

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

November 2021

Don't Be Afraid!

I love horror films.

There, I said it. It feels good to admit that. The truth is I have always loved scary movies, even when I was a little kid and they really did scare me. No matter how much my mother warned me that I was going to have nightmares—and she was right!—I watched the creepy, the suspenseful, the jump-scare, the monster, and the haunted house movies any chance I could. As an adult, I still love to be scared. I spend every October binging on the latest of this genre and the classics as well, as we approach Halloween. It's usually out of my system by November, though I've been known to enjoy a good scare any time of year.

There's just something really satisfying about watching a horror movie. You could say that there are two kinds of people in the world, those who love horror and those who hate it. The same can be said for rollercoasters. I think it's a similar type that enjoys the tension and release of a good slasher movie and the climb and dive of a great amusement park ride. I love rollercoasters, too. It makes me wonder: what's wrong with me? Why do I like to be scared?

I think there's a psychological component to this as well as what you might call a spiritual component. The psychology seems pretty straightforward. We like to be scared when we know that we are safe because we can enjoy the adrenaline without the real threat of harm. We are designed to have that fight or flight response when scared or startled. In the real world, that experience can be upsetting, stressful, even traumatizing. But in the controlled context of a movie theatre or an amusement park, we get to feel alive without worrying about getting killed.

The spiritual aspect of horror films may be a bit more inaccessible. I see two sides to this, the moral and the supernatural, and the two are connected. I wouldn't be the first to suggest that horror movies are a form of modern morality play where promiscuous teenagers are punished, those who arrogantly mess with nature pay a horrible price, and anyone who doesn't believe in evil is in for a rude awakening. As awful as their subject matter and their imagery is, horror movies as a genre have a strong sense of right and wrong, and though there is always plenty of suspense, good usually does triumph over evil. Or at the very least there is an overarching sense of justice to the story.

On the other side of the morality coin, there is always a suggestion of the supernatural in horror movies. Even those with human antagonists, like a psycho-killer flick, show the audience that an evil greater than the individual behind the mask is at work. How else could there now be 13 movies in the Halloween franchise? We've seen Michael Myers die at the end of every one! He just keeps coming back. The larger forces at work in most horror films, whether explicitly or implicitly, show us a world larger than the seen and touched world of everyday. In that world, terrible things await us, but there are also forces for good that will win in the end. It is very satisfying.

We're coming into the season when our lectionary gives us more apocalyptic readings on Sundays. These stories or prophecies about the end times tell that same story from the biblical perspective. In other words, bad things will happen, but God remains in charge and Jesus has already won the victory over sin and death.

Therefore, there is nothing to be afraid of. This knowledge should indeed be a comfort to us as we move through the fall and the fading light toward the darkest time of the year when we celebrate the light of Christ coming into this world to be our savior. So, don't be afraid, just believe and trust in God... and enjoy a good fright once in a while, just for fun.

Favorite Horror Movies

Hitchcock's *Psycho* (1960,) for the invention of the slasher film
Halloween, the original (1978,) for perfecting the slasher genre
Scream, the original (1996,) for re-inventing it

I rewatched a couple of classics this year:

The Shining (1980)—as beautiful as it is terrifying, and still holds up
Phantasm (1979)—a low-budget, cult classic

Really scary, and pretty gory

Hereditary—recommended to me by Philip Jenkins, another horror buff

Great horror series

The Haunting of Hill House, Netflix

The Haunting of Bly Manor, Netflix

Midnight Mass, Netflix

Them, Amazon Prime



Thank you and Congratulations,
WALTER WELLS.

45 Years of Ministry
as Choir Director at St. Andrew's

45 years ago...

- ♪ America was celebrating their Bicentennial
 - ♪ Jimmy Carter was elected president
 - ♪ at the Olympics in Montreal, Nadia Comenci scored the first perfect 10 in women's gymnastics.
 - ♪ the General Convention of the Episcopal Church approved the ordination of women and authorized the new Proposed Book of Common Prayer, later ratified in 1979
 - ♪ our current rector was a 10-year-old acolyte
- and Walter Wells was hired as Choir Director at St. Andrew's.

