

**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.*

## **Christmas Lessons & Carols**

### **December 31, 2023**

*We are livestreaming the 10am service.*

Prelude *Das alte Jahr vergangen ist*

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Hymn 102 (vs. 1, 2, 5, & 6) *"Once in royal David's city"*

*Irby*

Bidding Prayer

*After each lesson, the reader says "The Word of the Lord,"  
to which the congregation responds heartily, Thanks be to God!*

First Lesson: Genesis 3:1-23

Adam and Eve rebel against God and are cast out of the Garden of Eden.

Hymn 82 (vs. 1, 2, & 4) *"Of the Father's love begotten"*

*Divinum mysterium*

Second Lesson: Ezekiel 34:1-6, 11-16

God becomes the shepherd of the people.

Hymn 112 *"In the bleak midwinter"*

*Cranham*

Third Lesson: Luke 2:1-20

Jesus is born in Bethlehem and is worshiped by angels and shepherds.

Hymn 115 *"What child is this"*

*Greensleeves*

Fourth Lesson: Hebrews 1:1–12

In the fullness of time, God sends his Son, whose reign is for ever and ever.

Hymn 87 “Hark! the herald angels sing”

*Mendelssohn*

Fifth Lesson: John 1:1–18

The Word is made flesh, and we have seen his glory.

Hymn 83 (vs. 1-3) “O come, all ye faithful”

*Adeste fideles*

Announcements

Offertory Hymn 81 “Lo, how a Rose e’er blooming”

*Es ist ein Ros*

Doxology Hymn 107 “Good Christian friends, rejoice”

*In dulci jubilo*

Closing Prayers

Blessing

Hymn 109 (vs. 1, 5, & 6) “The first Nowell”

*The First Nowell*

Dismissal

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

*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude *Prelude and Fugue in a minor*

J.S. Bach

**Please join us for coffee hour in the parish hall.**

**There is no church school and no Kids’ Place today.**



**Serving at 8am**

*Chalice Bearer/Lay Reader* Thomas Palmer

*Ushers* the fifth Sunday team

**Serving at 10am**

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**Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**

*Parishes of the Alewife Deanery*

Church of Our Redeemer, Lexington

St. James' Church, Somerville

Christ Church, Waltham

Congregation of St. Peter at Christ Episcopal Church, Waltham

Church of the Good Shepherd, Watertown

# Weekly Calendar

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- 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, December 31

NO Kids' Place, Church School,  
or Rite-13  
10am Christmas Lessons & Carols  
NO 5pm Service

## Saturday, January 6

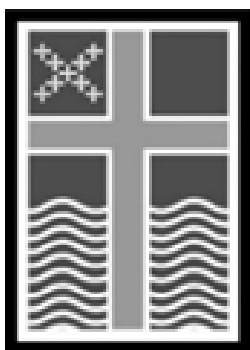
8am Men's Bible Study

## Sunday, January 7

9am Coffee Hour for 8am Worshipers  
5pm Epiphany Fireside & Potluck

## Thursday, January, 4

9:45am Church School Committee  
12pm Beginner's Bible Study  
NO Senior Choir



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