

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.

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost October 19, 2025

We are livestreaming the 10am service.

Prelude Consolations nos. 1 and 2 in E major

Franz Liszt (1811-1886)

Processional Hymn 372 "Praise to the living God!"

Leoni

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.

Collect for Purity

BCP p. 355

S 278 Gloria in excelsis (front section of hymnal)

William Mathias (1934-1992)

Collect of the Day

Celebrant

Together we pray.

People

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and

ever. Amen.

First Lesson: Jeremiah 31:27-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans

and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring

evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. In those days they shall no longer say: "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge." But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the

land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:97-104

David Hurd (after Gibbons)

The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm



- 97 Oh, how I'love your law! *
 all the day long it is in my mind.
- 98 Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies, * and it is always with me.
- 99 I have more understanding than all my teachers, for your decrees are my study.
- 100 I am wiser than the elders, *
 because I ob serve your com mandments.
- 101 I restrain my feet from every evil way, * that I may keep your word.
- 102 I do not shrink from your judgments, * because you your self have taught me.

103 How sweet are your words to my taste! *
they are sweeter than honey to my mouth.

104 Through your commandments I gain under standing; * therefore I hate every lying way.

Second Lesson: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from child-hood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 382 "King of glory"

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow

kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully

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keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole

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 Anthem Be Thou My Vision

Traditional Irish melody arranged by Mack Wilberg (b. 1955)

Be thou my vision, O lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save what thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord, Thou and thou only, first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Great God of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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 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 Down to the River to Pray

Traditional song arranged by Sheldon Curry

Refrain

As I went down to the river to pray.

Studying about that good ol' way

And who shall wear the robe and crown?

Good Lord, show me the way!

Oh sisters, let's go down, let's go down, come on down, oh sisters let's go down, down to the river to pray (refrain)

Oh, brothers, let's go ... (refrain)

Oh, fathers, let's go down ... (refrain)

Oh, mothers, let's go down ... (refrain)

Oh, sinners, let's go down ... (refrain)

Communion Hymn 711 "Seek ye first the kingdom of God" Seek Ye First

The congregation is encouraged to sing the hymn.

Thanksgiving after Communion

BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 530 "Spread, O spread, thou mighty word"

Gott sei Dank

Dismissal

Clergy Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude Consolation No. 3 in D-flat major

Franz Liszt

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Our thanks to choir member and pianist Fredrica Phillips for her beautiful music this morning.

Join us for coffee hour hosted today by Vivian & Stephen Holland

* Tips from the Ushers

- All are welcome at the altar rail for communion or a blessing.
- Ushers will release each row, starting from the back and ending with the transept.
 - Right side From the center aisle, an usher will guide you to the rail from the pulpit to the bend in the rail.
 - Left side From the center aisle, an usher will guide you from the bend in the rail along the left side of the altar.
 - o *Transept* Please wait for usher instructions after the main church has gone forward.
- To receive communion, cup your hands for a wafer. You may drink from the chalice or dip your wafer.
- For a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.
- Afterward, please return to your pew via the side aisles for quiet prayer.

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

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 Paul Criswell Ushers Mark Benjamin and Ken Graves

Serving at 10am

Acolytes Crucifer, Peter Mahoney; Torch, Tanner Francour; and Torch, Ben Mahoney
Broadcast Tech Volunteer Rob Brandt
Greeters Elizabeth & David Guyden
Lay Eucharistic Ministers David Hamlin, Meg Harris, Tad Heuer, and Ann Johnson
Readers Becky Hamlin and Jen Martin
Ushers Travis Anza, Matthew Benfer, Frank Hunnewell,
and Justin Wahls

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Churches of the South Shore Deanery
Trinity Church, Rockland
St. Luke's Church, Scituate
Church of the Holy Nativity, South Weymouth
All Saints' Church, Whitman
Commission on Ministry



St. Andrew's Cheerful Givers

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. —2 Corinthians 9:7

114 of target 300 givers through October 15, 2025

Every effort has been made to be as current as possible. If you have questions, please reach out to Joanne Butler.

