

The Parish Messenger

October 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.

LETTER FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN



Change is coming! Some might say that we are always in a state of change – that has certainly been the case over the last two-plus years and especially in the last few weeks.

We have gone from the slower days of summer directly into seven weeks of visiting clergy until Fr. Jeff joins us, the beginning of the new church school year with some new class assignments, a new approach for the adult education time on Sunday mornings, the increased activity in town especially on football weekends, the beginning of fall activities of our church year. We are taking time during this interval to thank those people who worked so diligently on our behalf to find our next Rector, to bless our animals, to prepare for another CROP walk, to begin our annual stewardship campaign. These weeks are definitely not slow and the parish is very busy with all of these functions.

Fr. Jeff's first Sunday service will be October 22 and his first service as Rector will be Wednesday, October 18. We are planning a parish breakfast for his first Sunday; there will not be an adult education program that Sunday to allow Fr. Jeff time to visit individually with parishioners.

Vestry looks forward to working with Fr. Jeff after his arrival to plan and support the work of this parish. While staff have already been planning Advent and Christmas activities, we will also be developing a budget for 2018, organizing a nominating committee for Vestry and Convention Delegates, completing the Stewardship Campaign and looking forward to planning 2018.

There is much to do and there are many ways to be involved. Please review the materials provided for the Stewardship Campaign and find ways to bring your talents to our shared mission.

We look forward to Fr. Jeff's arrival and to the many program offerings this fall.

Sincerely, Linda Mace- Senior Warden

ADULT EDUCATION HOUR: UPCOMING LECTURES

Canterbury Hall- 9:15 AM

October 8: Julia Spicher Kasdorf

Julia will share examples of ancient and contemporary poetry to demonstrate the longstanding affinity between poetry and prayer, and she will reflect a bit from her own experience. Participants will be invited to write or meditate, so bring notebooks and journals if you wish. Julia Spicher Kasdorf has published three collections of poetry, a book of personal essays, a biography, and has edited an anthology titled *Broken Land: Poems of Brooklyn.* Her forthcoming book is a documentary poetry project that explores the impact of shale gas drilling (fracking) in Pennsylvania. She is a professor of English and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies at Penn State, where she teaches creative writing.

October 15: Focus on Stewardship - Time, Talent, and Treasure

This informative and interactive discussion will feature the many ways to be involved at St. Andrew's. There will be brief presentations about various ministries at our church as well as an 'insider's' look into the details of our finances. Don't miss this opportunity, as our 2018 Every Member Canvass is underway, to learn about the 'ways and means' of St. Andrews!"

October 22: Welcome breakfast

We will welcome Fr. Jeff to St. Andrew's with a parish breakfast after the 8:00 AM service and before the 10:30 AM service.

October 29: Kevin Lowe

Kevin will discuss our patron saint, Andrew, with a presentation, "Getting to Know St. Andrew the Apostle." We will learn about Andrew in scripture and in history, how the early church regarded Andrew, the stories and legends that grew up around him, and how is Andrew venerated in the world today.

November 5: Connie Schulz

Connie Schulz is the Family Outreach Specialist from SCASD, and will lead us in a crash course in parenting teens. She is an awesome teacher, who has 2 grown children and has "been there". Connie has a B.S. in Family Consumer Science and an M.S. in Rural Sociology and is certified as both a parent educator, and as a family life educator by the National Council on Family Relations.

SUPPLY PRIEST SCHEDULE

October 4 at 12:15 PM	The Rev. John Harwood
October 8 at 8 AM & 10:30 AM	The Very Rev. Churchill Pinder
5 PM	The Rev. John Harwood
October 11 at 12:15 PM	The Rev. Clayton Kelley
October 15 at 8 AM & 10:30 AM	The Very Rev. Robyn Szoke-Coolidge
5 PM	The Rev. John Harwood

STEWARDSHIP IN GIVING



" ... To you all hearts are open..."

