



ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany January 29, 2023

We are livestreaming the 10am service.

Prelude *Prelude, Fugue and Variation*

César Franck (1822-1890)

Processional Hymn 616 "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein

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

S 236 Benedictus es Domine (front section of hymnal)

John Rutter (b. 1945)

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 highly exalt you for ever. Glory to you!

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Together we pray.

People Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson: Micah 6:1-8

Hear what the Lord says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the Lord has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel.

“O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him,

and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.”

“With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with tens of thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?” He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 15

David Hurd (after Gibbons)

The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.



1 LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? *
who may abide upon your holy hill?

2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, *
who speaks the truth from his heart.

3 There is no guile upon his tongue;
he does no evil to his friend; *
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.

4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, *
but he honors those who fear the LORD.

5 He has sworn to do no wrong *
and does not take back his word.

6 He does not give his money in hope of gain, *
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.

†7 Whoever does these things *
shall never be overthrown.

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For

God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in 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 5:1-12

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak,

and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for

they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for

righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

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 *Lass dich nur nichts nicht dauren*

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

text by Paul Fleming (1609-1640)

Let nothing (cause) you regrets and sorrows.

Stay unperturbed, as God wills, be content, my desire.

Why do you wish to worry today about tomorrow?

The One stands for (us) all, and gives you, too, what is yours.

In all your dealings, without wavering, Stand steadfast.

That (which) God decides Is, and is Known (to be), the best. Amen

Doxology Hymn 380 v3 "Praise God from whom all blessings flow"

Old 100th

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP p. 367

S130 Sanctus (front section of hymnal)

Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828)

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

S164 Fraction Anthem (front section of hymnal)

Franz Peter Schubert

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

Communion Anthem *Blest are the pure in heart*

Henry Walford Davies (1869-1941)

text by John Keble (1869-1941)

Blest are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God:

The secret of the Lord is theirs, their soul is Christ's abode.

Still to the lowly soul he doth himself impart, and for his dwelling and his throne

Chooseth the pure in heart.

Communion Hymn 593 "Lord, make us servants of your peace"

Dickinson College

The congregation is encouraged to sing the communion hymn.

Thanksgiving after Communion

BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 477 "All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine"

Engelberg

Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude *In dir ist Freude*

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Parish Annual Meeting

The 130th annual meeting of St. Andrew's Church will be held in the sanctuary today **directly after the service**. New parish leaders will be elected, reports will be given on the work accomplished in 2022, and a budget for 2023 will be presented. There are profiles of those being nominated for election to the vestry in the narthex. — Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole



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.



Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Kim Carlson, Erica Gelser, Blair Glennon, Becky Hamlin, Ntonhle Kekana, Debbie Lorenz, Peter Mahoney, and Linda McCammond

Altar Flowers the Flower Guild

Serving at 8am

Lay Eucharistic Minister Nancy Echlov

Ushers Jane Givens and Mark Housel

Serving at 10am

Broadcast Tech Volunteer Lynda Sperry

Greeters Megan Burns and Will Nystrom

Lay Eucharistic Ministers Meg Harris and Sarah Dent

Readers Joe Hamilton and Karen Pekowitz

Ushers Harry Condon, Ian Dwyer, and Lakey MacArthur

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Parishes of the Boston Harbor Deanery

St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain

Northeastern University Lutheran Episcopal Campus Ministry

St. Cyprian's Church, Roxbury

St. John & St. James Church, Roxbury

Veterans Ministries



Icon of the Week

St. John of the Cross

1542–1591

John was born in 1542 at Fontiveros, near Avila, Spain. After his third birthday, his father died leaving his mother and her children reduced to poverty. John received elementary education in an orphanage in Medina del Campo. By the age of 17, he had learned carpentry, tailoring, sculpturing, and painting through apprenticeships to local craftsmen. After university studies with the Jesuits, John entered the Carmelite Order and completed his theological studies in Salamanca. By the age of 35 he had studied extensively, had been spiritual director to many including St. Teresa of Avila, and yet devoted himself to the search for God so fully that he reached the peak of the mystical experience: a complete transformation in God.

St. Teresa recruited St. John to help her crusade to return the order of the Carmelites to a life centered on prayer. Feeling threatened by this reform, The Carmelites of St. John's own order kidnapped him, locked him in a small dark cell, and regularly beat him. During this isolation of cold and darkness, God gave him illumination and consolation, which St. John expressed in a series of mystical poems written in his cell. After nine months, he miraculously escaped. From then on, his life was devoted to sharing and explaining his experience of God's love. He expresses his journey in the spiritual classic, "The Dark Night of the Soul."

His feast day is December 14

"Never give up prayer, and should you find dryness and difficulty, persevere in it for this very reason. God often desires to see what love your soul has, and love is not tried by ease and satisfaction." —St. John of the Cross.



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.

