



The Parish Messenger

May 2017

*The Newsletter of the People of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church,
State College, Pennsylvania.*

*With God's help, we the people of St. Andrew's seek to know
and accept God's love in Jesus Christ for all people and to
witness to God's love in word and action.*

TIME CHANGE



Our academic year schedule concludes on Sunday, May 21, with a youth-led service at 10:30 AM followed by an end of the year picnic (see below). Our summer schedule begins on Sunday, May 28 (Memorial Day weekend) with services at 8 AM and 10 AM and no education hour. Look forward to refreshments on the front lawn during the summer season after the 10 AM service and some other offerings and activities for summer. The plan is to return to the academic year schedule on Sunday, September 10, the Sunday after Labor Day.

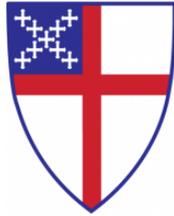
May you enjoy the joys of summer both when in town or traveling, and if you visit a church while away, bring back the bulletin and any other materials of interest for sharing (you can turn them into the church office). It's always fun and helpful to see what other churches are doing.

PARISH PICNIC

Spring Creek Park
Sunday, May 21 at Noon

Parishioners of all ages and from all services are invited to join us for lunch, games and fellowship! Come find out if our reigning champions in the bubble-blowing and seed-spitting contests can defend their titles. Hot dogs, hamburgers, veggie burgers and drinks will be provided. If your last name begins with A through L, please bring a side dish to share; if your last name begins with M through Z, please bring a dessert.





UPDATE FROM THE SEARCH COMMITTEE

It is a very exciting time for St. Andrew's, as we continue to discern our next Rector. We are now very much in the heart of the search. We received a total of 14 applications, and after our discernment, decided on 11 candidates to continue with in the process. The Diocese completed a pre-screening of the candidates before we could schedule any interviews. The Committee is happy to report that we conducted all 11 interviews via video conference from April 18 through April 26.

The Committee met Sunday, April 30 to discuss, reflect and prayerfully discern the 11 candidates and the next steps in the process. We will report back to the parish with an update as we progress through this next stage.

The Committee would like to extend a special thanks to Caitlin Osborne for scheduling and coordinating all the interviews and Marisa Ferger for managing the technology associated with the video conferencing.

Andrea de Carle and Ford McNutt, Co-Chairs

FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN

Many organizations recently honored their volunteers and it made me realize that we don't often make sure we recognize those many volunteers who support all of the activities of our parish - assisting in the office, providing receptions, working with our children and youth, singing in the choir, helping with Community Cafe, serving on committees. All of these require volunteer support and represent many hours of commitment. Thank you to all who help our parish run so effectively.

We are especially thankful at this time for the work of the committees for the Rector Search: the Profile Committee and the Search Committee. The Profile Committee completed their work in January and you can see the resulting document on the [parish web site](#). If you haven't already, please look at it; many parishioners have discovered information they didn't know, and please take the time to thank the following people who served on the Profile Committee:

Wendi Keeler, Co-chair

David Spencer, Co-chair

Kevin Barron

Maggie Crispell

Kate Freeman

David Gaines

Carolyn Holt

Julia Kasdorf

Michele Marini

Koraly Perez-Edgar

Sharon Rovanseck

FIELD TRIP TO ANTIETAM



Last August's bus trip to Gettysburg was so successful that we have decided to schedule a trip to the Antietam National Battlefield Park this year. The date will be Saturday, May 20. We will meet at the church parking lot at 8:00 AM for an 8:30 AM departure. Our battlefield tour will be from 1:00 PM- 4:00 PM, led by one of the superb licensed battlefield guides who works there. Our bus, which is limited to 33 people, will be able to negotiate all the park roads. (If we have more people interested, a waiting list will be established after we reach 33.) We will stop for an early lunch, 11:15 AM-11:30 AM, at a restaurant to be determined. Our estimated time of return will be 8:00 PM. The cost for the trip will be \$30 person and you will be responsible also for paying for your lunch. We will provide bottled water and snacks for the trip.