So begins our Eucharist service every week, with these words from the Collect for Purity from the Book of Common Prayer. At St. Andrew's, we are a people who strive intentionally and deliberately to keep our 'hearts open' to God and each other, and we are richly blessed as a result. Our church stands as a beacon for the love of God in the borough of State College and beyond. The banners alongside Fraser Street declare for all to see our commitment to the best of the Anglican tradition -- scripture, tradition, and reason -- as well as our determination to be a community of welcome and inclusion. We can rejoice that God richly blesses us with an abundance of gifts, and that we in turn use those gifts for God's glorious work of love and reconciliation.

In just a few weeks, we will welcome the 6th Rector of St. Andrew's, the Rev'd. Jeff Packard. It is altogether right and proper that this happy occasion occurs as we launch our 2018 Every Member Canvass, for this is a time when we are asked to recommit ourselves to supporting God's work in the world through the church. Pledges to St. Andrew's, not only of money, but also of time and talent, are outward and visible signs of the manifestation of God's work in our lives. We are richly fed, so then called to feed others – we are lavishly clothed, so then called to clothe others – we are warmly welcomed, so then called to welcome others.

Much of the work of the church depends on the financial commitments of its members. For those who have pledged in the past, we are grateful for your support and we ask you to consider renewing your commitment and if possible increasing it, even by a few dollars a week. For those who have yet to make a regular financial pledge to St. Andrew's, we ask you to prayerfully consider it, if possible. The size and vibrancy of our church demonstrates a real need for Fr. Jeff to be supported by a second full-time Priest – something St. Andrew's has had in the past – and this will only be possible with reliable and predictable ongoing financial support.

For all who commit their time and talent to St. Andrew's mission and ministry – who teach our youth, and dress our altar, and sing in our choir, and advocate for social justice, and provide pastoral care inside and outside our walls, and serve in Community Café, and volunteer on committees, and set up Fellowship Hour, and on and on... we all say AMEN AMEN and THANK YOU. We are all called to 'walk the talk' of our Christian vocation and participation in these ministries are wonderful ways to be faithful stewards of the church. If you haven't yet volunteered for one of these services to the church, please consider a purposeful commitment of time and talent.

Soon, you will receive two cards in the mail: a financial pledge card and a time and talent pledge card. Please fill both out and return them as soon as possible in the envelope provided. If you would prefer, pledges can be made on-line at: http://standrewsc.org/pledge_drive/

On behalf of the Vestry of St. Andrew's, I am grateful to you for your support of our church and I thank God that I am part of such a generous and Christ-filled community as St. Andrew's.

With affection, Ted Christopher, Vestry Stewardship Liason

CROP HUNGER WALK - October 15



Parishioners of all ages are encouraged to join the State College CROP Hunger Walk on October 15!

The easy 5K walk will begin and end at Grace Lutheran Church. Registration begins at 1:30 PM the walk begins at 2:00 PM. Our St. Andrew's Purple People Feeders Team will have lunch together in Room 325 after church.

Twenty-five percent of the funds raised in the State College

CROP Hunger Walk goes directly to the State College Food Bank. The rest is used by Church World Service globally to provide food and water, as well as resources that empower people to meet their own needs, such as seeds and tools, wells and water systems, technical training and micro-enterprise loans.

Over the next two weeks, the St. Andrew's Purple People Feeders will be collecting pledges from family and friends, and we will join together wearing purple on October 15 to walk as a team. We hope to be a very visible part of the walk through downtown State College. Family members, friends, and pets are encouraged to put on some purple and join us!



It is really easy to join the team and help us fight hunger; just visit the St. Andrew's Purple People Feeders <u>team page</u>.

If you aren't able to walk with us, please support our walkers by making a tax-deductible donation on our team page. If you prefer to write a check, make it out to "CWS/CROP" and give it to one of the walkers, or put it in the offering plate. Please contact <u>Julie Kwasnica</u> if you have questions or need more information.

