



ST. ANDREW'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
August 7, 2022

Masks are optional at St. Andrew's. We are livestreaming the 10am service.

Prelude

Processional Hymn 68 "Rejoice! rejoice, believers"

Llangloffan

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 his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

BCP p. 355

S 278 Gloria in excelsis (front section of hymnal)

William Mathias

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Together we pray.

People Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

First Lesson: Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me.

New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation—I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me,

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow.

Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

The psalm is said responsively by verse.

- 1 The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken; *
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, *
God reveals himself in glory.
- 3 Our God will come and will not keep silence; *
before him there is a consuming flame, and round about him a raging storm.
- 4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above *
to witness the judgment of his people.
- 5 "Gather before me my loyal followers, *
those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice."
- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; *
for God himself is judge.
- 7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak: "O Israel, I will bear witness against you; *
for I am God, your God.
- 8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; *
your offerings are always before me.
- 23 Consider this well, you who forget God, *
lest I rend you and there be none to deliver you.
- 24 Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving honors me; *
but to those who keep in my way will I show the salvation of God."

Second Lesson: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were

heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking

of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 533 “How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise!” *Lyons*

Gospel: Luke 12:32-40

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, “Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

“Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks.

“But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Sarah 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 Hymn 325 "Let us break bread together"

Let Us Break Bread

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

Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP p. 361

S125 Sanctus (front section of hymnal)

Richard Proulx

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

All are welcome to receive communion. Ushers will direct the congregation.

Thanksgiving after Communion

BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 637 "How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord"

Lyons

Dismissal

Clergy Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude

We welcome and thank guest organist Diane Meredith Belcher.

Please join us for coffee hour.



Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild the Altar Guild

Flowers the Flower Guild

Serving at 8am

Lay Eucharistic Minister Cam McCormick

Serving at 10am

Broadcast Tech Volunteer Rob Brandt

Lay Eucharistic Minister Joanna Horobin

Lay Reader Elspeth Grant Pruett

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Parishes of the Neponset River Deanery

Trinity Church, Canton

Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham

St. Paul's Church, Dedham

Parish of All Saints, Dorchester



Notices & Announcements

Deadline for materials is noon on Tuesdays for both the bulletin and the e-Pistle.

Margaret Abrahamson Memorial Service

The memorial service for longtime parishioner, Margaret Abrahamson, who died during the pandemic, will take place at St.

Andrew's at **10am on Saturday, August 13.**

All are welcome to the service to pay our final respects to Margaret and to pray for the continued repose of her soul.

Margaret Schwarzer's return

Margaret has been away for a very well-deserved sabbatical for the last two months.

She will be returning to St. Andrew's on

Monday, August 15. It will be lovely to welcome her back!

Guest Preacher, Bishop of Argyll & The Isles

On **Sunday, August 21**, we will be welcoming to St. Andrew's the Rt. Rev. Dr. Keith Riglin, the Bishop of Argyll & The Isles from the Scottish Episcopal Church. Many of you will remember Bishop Keith's "guest appearance" at St. Andrew's last year at our celebration of St. Andrew's Day. We all really appreciated his energetic and engaging presence, and it will be very good to welcome him back.

New Transept Icon Prayer Station

Many of you are familiar with the spiritual practice of lighting candles in personal prayer before icons. There is a long tradition of this practice in the Episcopal, Roman Catholic, and Orthodox tradition and we are introducing this practice to St Andrew's.

The icon prayer station is at the transept altar where, before or after services, parishioners can light a candle and say a prayer.

There are two icons at our station. One is a permanent icon of Christ. The other represents the diversity of the Christian faith down the ages and across the globe. This icon will be changed frequently and will have a card describing the saint or image. Our aim is to build up 52 icons so we can have a different icon each week. We are in the process of writing a list of the 52 icons we would like and see if parishioners would like to purchase an icon from the list. The icons are reproductions and cost \$50 each. If you would like to sponsor an icon please let me know.

Our hope is that this icon prayer station offers an opportunity for prayer for those parishioners who find this a helpful spiritual practice. If you have any questions about the icons or this tradition, please do not hesitate to contact me. Adrian

Summer Hours and Contact Info

For the month of August, the building is open **Monday through Thursday, 9am to 12pm**, and **Saturday until noon**. **Friday the office is closed**. Staff is working in the office in the mornings, **Monday through Thursday**. If you'd like to come into the building in the afternoons, you can depend on the church being open on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Currently, **the clergy work Sunday through Thursday**; their "weekends" are Friday and Saturday. If you would like to contact a clergy person, please feel free to contact them on their cell numbers.

While you are away this summer...

You can continue to support our *common cathedral* neighbors by donating digitally to their wish lists

- [BostonWarm Wishlist](#)
- [common art Wishlist](#)
- [Blick Art Material Gift Cards](#)

Morning Prayer Online

For the summer, we will be offering Morning Prayer **Monday through Thursday**.

There will be no Morning Prayer on Fridays until after Labor Day.

Database/Directory Changes

We are excited to announce St. Andrew's will be upgrading our current database technology! It's called Realm, and it is specifically designed for churches—to serve the administrative needs of our clergy and staff, and to offer some wonderful opportunities to support the many ways each of our parishioners is involved with St. Andrew's.

Food Insecurity Doesn't Take a Break in the Summer!

Our friends at St. Stephen's Church in Boston's South End continue to rely on donations of non-perishable groceries. Our B-LOVE collections are vital to alleviating food insecurity among the families served by the church and by the St. Stephen's Youth Programs. Many are still not recovered from pandemic job losses and grocery prices are climbing. Could you purchase some items from this list and deposit them in the large box in our parish hall?

- Honey Nut Cheerios
- fruit in individual cups
- applesauce in individual cups
- peanut butter
- rice
- box of macaroni and cheese
- marinara sauce, no glass
- pasta
- black beans
- crackers

[Please use this link for details on dates and sizes/containers.](#) They will be so appreciative of these valuable outreach efforts.

Summer/Fall Read: *The Language of God* by Francis Collins

Our adult formation committee is excited to offer a summer read that is written in a breezy style but packs a wallop. In this book, Collins, the head of the Human Genome Project and recent Director of the National Institutes of Health, talks about his life as a scientist and an active Christian. The subtitle says it all: *A Scientist Presents Evidence for Belief*.

Collins uses C.S. Lewis as his guide but also says some fresh things about living a life

of science and faith. We will explore this book in our **October 9am** Christian learning classes. To purchase a book, email Lorna Ruby at Wellesley Books at lorna@wellesleybooks.com and mail a check for \$14.50 made out to St. Andrew's to Margaret at St. Andrew's. Please write "science book" in the memo. Lorna will email you and tell you when you can pick up the book at the bookstore. — Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

Weekly Calendar

- The **Holy Eucharist** is currently celebrated on **Sundays at 8am and 10am** (*also online*). These services will continue through August. **Morning Prayer** online is offered **Monday through Thursday at 8:30am** on our website, our YouTube Channel (*use the QR code for a link to our YouTube channel to watch the recording after the service*), and on Facebook, unless otherwise noted.
- **The building is open Monday through Thursday, 9am to 12pm**, (August summer hours) and on **Saturday until noon. Friday the office is closed.** Staff is in the office in the mornings, and remote in the afternoons **Monday through Thursday.**
- **12-Step Programs** Men's AA, Wednesdays, 8pm; Women's AA, Thursdays, 7pm; Emotions Anonymous, Saturdays, 9:30am.



Sunday, August 7

11am Coffee Hour

Sunday, August 14

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