Antietam is the site of the bloodiest one-day battle in American history. Twenty-three thousand soldiers were killed, wounded or missing after twelve hours of savage combat on September 17, 1862. (For perspective, the total American casualties for June 6, 1944, was 10,000.) The Battle of Antietam ended the Confederate Army of Northern Virginia's first invasion into the North and led to Abraham Lincoln's issuance of the preliminary Emancipation Proclamation. These links will give you information about the park and the battle:

<https://www.nps.gov/anti/index.htm>

<http://www.civilwar.org/battlefields/antietam.html>

If you have any questions or want to make a reservation, please contact me at waltermolly@gmail.com. Checks should be made payable to St. Andrew's with a memo noting that it is for the Antietam trip. Please leave all payments in the church office.

I do hope you will join us on the journey to an important and tragic day in our history. It promises to be a special event.

Sincerely,
Walter Wells

EVENING PRAYER



Evening Prayer has been a major component in the prayer life of Anglicans since the 1552 revision of the Book of Common Prayer. It's a simple service that allows us to decompress from the busyness and stress of the day. Reminiscent of the Eucharist, Evening Prayer incorporates prayer, scripture, and the profession of our faith through the Apostle's Creed. Please join us each Wednesday at 5:15 PM in the

chapel for 20 minutes of prayer, reflection and spiritual refreshment. Contact Kevin Barron at kwbl@psu.edu with any questions.

EVENSONG AT ST. ANDREW'S



On Sunday, May 7, at 5 PM, the Adult Choir of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church will offer a service of choral evensong according to the 1662 Book of Common Prayer. This book is still the official prayer book of the Church of England. Music in the service will include a *Magnificat* and *Nunc Dimittis* by Herbert Brewer, the anthem *CANTATE DOMINO* by Giovanni Croce and a setting of the *Preces and Responses* by Thomas Tallis with The Lord's Prayer as set by Robert Stone. The Rev. Douglas Daily,

interim rector at St. Andrew's, will be the officiant.

Prior to the Reformation, prayer in the early evening or late afternoon was known as the office of Vespers, one of the eight Canonical Hours of the divine office of the Western church. However, in 1549, the Book of Common Prayer was adopted in the context of the English Reformation. Bishop Thomas Cranmer established the office of Evensong using elements taken from both Vespers and Compline, generally to be conducted in the English language, as was the case with the entire liturgy.

After a series of slight modifications, the office of Evensong took its modern form in the 1662 Book of Common Prayer of the Church of England, a form that is followed very closely throughout the whole of the Anglican and Episcopal Church throughout the world.

Evensong, like all forms of liturgical worship, has elements of drama and ritual that nourish the spiritual life of all of us. It is based entirely on elements of Holy Scripture and it is scripted according to a long history, originating in Judaic and early Christian evening worship. Evensong is traditionally mostly sung by a choir, with the full congregation participating throughout in thoughtful prayer, allowing the music to soothe us and to draw us closer to the presence of God. The congregation also joins in the spoken parts of the liturgy: the reciting of the Confession and the Creed, as well as singing the hymns.

Please join us for this service. It has been a fixture at St. Andrew's for over 40 years. A reception will follow in Room 325.

PARISHIONERS' MINISTRY



The poet T.S. Eliot wrote “April is the cruelest month,” about a spiritual condition, but in Pennsylvania April is literally the cruelest month because April 1 is the date when public utilities are allowed to cut off service to those who have fallen behind on their payments over the winter. As a result our Parishioners’ Ministry Fund has been depleted in the last few weeks. We have had to turn away needy people. If you can help, we would appreciate your contribution to replenish the fund. Make a check out to St. Andrew’s noting on the memo line that it is to support the Parishioners’ Ministry.

Thank you,
Stewards of Parishioners’ Ministry

COMPASSIONATE LIFE

First and Third Thursdays

May 4 and 18

9:30 AM in Room 325



The women of Compassionate Life met on April 6 and 20 to continue their chapter discussions from the book *An Altar in the World: A Geography of Faith* by Barbara Brown Taylor. On April 20, we said farewell to Barbara Aalberts with a card, an orchid and each of our prayers for her future. Barbara and her husband Bob will be moving back to Las Vegas, NV, before our next meeting. We will all certainly miss Barbara!

At our next meeting on May 4, Sheri Neale will talk about her experiences as a foster mom and Hospice nurse. Join us to hear Sheri, and to join in for prayer, conversation, and personal stories of compassion.