Music has been part of Walter's life from a young age. He remembers playing with his large army of toy soldiers on the porch of his Altoona home when his older cousin would come to visit. While they played, they would listen to records. The sound track? Stravinsky's "The Rite of Spring" and Mahler Symphonies.

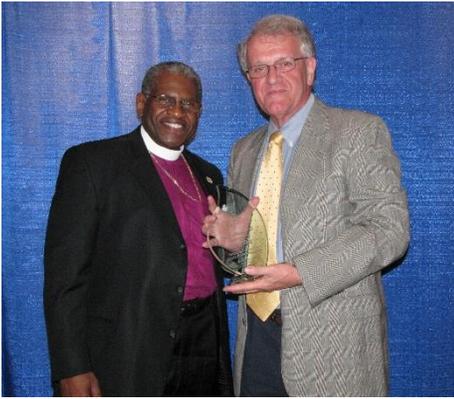
As a choirboy in the Roman Catholic church, Walter sang as a boy soprano until his voice changed. In school, he sang in various choirs, and took trumpet lessons. Then came a time in the Army. Stationed in Arlington, Walter found a choir to join at a local Unitarian Church. And in the soprano section, he found his wife, Molly.

Walter earned his bachelor's and master's degrees at Penn State. He went to work at his alma mater in the School of Music and later, the Arts and Humanities Library. Don Hopkins, a long-time member of St. Andrew's was on the Music Committee in 1976 when they were looking for a new Choir Director. Don knew Walter through the School of Music and recruited him for the position.

Walter began his tenure here under Jim Trost (and is now on his fourth rector, Jeff Packard.) When he started, there was an adult choir of 16 members and a youth choir of 15. The repertoire was largely traditional. Over the years, Walter has expanded this to include more 20th and 21st century music, added a Choral Prelude before the Christmas Eve service, introduced Evensong on a regular basis, included more instrumentalists, and prepared special services like the Mozart Mass and Americana Eucharist during Arts Festival. He has also arranged for performances by other choral groups at St. Andrew's, notably the American Boy Choir, which he considers a highlight. In his next 45 years, Walter would like to form a small group of Chamber Singers and work on more masses for festive occasions.



Although Walter already had an impressive music background, his association with the Episcopal Church did not begin until he was hired at St. Andrew's. It is no less impressive. At St. Andrew's, he also serves as a Eucharistic Minister. At the Diocesan level he has served on the Diocesan Commission on Music and Liturgy; as a faculty member at the Diocesan School of Christian Studies; as Director of combined Diocesan Choirs for



the consecrations of Bishop Creighton, Bishop Baxter, and Bishop Scanlan; at the Pentecost Festivals, and for three official visits of Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori. He has been a leader of the Altoona Convocation Choirs and Acolyte Guilds Festivals. He is a professional Member of the Anglican Association of Musicians and has lead workshops for church musicians. In recognition of this service, Walter was appointed an Honorary Canon of Saint Stephen's Cathedral, in 2013, nominated by Bishop Nathan Baxter, and presented with the "Spirit of the Diocese Award" in 2011.

Despite all the achievements and accolades, when Walter talks about the challenges and rewards of his ministry as Choir Director, that is not his focus – it is the people he works with. Working with volunteers requires staying alert to what is happening in their lives, being flexible with regard to attendance and scheduling, and accepting that choir, although an important part, is only one part of their lives. Walter respects their commitment and talent by pushing them beyond what they think they can do. After 45 years, it can sometimes be a challenge to keep things fresh every week. Walter addresses this by being willing to do new things and open to challenges. He makes it a point to always listen to opinions and comments, although he does not guarantee to agree.



The most important thing for Walter, though, is gratitude - letting people know they are appreciated, not taken for granted, and helping them learn to feel the joy of what they do. The impact of this focus can be felt in comments like these:

“Members of the choir have always felt they could go to Walter.”

“Walter has always been there for all of us”

“No matter what else changed in the church over the years, we always had Walter there with the choir.”