Pam & Elmore Alexander

Frances & Mark Antonelli

Holly & Travis Anza

Laurin Baldwin

Christine & Steve Beach

Peggy & Mark Benjamin

Barbara Bergstrom

David Boghosian

Al Bornemann

Melissa & Jack Bradley

Peter Bradley

Dana & Christian Brennan

Dara & Christopher Brigham

Carrie & Grant Brown

Al & Karen Vickers Budney

Megan & Sam Burns

John Carey

Richard Carls

Kim & Carl Carlson

Jean & John Childs

Deborah Cole

Kathryn & Harry Condon

Beverly Costa

Zu & Chris Cowperthwaite

Amanda & Charles Curtis

Jean Dalton

Penny & William Darcey

Becca & Ryan Daws

Cathleen & James Dehn

Nancy Echlov

Ruth & George Ecker

Nancy & Richard Ehrlichman

Thomas Engels & Wendy Haering

Heather & Travis Faust

Linda Gallo

Ianet Giele

Harry Grey & Cam McCormick

Deedee & Corey Griffin

Roger Gustin

Christian Halby & Susan Schaefer

Luisa & Joe Hamilton

Meg & Clint Harris

Carrie & Shervin Hawley

Anneliese Henderson

Jackie & Blair Hendrix

Laura Hewitt & Madison Riley

Barbara & Bernie Horan

Janet Hough

Mark & Anne Marie Housel

Cynthia & Sam Hunt

Curtis Huttonhower & Shuang Li

Muffy & Peter Johannsen

Ann Johnson

Nancy & Allen Jones

Scott Jones

Paul Kappel & Mary Reineman

Donna & Toby Kell

Sheila Kelley

Michael Kemp

Earl Kivett

Bernhard Kulke Winston Kung

Leslie & Bill Lee

Patricia & Travis Lowe

Isabel Lyndon

Ellen MacFadyen Pat MacKinnon

Anne Manners

Noah Manning

Jennifer & Ansley Martin

Chris & Bill McAvoy

Katie & Tom McGauley

Karen Metcalf

Stephanie & Bradley Mitchell

Lois & Douglas Mizzi Patty & Tim Morgan

Terri O'Toole

Caren & Randy Parker

Fredrica Phillips

Nancy Place Betsy Powell

Paula & Alex Powers

Anne & Bob Prensner

Debby Rempis

Karen Robbins Taylor

Adrian & Sarah Robbins-Cole

Rennie Roberts

Julie & Mason Ross

Nicole & Mike Schmidt

Ann Schwarz

Margaret Schwarzer Cynthia & Larry Scott

Paul Shackford Miriam Sheehan

Barbara & Paul Shellito

Benjamin & Allison Shirley

Ginny & Drew Snow

Lynda Sperry & Bill Wiberg Carol & Stephen Spinelli Elizabeth & Jonas Svedlund

Harriet Thompson Maria Truslow

Kris & Michael Vanin Sandy & Jeff Vickers

Katherine Vig

Anna Lee & Justin Wahls

Adrian Webb Christy West Sally & Bob West

Ken Wiberg

Virginia & Geoffrey Wickwire

Sidney Williams

Fred Wright

Star & Charlie Zabriskie



Icon of the Week

Syro-Phoenician Woman

Mark 7:25-30

The Syro-Phoenician woman is a unique figure in the gospels, because she successfully challenges Jesus, and he commends her for it (Mark 7:24-30). She asks Jesus to heal her daughter of demonic possession; he initially rebuffs her saying, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs," which most interpret as a rebuff due to her gentile status. Surprisingly for the gospels, the woman counters Jesus with her own argument, "Sir, even the dogs eat the children's crumbs." Jesus responds positively, telling her "Because you have said this, the demon has gone out of your daughter." The woman's own teaching seems to turn the tide and provoke Jesus's healing for her daughter.

The "children" in Jesus's saying are understood as the children of Israel, or the Jews, and Jesus says his mission is primarily to reform the nation of Israel. "Dogs" have a negative association in the Hebrew Bible (Psalm 22:16) and rabbinic literature, probably linked to the ferocious wild dogs in the Mediterranean world. In the New Testament they are also associated with impurity and otherness (Revelations 22:15), so here "dogs" means "outsiders" or non-Jews. This saying of Jesus looks back to a period of Jesus's mission to the people of Israel, before the later expansion of the message to non-Jews. Most interpreters have understood the story to be part of the expansion of Jesus's mission to women and non-Jews, part of the cultural milieu of the earliest communities around Jesus.

Persistent prayer not only moves God's hand, but it prepares our Hearts to recognize his touch. — Asheritah Ciuciu.



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.

9am Adult Christian Learning

Today, October 20, at 9am, Pam Alexander is teaching a class on *Who is Mary Magdalene?* Join us on Sunday, October 26, for our third class on the Book of Common Prayer: *Morning Prayer: Begin with Grace* led by Rev. Margaret Schwarzer. Join us for every class or just for the classes that interest you. Meet in person or on Zoom. —Margaret Schwarzer

Joint Luncheon with Village Church

St. Andrew's parishioners are excited to host our Village Church neighbors for a luncheon on **Tuesday**, **October 21**, **at 12pm in the parish hall**. (This luncheon has been a tradition between our churches since the mid-1970s!) Lunch will be provided and Sarah Robbins-Cole will be discussing the topic of *Happiness and Human Connection*. You can sign up to attend three ways: • <u>Sign up on Realm</u>

- the Sign up sheet in the narthex, and
- email Ginny Snow

Name Tag Reminder!

As we return to church this fall and welcome new faces, please wear your name tag and introduce yourself to others. If you need a new name tag, contact membership@standrewswellesley.org.

Fall Fellowship Event

Come **tailgate** and party with your fellow St. Andrew's fans on **Saturday**, **October 25**, **at 6pm in the parish hall**. Show your spirit! You are invited to wear football jerseys/ clothing/swag (high school, college, or your favorite professional team) or St. Andrew's red, and dance the night away as our DJ plays the hits. Sign up for this adult event by **Monday**, **October 20** on <u>Realm</u> or contacting <u>Sarah Harris</u>. Guests are welcome!

