

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.

Third Sunday after Pentecost June 29, 2025

We are livestreaming the 10am service.

Prelude

Processional Hymn 549 "Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult"

Galilee

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom now and for ever. Amen.

S 278 Gloria in excelsis (front section of hymnal)

William Mathias (1934-1992)

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Together we pray.

People Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson: 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me

as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted

you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20

- 1 I will cry aloud to God; *
I will cry aloud, and he will hear me.
- 2 In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord; *
my hands were stretched out by night and did not tire;
I refused to be comforted.
- 11 I will remember the works of the Lord, *
and call to mind your wonders of old time.
- 12 I will meditate on all your acts *
and ponder your mighty deeds.
- 13 Your way, O God, is holy; *
who is so great a god as our God?
- 14 You are the God who works wonders *
and have declared your power among the peoples.

- 15 By your strength you have redeemed your people, *
the children of Jacob and Joseph.
- 16 The waters saw you, O God; the waters saw you and trembled; *
the very depths were shaken.
- 17 The clouds poured out water; the skies thundered; *
your arrows flashed to and fro;
- 18 The sound of your thunder was in the whirlwind;
your lightnings lit up the world; *
the earth trembled and shook.
- 19 Your way was in the sea, and your paths in the great waters, *
yet your footsteps were not seen.
- 20 You led your people like a flock *
by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

Second Lesson: Galatians 5:1,13-25

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want.

But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 655 "O Jesus, I have promised"

Nyland

Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you

wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

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.

Confession of Sin

BCP p. 360

Peace

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Presentation of Bread and Wine

Offertory Hymn 458 "My song is love unknown"

Love Unknown

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

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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 C

BCP p. 369

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!

All are welcome to receive communion. Ushers will direct the congregation.

Gluten free wafers are available.

Thanksgiving after Communion

BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 525 "The Church's one foundation"

Aurelia

Dismissal

Clergy Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

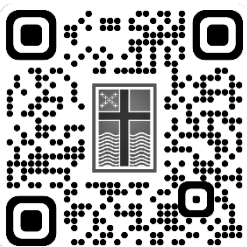
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**Please join us in the parish hall for coffee after the service,
hosted today by Elizabeth & David Guydan.**

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.



Serving St. Andrew's this week

We thank the altar guild members, the broadcast techs,
the flower guild members, the lay eucharistic ministers,
the readers, and the ushers, who are serving during the summer.

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Churches of the Merrimack Valley Deanery

Frank D. Ashburn Chapel/Brooks School, North Andover

St. Anne's Church, (North) Billerica

All Saints' Church, West Newbury

St. Mark's Church, Westford

Episcopal City Mission



Icon of the Week

St. Paul of the Shipwreck

St. Paul the Apostle had increasing trouble as he tried to integrate the new followers of Christ into his Jewish faith. Amongst many things, he was charged with defiling the temple by allowing Gentiles access. An enraged mob tried to kill him, but Roman centurions intervened to save his life. For two years, he awaited trial in Caesarea. When a decision was made to have him returned to Jerusalem, Paul exercised his right as a Roman citizen to be heard in Rome. This initiated the trip by ship to Rome in 60 AD and the shipwreck, the subject of this icon.

Malta, a tiny island off the Italian coast, was where they finally ran the ship aground after many stormy days at sea. Paul worked many miracles in Malta; after three months, he made his way to Rome where he was eventually beheaded sometime between the years 64 and 68 AD.

Paul, writing in 2 Corinthians 12, states he will not boast about all the wonderful things God has done for him. He describes instead his reason to boast of his weaknesses. He believes God gave him a thorn in the flesh and told him: "My grace is all you need; power is most fully seen in weakness." (2 Corinthians 12:9a) Paul continues, "Therefore, I am content with a life of weakness, insult, hardship, persecution, and distress, all for Christ's sake; for when I am weak, then I am strong." (2 Corinthians 12:9b)

This icon is offered in the hope that you will find strength in your weakness.

His feast day is June 29.

O God of peace, who has taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, in quietness and in confidence shall be our strength: By the might of your Spirit lift us, we pray you, to your presence, where we may be still and know that you are God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. —BCP, p.832



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.

B-SAFE Summer Camp

Summertime means sun, fun, and play. Here at St. Andrew's, it means B-SAFE: supporting St. Stephen's Youth Programs (SSYP) with their summer enrichment program for elementary-aged kids. We will be hosting this summer camp **from July 28 to August 1**, providing a nutritious hot lunch three days and arranging a very fun presentation by [The Whalemobile](#)! This interactive learning experience will include a 30-foot inflated whale in our parish hall and educational programming to foster a love for whales and the ocean. But we need you to make it a success. View the event on Realm and register to help cook or serve for a couple of hours, or to interact with the kids here. We really appreciate your participation! — Cam McCormick and Karen Pekowitz

9am Adult Christian Learning

9am Christian learning classes have concluded for the program year. Please join us when we resume in September. — [Margaret Schwarzer](#)

Outreach Grant

We are happy to share that St. Andrew's has awarded four outreach grants, which we'll describe in the coming weeks. One grant went to the Needham based [RememberUs.org](#) a group of US and Ukraine-based volunteers. Their goal is to provide humanitarian aid to Ukrainians living in war zones and recently liberated areas. It is a group of US and Ukraine-based volunteers. This is the group that has been sending the knitted infant items from St. Andrew's Stitches to the maternity hospital in Kharkiv.

The grant will enable the continuation of the organization's "Golden Age" program, which aids elderly people facing mandatory evacuation and provides them with medications and other essential items. Please keep the Ukrainians in your prayers.

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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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- 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 and 10am** (*also online*). **Morning Prayer and the 5pm service** are on vacation until after Labor Day. (*Use the QR code for a link to our YouTube channel.*)
- **Parish office hours** are **Monday through Thursday, 9am to 4pm** (the doors are locked at 1pm) and **Friday, 9am to 12pm** (church access by appointment) unless otherwise announced. **Tuesday at noon is the deadline for all materials** for the e-Pistle and the bulletin, for the following Sunday.
- After **Sunday, June 29**, the parish office will be open **Monday through Thursday, 9am to 3pm** (the doors are locked at 1 pm), and **Friday, 9am to 12pm** (church access by appointment). In August the hours will be **Monday through Friday, 9am to 12pm**.
- **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**.



Friday July 4

Parish office closed



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