ERD HURRICANE RELIEF: Your Help is Urgently Needed



Texas, Florida, and now Puerto Rico have been devastated by recent hurricanes and are urgently in need of our help. If you are able and wish to make a donation, please give to Episcopal Relief and Development. ERD has a top rating with Charity Navigator and will go to help ALL people in the hurricane torn areas. To read how ERD funds are helping, click<u>here.</u> To make a donation, click<u>here.</u>

And please keep those who are suffering and those working to provide assistance in your prayers.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Over the course of the next few months, the Outreach Committee at St. Andrew's would like to update the St. Andrew's family on the various ministries that serve our community. This month we highlight the Parishioners' Ministry and the Community Cafe.



PARISHIONERS' MINISTRY

The Parishioners' Ministry of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church has been an ongoing active outreach program since 1958. It provides modest assistance to people in the community facing unexpected financial emergencies. Parishioners' Ministry trustees work closely with social agencies in town to make sure the people we help have realistic plans to manage their own resources over the long term.

Supported by contributing parishioners, St. Andrew's sets aside a certain amount for Parishioners' Ministry in the general operating budget every year, to be paid out in monthly installments. Other sources of PM funds are memorial gifts, contributions from individual parishioners and occasional special gifts.

We are most grateful to the parish for their continued support. Our stewards serve on a volunteer basis. They must be available during the day when the church office is open, tactful in dealing with people, able to exercise good judgment, and accurate record keepers. If you are interested in helping this ministry, please contact Gloria Meder (gmmeder@gmail.com).

THE COMMUNITY CAFÉ AT ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



There is a little eatery in State College where the meals are as varied as the diners who eat them. Beef bourguignon with cauliflower florets, salmon with herb butter sauce and brown sugar glazed meatloaf with mashed potatoes are regularly served along with soups, salads, deserts and fresh fruit. There is also a take home table, where diners can help themselves to breads, fruits, and vegetables to help stock their own kitchens throughout the week.

The special thing about these meals though are not the

ingredients nor the creative way they are served, but that they are free to anyone who is in need of one. Every Thursday evening from 5 PM- 7PM, diners and volunteers come together to create the Community Café at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. Some come early to enjoy a cup of coffee which is brewed all afternoon, or to chat, or to even save a seat for a friend who they know will be a little late. Volunteers will also sit with diners to catch up, share photos of family or pets, or to just get to know each other a little better.

Then, just before 5 PM, there is a little more hustle and people begin to line up and to inspect the menu. Diners can choose from two soups, two main courses, vegetables and assorted

sides. The meal is all you can eat, diners can return as often as they want for seconds or to try that Italian Wedding soup that everyone seems to be enjoying. Diners can also choose if they would like to have more meat, more gravy, not as many potatoes and oh yeah, they would prefer not to have kale because it tastes too much like kale.

Plates are passed through the service window and diners can help themselves to salads, pies, cakes, cookies, milk, coffee and lemonade. The atmosphere turns downright festive with people calling to each other, children running between seats and asking their parents if they can have another cupcake, or with diners even starting to sing if the mood seems to call for it.

And this is what makes the Community Café a truly unique place to be. Volunteers are not shoving food through a window without making eye contact. This is not a prison or a half-way house. This is a place where diners are empowered to make choices. If you think about it, some people never get to order from a menu or are able to decide if they would like extra gravy, but also make no mistake, the Café just isn't about food. Some people are lonely. Some people never share a meal with anyone. Some people never have anyone to ask if their cold is better or if they heard from any family.

The goal of the Café is to have a place where everyone is welcome, no questions are asked, and no screening is done. In our world, there are many who not only need food to nourish themselves, but also need nourishment of the spirit. The road goes two ways too.

Ask any volunteer about why they choose the Café as the place to put their resources. The answers are as varied as the people themselves. Some remember a time when they needed a helping hand, some do it because they see a real need to provide meals, and some do it because it helps them appreciate what they already have. One volunteer will tell you that she suffers from serious depression and having a place to be every week, surrounded with people and doing good work helps her to stay healthy.