FRIDAY FILMS



Silence (2016)

Rated R (some disturbing violent content)

May 19

Gathering & snacks: 6:30 PM

Film: 7:00 PM

Martin Scorsese tells the story of two Christian missionaries who face the ultimate test of faith when they travel to Japan in search of their missing mentor at a time when Christianity was outlawed and their presence forbidden. The

celebrated director's 28-year journey to bring Shusaku Endo's 1966 acclaimed novel to life is magnificent. RogerEbert.com gave the film four out of four stars, stating that, "*Silence* is a monumental work, and a punishing one. It puts you through hell with no promise of enlightenment, only a set of questions and propositions, sensations and experiences...This is not the sort of film you 'like' or 'don't like.' It's a film that you experience and then live with."

For some background on the film, see Philip Jenkins' article, "When God Is Silent," on the main page of the Arts @ St. Andrew's website: <http://artsatstandrews.weebly.com/>

ST. ANDREW'S BOOK GROUP



The St. Andrew's Book Group has chosen *All Quiet on the Western Front* by Erich Maria Remarque as its book for May. Often cited as "the greatest war novel of all time," the book focuses on the struggle of one German soldier to survive and to find meaning for his life during World War I. This year marks the centennial of U.S. involvement in that war. The Book Group will meet on Tuesday, May 23, at 7 PM in the church library to discuss the book. All parishioners are welcome to read the book and join the discussion.

PROPERTY



Saint Andrew's is a large property that requires a commensurate deal of maintenance, and the Property Committee requires your help in taking care of our beloved church. We are looking for members of the congregation to become Task Leaders, as we have a variety of jobs that need to be completed, ranging from the simple and quick (locating a contractor to install an exterior door), to the more involved (painting the hallway outside of Canterbury Hall). Willingness is the only qualification needed to make your contribution. No experience is necessary; we are offering on-the-job training, great benefits, and plenty of vacation time.

Your bonus is the continued beautification of our church.

The Property Committee meets on the first Wednesday of every month, and the next meeting will be on May 3 at 7:00 PM in Room 131. If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer, please contact Ron Rovansek at (714) 514-8875 or by email at rrovansek@pacewater.com.

THE COMMUNITY CAFÉ



The Community Café takes food that would otherwise become waste, and uses it to feed local, hungry people. If this is the sort of Ministry that interests you, there are many ways to become involved. This month we're particularly looking for help with our weekend donation from Trader Joe's, one of our major contributors to the continued success of the Café. If you have some free time on the occasional Saturday morning, we need people to collect the donation, transport it to the church, and store the groceries in the fridge. We are currently in the process of setting up a roster of volunteers who will take turns with this endeavor, so if this sounds like the opportunity for you, please contact Ron Rovansek by phone at (714) 514-8875 or by email at: rrovansek@pacewater.com.

Also, check out [this article](#) in the Highlands Civics Association newsletter about the Café. Thanks to Gary Miller for contacting us so we can spread the word about our ministry.

Finally, don't forget that the Community Café serves a free, full meal every Thursday. Those who are able to put some money in the donation jar subsidize the meal for those who cannot. Whatever your circumstances, please stop by and see what is going on with Saint Andrew's only parishioner-led weekly outreach ministry.

OUT OF THE DARKNESS: WALK TO FIGHT SUICIDE



On April 30, family and friends walked in memory of Jacob Lee Correll, who passed away on June 22, 2015. The Out of the Darkness Walks are held in hundreds of cities across the country, and give people the courage to open up about their own struggle or loss, and the platform to change our culture's approach to mental health. We remembered Jake, visited with each other like the old friends we are, and reminded each other that we are strong together. If you are in crisis, or know someone who is, call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at: 1-800-273-TALK. You are never alone.



SAFEGUARDING GOD'S CHILDREN CLASS SCHEDULED FOR MAY 2017



The Episcopal Church, as many of you know, is the only church to have voluntarily developed a program to inform parishioners and set standards of behavior to safeguard children of all ages from sexual abuse. This program has been taught at St. Andrew's since 2001. We pride ourselves on being a safe and informed church and are grateful to all who have taken the time to attend.

Rich and I will be offering SGC for all who are required to attend (you will be notified) and for anyone in the parish who would like to come. All are welcome! You do not need to be working with children. The information provided is valuable no matter who you are or what you do. We will offer a class on **Saturday, May 13 from 1 PM to 3:30 PM**. There will be parishioners from several other churches attending so we have set this time to allow for travel. The class will either be in Room 325 or in Canterbury Hall depending on size. Signup sheets will be on the bulletin board outside Canterbury Hall beginning in mid-April.

