

*The monthly newsletter of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
Connecting us in community and in Christ*

"Follow me and I will make you
fish for people." – Mark 1:17

August 2020

What Will the Fall Be Like?

The above question is driving me crazy? Normally, during the quiet summer months we would be planning for the fall programs in the church. At this point, it feels like we can plan all we want to, but there's no real way of knowing what life in State College will be like in the fall. But don't think we are doing nothing. We are trying to plan as much as we can, but we are so aware that no matter how carefully we plan, it all may change in an instant. Maybe that's a good lesson for all of us to be aware of, that nothing in life is guaranteed, but it's no way to run a parish!

I just realized that four out of the six sentences in the paragraph I just wrote have the word "but" in them. That's not very good writing style, **but** it is a sign of the times. (It's six out of eight now, if you're keeping a running total.)

Acknowledging that everything these days is tentative and conditional, here's a brief summary of what we are working on.

Worship

There's no reason to think that we will have a change in our worship schedule before the end of the year. Facebook Live at 10 a.m. and in-person worship at 5 p.m. seems like it will be the Sunday schedule for some time to come. As I write this, the governor has cut back indoor gatherings to no more than 25. We were hovering around that number before, and maybe creeping up. I am

thinking about doing an outdoor service for the blessing of the animals. We will, of course, continue all our other online offerings.

Christian Formation

A recent survey of our teachers and parents of children and youth showed that almost none of them was willing to come back for in-person classes. They are largely interested and willing to do online classes. Kathy Hickner, our director of children and youth programs, is working with teachers and families to develop an online formation program for this fall.

Adult Formation will likely continue to be an occasional offering through Zoom

Music

We have begun to work on an online offering for the Festival of Lessons and Carols. It is not likely we will be back to unrestricted in-person worship by Christmas, and this holiday season favorite brings such joy. We just can't imagine the run up to Christmas without it. So, we are addressing technical challenges to record members of our choir. It may be a smaller service than usual, like five lessons instead of nine, but we will do our best to make a joyful noise to the Lord and to invite members of our community to be part of it.

Look at that! I managed to write the rest of this article without using the word "but."

WEEKLY MEDIA SCHEDULE

	Email office@standrewsc.org	Facebook www.facebook/standrewsc/	Zoom various	Twitter @SaintAndrewSC
Monday	Link to sign up for Sunday 5 p.m. worship	*Compline 7 p.m.	Morning Prayer 8:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 10:30 a.m.	
Tuesday		*Compline 7 p.m.	Morning Prayer 8:30 a.m.	
Wednesday		Noonday Prayer 12:15 p.m. *Compline 7 p.m.	Morning Prayer 8:30 a.m.	
Thursday	Weekly Email	Throwback Thursday from the Archives *Compline 7 p.m.	Morning Prayer 8:30 a.m.	
Friday		*Compline 7 p.m.	Morning Prayer 8:30 a.m.	
Saturday		*Compline 7 p.m.	Morning Prayer 8:30 a.m.	
Sunday	Link to recording of Facebook Live 10 a.m. service	Holy Eucharist 10 a.m. *Compline 7 p.m.	Coffee Hour 11 a.m.	

* An Order for Compline can be found on page 127 of the Book of Common Prayer or click [HERE](#) to view or download a copy.

An Order of Service for Noonday can be found on page 103 of the Book of Common Prayer or click [HERE](#) to view or download a copy.

For St. Andrew's events on Facebook, find us at www.facebook.com/standrewsc/

For Diocesan events on Facebook, go to <https://www.facebook.com/diocpa/>



Sunday Coffee Hour

11:00 a.m.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78116989610?pwd=VzRLbCtPcVlaK1hBSzhZcHpxckdBZz09>



Morning Prayer

Monday – Saturday 8:30 a.m.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://psu.zoom.us/j/447273331>

Meeting ID: 781 1698 9610

Password: 050859

Sunday Worship

For the next two Sundays, Fr. Jeff will be away on vacation. Our worship schedule will continue with an online service at 10 a.m. and an in-person service at 5 p.m. with the following changes:

10:00 a.m.	Facebook	www.facebook.com/standrewsc/
	Sunday, August 9	We will share a Shaped by Faith Virtual Liturgy prepared by our Diocesan staff. This liturgy is approximately 35 minutes long including the sermon, lectionary readings, music, and prayers.
	Sunday, August 16	This will be a recorded version of what you are used to seeing on Sunday morning – Holy Eucharist celebrated by Fr. Jeff with his family present. The sermon will be delivered by Marion Schwartz.
5:00 p.m.	In-Church Worship	Register online EACH week by Friday 3:00 p.m. The 5 p.m. Eucharist will remain the same. The Rev. John Harwood will be our guest preacher and celebrant on both August 9 and August 16.

