

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 17, 2018

Prelude

Processional Hymn 615 "Thy kingdom come! on bended knee"

St. Flavian

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

Gloria S 277

David Hurd

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Together we pray.

People Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

First Lesson: 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13

Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him

from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the

Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 20

- 1 May the Lord answer you in the day of trouble, *
 the Name of the God of Jacob defend you;
- 2 Send you help from his holy place *
 and strengthen you out of Zion;
- 3 Remember all your offerings *
 and accept your burnt sacrifice;
- 4 Grant you your heart's desire *
 and prosper all your plans.
- 5 We will shout for joy at your victory and triumph in the Name of our God; *
 may the Lord grant all your requests.
- 6 Now I know that the Lord gives victory to his anointed; *
 he will answer him out of his holy heaven,
 with the victorious strength of his right hand.

before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

- 7 Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses, *
but we will call upon the Name of the Lord our God.
- 8 They collapse and fall down, *
but we will arise and stand upright.
- 9 O Lord, give victory to the king *
and answer us when we call.

Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 302 “Father, we thank thee who hast planted”

Rendez à Dieu

Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.”

all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but

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.

Confession

Peace

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Presentation of Bread and Wine

Offertory Hymn 336 "Come with us, O blessed Jesus"

Werde munter

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

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Eucharistic Prayer A

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Sanctus S 124

David Hurd

Fraction Anthem S 151

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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.

Thanksgiving after Communion

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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



Flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of the life of
P. Barnard Bergstrom, Peter Carl Bergstrom, Elizabeth Arnold Haynes,
James Rigney, and Philip Rigney.

Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Bonnie Akins, Barbara Bergstrom, Nancy Echlov,
Erica Gelser, Becky Hamlin, Linda McCammond, Debbie Monti,
Ellen Staelin, Laura Stettner, and Jill Whiting
Flower Guild Frances Antonelli
Greeters Betsy & David Powell

Serving at 8am

Lay Reader/Chalice Bearer Margaret Blackwell
Ushers Mark Benjamin and Ken Graves

Serving at 10am

Chalice Bearers Joanna Horobin, Jeanne Johnsen, Anne Prensner, and Paul Shackford
Lay Readers Anne Prensner, Paul Merry, and Joanna Horobin
Ushers David Boghosian, Adams Carroll, Alan Joachim
David Osborn, Ryan Osborn, Terri Rawson, and Larry Scott

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Parishes of the Mt. Hope-Buzzards Bay Deanery
St. Aidan's Chapel, Dartmouth
St. Peter's Church, Dartmouth
Church of the Good Shepherd, Fairhaven
Congregations: Organists, Choirs and other Church Musicians



About the Readings

From *Preparing for Sunday* http://standrewswellesley.org/worship_reading.html

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13 The books of 1 and 2 Samuel, originally one book, tell of the transition in Israel's leadership from judges to a monarch. They are court histories probably written during Solomon's reign. First Samuel focuses on the man who ushered Israel through the political transition from judges to kings. Samuel united in himself many of the roles of the tribal confederacy period of Israel's history. He was a Nazirite dedicated to the Lord, a judge, a prophet, a priest and the reluctant leader of the movement to place a king over Israel. Prior to today's reading, God had already rejected Saul as king because of his disobedience and had indicated that another had been chosen. In grief and fear, Samuel refuses to see Saul again. Unlike Saul, Samuel waits for God's instructions and follows them precisely. These instructions seem to run contrary even to what Samuel might have expected. God teaches him that human wisdom does not penetrate the depths that God's wisdom does. Public acknowledgment of David's anointing would come only after years of trouble and persecution. The story, however, indicates that, despite all the scheming of David's rise to power, God

had raised him up and made his victories possible. David, unlike his predecessor, Saul, had found the secret of life: doing God's will.

Psalms 20 This psalm is a prayer for the king in a time of war before a battle. The people ask for God's help (vv. 2-6) and are confident that this help will be given (vv. 7-10). Scholars surmise that when used in a liturgy there might have been some indication of God's assurance that was given between the two sections.

2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17 At first Christians believed that the Lord's second coming was imminent (1 Thessalonians 5:1-11). With the passage of time, questions were raised about the fate of those Christians who had already died (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18). In a metaphor mixed between images of inhabiting a dwelling and putting on a garment, Paul develops further thoughts about the resurrected body from the teachings of 1 Corinthians 15:35-54. Paul suggests that the believer is not "unclothed, but...further clothed" in the spiritual body. Though they are now not yet "with the Lord" in the full sense, they are still always in

Christ even when “away from the Lord.” They “walk by faith, not by sight,” that is, not yet on the basis of an objectively verifiable Lord. Paul then turns the Corinthians’ attention to the conduct of their earthly life, urging them to make it their aim to please the Lord in the knowledge that their reward at the final judgment depends not upon faith alone, but also upon their deeds. Paul sees no inconsistency between justification by faith and judgment on the basis of deeds for justification calls for obedience and right behavior.

