



ST. ANDREW'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
WELLESLEY, MASSACHUSETTS

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.

Twentieth Sunday of Pentecost

October 15, 2023

We are livestreaming the 10am service.

Prelude “Récit de Chromhorne” from *Mass for the Parishes*

François Couperin (1638-1715)

Processional Hymn 645 “The King of love my shepherd is”

St. Columba

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 280 Gloria in excelsis (front section of hymnal)

Robert Powell (b.1932)

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 Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson: Exodus 32:1-14

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a

calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.



1 Hallelujah!

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,*
for his mercy endures for ever.

2 Who can declare the mighty acts of the LORD*
or show forth all his praise?

3 Happy are those who act with justice*
and always do what is right!

4 Remember me, O LORD, with the favor you have for your people,*
and visit me with your saving help;

†5 That I may see the prosperity of your elect
and be glad with the gladness of your people,*
that I may glory with your inheritance.

6 We have sinned as our forebears did;*
we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.

19 Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb*
and worshiped a molten image;

20 And so they exchanged their Glory*
for the image of an ox that feeds on grass.

21 They forgot God their Savior,*
who had done great things in Egypt,

22 Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham,*
and fearful things at the Red Sea.

23 So he would have destroyed them,
had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach,*
to turn away his wrath from consuming them.

Second Lesson: Philippians 4:1-9

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 664 "My Shepherd will supply my need"

Resignation

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves,

by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to

him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him

into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'
For many are called, but few are chosen."

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 *23rd Psalm*

Bobby McFerrin (1950)

The Lord is my Shepherd,

I have all I need. (S)he makes me lie down in green meadows

Beside the still waters (s)he will lead.

(S)he restores my soul, (S)he rights my wrongs.

(S)he leads me in a path of good things,

And fills my heart with songs.

Even though I walk through a dark and dreary land.

There is nothing that can shake me,

(S)he has said she won't forsake me, I'm in Her (his) hand.

(S)he sets a table before me in the presence of my foes.

(S)he anoints my head with oil and my cup overflows.

Surely, goodness and kindness will follow me all the days of my life,

And I will live in her house forever, forever and ever.

Glory be to our Mother and Daughter and to the holy of holies,

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen.

Doxology Hymn 380	“Praise God from whom all blessings flow”	Old 100th
	<i>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.</i>	
Eucharistic Prayer A		BCP p. 361
S129 Sanctus	(front section of hymnal)	Robert Powell
Breaking of the Bread		
<i>Celebrant</i>	Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.	
<i>People</i>	Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.	
	<i>All are welcome to receive communion. Ushers will direct the congregation. Gluten free wafers are available.</i>	
Fraction Anthem S151	(front section of hymnal)	David Hurd
Communion Anthem	<i>I sat down under his shadow</i>	Edward Bairstow (1874-1946) text Song of Solomon II, vv. 3,4
	<i>I sat down under His shadow with great delight and his fruit was sweet to my taste. He brought me to the banqueting house and His banner over me was love.</i>	
Communion Hymn 321	“My God, thy table now is spread”	Rockingham
Thanksgiving after Communion		BCP p. 365
Blessing		
Recessional Hymn 525	“The Church's one foundation”	Aurelia
Dismissal		
<i>Clergy</i>	Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.	
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.	
Postlude	<i>Dialogue sur la Trompette et la Chromhorne</i>	François Couperin

Please join us after the service for coffee hour, membership committee hosting.



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 Today

**The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Tom Alexander, Terry Tuytschaevers,
and Toby Tuytschaevers given by Joann Tuytschaevers.**

Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Bonnie Akins, Becky Hamlin, Jennie Hunnewell Kaplan,
Debbie Lorenz, Linda McCammond, Debbi Monti, Caren Parker, and Liz Rogers

Flowers the Flower Guild

Serving at 8am

Lay Eucharistic Minister Paul Criswell
Ushers Mark Benjamin and Ken Graves

Serving at 10am

Broadcast Tech Volunteer Rob Brandt
Lay Eucharistic Ministers Harry Condon, Joe Hamilton,
Sarah Harris, and Sam Schaefer
Readers Karen Pekowitz and Nora Tracy Phillips
Ushers David Boghosian, Adams Carroll, Alan Joachim, and David Osborn

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Parishes of the South Shore Deanery
Parish of St. John the Evangelist, Hingham
St. John's Church, Holbrook
Trinity Church, Marshfield
Church of Our Saviour, Milton
Order of St. Luke



About the Readings

Exodus 32:1-14

Today's reading begins a longer section on Israel's sin and God's forgiveness (chaps. 32–34). It serves both as a narrative sequel to the giving of the law on Mt. Sinai and as a spiritual reflection upon Israel's repeated failure of faith from the exodus to the exile. The worship of the golden calf signified the acceptance of the Canaanite rites of Baal. In view of the Lord's anger, Moses intercedes for the people. He reminds the Lord that these are God's own people, that God's name is now bound up with theirs and that God had promised Abraham (see Genesis 12:1-3), not Moses, many descendants. God's course of action is then revised, not capriciously but in keeping with God's purposes.