It is obvious when you speak to members of the choir and congregation, past and present, that Walter's ministry to all of us at St. Andrew's extends far beyond the choir room or choir stalls on Sunday mornings.

On his decision to accept a position as Choir Director here 45 years ago, Walter reflected, “It has worked out a lot better than I could have ever imagined.”

We couldn't have said it better.

TEN QUESTIONS WITH WALTER WELLS

What is your favorite liturgical season?

The one I'm in.

What is your favorite Hymn?

Hymn 665 "All My Hope on God Is Founded" *Michael*

What hymn would you like to banish?

Hymn 179 "Welcome Happy Morning" *Forunatus*

Who is your favorite composer?

Ralph Vaughan Williams

What is your favorite choral song (classical)?

"Resurrection Day," Z. Randall Stroope

What is your favorite choral song (non-classical)?

"Hallelujah," Leonard Cohen

As a kid, what did you think you would be when you grew up?

2nd Baseman for the Pittsburgh Pirates

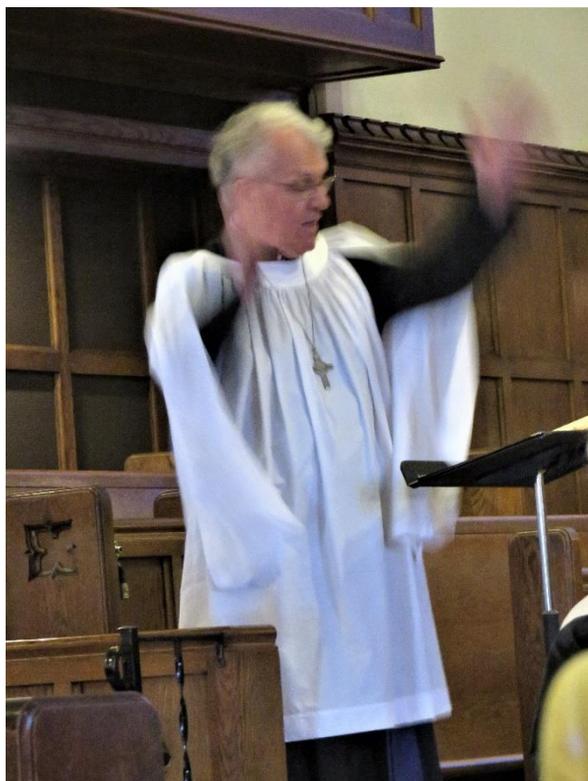
If \$10,000 magically appeared in the music budget, what would you spend it on?

Renovate the choir room. (first response)

European tour (changed answer to this!)

What musician, living or dead, would love to work with?

Leonard Bernstein



September 2021



	September	Year-to-Date	% of Budget	2021 BUDGET
Parishioner Contributions *	\$ 33,726	\$ 359,097	78%	\$ 460,288
Total Operating Income	\$ 35,642	\$ 378,062	78%	\$ 487,488
Total Operating Expense	\$ 36,242	\$ 367,463	73%	\$ 506,242
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ (600)	\$ 10,599		

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

October 2021



The vestry met on Tuesday, October 12, remotely, using Zoom. Financially the church's income recovered somewhat in September, and the monthly deficit was smaller than August. The stewardship campaign mailing has gone out, and the vestry invites all parishioners to prayerfully discern their pledge for the coming year and return their pledge card (either physically or electronically in Realm) so that budget planning for 2022 can begin soon.

Vestry heard updates on various property projects. In an email vote, vestry voted to accept a proposal for repainting the church's window frames. The window company will repair and paint the worst frames this fall and do the rest in the spring. The water damage to Canterbury Hall is still being addressed; Property Committee is trying again to have the leak in the roof repaired before deciding on replacement options. However, the decision to replace the PLC and Trost wing roofs impacts many other facility-related questions that will need to be addressed in our parish-wide strategic planning program, which has been on hold because of the pandemic.

In other business, vestry accepted the position description for the nursery attendant, scheduled the annual meeting and next year's vestry retreat, and organized the nominating committee which will search for parishioners willing to run for election to seats on the vestry and as diocesan convention delegates.

