



Welcome to

**SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
TAMPA, FLORIDA**

THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 8, 2023

10:30AM

*May those who sorrow find comfort;
the weary, rest;
the troubled, peace;
the lonely, friends;
the unhappy, joy;
and may all find the sense of God's presence in this Holy Place.*

Welcome to Saint Andrew's Church in the city of Tampa. You are sharing in a tradition of worship that has been offered here since 1883, when a wood-frame building was erected on this site as Tampa's first Episcopal Church. The cornerstone of the present church was laid in 1904.

All Visitors and Newcomers are invited to complete the information card, found on the back of the pews, and leave it with an usher or in the offering plate. Please introduce yourselves to the clergy as you leave the church and come to coffee hour in the parish hall after the 10:30 a.m. service.

Each Sunday we celebrate The Holy Eucharist at 8 a.m. (Rite I, said); and at 10:30 a.m. (Rite II, with choir).

At Your Service: Stay warm at Saint Andrew's: Borrow a shawl from the basket at the back of the church. Shawl donations also welcomed!

IMPORTANT PRIVACY NOTICE

As a mission of outreach to our parishioners and the greater Christian community, audio and video of this service will be recorded and broadcast live on social media. We make every effort to respect and preserve the privacy of members and visitors. If you have any specific questions or concerns about your privacy while worshipping with us, please speak with one of the ushers at the rear of the church.

Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent—for this is the house of God.

Before the service, speak to God.

During the service, let God speak to you.

After the service, speak to one another.

PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES.

Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10:30 a.m.

Prelude: Dies sind die heiligen zehn Gebot BWV, 678

J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

Tower Bell

Hymn 448 (*stand*)

Deus tuorum militum

1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
how passing thought and fantasy, that God
the Son of God, should take our mortal
form for mortals' sake.

2 For us baptized, for us he bore his holy
fast and hungered sore; for us temptations
sharp he knew; for us the tempter
overthrew.

3 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us
his daily works he wrought: by words and
signs and actions, thus still seeking not
himself, but us.

4 For us to wicked hands betrayed,
scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,
he bore the shameful cross and death; for
us he gave up his dying breath.

5 For us he rose from death again; for us he
went on high to reign; for us he sent his
Spirit here to guide, to strengthen, and to
cheer.

6 All glory to our Lord and God for love so
deep, so high, so broad; the Trinity whom
we adore forever and forever more.

All standing, the Celebrant says

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you, no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; *
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; *
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; *
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

First Reading (*sit*)

Isaiah 5:1-7

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected

it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19 *Sung by the choir to Anglican chant*

Thomas Walmisley (1814–1856)

- 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.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect
and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the LORD is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent.

- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just
and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the LORD is clear
and gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean
and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the LORD are true
and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleanse me from my secret faults.
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great offense.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your sight, *
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

Second Reading

Philippians 3:4b-14

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through

faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 536 (*stand*)

Torah Song

1 Open your ears, O faithful people, open your ears and hear God's word. Open your hearts, O royal priesthood, God has come to you. God has spoken to his people, Hallelujah! And his words are words of wisdom, Hallelujah! Hallelujah! God has spoken to his people, Hallelujah! And his words are words of wisdom, Hallelujah!

3 Israel comes to greet the Savior, Judah is glad to see his day. From east to west the peoples travel, he will show the way. God has spoken to his people, Hallelujah! And his words are words of wisdom, Hallelujah! Hallelujah! God has spoken to his people, Hallelujah! And his words are words of wisdom, Hallelujah!

2 They who have ears to hear the message, they who have ears then let them hear. They who would learn the way of wisdom, let them hear God's word. God has spoken to his people, Hallelujah! And his words are words of wisdom, Hallelujah! Hallelujah! God has spoken to his people, Hallelujah! And his words are words of wisdom, Hallelujah!

4 Open your ears, O faithful people, open your ears and hear God's word. Open your hearts, O royal priesthood, God has come to you. God has spoken to his people, Hallelujah! And his words are words of wisdom, Hallelujah! Hallelujah! God has spoken to his people, Hallelujah! And his words are words of wisdom, Hallelujah!

Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:33-46

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus said, “Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.” Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures: ‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is amazing in our eyes’? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.” When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Nicene Creed (*stand*)

We believe in one God,
 the Father, the Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
 the only Son of God,
 eternally begotten of the Father,
 God from God, Light from Light,
 true God from true God,
 begotten, not made,
 of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
 he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
 he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
 and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
 in accordance with the Scriptures;
 he ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
 and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People (*kneel*)

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world, especially the people of Ukraine;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Doug, our bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

Peace (*stand*)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Announcements

Holy Communion

At the Offertory:

Anthem

Mark Schweitzer (1956–2019)

For the beauty of the earth, For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth, Over and around us lies.

Chorus: Lord of all to Thee we raise, This our hymn of grateful praise.

For the beauty of each hour, Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale and tree and flower, Sun and moon and stars of light.

For the joy of human love, Brother sister parent child,
Friends on earth and friends above, For all gentle thoughts and mild.

For your church that evermore, Lifts holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore, Her pure sacrifice of love.

Folliott Stanford Pierpoint, 1864

Hymn 380, stanza 3 (stand)

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. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

S-125

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel. The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.
AMEN.

The Celebrant then continues

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The priest breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem

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(Antiphon) The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.
The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ. (Ant.)
One body are we, alleluia, for though many we share one bread. (Ant.)

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Music during Communion:

Hymn 337 (*sit*)

Unde et memores

1 And now, O Father, mindful of the love that bought us, once for all, on Calvary's tree, and having with us him that pleads above we here present, we here spread forth to thee that only offering perfect in thine eyes, the one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.

2 Look Father, look on his anointed face, and only look on us as found in him; look not on our misusings of thy grace, our prayer so languid, and our faith so dim: for lo! between our sins and their reward we set the passion of thy Son our Lord.

3 And then for those, our dearest and our best, by this prevailing presence we appeal: O fold them closer to thy mercy's breast! O do thine utmost for their souls' true weal! From tainting mischief keep them pure and clear, and crown thy gifts with strength to persevere.

4 And so we come: O draw us to thy feet, most patient Savior, who canst love us still! And by this food, so awesome and so sweet, deliver us from every touch of ill: in thine own service make us glad and free, and grant us never more to part from thee.

Anthem

Thomas Attwood (1765–1838)

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes; and I shall keep it unto the end.

Psalm 119:33

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Hymn 545 (*stand*)

St. Fulbert

1 Lo! what a cloud of witnesses encompass us around! They, once like us with suffering tried, are now with glory crowned.

2 Let us, with zeal like theirs inspired, strive in the Christian race; and, freed from every weight of sin, their holy footsteps trace.

3 Behold a Witness nobler still, who trod affliction's path: Jesus, the author, finisher, rewarder of our faith.

4 He, for the joy before him set, and moved by pitying love, endured the cross, despised the shame, and now he reigns above.

5 Thither, forgetting things behind, press we to God's right hand; there, with the Savior and his saints, triumphantly to stand.

Dismissal

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Psalm XIX

Benedetto Marcello (1686–1739)



The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Louise Ferguson
by her children, Stella Thayer and Howell Ferguson
and their families

THOSE SERVING TODAY: Sunday, October 8, 2023

Celebrant: Fr. Stadel

Preacher: Fr. Reese

Organist: Ryan Hebert

Choral Assistant: Coleman Flentge

Verger: Allison Besselieu

Crucifer: Sam Scheuer

Torchbearers: Diana Tapie, Ada Bingham

Lectors: Betsy Scheuer, Sam Scheuer

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Altar Guild: Kathy Lawless, Jan Smith, Cathy Szuba

Coffee Hour Hosts: Pam Billings, Elaine Kimble, Mary Beth Harris

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Robert Kimble, Ethan Smith, Lara Tibbals, Fran Kerr, Ian Curry

ANNIVERSARIES: Jack & Pud Boyet, William & Stacy Curtis, Peter & Irene Baker,
Hiram & Wynnette Hampton

Make a Pledge for 2024

Please return your pledge card for 2024 as soon as possible. If you did not receive a pledge card in the mail, cards are available at the back of the church, in the Parish Hall, or through the parish office (813-221-2035). Make a commitment and support St. Andrew's in the coming year.