Psalms 106:1-6, 19-23

Israel is invited to praise God who always tempers divine judgment with mercy. The people can always depend on God's fidelity despite their sins. Thus confident of God's mercy, the psalmist urges the people's repentance by recalling eight instances of sin, judgment and forgiveness. These verses recall the sin of worshipping the golden calf at Horeb.

Philippians 4:1-9

In closing his letter, Paul expresses his appreciation for the community's generosity in supporting his ministry. Apparently they had sent Paul certain gifts, presumably including money. God enables Paul to remain content in every situation. Paul's contentedness derives from God, the source of his strength. Paul joyfully accepts the provision of the Philippians, for their need then provides another opportunity for God to demonstrate generosity.

Matthew 22:1-14

The parable of the wedding banquet addresses God's initiative to open the reign of God to all. Matthew structures the story to illustrate salvation history. The first group of servants were like the prophets and the second group the Christian apostles and missionaries. Verse 7 may allude to the fall of Jerusalem in AD 70 as God's punishment of Jewish nation. Those brought in from the byroads are the Gentiles. Matthew may have added verses 11-14 to warn his community that it, like Israel, stands under judgment and must be prepared. Matthew recognizes that the Church contains "both good and

bad" (v. 10) who can be separated only on judgment day. The proper wedding clothing probably represents a new life marked by the fruits of repentance in good deeds. Since in Judaism good works were expected to act as "intercessors"

before God (Acts 10:4), the guest without the garment is "speechless" (v. 12). Christians are cautioned not to rely on the calling, but to respond by living their baptism in daily life.



Icon of the Week

Teresa of Avila

March 28, 1515–October 4, 1582

Saint Teresa of Ávila, born Teresa de Cepeda y Ahumada, was a Spanish Carmelite nun, mystic, and saint. After entering a convent around the age of 20, she fell seriously ill. She underwent a religious awakening in 1555 and, despite her frail health, initiated the Carmelite Reform, leading the order's return to its original austere practices, including poverty and seclusion from the world. Against some opposition, she opened new convents (the first in 1562) under the reformed order throughout Spain. St. John of the Cross joined her in her efforts, establishing reformed Carmelite monasteries. Her doctrines have been accepted as the classical exposition of the contemplative life, and her spiritual writings are still widely read today, among them *The Interior Castle* and *The Way of Perfection*. In 1970 she became the first woman elevated to the position of Doctor of the Church.

Among her beliefs she said, "Mental prayer in my opinion is nothing else than an intimate sharing between friends; it means taking time frequently to be alone with Him who we know loves us. The important thing is not to think much but to love much and so do that which best stirs you to love. Love is not great delight but desire to please God in everything." Her last words were, "O my Lord! Now is the time we may see each other."

Her feast day is October 15.

O God, by your Holy Spirit you moved Teresa of Avila to manifest to your Church the way of perfection: Grant us, we pray, to be nourished by her excellent teaching, and enkindle within us a keen and unquenchable longing for true holiness; through Jesus Christ, the joy of loving hearts, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



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.



Join Us to Celebrate

Gala—Celebrating Clergy, Staff & Community

Come join us for cocktails, dinner, and dancing! Come celebrate our clergy, staff, and community on **Friday, October 20, at 6:30pm, at the Wellesley Country Club**. All are welcome to attend; come solo or with a partner/spouse. Tickets include buffet dinner, one drink ticket, and live band—cash bar will also be available. Adult tickets \$65, senior tickets \$35. Party/cocktail attire. **RSVP by today, October 15. [Register now!](#)** See the list of people already registered in the e-Pistle. Contact [Ginny Snow](#) with questions.

Church School

Our offerings and classrooms have changed so please refer to the list below:

- **Godly Play I**—pre-k to first grade meet in the children's chapel which is adjacent to the church sanctuary.
- **Godly Play II**—grades two and three meet in Room 201 (formerly known as the Rite-13 room)
- **Upper School/Way of Love**—grades four and five meet in Room 204
- **Rite-13**—grades six and seven meet in Room 202

9am Christian Learning

Our 9am Christian learning class will be in **the parish hall**. Join us in person or online (Zoom link in the e-Pistle).

Today, October 15, we begin our two part series on *Rough Sleepers*, hearing about Boston Health Care for the Homeless with guest speaker Dr. Eileen Reilly. On **Sunday, October 22**, we will discuss the book.

Everyone is welcome; come for every class or just ones that interest you. We have babysitting at 8:55am in Kids' Place so parents can join our class (or sing in the senior choir). Stay tuned for a full list of programs coming soon. —Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

Rough Sleepers

This homecoming, St. Andrew's book is Pulitzer Prize winning author Tracy Kidder's *Rough Sleepers*. This book looks at Dr. Jim O'Connell's mission to bring health care and healing to the homeless people of Boston. On **Sunday, October 22**, we will reflect on this book in the 9am Christian learning.

