

The monthly newsletter of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Connecting us in community and in Christ

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BUILDING AS...

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I love showing people around our building for the first time. It is fun to see how impressed people are with the size and complexity of our physical plant. It cracks me up when people get turned around, as they always do, and lose their bearings trying to get back to where they parked their car. And it never gets old seeing how people react when you tell them they have to go up the stairs to get downstairs.

...Ministry

We are blessed, truly blessed to have the property we have. Our building enables us to do so much ministry. Not only do we have a beautiful church in which to worship, adorned with spectacular stained glass windows and graced with a magnificent pipe organ, but we have plenty of space to have Sunday school classes, adult formation classes, youth gatherings, breakfast after the early service and fellowship after the late service. If you think about it, our building is the hub of so much of our outreach as well. The Community Café requires the professional kitchen and dining space of Canterbury Hall. Out of the Cold—the cold weather shelter—requires space for men and women to spend the night, as well as volunteers, and a place for dinner and breakfast. The many 12-Step meetings that take place here each week require meeting spaces large and small, often more than one at a time. None of that would be possible without our beautiful building.

...Stewardship

Having a building this size, and built as it was in multiple phases, makes maintenance a challenge. We find ourselves stewards of a church that is approaching 100 years old (in 2028), and a parish life center that is approaching 50 years old (in 2021). We have places where the water comes into the building when it rains. We have little to no insulation. We lack a central heating or air conditioning system in the parish life center, and there is no air conditioning at all in the

church. Last summer, during the perpetually wet season, we had to add an activity to the work of the altar guild, wiping the mold off prayer books in the pews. Many of these challenges are ongoing. Many of them cannot be fixed before other conditions are changed, such as not repairing water damage until we've replaced the roof to prevent further water intrusion. The blessings of having this large and useful building is accompanied by our responsibility to be good stewards, to facilitate ministry both for now and into the future.

...Security

In some ways, the answer to the challenges of having a large, useful, yet expensive building is in the building itself. As our congregation dwindles and with it our traditional source of operating and capital funds, we may need to look elsewhere, to seek alternative sources of income. Perhaps it is possible to leverage the large investment we have in our property to help support ministry and maintain the property itself. In this regard I have no definite idea or specific plan to propose, but I do have the experience in my last parish of turning unused space into a thriving thrift shop that produces a net of about \$30,000 annually, and also renting out space that was unused during the week to an organization whose mission was consistent with the parish's mission. Pursuing some sort of income from our property would most likely involve some investment to make it more attractive, but the potential is there to create a sustainable income.

I thank God that we have the property we have. Without it we would not be able to offer the programs we do for our own parishioners and for the community. We may need to start looking at the property in different ways in order to continue to respond to God's call. It may be helpful to see our building as ministry, stewardship, and security.

TREASURER'S REPORT, Julie Kwasnica, Treasurer



April 2019

			% of	2019
	April	Year-to-Date	Budget	BUDGET
Parishioner Contributions *	\$ 26,765	\$ 188,353	41%	\$ 462,261
Total Income	\$ 31,376	\$ 209,787	40%	\$ 530,384
Total Expense	\$ 45,076	\$ 183,784	35%	\$ 530,384
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ (13,701)	\$ 26,002		

I'm getting settled into my new office and new role, and enjoying learning all the intricate details of St. Andrew's finances. As you can see from the numbers above, one of the things I have learned is how to pay bills when expenses are greater than income. Even with the attendance boost of Holy Week, April income was low, and now the summer slump has begun. But the bills never stop coming. So please don't forget to make those pledge payments even when you are travelling this summer! Thanks for your support

VESTRY UPDATE, Kevin Lowe, Clerk of the Vestry



May 2019

The May vestry meeting was held on Tuesday, May 14. The parish's net operating income for April 2019 was lower than usual, resulting in a net deficit for the month, but our year-to-date position remains financially positive. As we enter the season of summer travel and vacations, the vestry reminds all members of St. Andrew's that the parish's financial needs remain constant. We invite you to help steward the parish through automatic contributions in Realm (easily accessed on our website, standrewsc.org), or by sending contributions directly to the church office in care of financial secretary Mary Andrew when you expect to be traveling.

The vestry is also beginning a process of strategic planning for the future of St. Andrew's. To that end we are engaged in a study of the book *The Agile Church: Spirit-Led Innovation in an Uncertain Age*, by Episcopal priest Dwight J. Zscheile. This has led to interesting discussions of the place of the church in an increasingly un-churched culture, how we create and nurture community in the church, and how we find people who may appreciate our style of Christianity. We will continue our study of the book over the coming months. We also invite all members of St. Andrew's to participate in a process of visioning and idea generation to help guide the vestry, by answering the questions we have posted on the wall of the upper Trost wing hallway. These questions about St. Andrew's gifts, ministries, and mission will be posted for a number of weeks, and we hope everyone will contribute their perspective.