Outreach

The Outreach Committee will be meeting today following the 10:30AM service. New members are always welcome! For more information, please contact Chris Capsambelis at 727-542-4547 or ccapsambelis@gmail.com

Children & Youth News

This year's Halloween house will take place **Saturday, October 28th from 6-8pm**, so please mark your calendars! Please contact Alicia Schmid today at aliciaschmid@rocketmail.com to volunteer, inquire about events, and more.

There will be a **confirmation meet & greet** on **Sunday, November 5th at 9:30am** in the youth classroom on the 3rd floor for parents and confirmands. Please attend this meeting to learn more about 2024 confirmation! **Classes start November 5th**, break after Thanksgiving, and will **pick back up every Sunday** in the new year **at 9:30am starting January 7, 2024**, with the date of confirmation being **Sunday, February 25, 2024 during the 10:30 service**.

We will be rehearsing for the **Christmas pageant** starting Sunday, November 26th at 9:30 and will be rehearsing Sunday, December 3rd and Sunday, December 10th from 9:30-11:15am in the Children's chapel with final dress rehearsal on Saturday, December 16th from 10-noon in the sanctuary. The pageant this year will take place on **Sunday, December 17th** during the **10:30am** service. Please reach out to Alicia to be part of this years pageant! We'd love to have you & yours be part of the festivities!

All Saints' Evensong

Please join us for candlelight **Choral Evensong on Sunday, November 5 at 5:00p.m.**

Evensong is the quintessential prayer service of the Anglican tradition and is almost entirely sung. Since we do this service only once a year, I hope you'll take advantage of this opportunity. The music will commemorate the faithful departed and will honor the vast numbers of parishioners who have gone onto their heavenly rest, and whose lives and service helped shape our beloved church. The Louise Lykes Ferguson Memorial Choir will sing anthems by Ernest Bullock and Egil Hovland and a Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis setting by Charles Wood. The closing organ voluntary will be the great F Major Toccata by Johann Sebastian Bach. We hope you will join us for this beautiful service on All Saints' Sunday. Please plan to attend and to invite a friend! A reception will follow in the parish hall.

St. Andrew's Ringers

I have some good news for our music enthusiasts at St. Andrew's: we are reconstructing the glorious return of the St. Andrew's Ringers! And, I have even more good news: You, yes YOU, are invited to ring with us!

We are looking for at least 6 members to join our super awesome band of ring-a-dingers, and the more hands on bells, the merrier we shall all be 😊 Never played a bell before? No worries—that's easy to learn! However, in order to ensure the success of the ensemble, members do need to have a foundational understanding of music, be able to count in a variety of time signatures, subdivide, follow their part in a score, and know their right from their left.

Rehearsals will begin on **Wednesday October 4 from 6-6:30pm** on the 6th floor of the Parish Hall.

If you are interested in partaking in this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, please email me at coleman.flentge@outlook.com.

Children's Choir

I am also excited to offer a musical engagement opportunity for our youth! Brianna Davies and I will be joining our youth in the Chapel starting soon to facilitate a musical experience for our young members of St. Andrew's, and we look forward to experiencing the art of music making with them!

Adult Christian Education

Sunday mornings at 9:30

First & Second Thessalonians: Keep Calm and Carry On

Have you ever been discouraged in your faith? Or wondered if you are staying grounded in what you believe? This was the issue facing the believers in Thessalonica. So Paul compelled them in two letters to not be deceived by false teachers but remain diligent in doing the work set before them as they looked forward to Jesus' return. In this video Bible study, pastor and author Levi Lusko will guide us through these two letters, revealing what the apostle's words meant to his original readers and how they apply to us today. Levi Lusko is the founder and lead pastor of Fresh Life Church in Montana.

Here is the rest of the line-up:

10/8 – Between Now and Then (1 Thessalonians 5:12-28)

10/15 – Keep Calm and Carry On (2 Thessalonians 1-3)

This class, facilitated by the Rector, meets in Room 302 (the Library) on the third floor of the Parish Building.

Music Notes

Today I'm playing a piece by Bach called "These Holy Ten Commandments." It's some of his finest work. After a little intro, you'll hear the melody in canon, played on the oboe stop. A canon is a musical technique whereby a melody can be played with itself but delayed in time. It's like Row, Row, Row Your Boat where you can sing the melody with itself in a round. Canon really means "rule of law," so in a musical canon, one part follows the lead, or law. How befitting for the Ten Commandments!

