

The Fifth Sunday of Lent April 6, 2025

We are livestreaming the 10am service.

Prelude Hilf, Gott, dass mir's gelinge (Help, God, that I may succeed) J.S. Bach (1685-1750) Processional Hymn 474 "When I survey the wondrous cross" Rockingham

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation Book of Common Prayer p. 351

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People God's mercy endures for ever.

Decalogue BCP p. 350

Confession BCP p. 352

Kyrie S 98 (front section of hymnal) William Mathias (1934-1992)

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Together we pray.

People Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affec-

tions of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy

Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

First Lesson: Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 126

Richard Farrant (c.1530-1581)

The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.



- 1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, * then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, * and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- †3 Then they said a mong the nations, *
 "The LORD has done great things for them."
- 4 The LORD has done great things for us, * and we are glad in deed.
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O'LORD, * like the watercourses of the Negev.
- 6 Those who sowed with tears * will reap with songs of joy.
- 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, * will come again with jöy, shouldering their sheaves.

Second Lesson: Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of

Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by

becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 679 "Surely it is God who saves me"

Thomas Merton

Gospel: John 12:1-8

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why

was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

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.

Peace

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Presentation of Bread and Wine

Offertory Anthem Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

African American Spiritual attributed to Wallace Willis (c.1820-1880)

Refrain

Swing low, sweet chariot, Coming for to carry me home. Swing low, sweet chariot, Coming for to carry me home.

I looked over Jordan, and what did I see, Coming for to carry me home. I saw a band of angels coming after me, Coming for to carry me home. [Refrain]

If you get to heaven before I do, Coming for to carry me home. Tell all your friends I'll be coming there too, Coming for to carry me home. [**Refrain**] The Brightest Day that I ever I saw,
Coming for to carry me home.
When Jesus washed my sins away,
Coming for to carry me home. [Refrain]

I'm sometimes up, I'm sometimes down Coming for to carry me home But still my soul feels heavenly bound Coming for to carry me home [Refrain]

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

Old 100th

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.

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP p. 361

S128 Sanctus (front section of hymnal)

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 (front section of hymnal)

Mason Martens (1933-1991)

All are welcome to receive communion. Ushers will direct the congregation. You may sip from the chalice or dip your wafer in the intinction cup. Gluten free wafers are available.

Communion Anthem Panis angelicus

César Franck (1822-1890)

May the Bread of Angels

Become bread for mankind;

The Bread of Heaven puts

All foreshadowings to an end;

Oh, thing miraculous!

The body of the Lord will nourish

the poor, the poor,

the servile, and the humble.

Communion Hymn 382 "King of glory, King of peace"

General Seminary

Thanksgiving after Communion

BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 441 "In the cross of Christ I glory"

Rathbun

Dismissal

Clergy Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Join us for coffee hour after the service hosted today by church school and youth group bake sale!

How to use your smartphone to connect to the listening system



We recently installed *ListenWiFi* for parishioners who use hearing aids with Bluetooth capabilities. Download the *ListenWiFi* app from your app store. Then follow the instructions at the ushers table for how to connect your app to the church system.



Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Laura Brown MacKinnon, Nancy Echlov, Wendy Haering, Angie Johnson, Ntonhle Kekana, Sarah Klein, and Jen Martin

Serving at 8am

Lay Eucharistic Minister Tom Palmer
Usher Mark Housel

Serving at 10am

Acolytes Crucifer, George Raeke;
Torch, Abby Dietz; and Torch, Caroline Rankin
Broadcast Tech Volunteer Rob Brandt
Lay Eucharistic Ministers Harry Condon, Meg Harris,
Sarah Harris, and Ann Johnson
Readers youth
Ushers Terry Rawson-Wakefield,
Kris Vanin, Michael Vanin, and Michael Wakefield

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Churches of the Cape & Islands Deanery
Church of the Good Shepherd, Wareham
St. James the Fisherman Church, Wellfleet
Church of the Messiah, Woods Hole



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 our 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.



Icon of the Week

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

1906-1945

Dietrich Bonhoeffer was an anti-Nazi theologian and pastor during WWII. He was born in 1906 in Germany, and is best remembered for authoring the classics, *The Cost of Discipleship* and *Life Together*. Although Bonhoeffer did not grow up in a religious home, he announced his plans to join the church when he was 14. After obtaining his doctorate in theology and working in churches abroad, Bonhoeffer became a priest and lecturer in Berlin at the age of 25. Hitler's rise to power marked a turning point in Bonhoeffer's career. Despite the mounting cost, Bonhoeffer spoke out against the Führer's influence. Frustrated by the unwillingness of church leaders to oppose Hitler's anti-Semitism, Bonhoeffer created the Confessing Church, with Martin Niemoller and Karl Barth. Eventually, forbidden to teach publicly, Bonhoeffer taught seminary students underground for the Confessing Church until even they grew reluctant to contradict Nazi leadership. Bonhoeffer briefly sought asylum in the United States, but eventually concluded it was wrong to abandon his friends and returned to Nazi Germany.

