

# ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## Third Sunday of Advent

**December 11, 2022**

*We are livestreaming the 10am service.*

Prelude *Inverno Porteno (Winter)* Astor Piazzolla (1921-1992)

Ida Beckett, piano; Jennifer Lee, violin; and Hsi-Er Liu, cello

Processional Hymn 76 "On Jordan's bank" *Winchester New*

Blessing of the Advent Wreath

*Celebrant* Blessed are you, Sovereign Lord, just and true: to you be praise and glory for ever! Your prophet John the Baptist was witness to the truth as a burning and shining light. May we your servants rejoice in his light, and so be led to witness to him who is the Lord of our coming Kingdom, Jesus our Savior and King of the ages. Blessed be God for ever.

*People* 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 forever. Amen.

Collect for Purity BCP p. 355

Trisagion S102 (front section of hymnal) Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924)

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

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

Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* Together we pray.

*People* Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson: Isaiah 35:1-10

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God. Strengthen the weak hands and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the

wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

Psalm 146:4-9

Richard Clark

*The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.*



4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! \*  
whose hope is in the LORD their God;

- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and <sup>all that is</sup> in them; \*  
 who <sup>keeps his</sup> promise for <sup>ever</sup>;
- 6 Who gives justice to <sup>those who are</sup> op<sup>ressed</sup>, \*  
 and <sup>food to</sup> those who <sup>hunger</sup>.
- 7 The LORD sets the prisoners free;  
 the LORD opens the <sup>eyes of the</sup> blind; \*  
 the LORD lifts up <sup>those who are</sup> bow<sup>ed</sup> down;
- 8 The LORD <sup>loves the</sup> righteous;  
 the LORD <sup>cares for the</sup> stranger; \*  
 he sustains the orphan and widow,  
 but <sup>frustrates the</sup> way of the <sup>wicked</sup>.
- †9 The LORD shall <sup>reign for</sup> ever, \*  
 your God, O Zion, throughout all gene<sup>rations</sup>.  
 Halle<sup>lujah</sup>!

Second Lesson: James 5:7-10

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of

the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 438 "Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!"

*Woodlands*

Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

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

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?" Jesus answered them, "Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised,

and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me."

As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes?

Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written, 'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your

way before you.' "Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."

*Clergy* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

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 *E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come*

Paul Manz (1919-2009)

*Peace be to you and grace from Him  
Who freed us from our sins,  
Who loved us all and shed His blood  
That we might saved be*

*Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein  
Rejoice on earth, ye saints below  
For Christ is coming, is coming soon  
For Christ is coming soon!*

*Sing Holy, Holy to our Lord,  
The Lord, Almighty God,  
Who was and is and is to come  
Sing Holy, Holy, Lord!*

*E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come  
And night shall be no more  
They need no light nor lamp nor sun  
For Christ will be their All!*

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

Old 100th

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP p. 367

S129 Sanctus (front section of hymnal)

Robert Powell (b. 1932)

Breaking of the Bread

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

S 156 Fraction Anthem (front section of hymnal) *Christ our Passover* Gerald Near  
*All are welcome to receive communion. Ushers will direct the congregation.*

Communion Anthem *I sing of a maiden* Lennox Berkeley (1903-1989)

*I sing of a maiden*

*That is makeless.*

*King of all kings*

*To her son she ches.*

*He came all so stille*

*There his mother was,*

*As dew in Aprille*

*That falleth on the grass.*

*He came all so stille*

*To his mother's bowr,*

*As dew in Aprille*

*That falleth on the flower.*

*Mother and maiden*

*Was never none but she;*

*Well may such a lady*

*Goddess mother be.*

Communion Hymn 640 "Watchman, tell us of the night" *Aberystwyth*

Thanksgiving after Communion BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 72 "Hark! the glad sound! the Savior comes" *Richmond*

Dismissal

Clergy Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude *December* Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky (1840-1893)  
Catherine Wang, piano

We welcome and thank the Wellesley College students visiting today.

We are grateful they are sharing their musical talents with us.

*Please join us for fellowship following the service,  
hosted by Pam Byron.*



**If this is your first time at St. Andrew's, Welcome!**

We are happy you found us. Please use this QR code to fill out a *seeker information form* or check with a member of our membership committee in the narthex so that our clergy and members of our congregation can welcome you and help you get engaged with our church.