We will tell you that one of the best things someone can do for anyone is to simply come into the Café to share a meal. There doesn't have to be complicated talk, you don't have to be witty or pithy or even topical. You just have to sit with someone who may not even want to talk. Just by being together in this room on Thursday night will help someone out and hopefully make their week a little bit better until the next Thursday rolls around.

We will also tell you that the Café operates solely on donations. We are extremely fortunate to exist in a generous community. We pick up food donations 4 times a week from Trader's Joes, Weis Markets and Wegman's. In summer, we are the beneficiary of squash, eggplant, tomatoes and whatever anyone else grows too much of in their home garden. Never be afraid that if you come in to have a meal that you are taking a meal from someone else. Our motto is that donations are accepted but they are never expected. If you feel the need, put some money in the jar for all the little things like butter, spices and other ingredients that stitch a meal together. We've taken dimes and nickels from that jar, and it adds up. Remember, generosity adds up.

The Café operates every Thursday from 5 PM- 7 PM at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church located at 208 West Foster Avenue in State College. If you have any questions, please contact the church office at: (814) 237-7659.

FALL CLEAN-UP DAY 2017: We Need Volunteers!



The Property Committee has scheduled Saturday, October 14 at 10 AM as the 2017 Fall Cleanup Day at St. Andrew's, where we turn out to finish as many needed grounds-related tasks in time for winter as possible. Hence, we "clean up" the flowers, shrubs, trees and more around the church and Parish Life Center as well as at Trinity House.

If you are new to St. Andrew's this is a great way to meet more of your fellow parishioners while also helping to accomplish much-needed work on behalf of the church! We would appreciate knowing (by email or telephone) if you or your family can come out and help with grounds maintenance such as weeding and mulching around both

Trinity House and the church/Parish Life Center.

As always we are seeking your help to complete a variety of mostly-outside chores. Chores this time will be focused on weeding/mulching flower beds and other areas, and pruning bushes.

If you can come out on a SUNNY (praying for) Saturday October 14 (rain day will be the following Saturday, October 21) and share a couple of hours or more of labor and fun with us, mark your calendar and please contact the church office (office@standrewsc.org or 237-7659) so we know how many volunteers to expect and can plan chores and crews accordingly.

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING



Daughters of the King at St. Andrew's will be meeting on Wednesday, October 11th at 7:00 PM in Room 119. We will be continuing our discussion of the New York Times Bestseller Accidental Saints: Finding God in All the Wrong People by Nadia Bolz-Weber. If you are interested, please contact Chapter President Kitty Mussett at <u>kam13@psu.edu</u>.

Your help is also needed for the Women's Prison Ministry. As we did last year at this

time, the Daughters of the King of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania are working together to bring the love and forgiveness of Christ to women who often had very few resources before they were incarcerated and who have little upon release. They need your prayers and your donations. Please consider supporting this DOK Outreach Project by writing a check to: St. Andrew's Episcopal Church with a notation "Women's Prison Ministry" by October 15th. The funds received will go towards filling 20 tote bags and providing \$25 gift cards to the Program Director to distribute to the women as needed.

COMMUNITY CAFÉ



On September 23, a team from the Community Café participated in the First Annual Weis Fight Hunger 5k to raise awareness of hunger related issues in the state of Pennsylvania. We also wanted to give something back to Weis Markets, who is a regular supporter of the Café via weekly donations of baked goods. The Cafe team came and conquered thanks to Patrick Osborne who won his age group. He not only received a medal but a 20 dollar gift card he donated to the Cafe. The gift card was used to buy black pepper which is not cheap and is always in demand at the Café. Way to go Patrick! Also, thanks to Marc Rigas and

Luna, Rebekah Dawson, Caitlin Osborne, John Austin, and Ron Rovansek for coming out for a great morning.

