

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.

# The Fourth Sunday of Easter All Parish Eucharist, May 11, 2025

We are livestreaming the 10am service.

Prelude Voluntary on Hymn to Joy

Michael Burkhardt (b.1957)

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 Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

S 278 Gloria in excelsis (front section of hymnal)

William Mathias (1934-1992)

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Together we pray.

People O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that

when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns,

one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Lesson: 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to

him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and

said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

David Hurd (after Gibbons)

### The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.



- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; \*

  I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me be side still waters.
- 3 He re'vives my soul \* and guides me along right pathways for his Näme's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
  I shall fear no evil; \*
  for you are with me;
  your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \* you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \*
  and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

Second Lesson: Revelation 7:9-17

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are

these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 664 "My Shepherd will supply my need"

Resignation

Gospel: John 10:22-30

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name

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Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

Sermon

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 *Loving Creator* Philippine folk melody attributed to Elena G. Maquiso (1914-1995), words by D.T. Niles (1908-1970)

Loving Creator, grants to your children mercy and blessing, songs never ceasing, grace to invite us, peace to unite us Loving Creator parent and God.

Jesus Redeemer, help us remember your pain and passion, your resurrection, your

call to follow, your love tomorrow Jesus Redeemer, our friend and Lord.

Spirit descending, your light unending, brings hope and healing, in truth revealing. Dispel our blindness, inspire our kindness Spirit descending Spirit adored.

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

S125 Sanctus (front section of hymnal)

Richard Proulx

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Fraction Anthem S151 (front section of hymnal)

David Hurd

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

Communion Anthem God is my Shepherd

Antonín Dvořák (1841-1904)

God is my Shepherd, I want for nothing.

My rest is in the pleasant meadows.

He leads me where quiet waters flow.

My fainting soul doth He restore and guideth me in the ways of peace, to glory His name.

And though in death's dark valley my steps must wander, my spirit shall not fear,

For Thou art by me still.

Th rod and staff are with me, and they shall comfort me.

Communion Hymn 343 "Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless"

St. Agnes

Thanksgiving after Communion

BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 296 "We know that Christ is raised and dies no more"

Engelberg

Dismissal

Clergy Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude In Thee Is Gladness

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

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We welcome and thank our guest organist, Jennifer Velázquez.

Please join us in the parish hall for coffee hour after the service, hosted today by Cam McCormick

## 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.



## 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.



#### Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Dell Beggs, Judith Boland, Jean Childs, Kim Francour, Erica Gelser, Peter Mahoney, Heather Schaefer, and Liz J. Tecca Altar Flowers the flower guild

#### Serving at 8am

Lay Eucharistic Minister Paul Criswell Ushers Nancy Kohl & Bob Ware

#### Serving at 10am

Acolytes Crucifer, Jason Lowe; Torch, Emmy Svedlund; and Torch, Katherine Svedlund
Broadcast Tech Volunteer Rob Brandt
Greeters Blair & Jim Kenary
Lay Eucharistic Ministers Suzy Littlefield, Cam McCormick,
Paul Shackford, and Margaret Zusky
Readers Youth
Ushers Travis Anza, Matthew Benfer, Frank Hunnewell,
Justin Wahls, and Paul Zusky

### Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Churches of the Concord River Deanery
Church of the Good Shepherd, Acton
St. Andrew's Church, Ayer
Trinity Church, Concord
St. Andrew's Church, Framingham
Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society



## Icon of the Week

## **Dame Julian of Norwich**

c.1342-c.1417

Of Dame Julian's early life, we know little, only the probable date of her birth. Her own writings in the Revelations of Divine Love are concerned only with her visions that she experienced when she was thirty years old. She had been gravely ill and was given the last rites; suddenly, on the seventh day, all the pain left her, and she had fifteen visions of Passion. This brought her great peace and joy. "From that time, I desired oftentimes to learn what was our Lord's meaning," she wrote, "and fifteen years after I was answered in ghostly understanding: 'Wouldst thou learn the Lord's meaning in this thing? Learn it well. Love was his meaning. Who showed it thee? Love. What showed he thee? Love. Wherefore showed it he? For Love. Hold thee therein and thou shalt learn and know more in the same.' Thus it was I learned that Love was our Lord's meaning." She became a recluse, an anchoress, at Norwich soon after her recovery from illness, living in a small dwelling attached to the Church of St. Julian. Even in her lifetime, she was famed as a mystic and spiritual counselor and was frequently visited by clergymen and lay people. Many have found strength in the words the Lord had given her: "I can make all things well; I will make all things well; I shall make all things well; and thou canst see for thyself that all manner of things shall be well."

#### Her feast day is May 8.

Lord God, in your compassion you granted to the Lady Julian many revelations of your nurturing and sustaining love: Move our hearts, like hers, to seek you above all things, for in giving us yourself you give us all; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, 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.

## **Church School Today**

There will be **NO** church school this week. Children are invited to the all parish eucharist at 10am with the whole congregation. Kids' Place is open for infants, toddlers, and the youngest of our Godly Play children.

## Youth Group

- Today, May 11 Off for Mother's Day
- Sunday, May 18 Hike and picnic
- Sunday, May 24 Off for Memorial Day

#### 9am Adult Christian Learning

Today, May 11, for Visio Divina: Images of Mary. The Mother of God facilitated by Margaret Schwarzer. Join us next Sunday, May 18, for Exploring Tibetan Buddhism & The Mind Body Connection taught by Elizabeth Martin, Emory College senior. 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 Harvey Room or on Zoom (the link will be in the e-Pistle). —Margaret Schwarzer

### Mother's Day Diaper Drive

Make another Mother's Day special by donating any size pack or box of diapers (newborn to size 5) for new moms and babies in Bridges to Moms (BTM). Please leave them in the back of the church (near the BTM poster) on Mother's Day, today, May 11 and for the following two weeks.