If you plan to attend the 5:00 p.m. service in the church, **you must register by Friday at 3:00 p.m. each week**

A link to online registration will be available every Monday in an email and on our website. The link is different each week. We will also include a reminder in the Thursday weekly email. If you cannot access the online registration for some reason, please contact the office.

If you decide to attend after Friday afternoon, you can sign in at the door as long as we have space available. If we have already reached our capacity for safe social distancing, we will regretfully have to turn you away. Please help us avoid this situation and register in advance whenever possible.

We encourage you to share this information with any friends or family who may be interested. All are welcome!



TREASURER'S REPORT, Julie Kwasnica, Treasurer



June 2020

	June	Year-to-Date	% of Budget	2020 BUDGET
Parishioner Contributions *	\$ 35,006	\$ 293,348	64%	\$ 460,750
Total Operating Income	\$ 36,547	\$ 307,005	62%	\$ 496,350
Total Operating Expense	\$ 32,281	\$ 245,654	49%	\$ 502,162
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 4,266	\$ 61,351		

*Includes pledges, plate offerings, and special holiday offerings.

VESTRY UPDATE, Kevin Lowe, Clerk of the Vestry



The vestry met on Tuesday, July 14, remotely, using Zoom. The vestry discussed the status and progress of the in-person service as well as ministry activities that have been taking place online. At the moment there are no plans from the diocese to adjust the guidelines and rules for holding in-person worship, so we will maintain the current restrictions. The parish's financial support is still strong and we remain in a solid position for the year to date. Vestry is grateful for continued financial support from parishioners through contributions, pledges, and gifts. The vestry also had another conversation with Ted Christopher and voted unanimously to endorse Ted in his application for Candidacy for Holy Orders. Congratulations, Ted!

As always, approved vestry minutes are available on our website ("Clergy, Staff & Vestry" under the "About Us" tab).

COMMUNITY CAFÉ

The Café is open every Thursday from 5 p.m.- 7 p.m.
Everyone is welcome regardless of means or circumstances.
Donations are accepted but are never expected.

Thank you as always for supporting the Café.

For this month, The Community Café would like to thank all the volunteers who have been working so hard to keep The Cafe operating during these unusual times. We would, however, like to acknowledge the work of some individuals who have gone a step beyond this summer.

First, we need to thank Bruce, Diane and Lucy Cramer for their continued support of The Café in all ways. They raise the ‘Café pigs’ who enjoy our bread and vegetable scraps, they frequently provide eggs and produce for ingredients, they’ve donated time and space for the Farm-to-Table fundraiser, and this time they made a generous donation to The Café in exchange for farm help on their amazing property.



Therefore, thank you to Patty Dyer, Ted and Alison Condie Jaenicke, and Rob, Chris and Alec Masters for stepping out into the hot sun and weeding onions at the Farm.



Also, since The Café has started to provide outdoor dining during Café hours, we have a newly formed Outdoor Team. They serve drinks, make sure tables are sanitized, bring out the dry goods pantry so patrons can still access personal hygiene items and basically keep things going. So, thanks to Paul Hochreiter, and Marion and Sandy Schwartz for serving on this team.

And finally, it’s been quite a feat to keep The Café supplied with masks, gloves, sanitizer, take-out containers, and equipment during the pandemic. We must thank Scott Thomas for his fantastic purchasing and organizing efforts. He’s a man of spreadsheets and research, and will drive to Lewistown, Mechanicsburg, and Harrisburg to keep us stocked in the most economical manner. In his own words, ‘gloves are harder to find than gold.’

Because of his efforts, we have been able to add a substantial quantity of pots and pans to the Canterbury Hall kitchen. The new ones are triple-thick bottomed (gravy won’t burn anymore), stainless steel and NSF rated. So, thank you, Scott for your invaluable service!!



Finally, we would like to thank the diocese, St. Andrew’s, and our parishioners for always supporting The Café.

UPCOMING

Happy Valley Improv Live Online

Thursday, August 6, 8 p.m.
twitch.tv/happyvalleyimprov

Mark your calendars and tell all your friends! What could be better than an evening of comedy with Happy Valley Improv featuring Andrea McCloskey?

What if it also included Fr. Jeff as a featured guest storyteller?

And what if all donations would be shared with St. Andrew's Parishioners' Ministry?

The first rule of improv is to always say "yes." How can you say no to this?! Join us for a night of "Happy Valley E-prov" on twitch! The show is free to watch, but donations are encouraged as a portion of these proceeds will go to the Parishioners' Ministry of Saint Andrew's.



FRIDAY FILMS

Friday, August 7, 7 p.m.
Canterbury Hall



The Princess Bride (1987) Rated PG

What's that? You want the return of Friday Films?

As you wish.

