



ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. Andrew's is dedicated to supporting your spiritual life. Spirituality is how we are in relationship to God, to other people, to the world around us, and to ourselves.

Thirteenth Sunday of Pentecost

August 27, 2023

We are livestreaming the 10am service.

Prelude

Processional Hymn 51 "We the Lord's people."

Decatur Place

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

S 278 Gloria in excelsis (front section of hymnal)

William Mathias (1934-1992)

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Together we pray.

People Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson: Exodus 1:8-2:10

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, "Look, the Israelite people are more

numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war,

join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land." Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them.

The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, "When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live." But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, "Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?" The midwives said to Pharaoh, "Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them." So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, "Every boy that is born to

the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live."

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, "This must be one of the Hebrews' children," she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?" Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Yes." So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages." So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, "because," she said, "I drew him out of the water."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 124

- 1 If the Lord had not been on our side, *
let Israel now say;
- 2 If the Lord had not been on our side, *
when enemies rose up against us;
- 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive *
in their fierce anger toward us;
- 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us *
and the torrent gone over us;
- 5 Then would the raging waters *
have gone right over us.
- 6 Blessed be the Lord! *
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
- 7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; *
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
- 8 Our help is in the Name of the Lord, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

Second Lesson: Romans 12:1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each

according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 379 "God is Love, let heaven adore him"

Abbot's Leigh

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you,

but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

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 Hymn 304 "I come with joy to meet my Lord"

Land of Rest

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

Old 100th

Eucharistic Prayer C

BCP p. 369

S125 Sanctus (front section of hymnal)

Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

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 518 "Christ is made the sure foundation"

Westminster Abbey

Dismissal

Clergy Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

**We welcome and thank our guest organist today, Ross Wood.
Please join us for refreshments on the patio.**



Icon of the Week

Florence Nightingale

See the e-Pistle for the text.



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* so that our clergy and members of our congregation can welcome you and help you get engaged with our church.



Serving at 8am

Lay Eucharistic Minister Nancy Echlov

Serving at 10am

Broadcast Tech Volunteer Rob Brandt

Lay Eucharistic Ministers Joe Hamilton and Sarah Dent

Readers Ann Johnson and Sarah Dent

*We also thank the ushers, altar guild members,
and flower guild members who are serving during the summer.*

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Parishes of the Neponset River Deanery

Trinity Church, Stoughton

Epiphany Church, Walpole

Emmanuel Church, West Roxbury

St. John's Church, Westwood

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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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Weekly Calendar

- The **Holy Eucharist** is celebrated on **Sundays at 8am, and 10am** which is broadcast on our website, our YouTube Channel (*use the QR code for a link to our YouTube channel*), and on Facebook.
- **The 5pm Sunday service** is suspended for the summer and will resume on Sunday, September 10. **The online Morning Prayer** series is also on summer holiday until Tuesday, September 5.
- **For August, the parish office hours** are **Monday through Friday, 9am to noon**, unless otherwise noted or announced. **Tuesday at noon is the deadline for all materials** 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, August 27

11am Refreshments on the patio

Sunday, September 3

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