**The flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of  
Corydon P. Cronk by Carol C. Cole and Caspar Cronk**

**Serving St. Andrew's this week**

*Altar Guild* Adele Beggs, Judith Boland, Jean Childs,  
Zebby Dubé, Erica Gelser, Peter Mahoney,  
Karen McAdams, Heather Schaefer, Cynthia Scott, and Liz J. Tecca  
*Altar Flowers* the Flower Guild

**Serving at 8am**

*Lay Eucharistic Minister* Paul Criswell  
*Ushers* Nancy Kohl and Bob Ware

**Serving at 10am**

*Acolytes* Crucifer, Cameron Cowperthwaite; Torch, Caroline Martin;  
and Torch, Rebecca Martin  
*Broadcast Tech Volunteer* Peter Lull  
*Lay Eucharistic Ministers* Joe Hamilton and Suzy Littlefield  
*Lay Readers* Jen Martin and Michael Vanin  
*Ushers* Travis Anza, Matthew Benfer,  
Lakey MacArthur, and Paul Zusky

**Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**

*Parishes of the Alewife Deanery*  
St. Paul's Church, Bedford  
All Saints' Church, Belmont  
St. Mark's Church, Burlington  
The Officers of the Diocese  
Racial Justice Commission



# St. Andrew's Cheerful Givers

## 2023 Stewardship Campaign Givers

**245 of target 300 givers through December 6, 2022**

Every effort has been made to be as current as possible. If you have questions about your name on the list, please reach out to Joanne Butler.

Anonymous (1)

