

Seventh Sunday of Easter May 28, 2017

Prelude Sonata II

James Woodman b.1957

Processional Hymn 460 "Alleluia! sing to Jesus!"

Hyfrydol

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

Gloria S 280 Robert Powell

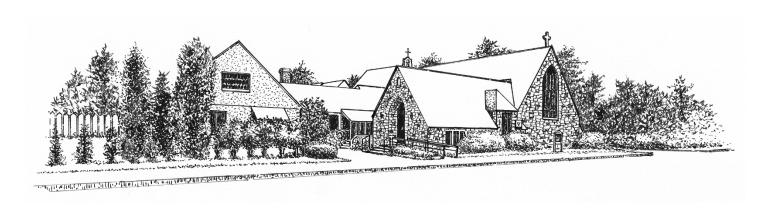
Collect of the Day

Celebrant

Together we pray.

People

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.



First Lesson: Acts 1:6-14

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "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 up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up 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." Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of

Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36

David Hurd

The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.



- 1 Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; * let those who hate him flee be fore him.
- 2 Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it a way; *
 as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.
- 3 But let the righteous be glad and re'joice before God; *
 let them also be merry and joyful.
- 4 Sing to God, sing praises to his Name; exalt him who rides upon the heavens; * YAHWEH is his Name, re joice be fore him!

5 Father of orphans, delfender of widows, * God in his holy habitation! 6 God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom; * but the rebels shall live in dry places. 7 O God, when you went forth be fore your people, * when you marched through the wilderness, 8 The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, * at the presence of God, the God of Israel. 9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your in heritance; * you refreshed the land when it was weary. 10 Your people found their home in it; * in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor. 33 Sing to God, O'kingdoms of the earth; * sing praises to the Lord. 34 He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; * he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice. 35 Ascribe power to God; * his majesty is over Israel; his strength is in the skies. 36 How wonderful is God in his holy places! * the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people!

Second Lesson: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Blessed be God!

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 603 "When Christ was lifted from the earth"

St. Botolph

Gospel: John 17:1-11

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.

they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon Rev. Catherine Healy BCP p. 358 Nicene Creed

Prayers of the People

After each bidding the Reader says, Lord, in your mercy. The People reply, Hear our prayer.

Confession

Peace

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Presentation of Bread and Wine

Offertory Anthem Waiting for the Dawn of Peace

arr. Ron Jeffers (b. 1943)

One wore blue and one wore gray,

As they marched along their way;

The fife and drum began to play,

All on a beautiful mornin'.

One was gentle, one was kind;

One came home, one stayed behind.

One wore blue and one wore gray,

As they marched along their way;

The fife and drum began to play,

All on a beautiful mornin'.

Mournin', mournin'...

Many are the hearts that are weary tonight,

Waitin' for the war to cease,

Many are the hopes, the hopes once high and bright

That sleep with those at peace.

Waitin' tonight, workin' tonight,

Workin' that the war might cease!

O many are the hearts that are working for the right,

Waitin' for the dawn of peace.

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

Old 100th

Eucharistic Prayer A

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Sanctus S 125

Robert Powell

Fraction Anthem S 151

David Hurd

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 "Shiloh" from The Mask of Cain

music by Robert Evett (1922-1975) words by Herman Melville (1819-1891)

Skimming lightly, wheeling still,

The swallows fly low

Over the field in clouded days,

The forest-field of Shiloh —

Over the field where April rain

Solaced the parched ones stretched in pain

Through the pause of night

That followed the Sunday fight

Around the church of Shiloh—

The church so lone, the log-built one,

That echoed to many a parting groan

And natural prayer

Of dying foemen mingled there—

Foemen at morn, but friends at eve-

Fame or country least their care:

(What like a bullet can undeceive!)

But now they lie low,

While over them the swallows skim,

And all is hushed at Shiloh.

Communion Hymn 712 "Dona nobis pacem"

Dona nobis pacem

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 Cortege Opus 1085

Carson Cooman b.1982



Flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Nathaniel Kettendorf.

Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Laura Brown-MacKinnon, Jo Dermer, Wendy Haering, Pam Henrikson, Ann Johnson, Donna Kell, Debbie Lorenz, Linda Reineman, and Beverly Wood

Flower Guild Debbie Lorenz and Linda Gallo

Greeter Jane Andrews

Serving at 8am

Lay Reader/Chalice Bearer Margaret Blackwell
Ushers Charlie Zabriskie

Serving at 10am

Acolytes Lily Curtis, Emily Grape, Caroline Grape, Miles Olivetti, and Ben Clarke Chalice Bearers Al Bornemann, Meg Harris, Jeanne Johnsen, and Margaret Zusky Lay Readers Nora Tracy Phillips and Margaret Zusky Ushers Steve Beach, Harry Condon, Greg Hunter, Scott Jones, Peter Lull, and Jeff Waldron

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Parishes of the Merrimack Valley Deanery
St. Anne's Church, Lowell
St. John's Church, Lowell

Merrimack Valley Project Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society



About the Readings

From Preparing for Sunday http://standrewswellesley.org/worship reading.html

Acts 1:6-14 In today's reading from the book of Acts, Luke emphasizes the reality of the resurrection and the validity of the apostles as witnesses. The apostles are to await the Holy Spirit. The apostles ask if the kingdom is now to be restored, for the promise of the Spirit implies that the last days are imminent. Jesus discourages such speculation and redirects their attention to the plan of God now being unfolded. A new era of sacred history is beginning. The world is to be evangelized from Jerusalem. Verse 8 is virtually a table of contents for Acts: Jerusalem, chapters 1–7, Judea and Samaria, chapters. 8–9, the Roman empire, chapters 10-28. The apostles return to Jerusalem where Luke describes the expectant assembly: the eleven, the women who had attended Jesus, and his family. They devote themselves to prayer, always the context of great events in Luke, here particularly a prayer of expectation of the Spirit.

Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36 This psalm, which might have been stitched together from several ancient songs, recounts several episodes in which God fights on the side of the Israelites to rescue them and give them victory. The stanzas move from the

exodus through the desert to settlement in the promised land and the conquest of Jerusalem, always extolling the God who saves (vv. 7-23). Remembrance invites a community celebration (24-28), an expectation of future deliverance (29-31) and a summons for all nations to recognize the awesome power of God (32-35).

1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11 This latter part of 1 Peter is directed to those undergoing persecution, which is seen as characteristic of the Christian life and a test of faith. It is a sharing in Christ's sufferings in a way that is more than imitation; it is a reason for joy. In the last few verses of this book, Peter sums up his teaching with a list of basic principles for Christian living: humility before God, confidence in God's providence, perseverance, a spirit of community and hope. These qualities of life will enable the believer to move safely through the perils of this life and into the final rest in Christ.

John 17:1-11 Chapter 17 is known as the prayer of consecration or high-priestly prayer of Jesus. He offers himself to the Father and speaks as high priest in offering intercession for others. Jesus' ministry on earth is completed. He has manifested God's nature and character (literally, "God's name") to the disciples, and they have received the knowledge that his works are those of the Father. This prayer is the expression of Jesus' union and communion with the Father, spoken aloud before the disciples so that they may share that union. It is thus revelation as well as intercession. Jesus prays for himself, for

the disciples and for future believers. The "hour" of the final revelation of God's presence in the suffering and crucifixion has come. In the completion of the work of redemption, the Father and the Son reveal one another in mutual glory. Eternal life, the consequence of that redemption, is "to know ... the only true God, and Jesus Christ" (v. 3). This knowledge is not an intellectual comprehension but an immediate experience of an intimacy with God, now fulfilled in personal relationship with Jesus.



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!

9am Adult Christian Learning

Today, May 28, we will have a wrap-up of our past year. Please come to share which classes you enjoyed this year, and which topics you might like to explore next year. Copies of the 2016-2017 offering will be handed out, to help our discussion. Join us in **Room 2**. — Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

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Your Funeral Arrangements

Recently a number of parishioners have contacted the clergy about planning (in advance!) for their funerals, including, for example, what music and readings they would like and whether they wish there to be Communion at the service. St. Andrew's maintains files of such arrangements for individual parishioners. These records can be very helpful to families when they have to arrange the funeral for a loved one. If you would like to set up a file with wishes for your funeral service, please contact one of the clergy and we will be glad to meet with you. — Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole

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B-SAFE 2017: July 5-7 Short Week This Year!

B-SAFE is an excellent opportunity for fun and service at St. Stephen's Church. About 120 children ages five to 15 attend morning classes, have lunch, read, and take field trips. On Fridays, they go on a day-long field trip. St. Andrew's volunteers will prepare lunches and snacks for the week of **July 5-7**. Wednesday and Thursday, we will deliver and serve the meals in their newly renovated kitchen and dining room; on Friday, we will meet the staff and kids at Cochituate State Park in Natick. **This will be a three-day week this year due to the 4th of July holiday*

We need many volunteers of all ages to make our 16th B-SAFE week a success. We need shoppers, cooks, drivers, and, most of all, enthusiastic preparers and servers. You can sign up for one slot, or come all three days—the more the merrier! To participate, please visit the St. Andrew's website and click SERVE, then SIGN-UP. — Karen Pekowitz

