



ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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 Fifth Sunday of Easter May 18, 2025

We are livestreaming the 10am service.

Prelude *Erstanden ist der heil'ge Christ (The Holy Christ has risen)* J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Processional Hymn 603 "When Christ was lifted from the earth" *St. Botolph*

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 Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson: Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when

Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with

them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction

between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 148

David Hurd (after Gibbons)

The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.



1 Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD from the heavens; *

— praise him in the heights.

2 Praise him, all you angels of his; *

— praise him, all his host.

- 3 Praise him, 'sun and 'moon; *
praise him, 'all you 'shining 'stars.
- 4 Praise him, 'heaven of 'heavens, *
and you 'waters a'bove the 'heavens.
- 5 Let them praise the 'Name of the 'LORD; *
for he com'manded, and 'they were cre'ated.
- 6 He made them stand fast for 'ever and 'ever; *
he gave them a law which 'shall not 'pass a'way.
- 7 Praise the 'LORD from the 'earth, *
you 'sea-monsters and 'äll 'deeps;
- 8 Fire and hail, 'snow and 'fog, *
tempestuous 'wind, 'doing his 'will;
- 9 Mountains and 'äll 'hills, *
— 'fruit trees and 'äll 'cedars;
- 10 Wild beasts and 'äll 'cattle, *
creeping 'things and 'wingèd 'birds;
- 11 Kings of the earth and 'äll 'peoples, *
princes and all 'rulers 'of the 'world;
- 12 Young 'men and 'maidens, *
— 'old and 'young to'gether.
- 13 Let them praise the 'Name of the 'LORD, *
for his Name only is exalted,
his splendor is 'over 'earth and 'heaven.
- 14 He has raised up strength for his people
and praise for all his 'loyal 'servants, *
the children of Israel, a people who are 'near him.
'Halle'lujah!

Second Lesson: Revelation 21:1-6

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her

husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will

be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 529 "In Christ there is no East or West"

McKee

Gospel: John 13:31-35

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now

I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

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 *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*

J.S. Bach

*Jesus, joy of man's desiring
Holy wisdom, love most bright*

*Drawn by Thee, our souls aspiring
Soar to uncreated light*

*Word of God, our flesh that fashioned
With the fire of life impassioned*

*Striving still to truth unknown
Soaring, dying round Thy throne*

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 *If Ye Love Me*

Thomas Tallis (c. 1505-1585)

*If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father,
And he shall give you another comforter
That he may 'bide with you forever, e'en the spirit of truth*

Communion Hymn 487 "Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life"

The Call

Thanksgiving after Communion

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Blessing

Recessional Hymn 191 "Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts and voices heaven-ward raise"

Lux eoi

Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude *Heut triumphieret Gottes Sohn (Today the Son of God triumphs)*

J.S. Bach

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**Please join us in the parish hall for coffee hour after the service,
hosted today by Anna Lee Wahls.**

How to use your smartphone to connect to the listening system



For parishioners who use Bluetooth enabled hearing aids, we use the *ListenWiFi* streaming service to enhance your personal listening. Download *ListenWiFi* from your app store and follow the instructions at the ushers table 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.



The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Matthew H. Grape, Caroline O. Grape, Emily P. Grape, Mary M. Oliver,
S. Roger Oliver, Jr, and Dudley Grape by Linda Grape

Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Becky Hamlin, Debbie Lorenz, Linda McCammond,
Debbie Monti, Caren Parker, Laura Hewitt Riley,
Liz Rogers, Pamela Tusiime, and Betsy Veidenheimer
Altar Flowers the flower guild

Serving at 8am

Lay Eucharistic Minister Harriet Thompson
Ushers Mark Benjamin and Ken Graves

Serving at 10am

Acolytes Crucifer, Peter Mahoney; Torch, Tanner Francour; and Torch, Ben Mahoney
Broadcast Tech Volunteer Kathryn Condon
Greeters Joanna Horobin & Alan Joachim
Lay Eucharistic Ministers Elizabeth Clarke, Joe Hamilton,
David Hamlin, and Ann Johnson
Readers Becky Hamlin and Lauren Murphy
Ushers David Boghosian, Lisa Howe, Alan Joachim, and David Osborn