Jill Allen & Kenneth Graves

Bonnie Akins

Hope Aldrich

Pam & Elmore Alexander

Jane Andrews & Bob Harrington

Frances and Mark Antonelli

Holly & Travis Anza

Veronica & Douglas Bacon

Laurin Baldwin

Connie & Peter Barnes

Sharon & Jamison Barr

Wendy & Jonathan Barry

Maggie & Jonathan Baxter

Christine & Steve Beach

Dell Beggs

Michelle & Matt Benfer

Peggy & Mark Benjamin

Barbara Bergstrom

Judith & Paul Beswick

David Boghosian

Judith & Giles Boland

Al Bornemann

Cynthia & Richard Bostwick

Melissa & Jack Bradley

Dara & Christopher Brigham

Brooke & Eric Brown

Laura Brown MacKinnon &

Bruce MacKinnon

Karen & Al Budney

Joyce & Buck Bukaty

Megan & Sam Burns

Pam Byron

Victor Calcaterra & Mary Scanlon

Alice & Kent Campbell

John Carey

Richard Carls

Kim Carlson

Adams Carroll & Janet Wu

Jean & John Childs

Elizabeth & Stephen Clarke

Mary Ann Cluggish

Sally Collier

Kathryn & Harry Condon

Beverly Costa

Zu & Christopher Cowperthwaite

Paul Criswell & Pam Kubbins

Kristy & Thomas Cunningham

Amanda & Charles Curtis

Jean Dalton

Peter D'Anieri & Julie Koeninger

Penny & William Darcey

Becca & Ryan Daws

Elizabeth Dean

Elsie & Jim Deane

Cathleen & James Dehn

Sarah & Daniel Dent

Ashley Denton

Jo Dermer

Elizabeth & Stephen Dietz

Peter Dodson

Kristin & Thomas Donahue

Christiana & Gibson Donohue

Zebby & Al Dubé

Marie Dunell & Michael Mahlenkamp

Noel & Ian Dwyer

Nancy Echlov

Ruth & George Ecker

Nancy & Richard Ehrlichman

Bianka & Lee Eichelberger

Bettina & Arnout Eikeboom

Heidi & Chris Emerson

Thomas Engels & Wendy Haering

Catherine Falcetti & Kyle Pedrotty

Kate & Joseph Farella

Natalie & Caleb Farny

Winnie & Tom Faust

Jean & Curt Feuer

Linda Gallo

Judy & William Gardiner

Erica Gelser & Stephen Mahoney

Janet Giele

Jane Givens

Blair Glennon & Wayne Kernochan

Katey & Chuck Goehringer

Nicole Goodnow-Hussey



Anne Grape

Mary-Laura & Grant Greely

Harry Grey & Cam McCormick

Linda Griffith

Pamela Grignaffini

Roger Gustin

Elizabeth & David Guydan

Luisa & Joe Hamilton

Becky & David Hamlin

Jennifer & Thomas Hanley

Heidi & Wade Harper

Meg & Clint Harris

Sarah & Greg Harris

Carrie & Shervin Hawley

Yael & Eliot Heher

Anneliese Henderson

Jackie & Blair Hendrix

Pam & Alan Henrikson

Tad Heuer

Heather & David Hoffman

Vivian & Stephen Holland

Leslie Holmes

Ulle Holt

Barbara & Bernie Horan

Joanna Horobin & Alan Joachim

Mark Housel

Lisa Howe

Caroline & Bradford Hudson

Emily & Frank Hunnewell

Luisa Hunnewell

Luisa Hunnewell & Larry Newman

Cynthia & Sam Hunt

Joe Jankowski

Muffy & Peter Johannsen

Jeanne Johnsen

Ann & Lane Johnson

Nancy & Allen Jones

Scott Jones

Ingrid & Timm Kainen

Mary Reineman & Paul Kappel

Ntonhle Kekana & Graham Masiwa

Donna & Toby Kell

Sheila Kelley

Dona & Michael Kemp

Susan & Dan Kemp

Jane Kettendorf

Earl Kivett

Ruthie Klinck

Debby & Chuck Klotz

Nancy Kohl & Robert Ware

Edwin Krieg  
Bernhard Kulke  
Scott Kwiker & Rita Sadowski  
Leslie & Bill Lee  
Suzy & Josh Littlefield  
Michele & Dave Livingston  
Debbie Lorenz  
Patricia & Travis Lowe  
Linda & Peter Lull  
Isabel Lyndon  
Lakey & Hugh MacArthur  
Ellen MacFadyen  
Pat & Dick MacKinnon  
Amy & Ted Madden  
Hillary & Lou Madge  
Paige & Herb Manning  
Rebekah & Jim Mannix  
Ale Manriquez Rankin & Peter Rankin  
Jennifer & Ansley Martin  
Karen & Jeff McAdams  
Linda & John McCammond  
Libby McClintock  
Carolyn McCoy  
Llynda McFarlane  
Karen & Tom Melican  
Paul Merry  
Karen Metcalf  
Wendy Miller  
Diane Mitchell  
Stephanie & Bradley Mitchell  
Lois & Douglas Mizzi  
Debbie & Tom Monti  
Lauren & David Murphy  
Bobby Murray  
Marie Narcisse  
Bonny Nothern  
Suzanne & Will Nystrom  
Anne & Mark O'Hearne  
Lisa Onorato & David Welch  
Debbie & David Osborn  
Thomas Palmer  
Caren & Randy Parker  
Karen Pekowitz  
Tim Phillips & Nora Tracy Phillips  
Nancy Place  
Joanne Potter  
Betsy & David Powell  
Anne & Bob Prensner  
Terri Rawson-Wakefield  
Dot Reed