Also, save the date! The Team Challenge Trivia Night Fundraiser has been scheduled for January 26. It was great fun last year and we received wonderful feedback. So, plan to come on out for a fun night and to support your favorite Cafe.

Remember that the Café serves a free weekly meal every Thursday from 5 PM- 7PM. All are welcome, and donations are accepted but are never expected.



GIRL SCOUTS DONATE KINDNESS TO THE CAFE

On Thursday, September 28, Girl Scout Troop 40218 donated boxes of Girl Scout Cookies to the Community Cafe, and six members of the troop put together a sample tray for people to try as they came into the Cafe. They then held their troop meeting to discuss other types of service, including opportunities to further support St. Andrew's Community Cafe.

COMPASSIONATE LIFE

First and Third Thursdays October 5 and 19 9:30 AM ~ Room 325



We meet, celebrate, pray! Women of all ages from the parish (friends are welcome, too!) are invited to join a wonderful group of caring and compassionate Christian women from St. Andrew's every first and third Thursday of each month. We share in conversation and community, study, and reflection, prayer, and...coffee! At our September 21st meeting, we celebrated the 80th birthday of Lorna DonTigny (thank you for making the cake, Julie Kwasnica!)

We act! We also put our compassion into action as the "hands and feet of Christ" when opportunities arise to serve our brothers and sisters near and far. The first opportunity to put our compassion into action was to collect "Undies for Everyone!" The women of CL responded to a plea from author and psychologist Brene Brown from Houston, who said that new packaged underwear was desperately needed in all sizes for both genders.

We learn! On September 21, St. Andrew's own Sharon Schafer presented information about the beginnings of Taproot Kitchen and how she became involved. Check out its new <u>website</u>, accessible only a few weeks ago, to learn how

you can support this wonderful organization where "everyone has a place at the table." Taproot Kitchen gives young adults with intellectual disabilities opportunities to work together with members of the community to learn new skills and to serve the community. Need a party or business meeting catered? Contact Taproot Kitchen!

On October 5, Kevin Barron will be talking to the women about Social Justice, Racism and the Episcopal Church; and on October 19, Elizabeth Brady will be talking with us about her experiences in the Episcopal Church with natural disaster responses and Episcopal Relief and Development, and about a new book she's writing.

We trust! Trusting in the goodness of God to point us in the right direction at the right time to best offer our gifts, we know we can't do it all or respond to all the needs in our communities and the world. However, bit by bit, woman by woman, our individual offerings of light to each other and to the world create beacons of light in the darkness which surrounds us, providing hope, direction, and gladness and singleness of heart.

Join us!

The women of Compassionate Life will be happy to see you. Contact Darlene Nordoff for more information.

COFFEE HOUR



We have tried sign-up sheets, personal appeals, threats of cancellation, and begging, but there are still many open slots for Coffee Hour set up and clean up this semester.

Luckily, we are not above resorting to bribery. For every slot you fill on the sign-up sheet this semester, you will be entered in our incentive drawing. Once all the spots are filled, two will be chosen at random to receive a "thank you" \$20 Gift card! The more you volunteer, the better your chances. <u>Sign up today!</u>

FRIDAY FILMS



Rosemary's Baby (1968) Friday, October 20 6:30 PM: Gathering and snacks 7:00 PM: Film (Rated R)

A young wife comes to believe that her offspring is not of this world. Rosemary Woodhouse and her struggling actor husband Guy move to a New York City apartment building with an ominous reputation and odd

neighbors Roman and Minnie. When Rosemary becomes pregnant she becomes increasingly isolated, and the diabolical truth is revealed only after Rosemary gives birth.

