



ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

History from our Archives

To celebrate the final episode of Downton Abbey, the 8am congregants were treated to scones and cream, trifle and other English delights at the breakfast following the 8am service on the first Sunday in March. 2016

On Rogation Sunday the congregation is invited to follow the choir out to the church garden during the singing of the recessional hymn. Madrigals sung from the church steps by the junior and senior choirs. 2016

Need a helping hand? Need a light bulb changed? Got a loose step that needs to be nailed down? As part of our service day on Saturday, October 22, we hope to send parishioner teams to help our own with small, odd jobs. Teams should be able to complete jobs in one hour and should not require any special skills. 2016

A video of *Rodney, the Church Mouse* is posted on the St. Andrew's website. This operetta featuring the junior choir was performed for the congregation on St. Andrew's Day last November. The operetta, directed by Amanda Kern, was written and

composed by Liz Dean. Take a look at this charming, wonderful production. 2017

Picture yourself on a warm sandy beach,
Don Ho serenading you by a palm tree, as
you sip your blue Hawaiian cocktail. You're
about to doze off, but the waiter signals it's
time for dinner. As you make your way
(maybe dance your way) to the buffet table,
you laugh with friends in line, admire the
tropical decorations, and feast your eyes
upon a delicious selection of entrées. Now
imagine you can have all this and more
without the cost of a plane ticket! All this can
be yours (well, maybe not the sandy beach)
at our Luau, hosted by the fellowship committee, on Saturday, October 21, 2017

A special thanks to the many volunteers who helped make the day of service such a great success. The indoor team did a superb job cleaning and dusting the Sanctuary and the Harvey Room. The outdoor teams planted new plants and did tremendous work pruning trees and tidying flowerbeds. A team of volunteers undertook a "deep cleaning" of the Wellesley Food Pantry. Volunteers also helped with the Luau party.

Thanks so much to the fantastic fellowship committee and to all those who helped to make the Luau a very successful event! The Hawaiain shirts, the palm tree decorations, the Tiki bar, the grass skirts, the colorful leis and the Hawaii Beer transformed the parish hall into a Hawaiian paradise! It was truly a night to remember.

Twenty-four of us gathered to mark the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation on November 5. At a luncheon in the Harvey Room we ate German sausage and drank German beer, and then headed off to Wellesley College's Davis Museum. Dr. Meredith Fluke, the exhibit's curator, gave us a guided tour of *Protest in Print*. A special thanks to Christine Beach, Peter Fergusson, Penn Young, and Margaret Zusky. Your contributions created a memorable celebration of a world-changing theological shift.

We are looking for people and families, big and small, all ages, all music levels, to be part of the 5pm Christmas Eve Intergenerational Choir. This choir is an opportunity to make your Christmas Eve at St. Andrew's even more special by singing in the choir with your family and friends! 2017

Afternoon Tea. The fellowship committee invites you to celebrate the spring with delicious tea and treats in the parish hall on Thursday, May 10, from 2pm to 4pm. All members of the parish are welcome! 2018

Rabbi Rachel Saphire and members of Temple Beth Elohim will be joining us for our

Evensong. Please help them to feel welcome as they join us to experience a uniquely Anglican service of prayer and music. 2019

A huge thank you to the St. Andrew's team who walked and raised funds to support our outreach partner Family Promise Metrowest. We raised \$2,092.81 to support FPM!

There is still time to participate in the 125th Anniversary Capital Campaign, *Grateful for Our Past, Giving for Our Future*, which will conclude Sunday, May 12, and we need your help to achieve our participation goal! As a reminder, we are trying to raise \$2,000,000 for three important purposes: property refurbishment, endowment growth, and the support of three outreach partners (Family Promise Metrowest, St. Stephen's, and El Hogar).

On our annual day of service, we had a great opportunity to help our neighbors who are experiencing food insecurity. It was also a lot of fun: we had more than 90 volunteers, aged 6 to 86, who created 12,500 meals in one exciting hour on Saturday morning. The meals were donated to the United Way of Tri-County for the Pearl Street Cupboard & Café. 2019

Join us for a gala at Wellesley Country Club on Saturday, November 2, from 6:30pm to 10:30pm. We'll begin the night with dinner and drinks then dance the night away. We look forward to kicking off 125 more years of worship, fellowship, and community with you!

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost November 17, 2019

Prelude Wenn wir in höchsten Nöten sein

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Processional Hymn 9 "Not here for high and holy things"

Morning Song

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

Benedictus es, Domine S 236 (front section of hymnal)

John Rutter

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you.

Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.

Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.

Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Together we pray.

People Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:

Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns

with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Lesson: Isaiah 65:17-25

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will

rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one

who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD—and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Canticle 9

William Crotch

The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.



1 Surely, it is God who saves me; *

I will trust in him and not be a fraid.

- 2 For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior.
- 3 Therefore you shall draw water with re joicing *
 - from the springs of sal vation.
- 4 And on that day you shall say, *

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

- Make his deeds known a mong the peoples; *
 see that they re member that his Name is exalted.
- Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, * and this is known in all the world.
- 7 Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, 'ring out your joy, *
 for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

 (Gloria Patri may be omitted)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Spirit: *

As it was in the beiginning, is now, * and will be for ever. A men.

Second Lesson: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you.

This was not because we do not have that

right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 632 "O Christ, the Word Incarnate"

Munich

Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not

follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or

contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of

my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

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 of Sin BCP p. 360

Peace

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Presentation of Bread and Wine

Offertory Anthem My Lord, what a morning

spiritual arr. William L. Dawson (1899-1990)

Refrain
My Lord, what a morning!
My Lord, what a morning!
O my Lord, what a morning!
When the stars begin to fall.

You will hear the trumpet sound, To wake the nations underground, Looking to my God's right hand, When the stars begin to fall.

Doxology Hymn 380 v. 3 "Praise God from whom all blessings flow" Old 100th

BCP p. 361

Sanctus S 127 (front section of hymnal)

Calvin Hampton

Fraction S 151 (front section of hymnal)

David Hurd

Breaking of the Bread

Eucharistic Prayer A

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. Healing prayer is offered, if you desire, at the transept rail after you take communion.

Communion Anthem How can I keep from singing

Robert Lowry (1826-1899)

My life flows on in endless song; Thro' all the tumult and the strife

Above earth's lamentation, I hear the music ringing;
I hear the sweet, tho' far-off hymn It finds an echo in my soul,

That hails a new creation. How can I keep from singing? **Chorus**

Chorus What thou the tempest loudly roars.

No storm can shake my inmost calm

I hear the truth, it liveth.

While to that rock I'm clinging; What though the darkness round me close,

Since love is lord of heaven and earth, Songs in the night it giveth. Chorus

How can I keep from singing?

Communion Hymn 672 "O very God of very God" Bangor

Thanksgiving after Communion BCP p. 365

Recessional Hymn 607 "O God of every nation" Llangloffan

Dismissal

Clergy Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude Alle Menschen müssen sterben J.S. Bach



Healing Prayers

The offering of healing prayers is a widespread and ancient tradition within the Episcopal Church, and one that has long been part of the Wednesday morning Eucharist at St. Andrew's. We are eager to extend the reach of these prayers by making them available at our 8am, 10am, and 5pm Sunday services.

The way healing prayers will be offered is as follows. During the time people are receiving communion at the front altar rail, one of the clergy will be on duty at the transept altar to offer healing prayers for anyone who wishes to be prayed with. If you want to have healing prayers, go to the communion rail at the transept altar after you have received communion at the front rail. You are welcome to kneel or stand at the rail.

The clergy person will ask you quietly and discreetly what you wish to pray for. To be clear, requests for healing prayers are not just for health issues. In fact, they are usually for non-physical challenges that an individual may be facing: family, work, relationship difficulties, etc. You can request a prayer for yourself or for someone else. For example, someone might say, "please pray for my husband facing a difficult time at work," or "please pray for my mother facing an operation," or "please pray for my son having a tough time at college." In response, the clergy will quietly and discreetly offer a healing prayer for the situation. One point I do wish to make is that the introduction of healing prayers will not add any time to the length of the service. Once everyone has received communion the service will continue as normal even if there are still people receiving healing prayer at the Transept Chapel.

Again, healing prayer is an ancient Episcopal tradition, and by making it more widely available at St. Andrew's we will be joining Christians down through the ages who have prayed in this way for God's healing presence to be with them. If you have any questions about healing prayer please do not hesitate to speak with me or one of the other clergy.

Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole



Please join us for fellowship after the 10am service hosted by Pat & Dick MacKinnon.

Flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of the life of Rhodes G. Lockwood.

Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Bonnie Akins, Barbara Bergstrom, Zebby Dubé, Nancy Echlov, Erica Gelser, Becky Hamlin, Laura Brown MacKinnon, Linda McCammond, Debbie Monti, Ellen Staelin, and Jill Whiting

Flower Guild D.D. Alexander and Lynda Sperry

Serving at 8am

Lay Reader/Chalice Bearer Nancy Echlov Ushers Mark Benjamin and Ken Graves

Serving at 10am

Acolytes Crucifer, Kelly Rawson; Torch, Christiaan Eikeboom; Torch, Clara Eikeboom; and Banner, Laura Hoffman

Chalice Bearers Joanna Horobin, Jeanne Johnsen, Keileigh McReynolds, and Anne Prensner

Lay Readers Joanna Horobin, Lisa Howe, and Karen Pekowitz

Ushers David Boghosian, Adams Carroll, Alan Joachim,

David Osborn, Ryan Osborn, and Terri Rawson

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Parishes of the Taunton River Deanery
St. Mark's Church, Foxborough
St. John's Church, Franklin
Church of Our Saviour, Middleborough
Grace Church, North Attleborough
Deputies to Provincial Synod



About The Readings

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

Isaiah 65:17-25 In chapter 65, God responds to the psalm of intercession in 63:7-64:12. Today's reading, the last three stanzas of God's reply, builds on the historical act of redemption proclaimed in 40:1-11 and expands it into a promise of a new creation. The Old Testament descriptions of the age to come reveal the new world as a restoration of God's original purpose in creation. The reference to life expectancy (v. 20) designates more than a promise of longevity. The elimination of sorrow, impossible when death remains, and the earlier promise that God "will swallow up death forever" (25:7) seem to suggest a return to the Eden-like conditions before the fall. Then the tree of life was accessible and granted immortality. Adam's experience of futility in labor, also a result of the fall, will vanish.

Canticle 9: Isaiah 12:2-6 Isaiah expresses his deep confidence that God's anger will be transformed into comfort. This change invites Isaiah to draw near to God in thanksgiving and joy.

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 The problem of idleness in the Thessalonian church had

been noted also in 1 Thessalonians 5:14. It may have been a reaction to the expectation of an imminent end to human affairs, or a consequence of the belief that "the day of the Lord is already here" (2:2). But such idleness was a misunderstanding of mutual support in a community largely composed of the poor. Paul reminds them both of the tradition he taught them (perhaps the statement in v. 10) and of his own example. The idle, whom Paul describes in a wordplay as busybodies instead of busy, are exhorted to earn their own living, while the community is encouraged to persevere in well-doing.

Luke 21:5-19 To a question about his prediction of the temple's destruction, Jesus responds with a series of sayings. He identifies signs (21:8-11) that will soon be fulfilled. The disciples will be imprisoned. They are not to prepare a "defense in advance" (v. 14, literally, practice gestures, as a professional Greek speaker would), for the Lord will guide them. Despite betrayal by family and friends, they will win eternal life through endurance.



Notices & Announcements

Pledging for 2020

Thank you to all who have sent in pledges for the 2020 Stewardship Campaign. The results are very encouraging, but we still have a way to go. If you have not pledged, please do so as soon as possible so we can finalize our budget. You can send in a pledge form by mail, put one in the plate, or pledge on the GIVE tab of our website. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to me, a member of the stewardship campaign, the wardens, or the rector. — Allen Jones

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No 8am Service Next Sunday

On **Sunday, November 24**, please come to our 125th Anniversary service at **10am**.

- Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole
- adrian@standrewswellesley.org

125th Anniversary St. Andrew's Day!

Please join us at the 10am service, Sunday, November 24, to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of the first service in our church. We encourage everyone to WEAR RED or PLAID, as is our custom on St. Andrew's Day. There will be special music, including our traditional bagpiper and a brass quartet. Our preacher will be Bishop Laura Ahrens, bishop suffragan of Connecticut, who grew up at St. Andrew's and was sponsored for ordination by the parish. After the service there will be a special coffee hour and we

encourage you to bring SHORTBREAD for the reception, which is another St. Andrew's tradition. — Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole

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Calling All Acolytes!

Acolytes should plan to attend the **10am** service on **Sunday**, **November 24** for a special St. Andrew's Day blessing and presentation. Only the current team for that Sunday will need to vest. — Rev. Mia Kano

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Children & St. Andrew's Day

Kids are invited to experience the whole St. Andrew's Day 125th celebration service on **Sunday, November 24**. They will also have a gift to share with us during the service! There is no church school or Rite-13 but there will be Kids' Place offered.