Meg Reed

Linda Reineman

Sandra Rigney

Laura & Madison Riley

Elizabeth Robbins-Cole

Sarah & Adrian Robbins-Cole

William Robbins-Cole

Karen Robbins Taylor

Rennie Roberts

Helen Robertson

Julie & Mason Ross

Barbara & Frank Rowbotham

Deb Russo

Jenny & Mark Sawyer

Heather & Sam Schaefer

Ann Schwarz

Margaret Schwarzer

Cynthia & Larry Scott

Martha Sears

Paul Shackford

Carol Shedd

Barbara & Paul Shellito

Ginny & Drew Snow

Linda Specht

Lynda Sperry & Bill Wiberg

Ellen Staelin

Jessica & Michael Stanton

Joan & Frank Stasiowski

Laura Stettner

Deborah & Peter Strzetelski

Carol Sullivan

Charlotte & Tim Surgenor

Elizabeth & Jonas Svedlund

Nancy & Craig Tashjian

Eleanor Tedesco

Beth & Mac Thomas

Harriet Thompson

Lia & Roberto Tron

Joann & Terry Tuytschaevers

Coryell & Greg Urban

Kris & Michael Vanin

Betsy & Rob Veidenheimer

Katherine Vig

Anna Lee & Justin Wahls

Sandy & Bob Warren

Christy West

Jill & Jack Whiting

Sally Whitman

Ken Wiberg

Virginia & Geoffrey Wickwire

Alain Williams du Marquis d'Assarac

Maggy & Al Woodcock

Sally & Dudley Willis

Fred Wright

Ruth Wilson

Karen & Michael Young

Laurie & Jeff Witt

Star & Charlie Zabriskie

Lorri Woodacre

Margaret & Paul Zusky

*Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. —2 Corinthians 9:7*



# Icon of the Week

## Our Lady of Guadalupe

On December 9, 1531, Mary appeared to Juan Diego on Tepeyac Hill. Born in 1474 in Cuautlilán, Mexico (near present day Mexico City), Juan Diego was one of the Chichimeca people. He was baptized by Friar Peter da Gand, an early Franciscan missionary, around 1524. Mary asked Juan Diego to approach the bishop and request that a shrine be built to her on Tepeyac Hill, where she would bless those who called upon her. The bishop demanded proof of the vision and Juan Diego returned to the hill, where roses were blooming, though it was almost winter. He picked some roses and brought them to the bishop in his cloak. When he opened his cloak, the flowers fell out and an image of the Blessed Mother was imprinted on the cloak. The bishop then gave his blessing, and a chapel was built.

Juan Diego's cloak was placed in the chapel, and he lived in a small dwelling near the chapel for the rest of his life, serving as its caretaker, greeting pilgrims, and spending time in prayer. In 1548, he passed away and was buried in the chapel. In accepting the Christian message without forgoing his indigenous identity, Juan Diego discovered the profound truth of a new humanity, in which all are called to be children of God. Thus, he facilitated the meeting of two worlds and became the catalyst for a new Mexican identity, closely tied to Our Lady of Guadalupe, whose mestizo face expresses her spiritual motherhood which embraces all Mexicans.

The Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel at the Basilica is inscribed with this prayer:

*Dearest Lady of Guadalupe, fruitful Mother of Holiness, teach me your ways of gentleness and strength. Hear my prayer offered with deepfelt confidence to beg this favor.... O Mary, conceived without sin, I come to your throne of grace to share the fervent devotion of your faithful Mexican children who call to you under the glorious Aztec title of "Guadalupe" the virgin who crushed the serpent. Queen of Martyrs, whose Immaculate heart was pierced by seven wounds of grief, help me to walk valiantly amid the sharp thorns thrown across my pathway. Queen of Apostles aid me to win souls for the Sacred Heart of my Savior. I plead this through the merits of your merciful Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.*



# Christmas & Epiphany Services

## **Blue Christmas Service** Wednesday, December 14 at 7pm

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. We will rest in the promise of Christ, remembering that even in times of sorrow, God's love and grace can support us.

## **Christmas Pageant**

Saturday, December 17, 9am

All participants gather for rehearsal in the sanctuary. Sign up **by today**, and you will have your name in the bulletin.

Sunday, December 18, 9am

Christmas pageant participants gather at 9am. The pageant replaces the regular 10am Eucharistic service.

## **Christmas Eve Services** Tuesday, December 24

### **Children's Service** at 3pm

This half-hour service is aimed at young children. We sing carols, hear the Christmas story, and have a children's homily (no Holy Communion). The service is followed by cake and refreshments.

### **Family Eucharist** at 5pm

This hour-long Holy Communion service is the most well attended Christmas Eve service at St. Andrew's. The service ends with the church darkened and everyone holding a candle as we sing "Silent Night."

### **Choral Service & Holy Eucharist** at 10pm

This is a traditional service with communion, carols, a sermon, and choral anthems. A 20-minute musical prelude precedes the hour-long service with the full choir and a string quartet.

## **Christmas Day Service** Sunday, December 25 at 10am

This is a relaxed one-hour service with communion, Christmas carols, and a short homily.

## **Epiphany Fireside Service** Sunday, January 8, 2023 at 5pm

This Holy Communion service, in the parish hall with a roaring fire, is attended by an intergenerational congregation. We hear a short Epiphany homily and sing Epiphany hymns followed by a potluck.



# Notices and Announcements

*Note: all staff email addresses are on the second to last page. Deadline for materials is noon on Tuesdays for both the bulletin and the e-Pistle.*

## Year End Donations

Looking towards year end, please observe the following to complete your pledge(s):

- **Stock donations:** Please have stock donations **processed by December 9** and send me an email documenting the stock name, number of shares and how it should be applied (2022 Pledge, 2023 Pre-paid Pledge, Capital Campaign, etc.)
- **Checks:** Please **mail by Thursday, December 15** to allow for holiday mail delays.
- **Online:** If paying by credit card, please **process your request by Tuesday, December 27**. If paying by ACH, **process by Wednesday, December 28**. Payments submitted online can take 48 hours to be received and may not be credited until Tuesday, January 3, 2023. January 2 is a bank holiday.
- **In-person:** Drop in the collection **plate by Sunday, December 25** or at the church **office by noon on Friday, December 30**.