Vestry meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month and are always open to all parishioners. Please contact me (kevinlowe33@gmail.com) for the Zoom link prior to the meeting if you would like to attend. Approved vestry minutes are available on our website ("Clergy, Staff & Vestry" under the "About Us" tab).

Kevin M. Lowe
Clerk of the Vestry

Vestry Nominations

Once again it is time to nominate candidates for the St. Andrews Vestry. This year's committee consists of Andrea deCarle, Jason McCloskey, Connie Puckett, Scott Strouse, Beth Jones, and Allison Shea. We have initiated the process and will be contacting members to seek eight nominees for the 2021 election. Please consider serving in this capacity with thought and prayer.

Thank you
Scott Strouse, chair

Acolytes of All Ages: Invited to Train to Serve



Our acolytes play an important part in every service. We are blessed to have three new torch bearers at St. Andrew's! We are equally blessed to have dedicated crucifers, but we need more members to join us to serve on the altar on Sundays.

Any member - of any age - **5th grade, teens and adults!** Father Jeff and Deacon Joe are very willing to do trainings after service. If you are interested in serving our church as an acolyte once a month, please contact Robin by email at children@standrewsc.org or by phone at 814-404-3812. Thank you!

All Saints and All the Faithful Departed



Our celebration of All Saints and All the Faithful Departed take place on Sunday, November 7, at both the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. services. The names of St. Andrew's members and those you may wish to add **who have died since last All Saints Day** will be read at both services. There will also be an opportunity during the service for you to speak the names of any additional departed you wish to remember, either silently or aloud.

You may add names to our list of Faithful Departed by contacting the office by phone (814-237-7659) or email (office@standrewsc.org) or online at bit.ly/FaithfulDeparted2021.

Evensong

Sunday, November 7

5 p.m., Church

Reception following, Room 325

The Adult Choir will present a service of choral evensong on Sunday, November 7 at 5 p.m. Music will include evening canticles by Charles Villiers Stanford, John Rutter's setting of the *Phos Hilaron*, *The Lord's Prayer* by Robert Stone, and the anthem, *This Is the Day*, an anonymous composition from the 16th century. The service will be straight out of the Book of Common Prayer. As always, we will observe all safety protocols - masks, appropriate distancing, adequate airflow, etc. - in the service. There will be a small reception in Room 325 following.

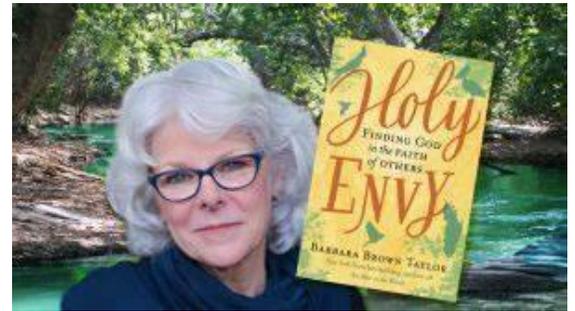
We hope this gentle service will remind us all of who we are and *Whose* we are. Please join us for it.

The next evensong will be the first Sunday of February 2022.

ADULT FORMATION

Compassionate Life

The Compassionate Life group has dived into its study of former Episcopal priest Barbara Brown Taylor's book *Holy Envy* about teaching World Religions at a small college in the south. We are having great conversations in our lawn chairs at Tudek Park! Our book discussion is the first Tuesday of the month, from 9:30-11 a.m. (when the weather gets colder, we will move into the church with masks). The third Tuesday of the month is a more casual gathering, or an outing. Please contact Kathy Hickner at youth@standrewsc.org if you'd like to be added to our email list!



Adult Forum

We are planning to start the Adult Forum again, in person and/or virtually. We are looking for a few volunteers to meet two or three times to plan topics for the forum. Please contact us if you would be willing to brainstorm possible speakers and topics.