9am Christian Learning

Do you wonder about the *Healing Prayer* in the transept each Sunday? Please join us **today, January 29**, when we consider *Healing Prayer*. Healing Prayer is an ancient practice in the church, currently more popular in the southern U.S. than in the north. We'll talk about the history of healing prayer and share our own experiences and questions. Everyone is welcome. Babysitting is provided for parents with young children. These classes are hybrid: the Zoom link is in the e-Pistle. The full schedule of spring classes will be available soon. —Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

Pilgrimage to England: July 2023

LAST CALL to join our pilgrimage to London, Canterbury, and northern England. We travel from July 5 to July 17. **The application is due on January 30.** Please speak with Adrian or Margaret if you would like to know more.

Men's Bible Study

The next Men's Bible Study is **Saturday, February 4, at 8am.** We meet monthly on Zoom. We will be starting a new series looking at the Book of Daniel from the Old Testament. There are usually about 10 to 12 people who attend, and newcomers are always

welcome. There is no homework, and no expertise is required. We take turns reading, Adrian provides some theological context and participants are invited to share insights or thoughts on the passages. The Zoom link is in the e-Pistle. If you wish to be on the email distribution list, please contact Adrian.

Dick MacKinnon's Funeral Service

The service will take place **at 1pm on Saturday, February 4** at St. Andrew's. All are invited to give thanks for Dick's life and to support Pat and the family. There will be a reception following the service at North Hill. The family has asked that in lieu of flowers, donations are made in Dick's memory to the St. Andrew's endowment fund.

Faith & Practice

Praying for our Enemies. Jesus tells us to pray for our enemies and shows us how. Join us on **Sunday, February 5**, to reflect on this demanding prayer discipline and engage some real time practice. We gather **at 11:30am in Room 2** to engage in reflection, conversation, and short spiritual exercise.

Spring Youth Musical

Youth of all ages and experience levels are invited to audition for the spring youth musical, which will take place at the **10am service on Sunday, March 26**. This program will be a retelling of the Biblical story of Mary and Martha in the form of a musical theatre revue. **Auditions will take place on Sunday, February 5, after the 10am service, in the choir room.** Come prepared to sing a short song of your choosing—*Happy Birthday* or *America the Beautiful* are fine options—and please bring an extra copy of sheet music if you need accompaniment for your song of choice.

If you think that you might like to contribute to the stage management team or have any other questions about participation, please contact Ciara Cheli.

Lenten Evensong

St. Andrew's senior choir will be resuming our Lenten Evensong after a COVID hiatus of three years. So mark your calendars for an extraordinary event **on Sunday, February 26, at 5pm.**

We will be singing Ola Gjeilo's *Northern Lights* and Susan LaBarr's *Grace Before Sleep* from a poem by Sara Teasdale as well as Stanford's *Mag and Nunc in G major*. Thomas Handel will be our guest organist. A candlelight reception will follow. This is a wonderful opportunity to invite neighbors and friends.

Annual Contribution Statements

Annual Contribution Statements for 2022 were mailed out last week. All payments received during 2022 will be reflected. If you made a payment after January 1, 2023, it will not be on the annual statement but will show in *Realm*. Please sign into Realm (ask Kate if you need help). There is a notice at the top of the Realm screen for the date through which current contributions have been uploaded. Please reach out with any questions. —Joanne Butler, Financial Administrator



Gratitude

El Hogar

Thank you Bianka Eichelberger and Debbie Osborn for the El Hogar film and presentation you led at our 11:30am Forum. We all learned so much.

And thank you Bianka Eichelberger and Elizabeth Svedland for the El Hogar movie night and dinner for youth and families this past Sunday. It was a wonderful and informative evening.

Vestry

Adult Formation Ansley Martin

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Fellowship Ginny Snow

Finance Justin Wahls

Human Resources Lisa Howe

Membership Elizabeth Clarke

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Worship Laura Brown MacKinnon

Youth Formation Coryell Urban

Staff

- 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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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*), and on Facebook.
- **Senior Choir** rehearsal is on **Thursdays at 7:30pm** unless otherwise noted
- Staff is working some hours remotely. Generally, **parish office hours** are **Monday through Thursday, 9am to 4pm**, and **Friday, 9am to 12pm**, unless otherwise noted or announced. **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, January 29

8:55am Kids' Place Nursery
9am Christian Learning Series
9:45am Church School & Rite-13
11am Annual Meeting

Tuesday, January 31

7pm Worship Meeting

Wednesday, February 1

7:30pm Mens' Book Club

Thursday, February 2

9:45am Church School Committee

Saturday, February 4

8am Men's Bible Study

Sunday, February 5

8:55am Kids' Place Nursery
9am Christian Learning Series
9:45am Church School & Rite-13
11am Coffee Hour
11:30am Faith & Practice
6pm Confirmation Class



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