

Welcome to
SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
TAMPA, FLORIDA
ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 3, 2024
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: Elegy

George Thalben-Ball (1896–1987)

Tower Bell

Please stand as the choir and ministers enter

At the Procession:

Minister: Let us proceed in peace.

People: In the Name of Christ. Amen.

Hymn 287 (*stanzas 1-4,7,8*)

Sine Nomine

1 For all the saints, who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world
confessed, thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed. Alleluia, alleluia!

2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might: thou, Lord, their Captain in the
well-fought fight; thou, in the darkness drear, the one true Light. Alleluia, alleluia!

3 O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold, fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win, with them, the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia, alleluia!

4 O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all
are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia, alleluia!

7 But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day: the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on his way. Alleluia, Alleluia!

8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in
the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Station at the Font:

Minister: The righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance.

People: The memory of the just is bless'd.

Minister: Let us pray. O God, whose glory the redeemed in heaven eternally adore: Grant that we who rejoice in the festival of all thy saints may be brought to praise thee in the life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Hymn 625

Darwall's 148th

1 Ye holy angels bright, who wait at God's right hand, or through the realms of light fly at your Lord's command, assist our song, for else the theme too high doth seem for mortal tongue.

2 Ye blessed souls at rest, who ran this earthly race and now, from sin released, behold the Savior's face, God's praises sound, as in his sight with sweet delight ye do abound.

3 Ye saints, who toil below, adore your heavenly King, and onward as ye go some joyful anthem sing; take what he gives and praise him still, through good or ill, whoever lives.

4 My soul, bear thou thy part, triumph in God above: and with a well-tuned heart sing thou the songs of love! Let all thy days till life shall end, whate'er he send, be filled with praise.

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

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

Priest 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.

A Song of Praise

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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 God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

First Reading *(sit)*

Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9

A Reading from the Book of Wisdom.

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive a great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like

sparks through stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them forever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

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

Psalm 24 *Sung by the choir to Anglican chant* *George Thalben-Ball (1896–1987)*

- 1 The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, *
the world and all who dwell therein.
- 2 For it is he who founded it upon the seas *
and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.
- 3 "Who can ascend the hill of the LORD? " *
and who can stand in his holy place?"
- 4 "Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, *
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood,
nor sworn by what is a fraud.
- 5 They shall receive a blessing from the LORD *
and a just reward from the God of their salvation."
- 6 Such is the generation of those who seek him, *
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.
- 7 Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.
- 8 "Who is this King of glory?" *
"The LORD, strong and mighty,
the LORD, mighty in battle."
- 9 Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.
- 10 "Who is he, this King of glory?" *
"The LORD of hosts,
he is the King of glory."

Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-6a

A Reading from the Revelation to John.

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; 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 words are trustworthy and true.” Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.”

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

Hymn 293 (*stand*)

Grand Isle

1 I sing a song of the saints of God, patient and brave and true, who toiled and fought and lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew. And one was a doctor, and one was a queen, and one was a shepherdess on the green: they were all of them saints of God—and I mean, God helping, to be one too.

2 They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and his love made them strong; and they followed the right, for Jesus’ sake, the whole of their good lives long. And one was a soldier, and one was a priest, and one was slain by a fierce wild beast: and there’s not any reason—no, not the least, why I shouldn’t be one too.

3 They lived not only in ages past, there are hundreds of thousands still, the world is bright with the joyous saints who love to do Jesus’ will. You can meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains, or in shops, or at tea, for the saints of God are just folk like me, and I mean to be one to.

Holy Gospel

John 11:32-44

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

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?” Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

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, Israel
and Gaza;

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, especially Jenette Kerr, Kay Rankin, Joe Daurril, Stephen Rosser, Rose Williams, Al Stein, Precious Montgomery, Nancy Honeycutt, Jerry Divers, Wayne Putney, Jean Turner, Matthew Borsch, Bennie Kay O'Brien, Jack Plimmer, Gerald Anthony Brozyna, Andrew Orestano, Marcia Biondolillo, Charlene Maxwell, Beth Sellas, and James Arthur "Bubba" Turner, 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

John Rutter (b. 1945)

*Pie Jesu Domine, dona eis requiem. Pie Jesu Domine, dona eis sempiternam requiem.
Blessed Jesu, Lord I pray, in thy mercy grant them rest. Lord our God, we pray thee,
grant them everlasting rest.*

*From the Requiem Mass
Amanda Cohen, soprano*

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.

