

# Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2025

### The liturgy begins in silence.

Processional Hymn 142 "Lord, who throughout these forty days"

St. Flavian

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures for ever.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.

### Collect of the Day

Celebrant Together we pray.

People Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging

our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and

reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and 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

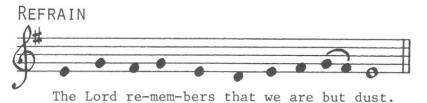
quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable 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.

### Psalm 103:8-13 The congregation is encouraged to sing the refrain.





- 8 The LORD is full of compassion and mér-cy,\* slow to anger and of / great kind-ness.
- 9 He will not always ac-cúse us,\* nor will he keep his anger / for év-er.

#### REFRAIN

- 10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins,\*
  nor rewarded us according to / our wick-ed-ness.
- 11 For as the heavens are high above the earth,\*
  so is his mercy great upon those / who fear him.

#### REFRAIN

- 12 As far as the east is from the west,\*
  so far has he removed / our sins from us.
- 13 As a father cares for his chil-dren,\* so does the LORD care for those / who fear him.

REFRAIN

Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

We entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions,

hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see - we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

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

Gradual Hymn 147 "Now let us all with one accord"

Bourbon

Gospel: Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven.

So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may

be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

"And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

"And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ. People

Homily

Imposition of Ashes

Psalm 51: 1–18

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

> Rev. Dr. Sarah Robbins-Cole Book of Common Prayer p. 264 Richard Farrant

### The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm at 7pm.



- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving!kindness; \* in your great compassion blot out my of fenses.
- 2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness \* and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I know my trans gressions, \* and my sin is ever be fore me.
- 4 Against you only have I sinned \* and done what is evil in your sight.
- 5 And so you are justified when you speak \* and upright in your judgment.

- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, \*
  a sinner from my mother's womb.
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep with me, \* and will make me under ständ wisdom secretly.
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; \* wash me, and I shall be clean in deed.
- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, \*
  that the body you have broken may re joice.
- 10 Hide your face from my sins \* and blot out all my in iquities.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O'God, and re new a right spirit with me.
- 12 Cast me not a way from your presence \* and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- 13 Give me the joy of your saving help a gain \* and sus tain me with your bountiful Spirit.
- 14 I shall teach your ways to the wicked, and sinners shall re turn to you.
- 15 Deliver me from death, O God, and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness, O God of my sal vation.
- 16 Open my lips, O'Lord, \*
  and my mouth shall pro claim your praise.
- 17 Had you desired it, I would have offered sacrifice, \*
  but you take no de light in burnt offerings.
- 18 The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit; \*
  a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not des pise.

Litany of Penitence Peace

# The Holy Communion

Presentation of Bread and Wine

Offertory Anthem Call to remembrance

Richard Farrant

Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercy and

loving kindness which hath been ever of old.

O remember not the sins and offenses of my youth:

but according to thy mercy think thou on me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP p. 361

Sanctus S 128 William Mathias

Breaking of the Bread

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast.

Agnus Dei S 160 Mason Martens

All are welcome to receive communion. Ushers will direct the congregation. Gluten free wafers are available.

Communion Anthem Hymn 606 "Where true charity and love dwell" Ubi caritas

Thanksgiving after Communion BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 143 "The glory of these forty days" Erhalt uns, Herr

Dismissal BCP p. 366

*Clergy* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.



# 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 the 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.

# Vestry

Any member of the vestry can be emailed at their ministry address. All addresses are on our website: <a href="https://standrewswellesley.org/about/vestry/">https://standrewswellesley.org/about/vestry/</a>

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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** is offered online **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.



- Parish office hours are Monday through Thursday, 9am to 4pm, and Friday, 9am to 12pm, unless otherwise announced. Tuesday at 12pm is the deadline for all materials for the bulletin or any 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**.

Regular weekly meetings and gatherings, unless otherwise announced below
Sundays • 9am adult Christian learning • 8:55am Kids' Place • 9:45am church
school programs • 11am coffee hour • 6pm youth group
Thursdays • 12pm beginner's Bible study • 5pm children's choir rehearsal
• 7:30pm senior choir rehearsal

#### Wednesday, March 5

7am Ash Wednesday service 12pm Ash Wednesday service 7pm Ash Wednesday service

## Thursday, March 6

9:30am altar guild meeting9:45am church school meeting7pm altar guild meeting

## Sunday, March 9

Daylight Saving!
11:30am faith & practice