- Rev. Mia Kano
- mia@standrewswellesley.org

Cooking Night @ Youth Group!

Youth Group is taking over the kitchen **to-night, Sunday, November 17,** at **6:45pm** to experiment and get some tasty go-to recipes under our belts. Come ready to chop, stir, and eat, eat, eat! — Rev. Mia Kano

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9am Christian Learning

Join us today, Sunday, November 17, at 9am in Room 2, Peter Fergusson will help us see how monastic communities understand "less is more." He will lead a class on *Monastic Essentialism: the Role of Water in the 1150s*. On St. Andrew's Day, November 24, come for *St. Andrew: Gaining Insight into our Patron Saint*. We will consider our patron saint's story and engage one of his icons.

- Rev. Margaret Schwarzer
- margaret@standrewswellesley.org

Advent Lessons & Carols

All are invited to our annual Advent Lessons & Carols Service **Sunday**, **December 8**, **at 5pm**: a candlelight reception will follow.

- Wardie Mannix
- wardie@standrewswellesley.org

St. Stephen's Holiday Dinners

In today's bulletin you will find an envelope labeled "Holiday Dinners." This collection helps us provide 60+ bags of Thanksgiving meal fixings and Christmas gift boxes for seniors, among other things, for those at St. Stephen's Church in Boston. Make checks payable to St. Andrew's, with "Holiday Dinners" in the memo. — Heidi Harper

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Christmas Pageant Signups

All children and youth are invited to join the 2019 St. Andrew's Christmas pageant! Note that because the first Sunday of Advent falls on the Sunday after



Thanksgiving this year, speaking role auditions and assignments will be held early, on **Sunday, November 17, from 11:15am 12:15pm** in the **sanctuary**.

Important dates are as follows:

- Sunday, November 17, 11:15am:
 Auditions for speaking roles only
- Sunday, December 8, 11:15am: Rehearsal for speaking roles
- Saturday, December 14, 9:45am to
 12pm: Rehearsal for all participants
- Sunday, December 15, 9am: Participants gather for 10am pageant!
- -Amanda Kern
- amanda@standrewswellesley.org

Book Circle

We've selected *Kitchen Confidential* by Anthony Bourdain for our next Book Circle title. It's honest, fast paced, raunchy, and gives you an insider view to the workings of restaurants, a fascinating read by a true chef. **Tuesday, November 19,** at **7pm** in the **Harvey Room.** For the **Tuesday, December 17** meeting, our selected book is *The Book of Unknown Americans* by Cristina Henriquez.

- Betsy Millane • betsymillane@gmail.com

Lock-in @ Youth Group!

Youth Group lock-in is scheduled for **Friday**, **November 22**! We need men and women chaperones to pull it off. Sign up to participate or help out: contact me.

- Rev. Mia Kano
- mia@standrewswellesley.org

Advent Calendar Making

Children and adults are invited to make felt Advent calendars on **Sunday**, **November 24**, at **11:30am** in **Room 2**. All materials will be provided by the church school committee.

- Rev. Mia Kano
- mia@standrewswellesley.org

Pearl Street Cupboard & Café

Please volunteer to serve a meal at the Pearl Street Cupboard & Café sponsored by the United Way and the Salvation Army on the fourth Tuesday of each month. The next opportunity is Tuesday, November 26 at 5pm. This will be our last opportunity to serve in 2019. Please sign up on our website by clicking on SERVE and then VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP. If you would like to be added to the email list to receive the monthly SignUp Genius request, please contact Tim Phillips.

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St. Stephen's After-school Program

Please join us in the St. Andrew's kitchen on **Sunday, December 1,** right after the **10 am service**, when we prepare a hot meal to be served at B-READY, the St. Stephen's afterschool program. It's an easy recipe, and we are usually done by 1pm. Please email me if you can help. — Cam McCormick

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Gathering of the Greens

Join us in gathering greens, rain or shine, on **Saturday, November 30**, at **9:30am** at the home of Luisa Hunnewell, **845 Washington St**. Bags will be provided; bring your own gloves and clippers. Afterward, join us in the

parish hall for hot chocolate. — Rev. Mia Kano • <u>mia@standrewswellesley.org</u>

Advent Wreath Making

Join us **Sunday**, **December 1**, **after the 10am service** in the **parish hall** to help us transform our greens into beautiful Advent wreaths. Wreath frames and candles will be available for purchase, or feel free to bring your own! — Rev. Mia Kano