Please purchase the book directly from Wellesley Books. —Rev. Margaret Schwarzer

Music Rehearsals for Youth Sunday

Today, October 15, children fourth grade and up are invited to attend a music rehearsal with Wardie Mannix **in the choir room after the 10am service**. Please have your child get a snack in the parish hall and come directly to the choir room. Children in Godly Play I and II will learn their song during church school.

Confirmation Class

Confirmation class meets **today, October 15 at 5:45pm, in Room 202**, but will finish our time together in the sanctuary. We will be learning about the promises made at confirmation what it means "to turn to Christ."

Youth Group

Youth group meets **this evening, October 15, at 6:45pm to 8pm, in the parish hall**. We are hosting a game night! Bring a friend and come along with your favorite game.

Youth Sunday

Young people will be involved in all aspects of the service from singing to reading our lessons. The theme for the service is Harvest and during the service we will be collecting non-perishable food items for our outreach partners Wellesley Food Pantry, A Place to Turn in Natick, and St. Stephen's Youth Programs.

College Care Packages

Sending college care packages has been a long-standing tradition at St. Andrew's. Each year St. Andrew's sends care packages to roughly twelve Wily Scholars. Wily Scholars are college students who have grown up in the foster care system and are now in college. The Wily Network helps support these scholars so that they have all that they need to get through four years of college. We also send care packages to St. Andrew's parishioners who have graduated from high school in 2023 and are now first-year college students, are taking a gap year, are in vocational training or the trades, are serving in the military, or are working elsewhere. [The Wily Scholars sign-up genius form](#) is in the e-Pistle. For more information contact parishioner [Joy Denomme](#) or Sarah Robbins-Cole.

Coventry Suppers

Now is the time to sign up for Coventry Suppers. These casual dinners to which everyone contributes have been a meaningful tradition for years as they allow members of to get to know one another in a small, intimate setting. **Please sign up by emailing fellowship@standrewswellesley.org or membership@standrewswellesley.org.**

Small groups will be formed after the October 15 deadline, and a list of the members in your group will be distributed in mid-October. A "first convener" will also be designated as the first dinner host(s) where the group can then discuss when to gather during the year. Usually, groups meet four to six times over the year.

Turkey Trot 2023

Join our St. Andrew's Team for the 2023 Turkey Trot! We raise money for a good cause while we have a good time. We trot on Thanksgiving morning at 8am! [Register to run in person](#): click "Join a Team" and sign up for "St. Andrew's." That's us! The money we pay as a 5K registration fee will go to local charities and we will have the chance to meet before the race, snap a picture, and wish each other a Happy Thanksgiving. — Rev Margaret Schwarzer

common cathedral

You are invited to join a group going to Boston on **Sunday, November 5 and Sunday, December 3** to serve lunch and worship with *common cathedral*. This is a congregation of mostly un-housed people. You can make bag lunches beforehand too. [Please contact Cam McCormick](#) to sign up (617-584-9434).

Audio/Visual Team

Sharing our beautiful services with the greater world and maintaining contact with our remote congregation depends on the team of volunteers who volunteer to operate our in-house video broadcasting system. Volunteers receive training and real-time support in performing this task. If you have any desire to learn more about technology, or already have a background in the technical side of video and sound production and want to lend your talents, then we have a seat for you up front in the first row for operations. Please contact our broadcasting coordinator, [Rob Brandt](#).

Coffee Hour Hosts!

Seeking parishioners to host coffee hour after the Sunday 10am service. Responsibilities include providing and hosting a snack (cookies, fruit, cheese and crackers), and cleaning up. The sextons set up the tables, make the coffee and hot water for tea, and provide cream and sugar. Typically, a host will arrive just before the 10am service to put out snacks and then will leave the service after communion to finish setting up. **If you are willing to host, please email Hillary Madge.** A sign-up schedule will be emailed to all those who indicate they are willing to host to schedule a date. Thanks for helping foster our sense of community and enabling parishioners to build connections and friendships. — [Hillary Madge](#)

Social Media

To stay up to date with St. Andrew's virtual content, make sure to like and follow St. Andrew's on the social media platforms you use.

- Follow our parish instagram, [@staswellesley](#), for photos of our parish life throughout the week.
- Subscribing to our [YouTube Channel](#) will let you know when new service videos are posted.
- Following our [Facebook page](#) and turning on notifications will help you know when we are live.

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- 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**.
- **Parish office hours** are (generally) **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, October 15

8:55am Kids' Place
9am Christian Learning
9:45am Church School
11am Coffee Hour
11:15am Youth Music Rehearsal
11:30am Inquirer's Class
5:45pm Confirmation Class
6:45pm Youth Group

Thursday, October 19

12pm Beginner's Bible Study

Friday, October 20

6:30pm Celebrating Clergy, Staff
& Community

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