THANK YOU in advance from Barb Downs and Rich Marini for your interest in keeping St. Andrew's safe for our children!!!!

THE ST. ANDREW'S CHILDREN'S BAG ACTIVITY MINISTRY



Be sure to thank PJ McCloskey and her mother Andrea for their ministry to the children of St. Andrew's from September through the summer. Children love to select an activity bag containing a special furry friend or stories to read during the church service. PJ and Andrea change the bags and their contents to coincide with the church calendar. This picture shows them changing from the purple bags available during Lent to a green/white version for the season of Easter. Thank you, PJ and Andrea!

YOUTH SUNDAY, MAY 21



10:30 AM Holy Eucharist
Come and worship with our youth
as they share their love of Christ and each other!

CHURCH SCHOOL



Children's Chapel: used lessons for younger children from the Episcopal Digital Network. On Sunday, April 23, the children expressed in song the "Good News... Jesus was born! Good News... he died on the cross! Good News... he rose again! Good News... he's coming back soon!" They visited the garden and pointed for signs of spring and Resurrection!



Godly Play, children journeyed with Jesus to Jerusalem and wondered about the mystery of Easter where Jesus died and God made Jesus alive again! They helped make the Holy Week banner by providing their painted finger prints for the grapes! They made more cloth butterflies for the Easter banner and bulletin board! They were getting ready for Easter! They traveled along the road to Emmaus to discover that Jesus appeared to his friends! Indeed, the Lord is risen!



4th/5th Grade: The teachers used the Episcopal Digital Network to provide lessons and activities that support the liturgical calendar. They were then ready to go to church and have some understanding already of the Old Testament and New Testament lessons they were hearing again in church and in the sermons. They also finger painted the road to Emmaus.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH LENTEN PROGRAM

Thank you to Darlene's helpers Melissa Arnett, Marisa Ferger and Madeline Johnson for helping her with providing a Lenten program for children and youth on four Wednesday evenings in Lent! There were: stories and songs of Jesus, scenes built from Legos, and banners made from painted hands and feet, and cloth butterflies and sparkles! Be sure you see the Holy Week banner hanging across from the nursery and the Easter banner hanging in the Nave.



JOURNEY HIGH SCHOOL



Youth Sunday! Journey High School youth have been coordinating their busy schedules to be sure a good number of them can participate in and write parts of the worship service for Sunday, May 21. Youth will be ushers, oblation bearers, readers, prayer leaders, and music presenters. One will even give the sermon! Thank you to Ted Christopher, Christina Ford, Paul Humphreys and Anne Thomas for their leadership during *Confirm not Conform* and for this worship service planning process.

Activity! Journey High School students are excited to go to the new Escape Room in State College. Date to be determined – stay tuned!

JOURNEY MIDDLE SCHOOL “CHAMEAU!”



Classes! On April 2, Journey Middle School began a unit on The God Connection: Types of Prayers – ACTS (Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, and Supplication). In April, they covered Adoration, Confession and Thanksgiving. In May, they will cover Supplication. Their last class for this academic year will be on Sunday, May 21, at 9:15 AM, in Room 330. Thank you to Kevin Barron, Mary Beth Hoffman, Marion Schwartz, and Kathryn Yahner for their dedication, participation and leadership in sharing their time, faith, knowledge, caring and fun with our Journey Middle School *Chameau* group this year. See you in the fall!

Activities! Thank you to the leaders and youth who stayed for lunch and then helped stuff Easter Eggs for the Easter egg hunt! Chameau youth enjoyed a lock-in on Saturday, April 22, that included dinner (pizza, salad, chips, fruit and milkshakes), the Sardines game, *The Truman Show* (they voted to see this one!), an early morning breakfast (casserole, Eggo waffles and syrup, fruit), and then worshiped together at the 8 AM Rite I Holy Eucharist. On Sunday, May 7, Journey Chameau will enjoy their last youth event for this academic school year. Leaders are thinking of time at the Arboretum and then ice cream at the Creamery. We were hoping to bicycle there, but it depends upon whether or not everyone has a bicycle! Stay tuned!



GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS AND EASTER!



Thank you to: Ryan Couch, Madi and Bryson Christopher, Nat Hickner, Abbey Humphreys, Gwyneth Jones, Marlee Kwasnica, Abbie and Duncan Lovisky, Nolan Markowski, Kaleigh and Sean McGarry, and Simon Murphy for leading the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday. Thank you to Marion Schwartz for her supervisory help! Thank you to youth who served as assistant bunnies and helped scatter eggs and served goodies after the 9:30 AM Easter worship service.



ST. ANDREW'S VESTRY UPDATE: APRIL 2017



Vestry met on Monday evening, April 24. The Finance Committee reported that the good financial start to the year is continuing, and the vestry is grateful and thankful for continued financial support from the parish. Vestry received a positive and encouraging report from the Search Committee noting that initial interviews with eligible candidates are going well and should be finished by the end of the month. Several of the prospective candidates made special comments about the parish profile posted on the St. Andrew's website, and the vestry will express formal appreciation in the upcoming issue of the Parish Messenger.

Vestry appreciation was expressed to Fr. Doug and all those who were involved in the meaningful and lovely Holy Week and Easter services. Fr. Doug commented that attendance this year was close to that of last year.

The Diocesan Daughters of the King Spring Assembly met at St. Andrew's on Saturday, April 29. Special guest, Rev. Barbara Crafton, led a program on forgiveness, and she was also the celebrant and preacher on Sunday morning, April 30.

Special events coming up in the near future include a special community, inter-faith Sabbath service. A Sabbath Service for the Community and Our Communal Aspirations will be held on Friday, May 5, at Brit Shalom. Sunday, May 21, marks the last day of the academic year, and the date of the Parish Picnic to be held at Spring Creek Park following the 10:30 AM service. The summer Sunday service schedule of 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM will begin on Sunday, May 28. Fr. Doug also noted the special baptisms to take place on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 14, when he will be baptizing his grandchildren.

Respectfully submitted, Rick Hoover Clerk of the Vestry

PARISH REGISTER



IN CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:

"Rest eternal grant to him, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon him."

Richard Lewis Packard
October 17, 1933- March 16, 2017
Funeral March 25, 2017 at St. Andrew's

SACRAMENTS ADMINISTERED BY BISHOP AUDREY C. SCANLAN

March 29, 2017 at St. Andrew's

BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION:

Rebekah Ilene Dawson

REAFFIRMATION:

Kevin Wayne Barron

CONFIRMATION:

Ryan Sean Couch	Gillian Kali-Anne Dash	Nathaniel Pendleton Dawson
Anna Grace Kwasnica	Abigail Janae Loviscky	Leah May Patzkowsky
Zachary Justin Paulsen	Connor Sinclair Shea	Cassandra Wade
Andrew Albert Evick	Ashley Nicole Evick	Sarah Elizabeth Klinetob
Kathryn Bourque Yahner		

RECEPTION:

Kevin Matthew Lowe	Nancy Yundt Meyer	Richard Allen Meyer
Alfred Joseph Turgeon		

IN HOLY BAPTISM:

Julia Catherine Lowe
April 16, 2017 at St. Andrew's

PRAYERS AS WE SEARCH FOR A NEW RECTOR



For the Parish

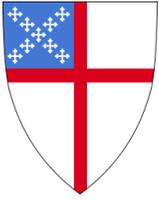
Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For the Selection of a Rector

Loving God, walk with us as we journey through our search for a new rector for St. Andrew's. May we be led by your Holy Spirit every step of the way. Grant us wisdom to discern your will and courage that we may with diligence carry out your purpose for your people. Let only your will be done as we seek you with all our hearts. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Search Committee: Andrea deCarle (co-chair), Ford McNutt (co-chair), Kevin Barron, Maggie Crispell, Tom Dauler, Marisa Ferger, David Gaines, Carolyn Holt, Alison Jaenicke, Michele Marini, Caitlin Osborne, Sandy Schwartz.

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Beth Jones

Steven Smith

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday 8:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

5:00 p.m.

Holy Eucharist

Holy Eucharist (Children's Chapel & Nursery)

Holy Eucharist

Wednesday 12:15 p.m.

Holy Eucharist

Seasonal and special services as scheduled;
consult this newsletter and the weekly parish email for information.