Mosque Field Trip

Sign up for the field trip to the Islamic Center of Boston, the mosque in Wayland, on Sunday, October 26. We will leave at 11:45am, then from 12:30pm to 2:15pm, our Muslim neighbors will teach us about their faith and share a prayer service with us. Space is limited. Sign up on the adult formation bulletin board across from my office. —Margaret Schwarzer

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 late October.

Gathering of Saints and Souls

Join us **Sunday**, **November 2**, **at 5pm** for a family-oriented intergenerational sacred service of remembrance weaving together the traditions of All Hallows' Eve, All Saints, and All Souls. Through prayer, candle lighting, hymns, and the naming of the departed, we will honor the great cloud of witnesses who have gone before us. Bring a photo or memory of someone you wish to honor.

At 5:45pm, we'll continue with a shared meal, during which we will learn about Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead), a tradition observed in many Latin communities. Together we will share stories, reflect on the communion of saints, and give thanks that love endures beyond death.

Wellesley Turkey Trot 2025

Join our team! We trot on Thanksgiving morning at 8am! **Note**: When you go to <u>race-wire.com</u>, sign up for "join a team" and join the "St. Andrew's" team! The money we pay as a 5K registration fee will go to local charities, and we will have the chance to meet before the race, snap a picture, and wish each other a Happy Thanksgiving. —<u>Margaret</u> Schwarzer

The Usher Team Needs You

If you like to attend the 8am or 10am Sunday service, please consider joining our incredible team of ushers! It's a wonderful

way to serve St. Andrew's, and a great way to get to know more of your fellow parishioners. Training is quick and easy, and you are always in the company of veteran ushers who will help you learn the ropes. Contact Terri Rawson-Wakefield.

Inner Excellence

Inner Excellence, by Jim Murphy, A New York Times bestselling author, is also a performance coach. His Christian faith and his own experiences as an athlete and coach generated the wisdom in this book: how to live your "best possible life." This is the book Adrian preached about in his Easter sermon. Order it online or send Margaret an email and she will order it for you for \$16.99. Adrian will lead a discussion of the book in a 9am adult Christian learning class.—Margaret Schwarzer

The Door at 79 Denton Road

We are currently installing an access pass system on the door at the administrative entrance to the church. The goal is to have the door locked with scheduled openings for service, meetings, and other gatherings. We will be issuing phone access passes to those who frequent the church for volunteer work in the building. Please stay tuned for more information as the work comes to completion.



Children and Youth

Please see previous announcements for any intergenerational information.

Kids' Place Childcare on Sundays

Kids' Place is for children three and under, or any older child who would prefer to be in nursery care rather than church school and is open **from 9:45am to 11:45am**.

Church School

- **Godly Play I** pre-k to first grade meet in the **children's chapel**
- Godly Play II grades two and three meet in Room 201
- Upper School/Way of Love grades four and five meet in Room 204

Confirmation Class

Confirmation class meets today at 4:30pm in the Harvey Room.

Rite-13

Rite-13, for sixth and seventh graders, is today at 4:30pm in Room 202.

Youth Group

- October 19 Today, 5:45pm to 7:15pm
 Service and fun night. We will be taking our Christmas photo (wear white, red, or green), sharing all kinds of boards (think charcuterie boards, dessert boards, bread boards) and playing games
- October 26 5:45pm to 7:15pm Dinner and Bible study

- November 2 5:45pm to 7:15pm
 Allhallowtide—assist with the service, dinner, and activities
- November 9 No youth group
- November 16 5:45pm to 7:15pm Dinner and Bible study
- November 23 No youth group because of CityReach trip

Gathering of Saints and Souls

Please see announcement on the previous page about this family-oriented intergenerational sacred service of remembrance on **Sunday, November 2, at 5pm**.

CityReach Overnight Service Trip

St. Andrew's CityReach overnight service trip in Boston Friday, November 21, to Saturday, November 22, for middle and high schoolers, gives them the opportunity to learn firsthand about homelessness.

We are looking for donations of groceries, which participants will prepare and distribute. Please register to bring those items to St. Andrew's **before noon on Friday, November 21**. Donation boxes for other items listed on the insert are in the narthex and the parish hall.



Gratitude

Service Trip Gratitude

We are grateful to Agassiz Village for hosting a wonderful and productive service trip. Special thanks to our youth and chaperones for their hard work, joyful spirit, and fellowship throughout the weekend.

Vestry

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

Adult Formation Carrie Hawley

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Treasurer Joe Hamilton

Wardens Tom Faust

Ginny Snow

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 (the doors are locked at 1 pm) and Friday, 9am to noon (church access by appointment) unless otherwise announced. Tuesday at noon 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 • **9:45am** Kids' Place • **9:45am** church school programs • **11am** coffee hour • **4:30pm** confirmation class

• **4:30pm** Rite-13 • **5:45pm** youth group

Thursdays • 12pm weekly beginner's Bible study • 5pm children's choir

• 7:30pm senior choir rehearsal

Saturdays • 8am Men's Bible study on the first and third weeks of the month

Tuesday, October 21

10am pastoral care team meeting 12pm Village Church luncheon Saturday, October 25

6pm Homecoming Fellowship event