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	We lift them to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	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 in the multitude of your saints, you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away.

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

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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 279 (*sit*)

St. George

1 For thy dear saints, O Lord, who strove
in thee to live, who followed thee,
obeyed, adored, our grateful hymn
receive.

2 They all in life and death, with thee their
Lord in view, learned from thy Holy
Spirit's breath to suffer and to do.

3 Thine earthly members fit to join thy
saints above, in one communion ever knit,
one fellowship of love.

4 Jesus, thy Name we bless and humbly
pray that we may follow them in holiness
who lived and died for thee.

Hymn 526

Dundee

1 Let saints on earth in concert sing with those whose work is done; for all the servants of our King in heaven and earth are one.

2 One family we dwell in him, one Church, above, beneath, though now divided by the stream, the narrow stream of death.

3 One army of the living God, to his command we bow; part of the host have crossed the flood, and part are crossing now.

4 E'en now by faith we join our hands with those that went before, and greet the ever-living bands on the eternal shore.

5 Jesus, be thou our constant Guide; then, when the word is given, bid Jordan's narrow stream divide, and bring us safe to heaven.

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 618 (*stand*)

Lasst uns erfreuen

1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones, bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Alleluia! Cry out, dominions, pryncedoms, powers, virtues, archangels, angels' choirs, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2 O higher than the cherubim, more glorious than the seraphim, lead their praises, Alleluia! Thou bearer of the eternal Word, most gracious, magnify the Lord, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest, ye patriarchs and prophets blest, Alleluia, alleluia! Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong, all saints triumphant, raise the song, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4 O friends, in gladness let us sing, supernal anthems echoing, Alleluia, alleluia! To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Dismissal

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

Postlude: Fanfare

William Matthias (1934–1992)

THOSE SERVING TODAY: Sunday, November 3, 2024

Celebrant: Fr. Reese

Preacher: Fr. Campbell

Organist: Ryan Hebert

Choral Assistant: Coleman Flentge

Verger: Richard Ferlita

Thurifer: Lynn Dorman

Crucifer: Shea Polley

Torchbearers: Abby Turlington, Kristina Dixon

Lectors: Barbara McFarquhar, Ton Akins

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Wallace Dixon, Brad Hall

Videographers: Paul Scheuer, Doug Rubottom, Jan Smith, Kirk McCann

Ushers: Derrick Brown, Donreece Brown, Chris Watson, Michael Dickinson

Altar Guild: Adrienne Love, Anne Paige, Anna Putney

Coffee Hour Hosts: The Polley Family and The Turlington Family



The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of
Heather Lauren McGhee and John Robert McGhee
by Linda and Michael McGhee

BIRTHDAYS: Julian Byrd, Laurence Hammond, Christopher Watson, Stella Curry, Anne Kutchmire, Norton Busby, Kerry Brown, Wyatt Smith, Robert McLay
ANNIVERSARIES: George & Cynthia Bedell

Make a Pledge for 2025

Please return your pledge card for 2025 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.