ST. ANDREW'S BOOK GROUP



Fourteen members of the St. Andrew's Book Group gathered on Tuesday evening to discuss 100 Names for Love by Diane Ackerman. At the end of the meeting, members decided that the book for our October meeting will be *Prussian Blue* by best-selling crime novelist Philip Kerr. The book focuses on Bernie Gunther, a Berlin policeman in the 1950s, who must face his

past experiences as a reluctant SS officer in Hitler's Germany. Critic Alan Furst wrote of the book, "The narrative is swift and adept, and so well-grounded in the history and custom of the period that the reader is totally immersed." We discovered today that, since this book was just published in April, it is not yet available in paperback except in a large print edition. It is available in hardback and as an e-book. The Book Group will meet on Tuesday, October 24, at 7 PM, Room 324, to discuss the book.

ST. ANDREW'S VESTRY UPDATE: September 2017



Vestry met on Monday evening, September 25. The Finance Committee reported that income from pledges during the month of August was very low. The overall year-to-date operating income continues to be positive, but the vestry urges everyone to be diligent with meeting pledge commitments. As always, pledge contributions may be placed in the collection plates during the Sunday services, or they may be mailed directly to the church office. Your continued support is needed and much appreciated.

Senior Warden, Linda Mace, noted that the supply clergy schedule for the Sundays remaining until the arrival of our new rector, Fr.

Jeff Packard, will be Fr. Fred Miller, the Very Reverend Churchill Pinder (Dean of the St. Stephen's Cathedral), and the Very Reverend Robyn Szoke Coolidge (Dean of the Stevenson School of Ministry). A report from the Adult Education Committee provided the schedule of the adult education programs through December.

The annual stewardship program will be getting underway with the mailing of letters and pledge cards. Please prayerfully consider a financial pledge to support of St. Andrew's and its ministries, and promptly return your pledge card. Pledges may also be made online through the church website. Remember that nearly all of the funds supporting the St. Andrew's budget come from pledge commitments.

Respectfully submitted, Rick Hoover- Clerk of the Vestry

ST. ANDREW'S FINANCIAL REPORT: August 2017

	Total for	Total for	% of	2017
	August	2017	Budget	Budget
Parishioner Contributions *	\$25,758	\$298,862	65%	\$462,596
Total Monthly Income	\$29,119	\$341,705	68%	\$500,500
Monthly Expense	\$33,959	\$312,262	63%	\$492,331
Surplus (Deficit)	\$(4,840)	\$29,443		\$8,169

*Includes pledges, plate offerings, and identified plate offering, plus special holiday offerings. August income was slightly lower than average, not unexpected in the summer, leaving a deficit for the month. We have plenty of surplus in savings to cover the shortfall however. Spending is slightly lower than projected through August, although this will change once the winter utility usage increases. It has been a quiet month with no significant expenditures pending.

The complete financial report is available in the office. Sue Stephenson

A LOOK BACK: EDUCATION HOUR KICKOFF



Parishioners enjoyed breakfast together to celebrate and kick off Education Hour for the upcoming academic year! We then sang our praises to God led by our musicians Peter Arnett (guitar), Carolyn Holt (autoharp), Paul Humphreys (clarinet), Kevin Lowe (percussion), and Allison Shea (violin). Thank you to Marc Rigas for creating a power-point presentation and giving an informational and personal account about his first experience on the mission trip to West Virginia.





CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

Sundays – 10:30 AM – Room 338



Children, ages three to grade two (although children in grades three and four are joining in!) gather together to proclaim and respond to God's Word, pray, sing, dance, and create! Children return to their parents in church for The Peace. Thank you to Peter Arnett for playing guitar and Paul Humphreys for playing clarinet during our Kickoff Children's Chapel on September 10. On September 17 and 24, Old and New Testament lessons from the Episcopal Digital Network guided the teachers in their planning. Thank you to Melissa Arnett, Joe Lee, Andrea McCloskey, and Meira Minard for leading and assisting. I wonder what we'll celebrate in October? Questions? Contact Darlene Nordoff.

