



SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Sunday, November 22, 2020

Feast of Saints Andrew and Cecelia (Observed)

This morning we mark the feast day of our Patron, St. Andrew. His actual feast day is not until November 30th, but the tradition in this parish is to keep his day on the last Sunday before Advent begins so that that season can be observed in its entirety.

In all four Gospels, Andrew is identified as Simon Peter's brother, which makes it easy to overlook the fact of Andrew's special gift to the company of Christ. The Gospel according to John tells how Andrew, a disciple of John the Baptist, was one of two disciples who followed Jesus after John had pointed him out, saying, "Behold the Lamb of God" (John 1:29). Andrew and the other disciple went with Jesus and stayed with him, and Andrew's first act afterward was to find his brother and bring him to Jesus.

We might call Andrew the first missionary in the company of disciples. Though Andrew was not a part of the inner circle of disciples (Peter, James, and John), he is always named in the list of disciples, and appears prominently in several incidents. Andrew and Peter were fishermen, and Matthew's Gospel records Jesus' calling them from their occupation, and their immediate response to his call. Andrew was also the disciple who brought the boy with the loaves and fishes to Jesus for the feeding of the multitude.

We hear little of Andrew as a prominent leader, and he seems always to be in the shadow of Peter. Eusebius, the Church historian, records his going to Scythia. Tradition has it that he was martyred by being crucified to an X-shaped cross, a symbol that has long been associated with him in religious art and is carried over into the secular world such as in the flag of Scotland of which Andrew is the patron saint. He is also the patron saint of Russia, Ukraine, Greece, and Romania.

- Adapted from "Lesser Feasts and Fasts, 2018"

As we remember St. Andrew today, we will also enjoy another parish tradition with a presentation of *Our Scottish ConneXion* featuring members of the Church School and the St. Andrew's Players under the direction of Norm Richert.

Happy St. Andrew's Day, *Fr. Alan*

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- ▶ [WATCH THE SERVICE](#) at 10:00 am
- ▶ **COFFEE HOUR** on Zoom at 10:45 am

Navigating this Service

Use our [Morning Prayer text](#) or follow the Book of Common Prayer, pg. 75.

Calendar

Sunday, November 22

Virtual Church School

8:45 am on Zoom

Morning Prayer

10:00 am on YouTube

Virtual Coffee Hour

10:45 am on Zoom

Millennial + Z Brunch

12:30 pm on Zoom

Wednesday, November 25

Virtual Youth Groups

7pm MS / 8pm HS on Zoom

THANKSGIVING DAY

Thursday, November 26

No Events Scheduled

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday, November 29

Virtual Church School

8:45 am on Zoom

O Antiphons

10:00 am on YouTube

Virtual Coffee Hour

10:45 am on Zoom

Winter Children/Youth Calendar

DECEMBER 13

Last day of Virtual Church School

DECEMBER 16

Last day of Virtual Youth Groups

DECEMBER 20 & 27 + JANUARY 3

Family Service on YouTube

JANUARY 6

Virtual Youth Groups resume

JANUARY 10

Virtual Church School resumes

Masks are required for all in-person events



2021 ANNUAL GIVING

Current Campaign Progress (2021)
189 Cards for \$678,690

Last Year's Campaign Progress (2020)
198 Cards for \$671,642

2020 Total
264 Cards
\$817,656

As of November 22, we have received 189 pledge cards totaling \$678,690 or 75% of our \$900,000 goal.

Announcements

Black Lives Matter Yard Signs Available

We have work to do ending racism and support our African-American neighbors! The Social Justice Ministry has created a yard sign for you. To collect your sign or ask for delivery please contact Marjory Luther (665-8106) or Shirley Harden (674-0951)



Community Giving Opportunities

Winter Gear for Breakfast Guests

Donate Online via [WeShare](#)

We are unable to collect gloves, hats, and socks for our guests them this year. *In lieu of donating physical items we are asking for financial donations this year to fund the purchase of socks, gloves, and a hat for each guest.* It will cost \$22 per guest with a total expenditure of around \$2,200. Monetary donations can be mailed to the church or submitted through [the church's WeShare](#) as a donation to the Breakfast.