Formerly a pacifist, Dietrich Bonhoeffer became persuaded of the need for violence against the Nazi regime and joined a group which plotted to assassinate Hitler. Ultimately, Bonhoeffer was arrested for his involvement in helping Jews flee the country. Still, he continued to teach with the help of guards who smuggled out his writings, until he was transferred to a concentration camp. When his association with other *Abwehr* agents was discovered, Bonhoeffer was hanged in April 1945, just one month before Germany surrendered.

His feast day is April 9.

Silence in the face of evil is itself evil: God will not hold us guiltless. Not to speak is to speak. Not to act is to act.



Holy Week & Easter Services

** **April 13** 8am and 10am The Liturgy of the Palms, Dramatic Reading of the Passion, & Holy Eucharist

** April 14, Monday 7pm Taizé-style Service

April 15, Tuesday 7pm Stations of the Cross

April 16, Wednesday 7pm Service of Tenebrae

April 17, Maundy Thursday

** 7pm Maundy Thursday Service & Footwashing 9pm Maundy Thursday All-Night Vigil begins

April 18, Good Friday

** 12 noon Good Friday Liturgy

2pm Church School Intergenerational Good Friday Observance

7pm Good Friday Liturgy

April 19, Holy Saturday

9am Holy Saturday Service

** 7pm The Great Easter Vigil and Holy Eucharist

April 20, Easter Sunday

** 9am Festival Holy Eucharist 10am Easter Egg Hunt 11am Festival Holy Eucharist



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.

Parish Office Door Now Locked in the Afternoons

In recent months, there have been several instances of strangers wandering the basement corridors of the church. This is a concern for all of us and the Montessori school. To enhance security, the door to the parish offices at 79 Denton Road will now be locked in the afternoons. If you have things you need to do at the church, we encourage you to come in the mornings when the door will be unlocked. If you need access to the church building in the afternoon, please ring the bell at the door or call the parish office at 781/235-7310.

For scheduled meetings such as choir practice or committee gatherings, the door will be unlocked. In the long term, a camerabased security system will be installed to allow remote access control. Access passes will be issued to those who need to use the building after hours.

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak with Adrian.

Church School Classes Today

- Godly Play I Pre-K to first grade, in the children's chapel.
- Godly Play II grades two and three, in Room 201 (second floor).

- **Upper School/Way of Love** grades four and five, in **Room 204** (second floor).
- Rite-13 grades six and seven, in Room
 202 (second floor).

Bake Sale Today

Please support our youth and children's Lenten fundraiser refurbishing a cabin at Agassiz Village by attending coffee hour this morning and purchasing baked goods!

Youth Group

- Today, April 6 11am Bake sale
- Today, April 6 6pm Dinner and wellness of work and play
- Sunday, April 13 TBD
- Sunday, April 20 Break for Easter
- Sunday, April 27 11am Bargain Haul help and lunch

9am Adult Christian Learning

Today, April 6, David Guydan leads a class on chapter four: *Prayer*. Next Sunday, April 13, join us for *Preparing for Holy Week and Easter: Traditions and Practices* led by Margaret Schwarzer. Come every week, once a month, or just when a class lines up with your interests. We offer childcare at 8:55am so parents can attend class. Join us in the parish hall or on Zoom (the link will be in the e-Pistle). —Margaret Schwarzer

Circle of Hope

The coat collection is shifting its focus to lighter spring jackets, fleeces, etc. Thanks to all who donated coats this winter!

Lenten Program & Potluck

What does it mean to be one of God's modern disciples? Our potluck begin at **6:30pm and runs till 7:10pm**. We provide the entrée and drinks, and you bring a salad or dessert. **From 7:15 to 8pm**, we offer a program on the theme *Being Disciples: Following the Living God*. Join us **in the parish hall or on Zoom** (the link will be in the e-Pistle).

 April 9 The Beatitudes—A Guidepost: Pam Alexander, PhD., clinical psychologist
 Margaret Schwarzer

Bible Studies

- Men's Bible Study Join us <u>online the</u>
 <u>first and third Saturday of every month</u>
 <u>at 8am</u> for the study of Luke's Gospel.
 The Zoom link is in the e-Pistle.
- Beginner's Bible Study Join us <u>online</u>
 every Thursday at noon for the study of
 John's Gospel. The Zoom link is also in
 the e-Pistle. <u>Adrian Robbins-Cole</u>
- Open Bible Study This month, we study 1 Peter: Chapter 5: Suffering
 "Responsibly." No preparation is needed; we read and reflect together. We meet on
 Tuesday, April 8 at 11am and on
 Thursday, April 10 at 7 pm. Come to the
 Harvey Room or join us online, the Zoom link is in the e-Pistle.
 - -Margaret Schwarzer

The Boston City Singers Sing with the St. Andrew's Children's Choir

Join us for a choral concert called *From the Sea*, exploring our relationship with the Waters That Sustain Us, on **Friday**, **April 11**, **at 7pm** at St. Andrew's. Tickets are free, but donations are gratefully accepted to support the Boston City Singers 2025 Global Voices Tour to Cape Town, South Africa.

