

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany February 5, 2023

We are livestreaming the 10am service.

Prelude *Mit Fried und Freud ich fahr dahin*

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Processional Hymn 490 "I want to walk as a child of the light"

Houston

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 praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you!

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Together we pray.

People Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson: Isaiah 58:1-12

Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. "Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?" Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord?

Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the

homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.



- 1 Hallelujah!
Happy are they who fear the LORD *
and have great delight in his commandments!
- 2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; *
the generation of the upright will be blessed.
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, *
and their righteousness will last for ever.
- 4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; *
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending *
and to manage their affairs with justice.
- 6 For they will never be shaken; *
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; *
their heart is right;
they put their trust in the Lord.
- 8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, *
until they see their desire upon their enemies.
- 9 They have given freely to the poor, *
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;
they will hold up their head with honor.
- 10 The wicked will see it and be angry;
they will gnash their teeth and pine away; *
the desires of the wicked will perish.

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 2:1-13

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had,

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 488 "Be thou my vision"

Slane

Gospel: Matthew 5:13-20

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let

they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him" — these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished.

Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least

of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great

in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

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 *Be the Light*

lyrics and music by Lea Morris.

inspired by the poem *The Hill We Climb* by Amanda Gorman

There is always a light—when we are ready to see it

There is always a light—when we are ready to be it

To see the light, to be the light, to raise our eyes in the dark of night

To climb this hill, together we will

Shine your light in the darkness

Shine your light in the darkness

Let your bright light burn out loud

And be a gift to the world

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 *This little light of mine*

African American Spiritual
arranged by Moses Hogan (1957-2003)

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. (3x)

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

All through the night, I'm gonna let it shine. (3x)

My God gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine. (3x)

Communion Hymn 505 "Of Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God"

O heiliger Geist

The congregation is encouraged to sing the communion hymn.

Thanksgiving after Communion

BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 423 "Immortal, invisible, God only wise"

St. Denio

Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude *Herr Gott, nun schleuss den Himmel auf*

J.S. Bach

Join us for coffee hour in the parish hall, hosted by Peter & Linda Lull.



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.



Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of
Norman Dorian

Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Laura Brown MacKinnon, Elizabeth Clarke, Nancy Echlov,
Wendy Haering, Ntonhle Kekana, Debbie Lorenz, and Jen Martin

Altar Flowers the Flower Guild

Serving at 8am

Lay Eucharistic Minister Wendy Haering

Ushers Jane Givens and Mark Housel

Serving at 10am

Acolytes Crucifer Clara Eikeboom; Torch, Johannes Eikeboom;
and Torch, Conor Donahue

Broadcast Tech Volunteer Michael Mahlenkamp

Greeters Lynda Sperry & Bill Wiberg

Lay Eucharistic Ministers Suzy Littlefield and Margaret Zusky

Readers Paul Merry and Lisa Howe

Ushers Terri Rawson-Wakefield, Kris Vanin, Michael Vanin, and Michael Wakefield

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Parishes of the Boston Harbor Deanery

Our Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Boston

The Crossing

MANNA Community

The Cathedral Chapter

Episcopal Boston Chinese Ministry

Postulants and Candidates for Holy Orders



Icon of the Week

St. Brigid

Next to Patrick, Brigid is the most beloved of Irish saints. Born at Fauchart about the middle of the fifth century, she may have met Patrick as a young girl. She was reared in a Druid household but nevertheless, decided early on to dedicate her life to God alone as a Christian. She received a nun's veil from Bishop Macaile of Westmeath. Gathering around her a group of women, Brigid, in 470, founded a female monastery at Kildare, a place whose name meant "Church of the Oak." Here had flourished the cult of a pagan goddess who received the sacred fire, which Brigid and her successors have maintained to the current day.

To secure the sacraments, Brigid persuaded the anchorite Conlaed to receive episcopal ordination and to bring his community of monks to Kildare, thus establishing the only known Irish double monastery of men and women.

Brigid actively participated in policymaking decisions at church conventions. Many stories are told of Brigid's concern for the poor and needy. When a leper woman asked for milk she was healed also of her infirmity. Two blind men were given their sight. Best known is the tale that tells of Brigid's taming of a wolf at the request of a local chieftain whose pet dog had been killed accidentally.

She is traditionally associated with the Cross of St. Brigid, a form of the cross made from reeds or straw that is placed in homes for blessing and protection. Her remains are said to have been re-interred, at the time of the Danish invasions of the ninth century, with those of Patrick, at Downpatrick.

Her feast day is February 1.

Shine your light where there is darkness, strengthen me in any weakness. Heal all within that may be ill, give me the desire each day to do God's will.

—St. Brigid's prayer



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

Please join us **today, February 5, in the parish hall** when we offer the first class of a three-part series on *The Trinity: Who is God?* We will explore several theological answers to the question of God's identity and qualities. We will also share our own insights. Next week, **February 12**, Adrian will lead the class on *Who is Christ?* 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

Faith & Practice

Praying for our Enemies. Jesus tells us to pray for our enemies and shows us how. Join us on **today, February 5, at 11:30am** to reflect on this demanding prayer discipline and engage some real time practice. We gather **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 today, February 5, after the 10am service, in the choir room.** Come prepared to sing a chosen short song—*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.