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Churches of the Concord River Deanery
St. John's Chapel, Groton School, Groton
St. Michael's Church, Holliston
St. Paul's Church, Hopkinton
St. Luke's Church, Hudson
Congregational Chapters of the Episcopal Church Women



Icon of the Week

St. Peter

| BCE–68 CE

Peter, originally a fisherman alongside his brother Andrew, was one of Jesus' 12 apostles. As recorded in the Synoptic Gospels, Jesus called them to leave their nets and become "fishers of men," beginning Peter's journey as a foundational leader in the early church. In the Gospel of Matthew (16:19), Jesus bestows upon Peter "the keys of the kingdom of heaven," symbolizing spiritual authority and leadership. This moment represents Peter's role as Christ's first vicar (Pope) on Earth and the spiritual gatekeeper of heaven.

In a display of both faith and human frailty, Peter stepped out of a boat during a storm to walk on water toward Jesus. When fear overtook him, he began to sink, and Jesus reached out to save him. This moment underscores Peter's deep desire to follow Christ, even amidst doubt. Despite his loyalty, Peter denied knowing Jesus three times during Christ's trial, fulfilling a prophecy made by Jesus. This event reveals Peter's human weakness but also sets the stage for his repentance and restoration as a leader among the apostles.

According to Christian tradition, Peter was martyred in Rome by crucifixion. Out of humility, he requested to be crucified upside down, feeling unworthy to die in the same manner as his Lord. Peter's first letter to the Christians in Asia Minor offers encouragement during persecution. He calls on believers to emulate Christ's suffering, remembering His resurrection and glory, repay evil with good, uphold moral integrity, and love one another.

His feast day is January 18.

Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy.
—1 Peter 1:8

Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult. On the contrary, repay evil with blessing... —1 Peter 3:9

Hope to the end. —1 Peter 1:13



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.

NO 5pm Service this evening.

Scout Sunday

Today is Scout Sunday, when we celebrate the scouts of all ages and of all kinds in our community.

Rite-13 Parent Meeting

There was a meeting at **9:15am today, May 18, in Room 201** to discuss the schedule for the 2025-26 Rite-13 class (sixth and seventh grade). If you were not able to attend, [please let Sarah Robbins-Cole know](#).

9am Adult Christian Learning

Today, May 18, at 9am join us for *Exploring Tibetan Buddhism & The Mind Body Connection* taught by Elizabeth Martin, parishioner and Emory College senior. Elizabeth's class will be our last class till next September. 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](#)

Confirmation Class Planning

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

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** grades four and five, in **Room 204** (second floor).
- **Rite-13** grades six and seven, in **Room 202** (second floor).

Youth Group

- **Today, May 18 cancelled**
- **Sunday, May 24** Off for Memorial Day
- **Sunday, June 1 6pm** Dinner and discussion on wellness and the spirituality of emotions
- **Sunday, June 8 6pm** Planning for next year! End of year party with JP Licks!

Service Trip to Agassiz Village

We are excited for our upcoming service trip to Agassiz Village in Maine from **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.

Boston Pride Parade

Our new bishop encourages congregations to support our LGBTQ+ family, friends, and neighbors by **joining her at the Boston Pride for the People Parade on Saturday, June 14, meeting at 10:30am near Copley Square.** To learn more about how you can be part of the [Diocese of Massachusetts group at the parade, please use the link](#) in the e-Pistle.

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.**



Gratitude

Community Champion Cam McCormick

On behalf of St. Andrew's, Cam McCormick accepted a **Community Champion** award from St. Stephen's Youth Programs, at their Women's Event on April 28. It truly was a commendation for all of the work that so many St. Andrew's parishioners do for SSYP.

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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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** (the doors are locked at 1 pm) and **Friday, 9am to 12pm** (church access by appointment) unless otherwise announced. **Tuesday at 12pm is the deadline for all materials** for the bulletin, the e-Pistle, 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 18

9:15am Rite-13 parents meeting
11:15am Confirmation class parents meeting
NO 5pm service
NO youth group

Tuesday, May 20

10am pastoral care team meeting

Sunday, May 25

9:45am combined church school



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