All Saints' Evensong


Please join us for Choral Evensong **today, November 3 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, please 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 John Goss and William Harris and a Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis setting in B-flat by Stanford. 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. A's Book Club – Next Meeting Sunday, Nov 10th

On Sunday 6th October—before the furies of Hurricane Milton—Jan Riasanovsky and Pam Curry called an informal meeting for a new St. Andrew's Book Club. There was a good turnout and much enthusiasm. So far, eleven people want to be part of our new Book Club. However, if you are interested in being part of this, we still have room for a few more. We decided to meet monthly, after the 10:30 am Eucharist, up on the third floor. Feel free to

bring coffee and snacks. Each month, we shall choose a different book, to be read in the weeks beforehand, and then to be discussed at our meeting. Our next meeting will be on Sunday Nov 10th after the 10:30 am service, again up on the third floor. Our book choice this time is a classic short story by Ernest Hemingway, “The Snows of Kilimanjaro” (1936), one of ten short stories found in the collection *The Snows of Kilimanjaro and Other Stories* (Scribner, 1995). This little paperback is available for about \$11.99 from Amazon or other sellers. “Beautiful in their simplicity, startling in their originality, and unsurpassed in their craftsmanship, the stories in this volume highlight one of America's master storytellers at the top of his form” (Amazon blurb). So, if you are interested in joining us and receiving the background material already sent out, or if you have any questions, please do contact the St. A’s Book Club secretary, Ray Vince, at rvince@hccfl.edu.

Fish Fry

Fish Fry  Our Annual *St. Andrew's Fish Fry* will be **Sunday, November 17th after the 10:30 am service**. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children with proceeds benefitting “*Gabriel's Giving Tree*”, supporting needy children from Dunbar Elementary School.

A Magnificat Holiday

Celebrate the holiday season with the Plant City Community Chorale, the Concert Chorus and Virtuosi Orchestra from Dr. Kiran C. Patel High School as they present Francesco Durante's masterpiece, *Magnificat in Bb!* Under the direction of Coleman Flentge, the concert will feature this Baroque masterpiece as well as other holiday favorites to provide some magic to your Christmas season. We hope to see you here at St. Andrew's on **Thursday November 21 at 7PM!** Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased at the door or at pccchorale.org/upcoming-concerts!

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE

Choral Eucharist

Wednesday, November 27 – 7:00 p.m.

A wonderful day of the year to give thanks to our God!

Anchor Ball

It's that time of year and our Vestry has graciously agreed to add its name as a supporter of the 2024 Anchor Ball sponsored by Port Tampa Bay! The Ball is scheduled for **Saturday, December 7, 2024**, at the PEPIN HOSPITALITY CENTRE (4121 N 50th St. in Tampa 33610), beginning at 5:30 pm and ending no later than 9:30 pm. Proceeds will benefit the Tampa Bay Maritime Scholarship Foundation and the Tampa Port Ministries. St. Andrew's will continue its annual support of the Seafarer's Ministry and has purchased 5 tickets to the 2024 Anchor Ball for use by parishioners at NO COST to our participants! In addition, Irene and Peter Baker have purchased an extra ticket for a St. Andrew's parishioner to attend so there are 6 seats available at NO CHARGE at our table hosted by the Bakers. There is plenty of parking at the Centre, complimentary drinks and hor d'oeuvres, silent auction, dinner, live auction and dancing. What we need are some volunteers to share in this outreach ministry, put on some dress clothes for the evening (black tie optional), and open their hearts, wallets or pocketbooks. If you are interested in attending, please contact Pam Frost or Lauri Harder in the office (813-221-2035) so they can add you to the guest list. If you have any questions, please contact Peter Baker (813-230 0354; pbakerlaw@gmail.com), There is no cost to you – so please sign up and have a great time at the 2024 ANCHOR BALL!!

Joy! A Winter Spectacular

Musicians from Dr. Kiran C. Patel High School are excited to return to St. Andrew's for their fourth annual winter concert! This year's theme is "Joy!" and will be a showcase of music intended to spread joy and light to our community! We hope you will mark your calendars and be a part of this truly festive celebration. The concert is here at St. Andrew's on **Thursday December 12 at 7PM**. Tickets are \$10 for adults and free for children 12 and under.

Adult Christian Education

Sunday mornings at 9:30

Signs and Wonders: A Beginner's Guide to the Miracles of Jesus

In *Signs and Wonders: A Beginner's Guide to the Miracles of Jesus*, Amy-Jill Levine explores selected miracles of Jesus in historical and theological context. For each miracle,

she discusses not only how past witnesses would have understood the events, but also how today's readers can draw meaning from Jesus's words and actions. Levine is Professor of New Testament and Jewish Studies at Hartford Seminary and Professor Emerita of New Testament Studies at Vanderbilt University.