Lent Book

During Lent, our 9am Christian learning series will be reading and discussing Thomas Cahill's *How The Irish Saved Civilization*. After Rome fell, the Celts shone a light in the darkness and preserved the wisdom of the West. Augustine and Saint Patrick's contributions are highlighted. Email me to buy the book: I will confirm when Wellesley Books has your book on hold. Please send a check to St. Andrew's for \$14.40 with "Lenten Book" in the memo.

—Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

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.

Northern Lights Reception

After a three-year hiatus, we will have a candlelight reception after Evensong on **Sunday February 26.** Hooray!

Let's have a splendid big thank you to Wardie and our magnificent choir. You are invited to bring tasty morsels on skewers, plated and ready to serve. A few ideas to get you thinking: olives and cheese, kielbasa and pickles, tortellini with cheese and sundried tomato, fruit kabobs, marinated mushrooms or shrimp. The theme of this year's concert is Northern Lights—does that make you think of smoked salmon or herring? Use your imagination! Your treats can be sweet or savory, they just need to be on sticks!

Note: if you plan to bring something best served warm, plan on how you will make that happen. Thank you for signing up! Please send a YES note to Wendy Haering

• wendy.haering@gmail.com

The Power of Knitting

"The Revolutionary Power of a Skein of Yarn, Knitting has its own practical magic."

<https://www.nytimes.com/2023/01/27/opinion/sunday/knitting-fabric-michelle-obama.html?smid=em-share>

If you are interested in getting on the team of knitters—accomplished and new to the art are all welcome—contact Donna Kell.

• donna.kell@gmail.com

Souper Bowl Collection

The Super Bowl, the one with footballs and good advertisements, will be on **Sunday, February 12.** In preparation, we will have our annual **Souper Bowl soup collection.**

The Wellesley Food Pantry is running low on hearty soups so please fill your bag with

- Lentil, pea, bean
- Vegetable
- Tomato
- Cream of anything soups
- Any kind of chowder
- Chili and stews
- **No chicken soup:** we have plenty

Maybe you could ask your Coventry Supper group to bring soups to your next gathering. There are bags in the narthex and the parish hall: please take one and fill it with soups you love to eat.

Annual Contribution Statements

Annual Contribution Statements for 2022 were mailed. 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

common cathedral

We will be making and delivering lunch to the *common cathedral* on **Sunday February 26**. This is a simple and satisfying way to deliver on your good intentions. Please sign up on the SignUpGenius on the website to make sandwiches, pick up water or supplies, make the delivery to Boston, and/or to worship and have lunch with people for whom the *common cathedral* is currently their church.



Gratitudes

Annual Meeting

Many thanks to all who helped lead the annual meeting last Sunday including Megan Burns, our warden; DD Alexander for taking the minutes; Tad Heuer for acting as parliamentarian; Dan Dent from the nominating committee; Justin Wahls, head of the finance committee; Harry Condon, our treasurer; and Hugh MacArthur, head of stewardship. Thanks to all the parishioners who attended the meeting and for the many thoughtful and insightful questions. It was the best attended annual meeting in ten years demonstrating the level of commitment and interest in the parish.

Audio-Visual Live Streaming Volunteers

Many thanks to our team of volunteer technicians who help live stream our 10am Sunday service week by week. A special shout out to Lynda Sperry and Rob Brandt as they tried to resolve the malfunction of the system last Sunday under stressful conditions. Thank you.

Outgoing Vestry Members

Many thanks to the following outgoing vestry members for their 3 years of service: Hugh MacArthur, stewardship; Stephen Mahoney, property; Ansley Martin, adult formation; and Coryell Urban, youth and family.

Incoming Vestry Members

Thanks and congratulations to the following parishioners who were elected at the annual meeting to serve on the vestry: Pamela Grossetti, youth and family; Carrie Hawley, adult formation; Madison Riley, stewardship; and Sam Schaefer, property. Thank you.

Vestry

Adult Formation Carrie Hawley

Clerk Peter Lull

Communications Holly Anza

Fellowship Ginny Snow

Finance Justin Wahls

Human Resources Lisa Howe

Membership Elizabeth Clarke

Outreach Joanna Horobin

Property Sam Schaefer

Stewardship Madison Riley

Treasurer Harry Condon

Wardens Will Nystrom

Megan Burns

Worship Laura Brown MacKinnon

Youth Formation Pamela Grossetti

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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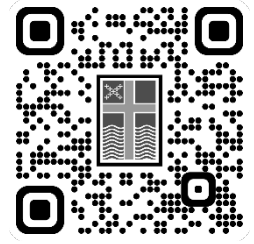
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Weekly Calendar

- 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, 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

Monday, February 6

7pm Fellowship Meeting

Tuesday, February 7

6pm Confirmation Class Presents
Outreach Project

Wednesday, February 8

7pm Evening Bible Circle

Sunday, February 12

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



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