Pam Ferguson (pferguson50@gmail.com)

Sharon Schafer (skschafer06@gmail.com)

CHILDREN AND YOUTH PROGRAMS

Kathy Hickner, Dir. Of Youth

Robin Bastress, Dir. Of Children

Children's Programs: An Update and Need!

People often ask, "Do we have any children who come to St. Andrew's?"

Yes! We do. We also have a small band of teachers who are willing to teach each week. To be in compliance with our Child Safety Requirement - Safeguarding God's Children, we need two adults in the classroom. Those people are assistants who do not need to plan lessons, but do need to be trained in Safeguarding God's Children. We need your help to be able to teach our children ages 1 to 13. If you are willing to assist once a month or more, please contact Robin by email at children@standrewsc.org or by phone at 814-404-3812 We are fully masked and compliant with CDC recommendations for sanitizing and distancing. Thank you for your consideration!

Youth

J2A (Journey to Adulthood) - Grades 8-10

The J2A group meets the second and fourth Sundays of the month after the 5 o'clock service for dinner and lessons from the newly revised Journey to Adulthood curriculum of the Episcopal church. They are getting into their new rhythm and it is wonderful to hear their voices in the building again! Many thanks to their fabulous leaders Deborah Morton, Kelley Paulsen, and Daniel Foster!

YAC (Young Adults in the Church) - Grades 11 & 12

Our high school juniors and seniors are meeting the second Sunday of the month after the 5 o'clock service for dinner, and serious as well as not-so-serious conversation and activities. They are led by the excellent Jason McCloskey, Kathryn Yahner, Mary Beth Hoffman and Ruth Packard!

SAFEGUARDING GOD'S CHILDREN

Saturday, November 6, 1 – 4 p.m.

Sunday, December 5, following the 10 a.m. service

SAFEGUARDING GOD'S CHILDREN is a program that was developed by the Episcopal Church, the only church to have done so voluntarily. Its purpose is to create a safe environment for the children of our church. However, what is learned in the course has application in all aspects of family and community life. We protect children by knowing what to look for and by knowing how to create a safe space.

St. Andrew's has been training and teaching SGC since 2001 to all who frequently or regularly work with children. Many others such as staff and clergy and those with keys to the church are required to take the training. Changes in both state laws and church policies now require that this training be renewed every 3 years either by doing so online or retaking the initial 2-to-3-hour class.

We will be offering a SAFEGUARDING GOD'S CHILDREN training class **on Saturday, November 6, 2021 from 1 to 4 p.m.** We will be wearing masks, and those who are required to take this class have been notified. The class is in Room 325; light refreshments will be served. All church members with any interest in this training are welcome to attend.

An additional class will be offered on **Sunday, December 5, 2021 after our 10 a.m. service**, again in Room 325. Please let us know if you would like to attend either of these classes.

With thanks to all who honor this requirement!

Barb Downs (downsbarb@hotmail.com) and

Rich Marini (rpm12@psu.edu)

OUTREACH

STATE COLLEGE VIRTUAL CROP HUNGER WALK

Congratulations to the Purple People Feeders who walked in the State College CROP Hunger Walk on October 21, and THANK YOU to those who supported our team with financial contributions! Our St. Andrew's team consisted of seven children and youth, 12 adults, and two dogs, plus two virtual walkers. It was a bit windy for registration on our front lawn, but the sun was out, and it warmed up nicely for our 5K walk through the Borough on a beautiful Sunday afternoon.

Our team has surpassed its goal and raised over \$3,800 that will be used to help communities throughout the world, starting in State College. It's not too late to add to this total! If you'd like to show your support for these walkers, you can make an online donation by visiting <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2021/team/st-andrews-purple-people-feeders>. If you prefer to write a check, make it out to St. Andrew's with "CROP Walk" in the memo line and put it in the offering plate.



This effort will require many hands, so please consider donating a turkey or baking a pie.

CALL FOR TURKEYS: It wouldn't be a Thanksgiving meal without the turkey. We are concerned about supply chain problems this year; so please let us know in advance if you can help by donating a turkey. Frozen turkeys can be left in the **freezer** in Canterbury Hall starting today. If you are dropping off a turkey the week of Thanksgiving, put it in the **refrigerator** in Canterbury Hall. If there is not space, message us and we will figure it out. Thank you in advance!!