Online Morning Prayer

We would like to remind you that online Morning Prayer, led by the clergy, takes place each week at 8.30am, Monday through Thursday. You can join in one of three ways: through our website, our Facebook page or our YouTube channel. You can join the regular attenders who are not only here in Wellesley but in different parts of the country including Georgia, Texas and Wisonsin. The service lasts roughly 20 minutes. Regular attenders say that is sets them up for the day. (Of course, many people watch it later in the day.)

common cathedral

On **Sunday, April 27**, we will host common cathedral, preparing 120 bag lunches to serve and worship with the congregation on Boston Common. Please check on Realm to find open slots to make lunches at home or in the St. Andrew's kitchen, or <u>contact Cam McCormick</u> for more information. These lunches are an important helping hand for people experiencing physical and spiritual hunger.

Bargain Haul Setup Help

With our sexton Steve Killeen being away on medical leave, we urgently need help setting up the tables for Bargain Haul on Monday, April 21, and Tuesday, April 22, at 9am. If you can help, please let Adrian know.

Bargain Haul 2025!



Drop-off Days Sunday,
April 27 to Tuesday,
April 29; Work Days
Monday, April 28 to
Wednesday, April 30;
Parish Night, Friday,

May 2; Public Sale, Saturday, May 3. Things you can do to help.

- Donate treasures for the Silent Auction, Treasure Table, and gently used clean items for all departments.
- Support the "Wish List" of our outreach partners by donating warm winter outerwear, boots, pillows, blankets and sleeping bags, sports balls and cones, toasters, toaster ovens, blenders, mixers, bean bag chairs or similar, and bookcases.
- Come to Parish Night, Friday, May 2 and bid at the Silent Auction.
- **Donate** large shopping bags.
- **Spread the word** Take and place a bumper sticker on your car (easy to remove). Take and place a yard sign (starting Monday 14) and return the sign to the church after Bargain Haul.
- **Volunteer to help** Scan the QR code to learn more or email the co-chairs to volunteer yourself or your child.
- **For Volunteers** come to the Workers' Sale on Thursday, May 1 from 9 to 11am

- and bid at the Workers Sale Auction.
- **Bake** for the Public Sale Bake Sale (contact Jenny Sawyer).
- Sign up for the clean-up team (noon to **2pm** after the Public Sale).
- Make new friends and enjoy yourself! Email us if you wish to volunteer and we will connect you to a department that needs help.

Scan the OR Code to learn more about volunteering and to sign up. Or contact Bob Ware or Caroline Hudson.

Families with Youth

Please mark your calendars to help with Bargain Haul. We need youth to help on Sunday, April 27 drop-off day, to staff layaway during Bargain Haul, and clean-up afterwards on Saturday, May 3.

Pilgrimage: Reaching for Heaven

We are making a list of interested parishioners so please email Margaret if you are considering going on this pilgrimage: Reaching for Heaven: Walking in the Footsteps of Celtic Saints in Scotland and Northern England. From

Thursday, June 11, to Tuesday, June 23, 2026, members of St. Andrew's will journey to the Isle of Iona, explore the ruins of Lindisfarne Monastery, and visit Glasgow, Edinburgh, and northern England, including York. Along the way, we will follow in the footsteps of St. Cuthbert and St. Columba, taking time for reflection, prayer, whisky tasting, and historic tours.

Outreach Grant Applications

Are you involved with your favorite charity? The outreach committee is again seeking nominations from parishioners for our annual grant awards program. Grant requests may be up to \$5,000 each. Look for application forms and details in the narthex, and on our website. Applications will be reviewed in June.

Vestry

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

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Wardens Tom Faust

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Worship Erica Gelser

Youth Formation Pamela Grossetti

Staff

- 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, 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

Sunday April 6

9am coffee hour for 8am worshipers9:45am church school11am church school and youth bake sale at coffee hour6pm youth group

Tuesday, April 8

11am open Bible study 7pm outreach meeting

Wednesday, April 9

6:30pm Lenten potluck & program

Thursday, April 10

7pm open Bible study

Friday, April 11

7pm Boston City Singers concert

Sunday, April 13

6pm youth group

