

Christmas Day
December 25, 2011

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I



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Prelude *In dulci jubilo BWV 608* J.S. Bach (1685–1750)
Hymn 83 (vss. 1, 2, 3, & 6) “O come, all ye faithful” *Adeste fideles*

The Word of God

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Hymn 96 “Angels we have heard on high” *Gloria*

Collect for Christmas Day

Almighty God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin: Grant that we, being regenerate and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit ever, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

First Reading: Isaiah 62:6–12

Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have posted sentinels; all day and all night they shall never be silent. You who remind the LORD, take no rest, and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it renowned throughout the earth. The LORD has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm: I will not again give your grain to be food for your enemies, and foreigners shall not drink the wine for which you have labored; but those who garner it shall eat it and praise the LORD, and those who gather it shall

drink it in my holy courts. Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples. The LORD has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to daughter Zion, “See, your salvation comes; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.” They shall be called, “The Holy People, The Redeemed of the LORD;” and you shall be called, “Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 97 (Reader and Congregation alternate verses)

- 1 The LORD is King;
let the earth rejoice;*
let the multitude of the isles be glad.
- 2 Clouds and darkness are round about him,*
righteousness and justice are the foundations
of his throne.
- 3 A fire goes before him*
and burns up his enemies on every side.
- 4 His lightnings light up the world;*
the earth sees it and is afraid.
- 5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence
of the LORD,*
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
- 6 The heavens declare his righteousness,*
and all the peoples see his glory.
- 7 Confounded be all who worship carved
images
and delight in false gods!*
Bow down before him, all you gods.
- 8 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah
rejoice,*
because of your judgments, O LORD.
- 9 For you are the LORD,
most high over all the earth;*
you are exalted far above all gods.
- 10 The LORD loves those who hate evil;*
he preserves the lives of his saints
and delivers them from the hand of the
wicked.
- 11 Light has sprung up for the righteous,*
and joyful gladness for those who are
truehearted.
- 12 Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous,*
and give thanks to his holy Name.

Second Reading: Titus 3:4–7

When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the

Holy Spirit. This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 82

“Of the Father’s love begotten”

Divinum Mysterium

Gospel Reading: Luke 2:1–20

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

“Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!”

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.” So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Homily

The Nicene Creed

The Prayers of the People

The Confession and Absolution

The Peace

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The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn 115	“What child is this?”	<i>Greensleeves</i>
The Great Thanksgiving		p. 333
Communion Hymn 111	“Silent night”	<i>Stille Nacht</i>
Thanksgiving after Communion		p. 339
The Blessing		
The Dismissal		
Hymn 100	“Joy to the world”	<i>Antioch</i>
Postlude	<i>Noël</i>	Louis-Claude d’Aquin (1694-1772.)

Serving St. Andrew’s today

Chalice Bearer & Reader — Debbie Lorenz
Ushers — Terri Rawson and Dave Boghosian

Gluten-free Wafer

If you have an allergy to gluten and want to receive the bread at communion, we can offer you a gluten-free wafer. If you would like to receive communion in this way, please ask the priest for a gluten-free wafer at the communion rail.

Home Communion Available

The clergy will bring Holy Communion to those unable to attend the Christmas services. Arrangements may be made by calling the parish office at 781-235-7310.

Christmas Offering

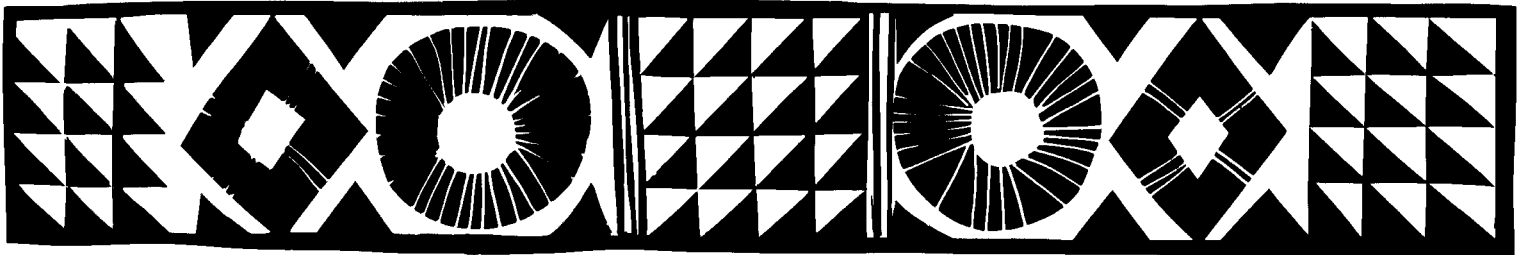
Your generosity at Christmas is key to carrying out and fulfilling the mission and outreach of St. Andrew’s in the Wellesley community, in Massachusetts and in the diocese.

Volunteers are needed to deliver poinsettias

Plants may be picked up at the back of the church today.

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St. Andrew's Weekly Calendar

Sunday, December 25

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

No 5:00 p.m. Service

Monday, December 26

Parish office Closed

Tuesday, December 27

5:15 p.m. Service at Salvation

Army Miracle Kitchen

Wednesday, December 28

8:40 a.m. Morning Prayer

Thursday, December 29

8:40 a.m. Morning Prayer

Sunday, January 1

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

10:00 a.m. Christmas Lessons
& Carols

No 5:00 p.m. Service

Monday, January 2

Parish office Closed

Mission Statement: St. Andrew's is an Episcopal Church where Christians come together to share a rich tradition of worship, to learn and teach the word of God, to grow in faith, and to love and serve others. It is a community of men, women and children who seek to follow Christ in all that they are and all that they do.