



This week at St. Andrew's

Thursday, April 2, 2026

Welcome to St. Andrew's Weekly E-mail Newsletter. In an effort to keep the congregation better informed we will be sending out this newsletter on Thursdays to cover events happening at the church through the following Wednesday. We hope you find it useful.



The Mission of St. Andrew's Parish is to worship God, grow in discipleship, and share Christ's love.
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 2018



Maundy Thursday

April 2, 2026

7:00pm - Holy Eucharist Rite II with Stripping of the Altar

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman

Organist: Sean Fleming

Choir Director: Linda Blanchard

Altar Guild: Nora Lundeen, Ann Kash & Jennifer Meade

Eucharistic Minister: Malcolm Foster

Lectors: Alex Pugh & Martha Elliott

Livestream Operator: Bill Judd

Ushers: Kelley Kash & Jennifer Meade

The worship booklet for the 7pm Maundy Thursday service is available by clicking [here](#)



Good Friday

April 3, 2026

12:00pm - Good Friday Liturgy

Leader: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman

Lectors: Steve Ward, Brett Donham, Fred Kraeuter, Jeanne Titherington

Organist: Sean Fleming

The worship booklet for the noon Friday Liturgy is available by clicking [here](#)

The Good Friday Offering

Presiding Bishop: 'Need of the Church in the Holy Land is Greater Than Ever'

The Good Friday Offering, which has historically supported the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East, is even more vital today given the ongoing war, said Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe in a letter issued yesterday.

"I am in frequent touch with Archbishop Hosam Naoum, who leads the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East, and I know how urgently he and his people need our support as they alleviate suffering and provide hope to God's people of all faiths. The Episcopal Diocese of New Jersey recently gave the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem \$1 million to support medical and trauma care for children, youth, and families in Gaza and the Palestinian territories, and I am hoping that we can build on that extraordinary gift with this year's Good Friday Offering.

Your gift will support:

- al-Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza, which has continued serving patients during the Israel-Hamas War amid bombardment, devastating shortages of food, water, and medicine, and extended power outages.
- St. George's Church in Baghdad, Iraq, and its medical center.
- An eye clinic at Christ Church in Yemen.
- All Saints' Episcopal Church in Damascus, Syria.
- All Saints' Episcopal Church in Beirut, Lebanon."

For more information, please click [here](#).

At St. Andrew's Church, all loose offerings on Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday will be given to the Episcopal Church in support of Christians in the Middle East.



Easter Sunday

April 5, 2026

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite I

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman

Altar Guild: Laura Blanchard

Eucharistic Minister: Malcolm Foster

Lector: Jim Swan

Ushers: Jack & Carol Dexter

Vestry Announcer: Laura Blanchard

The worship booklet for the 8am Sunday service is available by clicking [here](#)

10:00am Holy Eucharist Rite II

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman

Organist: Sean Fleming

Choir Director: Linda Blanchard
Altar Guild: Ann Kash
Eucharistic Minister: Ann Kash
Lectors: Sara Sandberg & Nora Lundeen
Livestream Operator: Bill Judd
Ushers: Kelley Kash & Sara Sandberg
Vestry Announcer: Kelley Kash

The worship booklet for the 10am Sunday service is available by clicking [here](#)

You may also watch this service on St. Andrew's YouTube channel. (Live or recorded)

Outreach First Sunday Plate Recipient for April: Ecumenical Food Pantry

Today's plate cash offerings will be sent to the Ecumenical Food Pantry to help support their mission. The Ecumenical Food Pantry is facing increased demand for services as many families face the prospects of tariff-induced higher prices and cuts to SNAP, Medicaid and other US Government programs. At the same time, free and low-cost food sources are being reduced or eliminated. The food pantry needs your financial support to help feed our neighbors in need. If you would prefer to write a check, please make it out to Ecumenical Food Pantry and place it in the plate. We will send all donations to the food pantry

Music Note for Easter Sunday

Felix Mendelssohn was commissioned in 1844 to write a 'set of voluntaries' by the English publishers Coventry and Hollier. Mendelssohn wrote six sonatas for that commission; the prelude today was the first movement of the third sonata in the series.

