a specific wish list of new, hard-cover titles to stock its shelves—check the e-Pistle for a link to the Amazon list or visit www.tinyURL.com/BlackstoneLibrary2016. Books can be delivered to my office.

— Rev. Catherine Healy

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Epiphany Fireside Service & Potluck

Please join us in celebrating the Feast of the Epiphany on **Sunday, January 8, at 5pm** in the parish hall. We will sing the great hymns of Epiphany and share the Eucharist in front of a roaring fire. This is a lovely service in a beautiful setting, sure to be enjoyed by all ages. We invite you to stay for a delicious potluck dinner following the service. A simple entrée will be provided. Please bring a salad, side, or dessert. Again, all ages welcome! Looking forward to seeing you there! — Jennifer Sawyer

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Online Giving Now Available

Electronic giving is now offered on our website under the GIVE tab. You may choose your checking account, savings account, or credit card to make pledge payments (one-time or recurring) or special contributions (e.g., memorial flowers, outreach). Creating a profile will only take a moment, and you

will be able to make changes to your donations and view and print your online donation history.

— Lynda Sperry • lynda.sperry@verizon.net

Note from the Treasurer's Office

Please help us end the year on a positive note by **paying your 2016 pledge before December 31, 2016**. If you have any questions contact Ruth Hubert at ruth@standrewswellesley.org. Thank you and Merry Christmas!

Donate Winter Coats

Coats for Kids, our annual collection of gently used winter coats for children and adults, has begun. All sizes are needed, but especially Pre-K and adult XL sizes. Drop them off in the red bin marked "Coats for Kids" in the corridor outside the parish offices. — Joanna Horobin

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Shabbat Evening Fellowship with Temple Beth Elohim

On **Friday, January 20**, we have been invited to join Temple Beth Elohim for worship, a shared meal, and fellowship. The evening begins with worship **at 6pm**, moves to dinner **at 7pm**, and ends with fellowship and a text study facilitated by Rabbi Sapphire and me **from 8 to 8:40pm**. Please email me if you want to attend the evening. We have space for 20 parishioners.

— Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

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Reading Mavens

The Paris Wife, by Pauline McClain, is the Reading Mavens book for the **Monday, January 9** meeting in the **Harvey Room at 7pm**. *The Paris Wife* is a fictionalized account of Ernest Hemingway's marriage to Hadley Richardson, the first of his four wives.

The February book—for the meeting of **Monday, February 5, 2017**—is Caroline Kennedy's inspiring *A Patriot's Handbook: Songs, Poems, Stories and Speeches Celebrating the Land We Love*. It includes works from John F. Kennedy, Ansel Adams, Robert Frost, Herman Melville, Huddie Ledbetter, W.E.B. Du Bois, Alice Walker and more. For details about Reading Mavens, please contact Charlene Smith

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Illness and Off-Hour Emergencies

The clergy are always available to assist you. Please email or call the clergy if you or a member of your family expects to be in the hospital and wishes to be visited. Also, please let us know of names that should be added to our prayer list. Our prayers and concerns are with all those in need.

— Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole • 603/831-4938

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Men's Book Club

Our next meeting is **Wednesday, February 8, at 7:30pm in the Harvey Room**. We'll discuss *The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration* by Isabel Wilkerson. Join us for one session or for the whole season. Snacks are served. —Michael Vanin • mcvanin1@gmail.com

Revised Parish By-Laws Approved

The Standing Committee has approved a revised set of our parish by-laws. Three provisions were added/deleted in the approved version:

- Added language that would prevent two or more members of the same household or family from serving concurrently on the vestry.
- Deleted language that would allow the rector to name a non-voting, ex-officio member to the vestry for a one-year term. Since all vestry meetings are open to the parish, this language was not necessary to allow the rector to ask parishioners to participate in vestry discussions.
- Added language stating that any formal organizations connected to the parish (e.g., a St. Andrew's food pantry serving the community) must have charters declaring their purposes, defining their members, and describing their scope of action. While we currently do not have any such organizations, it was prudent to add this language, in case there are any changes in the future.

We will need to re-approve our revised parish by-laws at the **Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 29, 2017**. Please contact me with any questions. — Lynda Sperry

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Prayer Request Cards

In your pew, you will find yellow cards that you can use to make a public or private prayer request. Please place these cards in the offering plate or give them to a member of the clergy. — Rev. Catherine Healy

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Gratitude

Advent Taizé-style Service

Thanks to our volunteers who designed and supported our service on December 4: D.D. Alexander, Liz Dean, Heidi Harper, Benjamin Levi, and Cynthia Scott. Sixty-five of us gathered on Sunday night to chant, pray, and rest in the silence. Special thanks to Kate Clark for the loan of her beautiful nativity triptych.

Advent Lessons & Carols

Many thanks to Wardie Mannix and our church choir for a beautiful service of Advent Lessons and Carols. The service was very well attended, and many parishioners and guests commented on how moving and uplifting they found the experience.

Candlelight Reception

Many thanks to Margaret Zusky and Wendy Haering-Engels for organizing the wonderful candlelight reception following the Advent Lessons & Carols service. Thanks also to the many parishioners who contributed delicious food for the occasion. The candle-lit parish hall looked magically beautiful, and the air was alive with seasonal cheer.

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Calendar

- The **Holy Eucharist** is celebrated on Sundays at 8am, 10am, and 5pm. The **Holy Eucharist** is also celebrated every Wednesday at 7:30am. We offer healing prayer at this service. **Silent Contemplative Prayer** is offered weekdays at 8:45am.
- **Senior Choir** has rehearsal Thursday evenings at 7:30pm, and Sundays at 9am; **Junior Choir** also has rehearsal Sundays at 9am.
- **Parish Office** hours are Monday through Thursday, 9am to 5pm, and Friday, 9am to 12pm.
- **12-Step Programs** Al-Anon, Tuesdays, 7:30pm; Men's AA, Wednesdays, 8pm; Women's AA, Thursdays, 7pm; Emotions Anonymous, Saturdays, 9:30am; Sober Sisters, Saturdays, 10:30am.

Sunday, December 18

5pm Confirmation Prep
6:45pm-8pm High School Youth
Group

Monday, December 19

7:30pm Finance Meeting Harvey Rm

Tuesday, December 20

7:30pm Vestry Meeting

Thursday, December 22

6pm Intergenerational Choir
Rehearsal

Saturday, December 24

3pm The Nativity of Our Lord Service
4pm Intergenerational Choir
Rehearsal
5pm Festival Family Holy Eucharist
10pm Festival Holy Eucharist

Sunday, December 25

Christmas Day
10:30am Holy Eucharist

Monday, December 26

Parish Office closed



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