On Friday, August 7, in Canterbury, Friday Films returns with a showing of 'The Princess Bride.' Directed by Rob Reiner and starring Cary Elwes, Robin Wright, and Andrew the Giant, this is the story of a beautiful young woman and her one true love.

Doors will open at 6:45 pm. Please know that we will follow all the rules of good social distancing practices: the audience will be limited to 25 people; chairs will be spaced at appropriate distances and cannot be moved; we will not serve pizza at this time but will provide pre-packaged snacks and bottled drinks; and finally, masks must be worn unless you are eating or drinking.



IHS Online Auction Items

This fall Interfaith Human Services will be holding an online auction to support our work in Centre county. We are currently asking our friends, faith communities and the public to donate items for our auction. IHS seeks items such as gift cards, new merchandise, experiences (a weekend at your camp, a day on Lake Raystown with you etc..), gift baskets, and antiques. If you have an item you would like to donate and are not sure about it being suitable just call us at 234-7731. We will be happy to arrange the pick up of items that is convenient and safe for you.

The ongoing restrictions related to COVID-19 have necessitated the cancellation and/or delay of critical fund raisers and we hope that this online event will help make up for those events.

GROUPS, MINISTRIES, & COMMITTEES

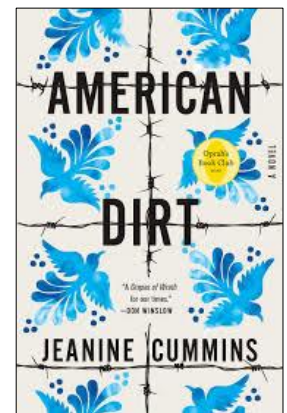
This is not a comprehensive listing; regularly scheduled meetings and events are included only if they submitted an item for publication. For complete and updated listings, please check your Sunday bulletin or weekly email

BOOK CLUB

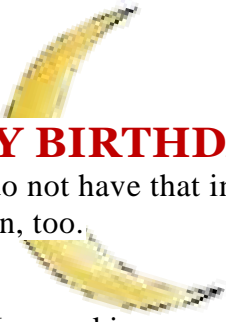
Tuesday, August 25, 7 p.m.

Room 324

The St. Andrew's Book Club met to discuss their selection for July, John Barry's timely nonfiction work *The Great Influenza - The Story of the Deadliest Pandemic in History* - (all while adhering to proper social distancing guidelines) and had a lively discussion comparing the 1918 Spanish Flu to what we are experiencing today with COVID-19. The members of the book club decided to read Jeanine Cummins 2020 novel *American Dirt* - a highly popular, yet highly criticized portrayal of a Mexican mother and child escaping Latin America as undocumented immigrants to the United States as their August selection.



Please join us on Tuesday August 25th to discuss American Dirt. All are welcome.



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! If you have an August birthday and do not see your name listed, we probably do not have that information in our records. Please contact the office – we may be missing other information, too.

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| 1 Kayla Krocynski | 7 Kendall Mainzer | 17 Andrea de Carle |
| 1 Duncan Lovisky | 13 Garrett Mitchell | 20 Liz King |
| 1 Norah Greenert | 13 Steve Hopkins | 26 Milly Hopkins |
| 3 Betty Bechtel | 13 Darla Houseman | 27 Thomas Valentine |
| 4 Paul Hochreiter | 13 Joan Bouchard | 27 Cian Hildebrandt Nelson |
| 4 Bob Ayer | 14 Zach Paulsen | 28 Robert Heinsohn |
| 5 Dick Meyer | 15 Wendi Keeler | 29 Matthew Brant |
| 5 Aedan Ellis | 16 Joan Blasko | 29 Karen Marsala |
| 5 Evin Ellis | 16 Bryson Christopher | 30 Melinda Pugliese |
| 6 Sally Marley | 17 Walter Wells | |
| 6 Tyler King | 17 Sharon Rovansek | |



Those for Whom We Pray

Teri, Dick, Molly, Don, Joan, Jane, Connie, Beckett, Emmet, Denise, Kevin, Diane, Sara, Emily, David, Robbie, Vicki, Frank, Gwen, Marion, Lucy, Beth, Jeffrey, Carolyn, Joe, Michele, Amy, Bob, Cynthia, David, Kathleen, Lila, Rene, Abraham, David, Molly, Frank, Lance, Chris, Mari, Gordon, Claudia, Bob, Martin

Those in the Armed Forces and First Responders

Zach, Christie, Sean, Nathan, Ted, Blake, Chuck, Jordan, Matt, Ben, Katy, Fritz, Drew, and Jenna

Please call or email the office with your prayer requests. 237-7659 office@StAndrewSC.org

or post them on our Prayer Wall <https://bit.ly/StAPrayerWall>

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