Here is the lineup:

11/03 - The feeding of the 5,000 (or more): The centrality of bread

11/10 - A bleeding woman and a dead girl: The importance of women's bodies

11/17 - Giving sight to the blind: Metaphors of understanding (Mark 8, John 9)

11/24 - The raising of Lazarus: Taking death seriously

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

Outreach

The Outreach Committee is kicking off our annual ***Metropolitan Ministries Thanksgiving Boxes of Hope***. We are asking that you purchase and bring to church the following items based on the first letter of your last name:

A-E: gravy packets, soup, cereal, canned fruit, canned yams

F-M: bagged or canned beans (black, pinto, refried), cranberry sauce, boxed macaroni and cheese, canned vegetables

N-Z: bagged or boxed stuffing, bagged rice (yellow or white), canned or boxed potatoes, dessert mix, cookies

Labeled boxes are provided in the Parish Hall for your food donations. Gift cards for turkeys are also welcome, as are check donations made out to St. Andrew's with "Turkey Pack" in the memo line. Metropolitan Ministries has a critical need this holiday season to serve Tampa's less fortunate population, so let's make this our best year of giving ever!

Gabriel Tree

The Parish Outreach Committee is again sponsoring the 2024 Gabriel Tree Project. This supports students and families at Dunbar Elementary, a local Tampa public school. Our two previously sponsored schools were closed this year by the county.

Tags with 100 children's names, sizes and wish gifts will be available starting November 3rd in the Parish Hall. The sign-out list contains children of all ages, as once a child is nominated by the school social worker, we sponsor all the children in that household up to age 18. This is a great time to select a child or children close in age and interest to your own children or grandchildren and make a family tradition of shopping and wrapping to help those less fortunate.

We invite you to participate in one of several ways:

A. Take a tag and sign up for the child's name, purchase and wrap the gifts, and drop them off at the Parish Hall by Sunday December 1st or any time earlier.

B. Avail yourself of the ELF shopper's service. At the end of the program, you will receive a thank you note with photos of the gifts that were purchased for the child you selected.

· Choose a child, indicate that you want the ELF to shop for this child when you sign up, and give a donation to the church office, either cash, check or on-line donation (please specify Gabriel Tree).

· Send a donation to the church and the Parish Elf can select a child and shop/wrap for you. Let Lin Busby know via text or phone call (813-486-1683) that you would like her to select a child for you. You can specify a boy or girl, and age range if you wish.

Music Notes

John Rutter's *Requiem* has remained one of his most popular works. Rutter conducted the first performance of it in 1985, at Lovers' Lane United Methodist Church, Dallas, where the director of Music Allen Pote prepared the Sanctuary Choir and orchestra. I was surprised to learn that the premier was in the US, given that Rutter is British. Since then,

it's been performed extensively, and its most popular movement is "The Lord is My Shepherd," an anthem we have sung here at St. Andrew's a few times.

In a passing conversation, Amanda, our soloist today, requested that we do this movement, the *Pie Jesu*, in a concert. I thought, why not do it for a service? She was enticed by the music - bewitched, bewildered, and bemused. Her request seemed justifiable to me. She wanted to. What a strange thing. Desire. Who am I to question such a mysterious, inner Truth? Her wish was my command.

Gladys Kravitz was the meddling neighbor on the popular 1960's sitcom, *Bewitched*. Mrs. Kravitz was always witnessing strange happenings at the Stevens' household. She was flabbergasted at what she was seeing, but she could never seem to trust her eyes. She knew *something* was up, but poor Mrs. Kravitz could never prove that these "mysterious happenings" were real. Each time she tried to convince others, she was made to look silly, like a meddling old woman whose eyes had deceived her. I think our eyes are deceiving us. Our minds certainly are, and those who are assured by belief in themselves seem "magical," "effortless," and "talented." Stevie Wonder said about his own music, "I was just excited about the music that was in my head." Sounds too easy. *Much* too easy.