Please reach out with any questions and thank you for your continued support of St. Andrew's! — Joanne Butler

## Confirmation Class Dates

**Today and January 22** will be our next two dates for Confirmation class at 6pm.

## 9am Christian Learning

Join us **today at 9am in the parish hall** for *Visio Divina with Nativity Paintings*. Come share in a visual reflection on the birth of Christ as we view two different nativity scenes. On **Sunday, December 18**, we offer a *Lectio Divina on the Nativity*. Come let the words of Luke 2:1-20 wash over you and find God's invitation to you in Luke's words. Join us every Sunday, or just when a class lines up with your interests. Everyone is welcome. The Zoom link is in the e-Pistle.  
—Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

## Sharing Advent Spiritual Practices

You will have received an email from Adrian earlier this week inviting you to join him in an Advent Spiritual practice of reading a chapter a day of Luke's Gospel.

We also encourage you to share other Advent spiritual practices you find enriching with fellow parishioners. You can do this by signing onto Realm and sharing your practice by making a **comment** on the **post** in the **Realm** news feed about the **Advent Bible Challenge**. If you are not signed up with Realm please **contact our parish administrator Kate** for instructions. Please also look for the daily video **on Instagram and Facebook**.

## Rite-13 Teacher Training

**Today**, we encourage Rite-13 teachers and all those interested in teaching Rite-13 someday, to come along to a teacher training **in the youth room which will start after church**, and finish before the pageant rehearsal is over at noon.

## The Season of Giving

Our **Giving Tree** has a rich and generous history. Started in the mid-1950s by the director of the St. Andrew's church school, Anne Austill, who was inspired by a similar tree started in Japan in 1951. Servicemen were asked to donate warm clothing and toys for Japanese war orphans. It has evolved over the years under the leadership and guidance of several dedicated parishioners, Anna Shackford, Arline Wahn, and Anne Manners. Handmade and purchased hats and mittens have adorned the tree as gifts to local children.

Our tree now includes gift tags with specific requests from people served by our outreach partners, such as the children of St. Stephen's or new mothers in the Bridges to Moms program. *Please take a tag and fulfill the wishes of a child in Boston or add mittens and hats to the tree at the back of the church.* Unwrapped packages with tags will be welcome and much appreciated. Please try to get these gifts under the tree **by Monday, December 12** if you can. Of course, later gifts will be gratefully received.

## Bible Circles

Join us on **Tuesday morning, December 13, at 11am or Thursday evening, December**

**15, at 7pm** for a one-hour Bible Study. This year, we are studying Genesis, a story of our earliest beginnings as a holy people. This month, we study *Genesis Chapter 4: The First Murder*. No preparation is needed, we read and reflect together. Come to the Harvey Room or join us online, the Zoom link is in the e-Pistle. —Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

## Godly Play Teacher Training

Godly Play teacher training will take place **on the morning of Saturday, December 17, at 9am** during the pageant rehearsal.

## Christmas Pageant!

The pageant will be held on **Sunday, December 18**, during the 10am service. Rehearsals are **Sundays from 11:15-11:45 am**, and **Saturday, December 17, at 9am**. All children and youth are invited to join in the Christmas Pageant. —Ciara Cheli, youth music director.

## First Aid Kits and Defibrillators

We have first aid kits in all the church school classrooms and both kitchens. We also have AED's (Automated External Defibrillators) on every floor; these are marked with big signs on the wall near the cabinet containing the AED. In that cabinet there is also Narcan and other emergency first aid items.

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.



## Parking on Denton Road

In this holiday season, please be 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!