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Advent Taizé-style Service

Please join us on **Sunday, December 1,** at **5:45pm** in the sanctuary for silence, chanted prayer, and flickering candles. This service is shaped by the worship of the monastic Christian community in Taizé, France (www.taize.fr/en). This year, we offer this service *instead of* our regular 5pm service. All are welcome. — Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

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Christmas Memorial Flowers

Please contribute to our Christmas worship by offering flowers in memory of loved ones, or in thanksgiving for living people you love. Each year we start the list anew: please submit/resubmit names by **Sunday**, **December 1**, with your contribution made payable to St. Andrew's Church ("Christmas Flowers" in the memo line). The amount is at your discretion. Please use the form you received: extra forms are in the narthex. Leave the request in the "Flower Memorial" box in the mail room, or pass forward in the plate. Thank you. — Margarethe Kulke

• mnbkulke@verizon.net

Family Promise Metrowest

Four times a year, St. Andrew's volunteers of all ages help to feed and host homeless families as they spend evenings and overnights at Village Church for a week. Our next hosting week is **December 1 through** the 8. Volunteers who have completed the orientation may sign up on St. Andrew's website: click on SERVE and SIGN-UP. If you are interested in learning more about Family Promise Metrowest, please contact Heidi Harper • heidiharper73@gmail.com or Debbie Osborn • debbieosborn@verizon.net

Family Cookies & Carols and Little Angels' Gift Shop

One of St. Andrew's best-loved family traditions is the Little Angels' Gift Shop and Family Cookies & Carols night on **Friday**, **December 6.** There's something for all ages!

While the children (pre-K through grade 5) shop and kids in grades 6 to 12 wrap gifts from 6 to 7pm, adults are welcome to some child-free, stress-free Christmas cheer and cookie decorating. Everyone joins in Christmas carols and cookies at 7pm in the parish hall by a roaring fire. — Rev. Mia Kano

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Alternative Gift Fair

St. Andrew's will hold the Alternative Gift Fair **Sunday**, **December 8**, after the **10am service**. The fair benefits our outreach partners and supports many ministries: a gift that keeps on giving. — Ann Johnson

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Apply Now: Faith in Action for High School Students

Individual youth entering grades 9-12 are invited to join Faith in Action, a year-long program of service, mission, and discipleship offered by Episcopal City Mission and the Diocese of Massachusetts. Participants will complete service projects around the diocese and make a pilgrimage to the U.S./Mexico border in August 2020. **Applications are due Friday, December 13.** To learn more, visit diomassyouth.org and look for *Las Fronteras Pilgrimage*. — Rev. H. Mark Smith

• hmsmith@diomass.org

5pm Christmas Eve Intergenerational Choir Signup

We are looking for people and families, big and small, all ages, all music levels, to be part of the 5pm Christmas Eve Intergenerational Choir. This choir is an opportunity to make your Christmas Eve at St. Andrew's even more special by singing in the choir with your family and friends! Please sign up with Amanda or Wardie. Important dates to remember:

- Sunday, December 22, 11:30am to
 1:30pm: Choir rehearsal in the sanctuary.
 Pizza after rehearsal!
- Tuesday, December 24, 4pm: Meet in the choir room for warm-ups and a final rehearsal. Sing at the 5pm service.
- Amanda Kern
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Blue Christmas Service

Sometimes Advent and Christmas are full of joy and satisfaction; in other years, we find ourselves in the midst of loss, illness, or disappointment. If you, or someone you care about, has had a hard year, and you are longing to make room for the Spirit of God in a time of struggle or loss, please join us on **Wednesday**, **December 18**, from **6:30pm** to **7:15pm** in the **children's chapel**. We will rest in the promise of Christ, remembering that even in times of sorrow, God's love and grace can find us and support us. All are welcome. — Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

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Collecting Coats for Kids and Adults

As the cold weather sets in, there are thousands of people in our area who are without a warm winter coat. Gently used warm coats of all sizes—infant through adult XXL—are accepted. Donated coats will be cleaned free of charge by Anton's Cleaners and then distributed through the Coats for Kids Distribution Partners network. This collection will continue through December 31. Please check your closets and drop your unwanted coats in the collection box in the office corridor. — Joanna Horobin

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Mitten Tree

The St. Andrew's mitten tree is in the parish hall. This is a long-standing outreach ministry. Please bring new hats, gloves, and mittens for those in need this winter. — Heidi Harper • heidiharper73@gmail.com

First Aid Kits

We have first aid kits in all the church school classrooms and both kitchens. We also have a large first aid kit in the acolytes changing room. If you are in need of emergency medicine, you should of course call 911, but feel free to use the first aid kits for minor cuts and scrapes as needed.

- Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole
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Sunday Parking on Denton Road

We received a letter from one of our Denton Road neighbors complaining that a parishioner had parked partially blocking their driveway two Sundays ago. We have also had a number of calls about this since the beginning of the year. Please be very careful that you do not obstruct the driveways of our neighbors. We wish to maintain good relations with our neighbors and to extend to them the courtesy we would expect from others parking in our own roads. Thanks for your help with this!

- Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole
- adrian@standrewswellesley.org

Nametags

Get to know folks and help everyone feel welcome by wearing a nametag. The membership committee offers reusable magnetic nametags for all members. If you would like a new or replacement nametag, contact Becky Hamlin • dbhamlin@comcast.net

Sox Box

Winter is fast upon us, as is the December sock delivery to Roseanna Means, M.D. of Health Care Without Walls. The need for socks is crucial, as our homeless brothers and sisters do not have the option of changing shoes or boots. Since 2007, St. Andrew's has generously donated 9,457 pairs of socks. Can we top the 10,000 mark by donating 543 more pairs by mid-December? Please be a part of this vital ministry. It is one small way for each of us to make a huge difference in the lives of those less fortunate than we. You can contribute in two ways:

- Buy socks & place them in the Sox Box outside the parish library.
- Send a check to St. Andrew's with "Sox Box" in the memo line.

This donation will show in your church statement and socks will be purchased.

— Donna Kell • <u>donnalb.kell@gmail.com</u>

Parish Photo Release

We recognize that safety and privacy are of primary concern to members of our congregation. After researching best practices and reaching out to our national church, the communications committee developed a policy not to identify anyone by name in website photos in the fall of 2013. We also agree to publish the following release language in registration forms, The CALL, service leaflets, annual reports, and any future publications. This language is as follows:

Occasionally, we may take photographs or videos of St. Andrew's-related activities. By appearing at and/or participating in any

such activities, you are aware that you may appear in such pictures and agree to let us use such images in related communications (including print and web usage), and you agree to release St. Andrew's from any liability, damages, or claims whatsoever that might arise from such use. This notice also applies to any members of your family appearing and/or participating in such church activities. Our policy is that we will not identify anyone by name on website photos.

For any questions or more information about photos and usage please contact the vestryperson for communications — Terri Rawson • terrinrawson@gmail.com



Gratitude

St. Stephen's After-school Program

Many thanks to the volunteers who prepared and delivered a delicious hot meal for the St. Stephen's after-school program on November 3: Bonnie Akins, Margarethe Kulke, Cam McCormick, Llynda McFarlane, Bonny Nothern, Mary Scanlon, Becky & Steve Taylor. We prepare this meal on the first Sunday of every month and we welcome new volunteers aged 5 and up!

Rite-13 Bakers

Thank you to all the Rite-13 bakers who created beautiful pies for the Wellesley Food Pantry on Sunday, November 10! Special gratitude to our parent helpers and the pie deliverers.

Vestry

Adult Formation Peter Fergusson

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Outreach Heidi Harper

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Worship Cynthia Scott

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Staff

• 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 celebrated on Sundays at 8am, 10am and 5pm, and every Wednesday at 7:30am—we offer healing prayer at these services; Silent Contemplative Prayer is also offered weekdays at 8:50am, unless otherwise noted.
- Senior Choir rehearsal is on Thursdays at 7:30pm, and Sundays at 9am; Junior Choir rehearsal is on 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; Step Sisters, Saturdays, 10:30am.

Sunday, November 17

9am Christian Learning
9:45am Kids' Place, Church School,
& Rite-13
5pm Informal Service
5pm Confirmation Class
6:45am High School Youth Group

Monday, November 18

7:30pm Finance Meeting 7:30pm Worship Meeting

Tuesday, November 19

7pm Book Circle7:30pm Vestry Meeting

Wednesday, November 20

5pm Communications Meeting

Thursday, November 21

11am Holy Eucharist at North Hill

Friday, November 22

6pm Youth Group Lock-in

Sunday, November 24

St. Andrew's Day observed

NO 8am Service

9am Christian Learning 9:45am Kids' Place only, NO Church School, & Rite-13 11:30am Family Advent Calendar Project

11:30am Meal Bagging for St. Stephen's