In the *Pie Jesu* from the *Requiem*, it's a plea for rest. Can't you hear that? The real plea for rest, or "give it a rest" is in quiet. If you've witnessed the bewitching mystery of faith, you don't have to scream and holler like Mrs. Kravitz. Some of us believe. And we know you can't prove it. You're just excited about what's in your head, others are afraid.

Some of us are Samanthas and can seem to get what we want by wiggling our nose – trusting in the power that goes *before*, above, and around. Others are meddling Gladyses who know something's up and try to spoil it. Better to live befuddled, bewildered, and as an effortless nose-twitcher, rather than a nosey neighbor who wants to expose the mystery. If Mrs. Kravitz had unequivocally proven Samantha's immortality, then the show wouldn't be any more fun and would have gone off the air, even before the "new" Darrin came in. I like the old Darrin myself, but that's beside the point.

Real living is unsolvable, so why plea? When I want something as innocent as singing *Pie Jesu*, I make my request known, wiggle my nose, and rest assured. Allow surprise to remain a mysterious neighbor who you love unconditionally. That makes *every* moment miraculous. If Samantha can do it with a simple twitch of the nose, it doesn't have to be nosey, or all figured out. The concealment makes it. No more begging. That's the

prerequisite – quiet rest. *Requiem*. Something goes before me, quietly. If I knew what, I'd spoil the surprise, and there'd be no show of Wonder. Perhaps we *are* immortal. But don't take my word for it. Like Stevie Wonder, I'm just excited about what's in my head and in my heart. How could I ever prove any of *that* was real? It's magical. It's miraculous. It's as easy as *that*. *Soli Deo Gloria*.

-Ryan Hebert

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Sarah Hudson, Charles Caro, Evelyn Smith, Mignon Grant-Levy, John Tomlinson, Nell Rorebeck, Marion Gustin, Jane Collins, Paul Cullen, Barbara Jones, Gerry Calahan, Mary Nichols, Peggy Kleven, Linda M. Delmasto, Angela Massari, Evelyn O. Jewell, Brycen Coyle, Anita Ramirez, Jane Cantler, Phyllis Sheaffer, Diane Kemker, Martha Medel, Sarah Moody, Larry Kleven, Isabelle Ferrell, William Shuler, Ian Snider, Libby Dickinson, Roma Plimmer, Patricia Maxfield, Jenette Kerr, Kay Rankin, Joe Daurril, Stephen Rosser, Rose Williams, Al Stein, Precious Montgomery, Nancy Honeycutt, Jerry Divers, Wayne Putney, Jean Turner, Matthew Borsch, Bennie Kay O'Brien, Jack Plimmer, Gerald Anthony Brozyna, Andrew Orestano, Marcia Biondolillo, Charlene Maxwell, James Arthur "Bubba" Turner, Beth Sellas

THOSE FOR WHOM PRAYERS HAVE BEEN ESPECIALLY REQUESTED:

Mark Caro, Sgt. Billy Gudzak, Joan Hoppe, Carlton Hart, Stephen Tedrowe, Virginia Sink, Charlie Richardson, Christine Hudson, Janet Norona, Michael Norona, Christopher Hunt, Charles Mullen, Corinne Gaile, Jack Boyet, Holly Clemmons, Katie Pastorius, Deloris Lewis, Ralph & Nancy Swank, Delphine & Bob Ballard, Janis Riasanovsky, Linda Barry, Brian Polley, Edwin Bourdeau, Ron Trybus, Matt Harper, Jean McAlister, Gale Vineyard, Allyson Littleton, Luzette Lightfoot, Pamela Ann Lane Ketchy, Elizabeth Mangun, Mike McGhee, Ramond Chiamonte (*If you wish to add someone to the prayer list, please call Lauri in the church office at 813-221-2035. We are happy to include all prayer requests. Names will remain on the list for four weeks. Please notify Lauri if you desire a name to remain on after four weeks or to be removed sooner.*)

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