Mark 4:26-34 Although Mark puts great stress upon Jesus’ teachings (1:22), he gives relatively little space to its content. But in chapter 4 he gathers some parables as examples. The two parables of the kingdom in today’s reading both concern God’s presence in our world. Both emphasize the process of growth and the contrast between beginning and end. The interpretation of the parable of the seed growing

secretly (found only in Mark) may center upon different elements within the parable. One is the contrast between the invisible germination of the seed with the great final harvest. The long and hidden preparation of God’s work is now visible in Jesus and will lead to the harvest of the final judgment. The parable of the mustard seed contrasts the smallness of the seed, proverbially although not literally the smallest of all, with its ability, when grown, to provide shelter. The image of “the greatest of all shrubs” is drawn from the symbol of the world-tree of life (see today’s first reading). Jesus’ initial ministry will lead to the inclusion of all nations. The contrast between small and secret beginnings and unexpected and triumphant endings in both parables also applies both to Jesus’ own earthly career and to the growth of the Church. Finally, the point is made that only faith in Christ makes possible genuine insight into the nature of the kingdom.



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!

Interested in Being Confirmed?

Bishop Gates will join us in October to confirm and receive teens and adults. Do you feel called to claim confirmation, renew your confirmation, or be received into our Episcopal Church? We will have four classes to prepare for this important milestone. Please contact Rev. Margaret Schwarzer.

- margaret@standrewswellesley.org

Honoring St. Andrew's Veterans

The fall issue of The Call will include an "honor roll" list of St. Andrew's members (living and deceased) who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces. If you would like yourself or a family member listed, please email Cat with the veteran's name, branch, and (if applicable) foreign wars in which the veteran served. — Rev. Catherine Healy

- catherine@standrewswellesley.org

From the Treasurer's Office

As you plan for your summer, please keep your pledge payments current over the next three months. Our expenses continue in the summer, and we rely on pledge income to pay our bills promptly. Thanks and best wishes for a refreshing summer! — Ruth Hubert

- ruth@standrewswellesley.org

B-SAFE July 2018

We need lots of volunteers to shop, prepare meals, serve at St. Stephen's, read with the kids, and accompany an awesome outdoor field trip to nearby Lake Cochituate. The Bishop's Summer Academic and Fun Enrichment program (B-SAFE) is where 150 kids and teen counselors get a safe and nurturing summer program. This year St. Andrew's week to support B-SAFE is **Monday, July 9 through Friday, July 13**: won't you join the fun and support this outreach ministry? Visit the St. Andrew's website and click SERVE, then SIGN-UP. — Karen Pekowitz

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Parent Survey

All parents of children in infancy through high school are encouraged to take a brief survey on St. Andrew's ministries with children and youth. We want to hear your opinion and implement your advice! To take the survey, check your email or contact Rev. Catherine Healy.

- catherine@standrewswellesley.org

Book Circle

Book Circle is the second Monday of every month. The next date is **Monday, July 9 at 7pm**. We will be reading *Educated* by Tara Westover: an account of the struggle for self-invention, fierce family loyalty, and of the grief that comes with severing the closest of ties. With the acute insight that distinguishes all great writers, Westover has crafted a universal coming-of-age story that gets to the heart of what an education is and what it offers: the perspective to see one's life through new eyes, and the will to change it. I hope to see you all in the **Harvey Room!** — Betsy Millane • betsymillane@gmail.com

Sox Box

Through the generosity of St. Andrew's parishioners, 7,951 pairs of socks have been donated to Health Care Without Walls since 2007. Our first annual donation this year will be mid-June. I, once again, humbly appeal to your generosity and request socks—new, white men's cotton crew socks, size L or XL.

Many of the homeless are on their feet constantly and most have old shoes which

harbor infection. Since changing shoes is not an option for them, changing socks is one of the few ways to help protect their feet. Summer is just around the corner and as we begin to think of sandals and sand, please consider making a difference by participating in this ministry. You may do this by 1. Placing socks in the SOX BOX located outside the library or 2. Sending a check for any amount (with “sox” in the memo), which will be included in your church statement. I'll purchase the socks. Thank you for your continuing generosity. — Donna Kell

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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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Weekly 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 8:50am.
The Sunday 5pm service will go on summer vacation after Father's Day.
- **Parish Office** hours for June and July are Monday through Thursday, 9am to 3pm, 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, June 17

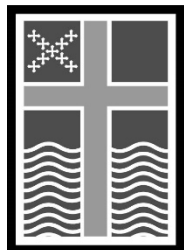
See service schedule above

Sunday, June 24

See service schedule above

Thursday, June 21

11am Holy Eucharist at North Hill



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