JOURNEY YOUTH PROGRAM

Journey Junior Youth Program – 9:15 AM – Room 330

Our Journey Junior Youth are in grades 7, 8 and 9 this year; leaders Peter Chamberlain, Mary Beth Hoffman, Kevin Lowe, Marion Schwartz, and Kathryn Yahner are excited to lead such an amazing group of energetic, curious, and engaged youth. Lessons this year will be from both the Rite-13 and J2A Curricula, as well as God Talks and various online resources. Journey Junior youth, also known this year as the Adventurers, met on September 17 and 24 to get re-acquainted, review and edit their group covenant, and begin their lesson discussions. The September 24 lesson was from Unit One: Loved by God – J2A Self Lesson: Listening Skills are a Great Place to Begin. In October, youth will continue their Unit One: Loved by God – J2A Self Lessons: Who I Am vs Who I Would Like to Be and Contingency – We Are All Connected; and Rite-13 Sexuality (Gender) Lessons: I Am Make in God's Image: God Said it was Very Good and Decisions, Decisions – Tools for Decision Making. On October 29, the youth will meet at the Sidney Friedman Parklet at 9 AM for hot chocolate before serving as a park partners from 9:15 AM– 10:15 AM for some fall park cleanup; the idea here is that the youth will be stewards of God's creation/nature in the morning and then enjoy it at Wasson Farm in the evening.

On September 24, Journey Junior (Adventurers) and their leaders enjoyed a baked potato bar lunch before participating in a one-hour photo scavenger hunt, which ended at the PSU Berkey Creamery for ice cream, after 16 photo ops! During lunch, Julie Kwasnica gave a fun look back at previous CROP Walk pictures and tested the youth on their CROP Walk knowledge – they did very well! Check the bulletin board outside of Canterbury Hall for more pictures!

Journey High School Program - 9:15 AM - Room 119

Journey High School Youth (grades 10, 11 and 12) began their classes on September 17 and 24 with coffee and baked treats in Room 119 and then headed over to Canterbury Hall to join the adult forums. They heard presentations from their youth leader Ted Christopher, Walking the Talk – Struggles as a Parent, Husband and Teacher to Live with Deeper Faith and then

Kevin Barron, A 40-Year Journey of LGBTQ Equality and the Episcopal Church. After both presentations, the youth returned to their classroom for reflection and discussion.

Journey High School also enjoyed lunch together on September 24 and then discussed their plans for October. On October 1, they will begin the process of tying t-shirts that will be then dyed purple for our Purple People Feeder walkers for the CROP Walk on October 15. Several teens joined their leaders and Journey Junior for ice cream at the PSU Berkey Creamery.

Boating and Barbecue at Bald Eagle Lake



"For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which from our birth, over and around us lies! Lord of all to Thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise!" Approximately 40 children and youth, their parents, leaders and teachers, and their families met at Bald Eagle Lake to continue to celebrate the kick-off of our Christian Education programs. Thank you to Paul Humphreys, Jason McCloskey and Larry Murphy for getting the barbecue going! Thank you to pontoon boat captains Betha Christopher, Paul Humphreys and Greg Johnson! Thank you to all who came and enjoyed the beautiful surroundings and fellowship together.

Upcoming Highlights and Activities

October 1

Blessing of the Animals – 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Bring your pet or a picture of your pet to church to be blessed.

October 15

CROP Walk! Wear your tie-dyed purple t-shirts and be part of the Purple People Feeder team who will be walking to combat hunger! Lunch will be served in Room 325 after the 10:30 AM service; youth and other parishioners will then walk together to Grace Lutheran Church for the opening CROP Walk festivities.

October 29

Wasson Farm Hayride, Dinner, Corn Maze and Bonfire! 4:00 PM-6:30 PM For youth, their parents and their leaders; and for church school children, their parents, and teachers! Come enjoy this special time together!

Nov. 12 Surprise Activity – 6:00 PM -8:00 PM



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday

8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday 12:15 p.m.

Bishop of Central Pennsylvania Deacon

Parish Secretary Sexton Assistant Sexton Treasurer

Financial Secretary Membership Secretary

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