Christmas Adopt-a-Family

More Information: [Event Flyer](#)

Please bring the gift cards to the church by **Saturday, December 5** and drop them in the mailbox located to the right of the memorial garden gate. *Do not send cards through the mail.* Contact Scott Gerstenberger (734) 678-0914 or Liz Sweet (734) 320-4968 with questions.

Prelude: *Highland Cathedral*

Michael Korb/Ulrich Roever

Terrence Bradley, Bagpipes

Opening Hymn: *Let Us Now Our Voices Raise*

Hymnal, no. 237



1 Let us now our voic - es raise, wake the day with glad - ness;
2 Nev - er flinched they from the flame, from the tor - ment nev - er;
3 Up and fol - low, Chris - tians all: press through toil and sor - row;



God him - self to joy and praise turns our hu - man sad - ness;
vain the ty - rant's sharp - est aim, vain each fierce en - deav - or:
turn from fear, and heed the call to a glo - rious mor - row!



joy that mar - tyrs won their crown, o - pened hea - ven's por - tal,
for by faith they saw the land decked in all its glo - ry,
Who will ven - ture on the strife; who will first be - gin it?



when they laid the mor - tal down for the life im - mor - tal.
where tri - um - phant now they stand with the vic - tor's sto - ry.
Who will grasp the land of Life? Chris - tians, up and win it!

Opening Sentences

Book of Common Prayer, pg. 78

Confession

Book of Common Prayer, pg. 79

Preces

Hymnal, no. S-33

Book of Common Prayer, pg. 80

Invitatory

Book of Common Prayer, pg. 80

Venite

Enriching Our Worship, no. 159



Come, let us sing / to the Lord;
let us shout for joy to the Rock of / our salvation.
Let us come before God's presence / with thanksgiving
and raise to the Lord a shout with psalms.

The sea is yours, / for you made it,
and your hands have mold/ed the dry land.
Come, let us bow down and / bend the knee,
and kneel before the / Lord our Maker.

For you are a / great God;
you are great a/bove all gods.
In your hands are the caverns / of the earth,
and the heights of the / hills are yours also.

For you / are our God,
and we are the people / of your pasture
and the sheep / of your hand.
Oh, that today we would / hearken to your voice!

Psalm 19:1-6

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, *
and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- 3 Although they have no words or language, *
and their voices are not heard,
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world.
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 30:11-14

Moses said to the people of Israel, “Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, ‘Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?’ Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, ‘Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?’ No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.”

Canticle: *The First Song of Isaiah*

Hymnal, no. S-213
Book of Common Prayer, pg. 86

The Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

As Jesus walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Sermon

*Our Scottish Connexion, with Skye Boat Song,
played by Terrence Bradley, Bagpipes*



The Church School and Friends present

OUR SCOTTISH CONNEXION

Sunday, November 22, 2020

VIGNETTES

Our Scottish ConneXion is a series of vignettes about people whose lives and teachings brought others to Christ. Today we focus on:

**Saint Andrew • Saint Ninian • Saint Margaret
Samuel Seabury • St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 1827**

CASC

Danielle Augsburg
Rachel Baird
Pelham Barron
Sally Boelter
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Grey Collier

Trent Collier
Violet Collier
Hilary Garton
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Sarah Inwood
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Joe Piffaretti
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Victor Pimentel Walker
Sara Skaff
Nate Sten
Chris Watson

THE FIRST SCOTTISH CONNEXION

Our Scottish ConneXion was developed in 1995 by the Reverend Robert Hart, the Reverend Deacon Svea Gray, Nancy Heusel, and Fran Rounds, to continue the tradition of this church in celebrating the Feast of St. Andrew. Presentation of this play has become a tradition, giving us all the opportunity to reflect on the passion, courage, and dedication of those who have come before us.

BEHIND THE SCENES

Coordinator Norm Richert

Assisted by Lucy Richert
Sally Boelter

With a special thanks to:

- Our clergy who portrayed 'The Bishops': The Revs. Sally Boelter, Alan Gibson, Charles Witke
- Terrence Bradley, Bagpipes

ABOUT

Today we are celebrating the Scottish heritage of the American Episcopal Church as well as the heritage and ministry of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Ann Arbor. When we enter the doors of St. Andrew's for worship we join the work started in 1827 by a small group of Episcopalians led by the Reverend Richard F. Cadle of St. Paul's, Detroit.