## The Wellesley Freedom Team

The Wellesley police department has set up a task force to address incidents that may arise in our town involving racism or other discriminatory conduct. That group, called *The Wellesley Freedom Team*, is seeking to

raise public awareness of its existence as a resource. The Wellesley Freedom Team would like you to know that we are available to victims of racism or bias, or to those who witness such disturbing behavior. Our volunteers provide a safe, confidential space for people to air concerns, be heard, and be connected to available resources that can address victim/witness concerns. The Wellesley Freedom Team, established in March 2021, is part of a network of seven teams in the Greater Boston area. For more visit [wellesleyfreedomteam.org/](http://wellesleyfreedomteam.org/) or contact us at [wellesleyfreedomteam@gmail.com](mailto:wellesleyfreedomteam@gmail.com)



# Gratitude

## Little Angels' Gift Shop and Family Cookies & Carols

Thank you to all the volunteers who made Little Angels' Gift Shop and Family Cookies & Carols such a great success. Thank you to all the Little Angels' Gift Shop volunteers including Becky Hamlin, Elizabeth Lazaro, Libby McClintock, and Jennifer Nilson who coordinated, planned and staffed the Little Angels' Gift Shop. Thank you to the many teens who came along to wrap presents. Thank you, too, to the church school committee members for planning and hosting Cookies & Carols, and Greg Urban who lead our caroling! Thanks also go to D.D. Alexander, Pamela Grossetti, Heather Schaefer, Elizabeth Svedland, Coryell Urban, and Anna Lee Wahls.

## Upper School Teacher Training

Thank you to all those who came along to the upper school teacher training last Sunday. There were lots of great insights and ideas generated by our teachers! Thank you to all church school teachers.

## Advent Lessons & Carols

Many thanks to Wardie Mannix and our choir for a beautiful service of Advent Lessons & Carols. The service was well attended, with many parishioners and guests commenting on how moving and uplifting they found the experience. The service was made even more special this year by the addition of the tribute "Sing" to Wardie's uncle, Bob McGrath from Sesame Street, who had died on Sunday.

## Outdoor Candlelight Reception

Many thanks to Margaret Zusky and Wendy Haering for organizing the wonderful outdoor candlelight reception following the Advent Lessons & Carols service. Thanks also to the many parishioners who contributed cookies and mulled wine and hot cider for the occasion. Many parishioners commented how magical it has been to have the reception outside with the cheery lights.

# Vestry

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**Adult Formation** Ansley Martin

**Clerk** Peter Lull

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**Treasurer** Harry Condon

**Wardens** Will Nystrom

Megan Burns

**Worship** Laura Brown MacKinnon

**Youth Formation** Coryell Urban

# Staff

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- In an emergency, please contact Adrian on his cell phone, 603/831-4938. Additional clergy cell phone numbers are: Margaret Schwarzer, 617/733-0661, and Sarah Robbins-Cole, 603/831-4711.
- 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 the clergy know of names that should be added to our prayer list.

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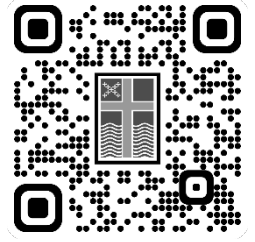
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# Weekly Calendar

- The **Holy Eucharist** is celebrated on **Sundays at 8am, 10am** (*also online*) and **5pm**. **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.
- **Senior Choir** rehearsal is on **Thursdays at 7:30pm**.
- Staff is continuing to work some hours remotely. Generally, **parish office hours** are **Monday through Thursday, 9am to 4pm**, and **Friday, 9am to 12pm**. **Tuesday at noon is the deadline for all materials** to be included either in the bulletin or by email for the following Sunday.
- **12-Step Programs** Men's AA, Wednesdays at 8pm; Women's AA, Thursdays at 7pm; Emotions Anonymous, Saturdays at 9:30am; Sober Sisters AA, Saturdays at 10:30am.



## Sunday, December 11

8:55am Kids' Place Nursery  
9am Christian Learning  
9:45am Church School & Rite-13  
11am Coffee Hour  
11am Youth Music Pageant Rehearsal  
11am Rite-13 Teacher Training

## Tuesday, December 13

11am Bible Circle  
7pm Vestry Meeting

## Wednesday, December 14

7pm Blue Christmas

## Thursday, December 15

11am North Hill Eucharist  
7pm Bible Circle

## Saturday, December 17

9am Pageant Rehearsal  
9am Godly Play Teacher Training

## Sunday, December 18

8:55am Kids' Place Nursery  
9am Christian Learning  
9am Youth Music Pageant Prep  
10am Holy Eucharist and  
Christmas Pageant  
11am Coffee Hour



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