And now, as promised in the May Net, let's learn a little bit about our new Clerk of the Vestry as we

GET TO KNOW KEVIN LOWE

When did you and Sarah join St. Andrew's? What attracted you?

Sarah and I first started attending St. Andrew's in the fall of 2014, because we were looking for a new church home that would be a good fit for both of us.¹ We both immediately responded to the beautiful liturgy, the commitment to social justice, and of course the friendliness of everyone here. We were officially received by Bishop Audrey in March of 2017.



Julia and Kevin

Some people may not know you are a very talented musician. Tell us a little bit about what you are involved in currently.

Thanks! I'm a drummer and a composer.² At one point I was playing over 100 shows a year, but since Julia was born, I've pulled back considerably. I do still perform with a wide variety of musicians all around central PA, though, including Erin Condo and the Hoofties, Tyne and the Fastlyne, Raven and the Wren, the Zeropoint Big Band, Rick Hirsch, Jay Vonada, and Lemont. (Come see Erin, Zeropoint, and Jay at Arts Fest in July!³) When I get a little time, I write music for big band.

You have a master's degree in early Christian history from Drew University and a doctorate in American religious history from Penn State and are a stay-at-home dad to a pre-school daughter⁴. Which of these experiences has better prepared you/has more relevance for serving on the vestry?

Nothing can prepare you for vestry! Just kidding. Academia certainly taught me how to be organized and how to manage multiple projects and responsibilities, which has been good preparation for vestry. And the more I learn about the history of the church, the more I feel committed to helping steward our little corner of that two-thousand-year tradition. Being a stay-at-home dad has helped me get better at listening and being patient, which is useful everywhere!

Where did you grow up?

I grew up in Ithaca, New York. I was really fortunate that all of my grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins also lived in Ithaca! My generation of the family has scattered now, but Ithaca still feels like home to me. It is hard to imagine that either you or Sarah have much free time, but assuming you do, how do you like to spend it?

Ah yes, "free" time... We try to go for hikes in the state forests as often as possible in the summer. I love to cook and bake and Julia likes to "help" as much as she can. And like every former academic, I'm slowly writing a novel.⁵

Going anywhere fun this summer?

I'm going to Arizona with the Journey Pilgrims! I'm really looking forward to the adventure. Other than that, our traveling this summer will mostly be to visit family. But I know Sarah's pining for the beach, so we'll see what we can do....

¹ And Kevin and Sarah have been a great fit for St. Andrew's. In addition to vestry, Kevin is currently a Journey leader, recent EfM graduate, Adult Forum Leader, lector, and thurifer. Sarah chairs the Property Committee and serves as a steward for Parishioners Ministry.

² Although the previous Clerk of the Vestry was also a drummer, this appears to be a coincidence and not a requirement of our by-laws.

³ Shameless plug.

⁴ The adorable Julia Lowe, who never fails to bring a smile your face.

⁵ Does it involve the Rector and staff of an Episcopal church in any way?

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Thank You to St. Andrew's Families

THANK YOU for bringing your children to church this year! They each add an important color to the rich mosaic that is our church family!

I know it takes effort to get everybody through the door on Sunday, and I also know the benefits are not always immediately apparent. But over the long term, I really believe it makes a great difference to be part of a faith community!

As powerful as they are, spiritual things can have a faint sound that is easily drowned out. Listening to the Spirit takes practice, and that is exactly what we're doing every Sunday. We're practicing this deepest layer of life together. We're making it easier and easier to hear God's voice of well-being, purpose and joy! Children really need this (and adults do too)!

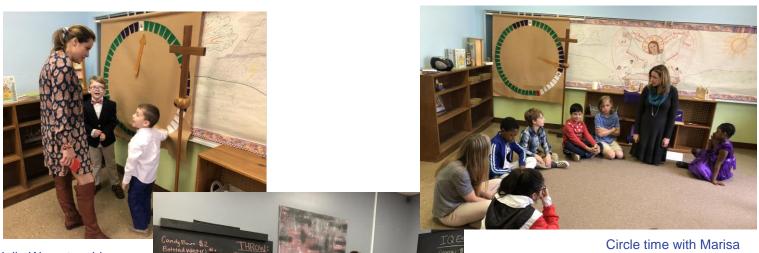


So however much you were able to come to church this year, thank you and well done!

End of Church School Year

TEACHER APPRECIATION

On Sunday, June 2nd we recognized the love and labor of our Sunday School Teachers and Youth Leaders during the 10 a.m. worship service. St. Andrew's children and youth presented their teachers and leaders with a gift during the announcements. Thank you, teachers, and enjoy your summer! (Below, teachers in action.)



Julie Wunz teaching the church calendar

Sean McGarry, Nat Hickner, Ben and Genevieve Rogers and Bryson Christopher from the Journey Middle group celebrated their leader Eric Zimmerer before his move to Boston with a cool night at IQ Escape Room (don't worry, they made it out!). Thanks to Kelley Paulsen for facilitating!