The Commandments are held as the golden standard of morality, but they seem to have created much controversy. I'm sure that those who want to erect monuments of them in public places have broken all ten and couldn't name but two, yet they insist on "teaching" about God's holiness with great confrontation. Is there a better way to teach?

Monuments, bumper stickers, and flags try to "teach" by jamming the information "in." Drilling a subject is a good way to create a backlash. When I first started teaching, I learned this the hard way. But artful people, like Jesus *and* Bach, knew how to take deep spiritual teachings, convert them into works of art, and *deliver* the penetrating, soul-warming truth of God. In other words, a master teacher calms the savage beast not overtly, but *creatively*.

Jesus did this very thing. He took ancient wisdom and cleverly "hid" it in fictitious stories called parables. Their message pierces the soul and converts the savage beast into an enlightened being. Likewise, Bach recrafted spiritual truths in his music. He was a well-read scholar, having written copious notes in the margin of his bible. He learned something deep, and it shows in his music. Jesus' stories were crafty, and he most likely enjoyed making them up. Storytelling *is* an artform. Likewise, Bach took The Ten Commandments and recrafted them into something you might think of as just a lovely piece of music. That's *exactly* what he was going after.

Art takes life lessons and hard truths, like The Commandments, and converts them into symbols of God's love. A bad teacher inflames the ego by regurgitating the material and force feeding it, thus creating a backfire. But a master teacher ingests the truth, invaginates

it, and turns it into a fire that lights the world with love. A master teacher is a storyteller in a sense. Through the creative process, they lovingly deliver the message that delivers people from their ignorance.

Wise words and sublime music can teach forever and can reach countless people. That's why you notice something new each time you rehear the parables of Jesus and music like that of J.S. Bach's. Repetitive hammering hasn't worked. Who would have ever thought that a parable or a lovely piece of music could teach and transform generations?

When recrafted expressively, the lessons of God will seep into the soul and echo eternally in the ethos. Monuments, flags, and bumper stickers seem most ineffectual. We've got to get more creative, and there are great examples to follow. Like in a musical canon, you can take the lead and invent a coercive melody. As the savage beast is subdued by its love, he follows in the dance of enlightenment. That's how you become a great leader and teacher, but ultimately, it's how you make the world more harmonious. *Soli Deo Gloria!*

-Ryan Hebert

The Parish Directory is going online!

We will be launching an online (member only access) parish directory. You will be receiving Directory Information Cards that need to be completed for you and your family to be a part of the online directory. The information will be accessed via our website and will be password protected by each participant. You choose what information will be available for other parishioners to see. Once we have it up and running, you will be able to edit your own information directly and add your own picture. We will also provide printed copies upon request.

In the meantime, we need the information cards completed and sent back to us via mail, email (administrator@saintandrewstampa.org) and by dropping them in the collection plate. Pictures can be sent or emailed in as well for us to upload for you.

If you have any questions, please email:

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Mark Caro, Sgt. Billy Gudzak, Charlene Maxwell, Joan Hoppe, Carlton Hart, Stephen Tedrowe, Mercedes Richardson, Virginia Sink, Charlie Richardson, Christine Hudson, Janet Norona, Michael Norona, Tom Huffman, Sonja Waters, John Mennell, Christopher Hunt, Kathy Connolly, David M, Bob Hart, Dale Dubin, Charles Mullen, Kay Rankin, Jack Plimmer, Corinne Gaile, Jack Boyet, Jean Turner, Linda Iudiciani Barry, Fabio Pompili, Michael Perkins, Judy Crowley, Analee Mayes, Sonja Waters, John Mennell, Sandra, Steve Finessy, Warren Brown, Cathy Neely, Rick Ostman, Judith Mish, Mark Prater, Linda Barry, Ann & Gene Overmyer, Matt Harper, Susan Dawson, Dawn Headland, Anne Stadel, Beth Luensman (*We are happy to include all prayer requests. Names will remain on the list for four weeks. Please call Lauri in the church office if you desire a name to remain on after four weeks or to be removed sooner.*)



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