In the beginning of the third sonata, Mendelssohn uses music that he originally wrote for his sister Fanny's wedding. The movement's second section is in A minor; listen to the pedals to hear the chorale tune *Aus tiefer Not*. "Aus tiefer Not schrei ich zu dir" translates as "From the deep I cry out to thee." The tune can be found at number 151 in *The Hymnal 1982*. The third section continues in minor with the *Aus tiefer Not* chorale continuing in the pedals, with the chorale tune transforming into a triumphant pedal line. This exuberant pedal line takes us back to A major, with music that is similar to the music from the beginning of the piece. - Sean Fleming

Holy Women, Holy Men David of Wales Bishop

On almost every day of the year, the Episcopal Church honors faithful followers of Jesus who went before us. Every Wednesday at St. Andrew's during our Healing Eucharist, we remember one of more of these Holy Men and Women. We take time to remember these people for three important reasons. First, they deserve to be remembered. The people chosen for our calendar are remembered because they were particularly remarkable followers of Jesus. The second reason we remember them is because in remembering we are connected to Christians throughout time. And last but not least, we remember them because in remembering we can learn how to be better followers of Jesus in our day and time.

This week we remember David of Wales. Please click [here](#) to learn more about him.

Reconstruction in the office and undercroft

The reconstruction has begun! The disruption caused by the flooding from the burst pipe will continue as the remedial work progresses. Until further notice, the Undercroft is closed to gatherings and meetings. The choir room, kitchen and restrooms are accessible. Please use caution when going to and from these areas. The inconvenience is a necessary part of the recovery process but we look forward to returning to normalcy soon."

Coffee Hour update

Please sign up for coffee hour in April and beyond! There are lots of opportunities to host Coffee Hour in the coming months. Hosts are responsible for set-up, keeping the coffee and tea water topped up, and clean-up. Members of the congregation are encouraged to bring sweet or savoury nibbles as the spirit

moves them. If you would like to sign up to host, please put your name on the clipboard in the Atrium or contact Sara Sandberg through the church office.

April 5 (Easter):
8:00am [Terry Marsh](#)
10:00am [Vestry](#)

April 12:
8:00am _____
10:00am _____

April 19:
8:00am [Seth Stewart](#)
10:00am _____

April 26:
8:00am _____
10:00am [Fred Kraeuter & Ron Ross](#)



Vestry Meeting Minutes

If you would like to read the vestry minutes from the February meeting, please click [here](#)

St. Andrew's Book Club next meeting

Our April book is going to be "Old Filth" by Jane Gardam. We meet at St Andrews on April 16th at 2:30. Everyone welcome.

Parish Directories

A new version of the parish pictorial directory has been published. Copies are available in the office upon request.

Office Hours

While Ann is away (April 8-22), the church office will be staffed Tuesdays-Thursdays by volunteers.



St. Andrew's Church Calendar

St. Andrew's Church calendar is available online. If you would like to access it, please click [here](#)

Weekday Worship

Wednesday Healing Service: Wednesdays at 11:30am

Please note: The next luncheon after this service will be on Wednesday, May 3

Meetings

Benedictine Group: 10:00 AM Wednesday
Zoom Meeting

Senior Choir rehearsal: 7-9pm Thursdays

Knitting Group: 2-4pm Fridays

All welcome: knitters, non-knitters and everything in between.

Please Note: The Knitting Group will be meeting in members' homes until the church spaces are repaired. We'll send the regular weekly announcement around with information on location. If you'd like to be part of the group but are not on the email list, please contact Sara Sandberg for the schedule. You don't have to be a knitter (or crocheter or quilter or embroiderer or anything else) to join us. All that's required is enjoying one another's company on Friday afternoons from 2 to 4pm.

Intercessory Prayer List

"The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words." (Romans 8:26)

We pray for those who are ill or with special needs:

Rob & Irma Hargreaves, Alan Hargreaves, Phil Bartley, Val Gorrill, Tom Belanger, Dick, Tyler & Christine, Julie, Cynthia Troxel, Nathan Hargreaves, Janice Roman, Beth, Tony Sousa, Joanne Sousa, Ian J., Emily Goodchild, Jennie Wildner, Elizabeth Lyon, Robin Schneider, Susan & Fred Murray, Nicole & Family, Susan O'Brien., Steve Busch, Lydia, Joe & Sherry, Anne, Betsy.

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