St. Andrew's has supported this organization founded by Roseanna Means, M.D., since 2016. BTM helps change the health trajectory of women who are pregnant and facing housing insecurity. They focus on self-care, better health, skills development, and future self-sufficiency.

#### **Bible Studies**

- 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 2 Peter: Chapters 1 & 5: The Key is Christ. No preparation is needed; we read and reflect together. We meet on Tuesday, May 13 at 11am and on Thursday, May 14 at 7 pm. Come to the Harvey Room or join us online, the Zoom link is in the e-Pistle.
  - -Margaret Schwarzer

## Confirmation Class Planning

The parents of rising confirmation students are invited to a brief planning meeting at 11:15am on Sunday, May 18, in the Harvey Room. We will discuss scheduling options for next year's class—your input is important.

## Rite-13 Parent Meeting

There will be a meeting at 9:15am on Sunday, May 18, in Room 201. We will be discussing the schedule for the 2025-26 Rite-13 class (sixth and seventh grade). If you are not able to make the meeting, please let Sarah Robbins-Cole know.

## Scout Sunday

Join us for **Scout Sunday**, **May 18**, **at the 10am service**, where we will celebrate the scouts in our community. Scouts of all ages and of all kinds are invited to wear their uniform.

If your Girl Scout would like to earn the *My Promise, My Faith* pin, which takes one to two hours of at home effort and a short group meeting, please reach out to Sarah Robbins-Cole to add your Girl Scout to the list.

### The Parish Office Door

To enhance security, the door at 79 Denton Road will be locked at 1pm Monday through Thursday, and all day on Fridays, the clergy's day off. We encourage you to come in the mornings Monday through Thursday, or make arangements with a staff person if you need to do something at church. If you need access to the church

building in the afternoon, please ring the bell at the door or call the person you are meeting to be let in. For scheduled meetings such as choir practice or committee gatherings, the door will be unlocked. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak with Adrian.

#### Hunnewell Garden Tour

Join Frank Hunnewell and horticulturist David Dusenbury on a tour of the Hunnewell grounds on



Tuesday, June 3 from 10am

**to 11:30am.** Please park in the circle and meet at the front steps. Maximum attendees: 25. Since this is a popular St. Andrew's event, please, no guests.

## Service Trip to Agassiz Village

We are excited to announce that we will be organizing a service trip to Agassiz Village on Friday, June 6 to Saturday, June 7 for eighth grade and up! Younger middle school children would be welcome if their parents also attend. Contact Sarah Robbins-Cole for more information and to sign up.

## **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.

## Circle of Hope

This time of year, as we get ready for warmer weather, we are always especially grateful for the following items:

- New or like-new children's and toddler summer clothing
- New kids shoes

- Sunscreen
- Men's toiletries (3-in-1 shampoo, shaving cream/kits bodywash, deodorant)
- Diapers/wipes
- New towels



## **Gratitude**

#### Soul Sisters

Thank you to everyone who came, brought food, and gifts to the last Soul Sisters meeting for the church year.

#### Youth

Thank you to all the children and youth who participated in today's all parish Eucharist by reading and preaching!

## From our Bargain Haul Chairs

Bargain Haul 2025 was a huge success by all measures thanks to everyone's help! We had over 230 volunteers, including 25 first-timers, supplied many outreach partners with donated merchandise, and raised over \$25,000 for the vital work of our outreach ministries—all thanks to you! Whether donating fabulous treasures and merchandise, making treats for the bake sale, sorting and pricing, shopping at the workers sale or on parish night, displaying yard signs or bumper stickers, telling your friends, helping shoppers at the public sale, you came through in a big way. We are truly grateful to all for putting your faith into action and serving our neighbors as we celebrated with fun and fellowship the 91st year of this beloved parish event.

Special thanks to our stellar department chairs and co-chairs who recruited people for their departments and worked tirelessly as one big team leading up to and throughout Bargain Haul week.

We are especially proud of the assistance Bargain Haul was able to provide to St. Andrew's outreach partners and our community. In addition to the funds raised for outreach ministries, we set aside numerous "wish list" items before the sale for Agassiz Village, Bridges to Moms, Circle of Hope, common cathedral, Family Promise Metrowest and St. Stephen's Youth Programs. We also made sure that every usable item left after the public sale found new homes at local charities including Cradles to Crayons, Goodwill, More Than Words, St. Francis House, and Welcome Home, helping make a big difference in the lives of many and reducing our waste to landfill!

We also express deep gratitude to our amazing parish clergy and staff who cheerfully provided countless hours of service, valuable advice, encouragement, and prayers to carry us through. We are truly blessed to be a part of this faith community. On to Bargain Haul 2026!

## Youth Participants in Bargain Haul

Thank you to the teens and youth who helped at Bargain Haul. They walked miles on drop off days to bring donations into our building and deliver them to the correct departments, and helped at the public sale by assisting people place their merchandise in layaway and then retrieving their items afterwards. We are grateful for everyone's enthusiasm and courtesy!

## 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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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, May 11

Mothers Day 9:45am NO church school 10am all parish Eucharist

#### Monday, May 12

7pm finance meeting

#### Tuesday, May 13

11am Open Bible Study7pm outreach meeting

#### Wednesday, May 14

7pm Open Bible Study

#### Thursday, May 15

11:30am North Hill Holy Eucharist

#### Sunday, May 18

9:15am Rite-13 parents meeting11:15am Confirmation class parents meeting

