

The Peace Window

The fifth window dedicated in 1943 is the peace window at the east end of the north aisle, with memorial inscription “In memory of Reverend Earl Boynton Wood, 1871-1899”.

Housekeeping is the chief of the arts of peace. St. Martha, of the famous story of Martha and Mary (Luke 10:38-42) who entertained Jesus at their village home, comes into her place in the left lancet of this window. She is shown with her keys and with a basket of fruit which mark her as the housekeeper.

St. Stephen, wearing a dalmatic embroidered with a ship driven before a storm, is the subject of the central lancet. Being stoned to death by a mob as described in Acts 7:58-60, he was the first Christian martyr. He is shown holding the book of his martyrdom, by which he entered into peace. On it are three of the stones of martyrdom.

St. Agnes, a Roman of the 4th century who entered into peace through martyrdom, is shown bearing the palm of that martyrdom and a book of sacred writings. The foliated grisaille field of geometric patterns interlaced with growing decorative vine forms is enriched with a variety of figures. Like the other nave windows on the north side its colors are fairly cool in the northerly light. Passages of ruby and gold serve as contrasts.