CALL FOR PIES: Our world-famous pie room has a reputation to uphold, and we need your help – and your pies! All kinds are needed. Of course, pumpkin is the traditional favorite, but apple, pecan, sweet potato, berry, anything you can bake up is welcome. If you can help, please let us know in advance, if possible, to help us with planning. Pies can be dropped off that week or on Thanksgiving Day itself. Thank you in advance!!!



Remember, The Café serves a free weekly take-out meal from 5 p.m. -7 p.m. on Thursday evenings (except for Thanksgiving Day). All are welcome; please wear a mask when picking up meals.

OUT OF THE COLD 2021

Monday, November 29 – Monday morning, December 20

Fellow Parishioners,

Saint Andrews will be hosting the Centre County Out of the Cold program from Monday, November 29th through Monday morning, December 20th. (Three full weeks)



This program provides overnight shelter, a warm dinner, and breakfast for people currently living in State College with no permanent shelter. Out of the Cold now employs staff members to supervise the overnight periods, therefore, we need volunteers to provide dinner, breakfast, and company for our guests. Breakfast food may be dropped off the evening prior with any necessary instructions for our overnight volunteers to serve in the morning.

Please use the attached SignUp Genius site for all volunteering. It is very user-friendly, and you will receive an email confirmation of your submittal as well as a reminder the day prior to your commitment. Copy and paste the link below from the newsletter or contact Scott or Michele to have the link emailed to you. (If you are receiving the newsletter electronically, you can Ctrl + Click to follow the link.)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0F45A9AD2BA5FA7-outofthe32>

All training required will be provided as needed by contacting Michele Hamilton or Scott Strouse.

During this season of thanksgiving, this is a wonderful way to give back to the community and assist those with such great need. We appreciate your consideration of this worthy cause. Feel free to contact us with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Michele Hamilton, hamiltonmichele45@gmail.com

Scott Strouse, scottallen1750@gmail.com

Saint Andrews OOTC Coordinators

IHS Wishing Well at Meyer Dairy

Monday, December 6

Wednesday, December 8

It's beginning to feel a bit like Christmas, and that means St. Andrew's parishioners are invited to help Interfaith Human Services by ringing the bells for the Wishing Well at Meyer Dairy. The campaign is especially important this year because the pandemic has put other planned fundraisers on hold. Families in need of emergency financial assistance are depending on us now.

St. Andrew's is responsible for Monday, December 6 and Wednesday, December 8. As always, we'll be outside in the healthy fresh air, so grab your mask and your gloves, recruit your teenager or your friend, and sign up for a one-hour shift (or more!). There's room for two people in each time slot -we know it's more fun with company. Recruit a partner or sign up as someone else's partner and make a new friend!

Here's the website for December 6: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E44ADA629A6F58-ring2>

And the one for December 8: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E44ADA629A6F58-ring3>

If you have questions, contact Marion Schwartz at kmarsch09@gmail.com.



THE ARTS

ARTS @ ST. ANDREWS

artsat.standrewsc.org

The Arts @ St. Andrews website is devoted to the exploration of the relationship between Christian faith and the arts. Its aim is to stimulate broader interest in the capacity of imagination to express, examine, and enrich our spiritual journey.

The website currently contains five active sections: "Articles" (the main blog), "Film Series" (a list of Friday Film Series offerings and related information), "Worship and Liturgy," "Reviews," and "Announcements" (of forthcoming events at church or elsewhere in the community).

Last spring, we added a section for our "Poetry Contest 2021" (which will be updated soon for the 2022 contest.) Tabs for each section may be found just below the Arts @ St. Andrews title at the top of the page.

New and Recent

In the Film Series section, click the link to Richard Brody's New Yorker review—"marvellous . . . superb"—of our next film, *Hail, Caesar!* (Coen Brothers, 2016), which will run on Friday evening, November 12th. Philip Jenkins will lead a discussion after the show.