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Reading Mavens

The last meeting of the program year will be on Monday, June 5 at 7pm in the Harvey Room. Reading Mavens is reading Hillbilly Elegy, the remarkable testimony of a Silicon Valley success born to a heroin-addicted mother and raised by his grandparents. His critique of the white working (and unemployed) poor remains one of the most commented recent books. Reading Mavens will resume on Monday, September 4 (always the first Monday of the month) at 7pm. We'd love to have you join us. —Charlene Smith charlenesmithwriter@gmail.com

Men's Book Club

Our next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, June 8** at **7:30pm** in the **Harvey room** when we will discuss *Midnight Rising: John Brown and the Raid That Sparked the Civil War* by Tony Horwitz. This is our last meeting before the summer hiatus... feel free to join us. Refreshments are served. — Michael Vanin • mcvanin1@gmail.com.

Bible Circle

Bible Circle will meet on **Tuesday**, **June 13**, at **10:30am** in the **Harvey Room**. We will be reading *The Letter of Paul to Philemon*. Our Wednesday evening Bible Circle will meet on **Wednesday**, **June 14** at **7pm** in **Room 2**. Please bring your Bible. — Margarethe Kulke • mnbkulke@verizon.net

Plug Into St. Andrew's This Summer

Summer is on the horizon, but the needs in our community never take a break. St. Andrew's has a variety of outreach opportunities to suit your family's schedule. Here is a sampling:

- St. Andrew's Recyclers: Ongoing
- B-SAFE 2017 with our partner church,
 St. Stephen's: July 5-7 (children are welcome to help)
- Salvation Army Miracle Kitchen: the fourth Tuesday of every month (June 27, July 25, and August 22). Children ages 10 and up are welcome to help.

The serve tab on our website makes it easy to volunteer. — Debbie Osborn

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Sock Collection Continues

Roseanna Means, M.D. sits humbly on the floor, always lower than her clients, holding their feet. She tenderly washes the feet, clips the nails, and dresses their suppurative diabetic sores. Lastly, she offers her clients a pair of new white socks. Through the generosity of St. Andrew's parishioners, 6,050 pairs of socks have been donated to *Health Care Without Walls* since 2007. Our second annual donation will be in mid-June. Please continue your support of the ministry by:

- Donating new white men's crew socks in the SOX BOX outside the library.
- Sending a check to St. Andrew's for any amount (note in the MEMO: Sox). This will be noted in your church statement.
- -- Donna L. Kell <u>kell9@verizon.net</u>

Nametags

Nametags are a great way to get to know folks and help everyone feel welcome. St. Andrew's membership committee offers lovely reusable magnetic nametags for all members. If you would like a new or replacement name tag, please contact Becky Hamlin • dbhamlin@comcast.net

Hotel and Airline Toiletries

We are collecting toiletries (soap, lotion, shampoo, and conditioner) that we will deliver to Salvation Army Miracle Kitchen monthly. If you travel, please bring your complementary toiletries to St. Andrew's—

there is a box at the back of the church where we are collecting these items. The folks who come to Miracle Kitchen for the meal will very much appreciate being able to leave dinner with a toiletry kit. Thank you.

- Timothy Phillips
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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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Deadlines for Weekly Leaflet and e-Pistle Announcements

Announcements and gratitudes (and anything else) for inclusion in the weekly leaflet or e-Pistle are due on Tuesdays at noon. Please limit your announcement to 50-100 words. — Katharine Clark

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Gratitude

Church Gardens

Many thanks to D.D. Alexander and Terri O'Toole who have worked hard over the months to make our church gardens look so beautiful. Thanks also to Henry MacKinnon and his friend Owen who worked on the gardens with D.D. this weekend as part of their Scout Service Project.

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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. The Sunday 5pm service will go on summer vacation after Father's Day.
- Senior Choir has rehearsal Thursday evenings at 7:30pm, and Sundays at 9am; Junior Choir also has rehearsal Sundays at 9am. Choir rehearsals end for the season after June 4.
- Parish Office hours are Monday through Thursday, 9am to 5pm, and Friday, 9am to 12pm. Office hours for June and July are Monday through Thursday, 9am to 3pm, and Fridays, 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, May 28

Service schedule: See above
9am Adult Christian Learning
9:45am Kids' Place

Monday, May 29

Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, May 30

7:30pm Music Committee

Wednesday, May 31

7pm Adult Formation Meeting 7:30pm Personnel Committee

Thursday, June 1

10:30am Church School Committee

Saturday, June 3

8am Men's Bible Study

Sunday, June 4

Service schedule: See above
9am Coffee hour for 8am Worshipers
9:45am Kids' Place, Church School,
and Rite-13