The presentation of *Our Scottish Connection* gives us an opportunity to reflect on the courage of our Christian ancestors and the founders of this church, as well as Saint Andrew, Saint Ninian, Saint Margaret, and Samuel Seabury.

SAINC ANDREW, one of the very first to follow Jesus, was martyred on a saltire (X-shaped) cross. Three hundred years later, his relics were brought to Scotland. By the mid-tenth century he was recognized as the Patron Saint of Scotland. His feast is celebrated on November 30.

SAINC NINIAN, an early Roman Christian of the fourth century, became the first Bishop of Scotland and introduced the Christian faith to Scotland. Ninian was also known for his ability to cure illness and perform miracles. His feast is celebrated on September 16.

SAINC MARGAREC, who was the Queen of Scotland, is another of Scotland's Patron Saints. During her life she was known for her charitable works, personal holiness and fidelity to the Church, and work for religious reform. Her feast is celebrated on November 16.

SAMUEL SEABURY was the first American Episcopal bishop and the second Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, USA. When the London-based Anglican Church refused to consecrate Seabury, he then turned to the Scottish Church, which granted his request. The Feast of the Consecration of Samuel Seabury is celebrated on November 14.

Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs.

- LUKE 18:16

*Inscribed on St. Andrew's cornerstone,
laid June 15, 1868*



The Prayers

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, who gave such grace to your apostle Andrew that he readily obeyed the call of your Son Jesus Christ, and brought his brother with him: Give us, who are called by your Holy Word, grace to follow him without delay, and to bring those near to us into his gracious presence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Anthem: Hymn to St. Cecelia

Lou Harrison (1917-2003)

"Now take up your crowns of glory", Cecilia cries out to her followers. Before long the maiden herself stands at the judgment bench. She looks upon her threatening accusers and laughs at their false gods. And now the blameless maiden is condemned to death. She is locked in her bath as the furnaces burn with heat, but a stronger divine flame burns within the maiden. The barbarous executioner strikes her with his sword, but she is untouched. He does not accomplish his evil deed, and Christ delays her martyrdom.

At the last hour she dedicates her ancestral home to God. And now free, she flies to the wedding feast of the Lamb. Hail, body of the martyr long hidden in the caverns. You are now bestowed upon your parent Rome as a new refulgent glory. The virgin preserves you in order that the flower wither not in the darkness. Incarnadine with the purple of blood, you shall be gird with shining robe. Sleep in the quiet marble while your soul, happy in its heavenly abode, shows favor upon Him who accedes to your prayers. Bride of Christ, Bride of Jesus, the blessed hosts of virgins praise you. Let there be glory forever to the Father and to the Paraclete.

General Thanksgiving

Book of Common Prayer, pg. 101

Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Concluding Versicle

Hymnal, no. S-54

Closing Hymn: *Blessed Feast of Blessed Martyrs*

Hymnal, no. 238



1 Bless - ed feasts of bless - ed mar - tyrs, ho - ly wo - men,
2 Faith pre - vail - ing, hope un - fail - ing, lov - ing Christ with
3 There - fore, ye that reign in glo - ry, fel - low - heirs with



ho - ly men, with af - fec - tion's re - col - lec - tions
sin - gle heart, thus they, glo - rious and vic - to - rious,
Christ on high, join to ours your sup - pli - ca - tion



greet we your re - turn a - gain. Wor - thy deeds they
brave - ly bore the mar - tyr's part, by con - tempt of
when be - fore him we draw nigh, pray - ing that, this



wrought, and won - ders, wor - thy of the Name they bore; we, with
ev - ery an - guish, by un - yield - ing bat - tle done; vic - tors
life com - plet - ed, all its fleet - ing mo - ments past, by his



meet - est praise and sweet - est, hon - or them for ev - er - more.
at the last, they tri - umph, with the host of an - gels one.
grace we may be wor - thy of e - ter - nal bliss at last.

Postlude: *Flower of Scotland*

Roy Williamson (1936-1990)

Terrence Bradley, Bagpipes

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Join us for a service of the

O Antiphons

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

10:00AM ON YOUTUBE