There is also further material on our most recent films, *Amadeus* and *Fiddler on the Roof*, and on the final film of the year, *A Christmas Carol* (1951, starring Alistair Sim), scheduled for Friday, December 10th. Read the brief article by Dr. Linda Freeman, *The Secret Hidden in Dickens's "A Christmas Carol"*, which examines the theology at the core of Dickens' timeless Christmas tale.

We welcome contributions—articles, reviews, announcements of current or future events--as well as suggestions for further developing the site. For inquiries about contributions, please contact Marion Schwartz kmarsch@gmail.com or Sanford Schwartz sanford.schwartz@gmail.com.

Celebration For Walter Wells: 45 Years at St. Andrew's

Sunday, November 14, during 10 a.m. service
Reception following in Canterbury Hall

On Sunday, November 14, we will celebrate and thank Walter Wells for **45 years of service as Choir Director at St. Andrew's**. (See article in this newsletter and display in the Narthex.) This milestone will be acknowledged at the 10 a.m. service and at a reception following in Canterbury Hall. If you would like to contribute to a purse to be presented to Walter, you can mail or deliver your (labelled) donation to the church office or put it in the offering plate.



Kevin Barron Ordination to the Priesthood

Sunday, November 21, 4 p.m.
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
Reception following in Canterbury Hall

This service will also be streamed Live on Facebook at www.facebook.com/standrewsc/



On Sunday, November 21, Kevin Barron will be ordained to the priesthood at St. Andrew's. The service will be followed by a reception of light hors d'oeuvres. We anticipate many people from around the diocese may attend. If you are not comfortable attending in person, the service will be live streamed on our Facebook page.

We plan to present Kevin with a gift and are currently accepting donations. You can send your cash or check donation in any amount to the church office.

You can also donate electronically:

Direct link to online giving form: <https://onrealm.org/StAndrewsC/give/Barron>

Text giving: Text "STANDREWSC Ordination" to 73256 to give using your mobile device.

Standard text message and data rates may apply.

Cards for Kevin can also be left at the office to be presented to him after the service.

Episcopal Visitation, December 5

Sunday, December 5, at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. services

On the Second Sunday in Advent, our bishop the Right Reverend Audrey C. Scanlan will make her regular visit to St. Andrew's. She will celebrate and preach at the two morning services. St. Nicholas won't be the only bishop at St. Andrew's on December 5!



LOOKING AHEAD TO ADVENT

Advent Taizé Services

Wednesdays, December 1, 8, and 15
5:45 p.m. in the Church



The first three Wednesday evenings during Advent we will have a slightly shortened Taizé service in-person in the church. Join us for this beautiful and contemplative service to prepare for the Christmas season. The services this year will include the usual reading, intercessions, and times of silence. We will, however, limit the number of songs that are sung as a COVID mitigation effort.

St. Nicholas Visits and Toys For Tots Collection

Sunday, December 5, 10 a.m. service

Advent 2

Church on December 5 will feature a children’s sermon and guest appearance from a very special visitor. Everyone is encouraged to bring a new, unwrapped toy to donate to Toys for Tots. Children will bring the toys to the altar during the Offertory. As you start your holiday shopping this month, add an extra toy to your list.

Holiday Cookie Sale

Friday, December 10 – donations due in Canterbury Hall

Sunday, December 12 – Cookies for sale

Advent 3

It’s Christmas Cookie Time!



Calling all parish bakers! It’s time again to crack open your cookbooks and get inspired to add something brilliant to our parish cookie sale. Please complete and return this form to help us know how many cookies to expect. You can drop contributions off in Canterbury Hall kitchen on Friday, December 10. Mixed boxes of cookies will be sold Sunday, December 12 after all services (or as long as they last!) for \$8 to benefit our youth program. You can also make arrangements for curbside pickup on December 12 by contacting Kathy Hickner at youth@standrewsc.org

Name: _____ Phone: _____ home

Email: _____ Phone: _____ cell

Kind(s) of Cookies: _____

_____ dozen cookies

Circle One: Drop off? Friday OR Saturday

Arrange pick up? Yes OR No

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.

KNITTING MINISTRY

Sunday, November 14, 11 a.m.

Room 324 – In Person

AND Via Zoom

Come Join Us in Knitting for Peace. You're invited to join us, your friends in Knitting Ministry! Who are we? We are parishioners and friends of St. Andrew's enjoying fellowship while knitting and crocheting with our hearts and hands. We send our hats, scarves, Peace Pals, baby blankets and booties to Knitting4Peace (see: <https://www.knitting4peace.org/>) who distribute them through mission health clinics both in the U.S. and in the developing world. Don't know how to knit but want to learn? No worries, we will teach you.

Mark your calendar for **November 14** and drop in after the 10 a.m. service (usually around 11:15), either by Zoom or in the Library (Room 324). For the Zoom link, to join our email list, or for more information contact Anne Hoag, anne.hoag@gmail.com.



Future dates: Dec. 12, Jan 9, Feb 13, March 13, April 10, May 15 (because Mother's Day is on the 2nd Sunday, our usual day), June 12.

FRIDAY FILMS

Friday, November 12, 7 p.m.

Room 325

Hail, Caesar

Rated: PG

Post-film discussion led by

Philip Jenkins

Plot: In the early 1950s, Eddie Mannix is busy at work trying to solve all the problems of the actors and filmmakers at Capitol Pictures. He faces his biggest challenge when Baird Whitlock gets

kidnapped while in costume for the swords-and-sandals epic "Hail, Caesar!" If the studio doesn't pay \$100,000, it's the end of the line for the movie star.

For additional information, see the Film page on our Arts @ St. Andrew's blog

artsat.StAndrewSC



PRAYER QUILT MINISTRY

Saturday, November 20, 12:30 p.m.

Room 119

The St. Andrew's Prayer Quilt Ministry will meet on Saturday, November 20, at 12:30 in Room 119 in the Trost Wing.

If you have any questions, please call Michele at 814-574-9639.

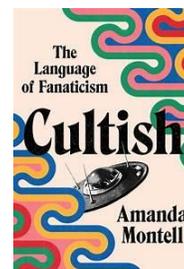
BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, November 30, 7 p.m.

Barnes and Noble Café

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Cultish: The Language of Fanaticism, Amanda Montell



The Book Club has selected a non-fiction title for November, *Cultish* by writer and language scholar Amanda Montell. *Cultish* is "an exploration of language and its influence. It gives readers an inside look as to how cultish groups exercise their power, from SoulCycle and serial killer documentaries to Jonestown and QAnon. The author unravels the hidden secrets behind intense ideologies, the dangers of us versus them attitudes, and the shocking ways cults invade everyday life."

Because St. Andrew's will be hosting Out of the Cold the last week of November, the Book Club will meet in the café at the State College Barnes and Noble. And while we're there...we might just have to treat ourselves to a latte. Newcomers and visitors are always welcome!

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! If you have a November 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.



1 Katie Gaines
1 Debra Noyes
1 Deborah Morton
1 Maverick Mainzer
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6 Gwen Catchen
6 Marsha Rinetti
7 Andrew Gaines
8 Anne Hoag

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13 James Tybout
15 Tom Yuhas
16 Brucie Serene
18 Christina Ford
19 Betty Parry
20 Lauren Krasnansky
20 Christine Mihalenko
20 Carolyn Hatley



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21 Jim Serene
21 Diane Cramer
23 Tony Kwasnica
23 Ted Christopher
23 Bob Downs
23 Larry Murphy
26 Paul Humphreys
29 Sian Packard

Those For Whom We Pray

Sandy, Dick, Molly, Teri, Mavis, Joan, Don, Jane, Colton, Tom, Stefanie, Billy, Isa, Ty, Jordan, Curtis, Ruthie, Mary, Kevin, Frank, Diane, Sara, Emily, Vicki, Robbie, David, Ken, Ann, Carolyn, Erica, Gwen, Bob, John, Siri, Christie, John, Joelle, Fred, Tanner, Marcie, Suzanne, Linda, Patricia, Sherry, Jon

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