PENTECOST PARTY!

Our last day of children's activities for the 2018-19 school year will be Sunday June 9th when we will gather in Room 335 for a celebration of Pentecost! Pentecost is the time we mark the giving of the Holy Spirit to the disciples in Jerusalem.

And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit gave them ability.

- Acts of the Apostles 2:1-4 (NRSV)

The Spirit is compared with *wind* and with *fire* – two very rich metaphors for children! Because of the association with fire, we use the color red in our celebration. And since the dove is also a symbol of the Spirit, there will be white birds in attendance as well. We'll have a very festive time exploring the Pentecost story, making dove and fire twirling sticks, and – of course – eating red food!

Summer for Children

June 9th will be our last day of children's activities during the 10 a.m. church service until early September. Based on lower attendance during the summer, we're not able to offer a summer children's program. *But*, we will have some quality materials for children to use during the church service. So families, when you're in town this summer, come on out!

Pilgrimage is HERE!

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU for all the ways you have supported this group of young people in their endeavor to make a pilgrimage to the Southwest in June!

Plane tickets have been purchased, packing lists have been received, paperwork has been signed, prayers are being compiled, t-shirts are in the works, journals have been decorated, prayer beads have been crafted, fundraising work has been done, and the leaders have spent *lots* of time leading lively discussions about what is going to take place.

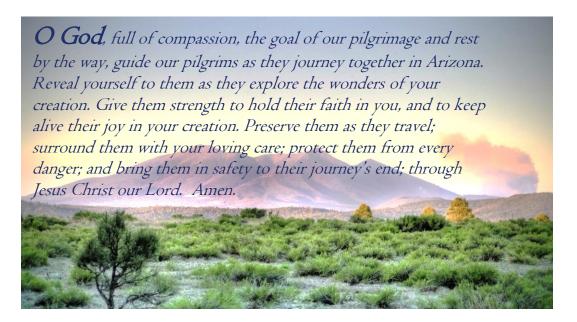
On the morning of Sunday, June 23rd, our 14 travelers will step out into the larger world. Once in Flagstaff, Arizona they will experience community living, they will be out every day in God's desert grandeur, they will slow their lives down and unplug from devices, they will serve their host community, they will worship together in very new settings, they will ask big questions together and also reflect in solitude, and they will stretch their understanding of time and human life by exploring the culture of the ancient Sinagua people. They will return Sunday morning, June 30th.





You have patiently supported our fundraisers, and we hope you will tune into the pilgrim blog (instructions on how to do that to come!). But there is one more thing you can do for us. You can PRAY! You can pray that each of these pilgrims – leaders Jason McCloskey, Kathryn Yahner, Kevin Lowe and Mary Beth Hoffman, and students Ainsley Paulsen, Abbey Humphreys, Charlotte Wunz, Elisa Edgar, Gabe Hickner, Kaleigh McGarry, Madi Christopher, Marlee Kwasnica, Marshall Dawson, and Simon Murphy – will encounter God in a new way, and that this encounter will cast their lives in a new light and give them new energy too seek and serve God and others once they're home.

We give you hearty and sincere thanks for your attention, resources and for your prayers! And may we all discover God more and more each day, whether we go out or stay in.



2019 Graduates

We will honor St. Andrew's high school graduates on Sunday, June 9th with a special prayer and a gift! This will be a very meaningful moment for our whole church family as we pray for young people at an important moment of transition. Many of these young people have grown up before our eyes, Sunday to Sunday, for 18 years! To read more about our graduates, see page 12.

Compassionate Life

The women of Compassionate Life wrapped up their study of Presiding Bishop Curry's *Way of Love* in May. We found it was a fantastic springboard for meaningful conversations about the life of faith! Over the summer and early in the fall we will determine our direction for the 2019-2020 academic year. We celebrated our time together with a brunch hosted by Tonya Bautista at the end of May. To add your name to our email list to receive announcements about meeting times and other details, please send a line to Kathy Hickner at youth@standrewsc.org.

ADULT FORMATION

ADULT EDUCATION FORUM

Sunday June 9, 9:00 a.m. Canterbury Hall

Celebrating the Saints

Our celebration that began back in March with Mary, Mother of God, comes to an end on Sunday, June 9, with the concluding session appropriately titled, "Celebrate the Saints." Many thanks to Kevin Lowe for leading the forums and to guest presenter, Philip Jenkins. Adult Forum will take a break for the summer, but will return in September with more educational and thought-provoking programming. If you have suggestions, comments, or ideas for future Adult Forums, please contact Kate Freeman.



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.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Ron Rovansek at (714) 514-8875

Thank you as always for supporting the Café.

VEGETABLE DONATIONS REQUESTED



If it is not quite summer in Central Pennsylvania, it is certainly time to garden. The home kitchen garden can be as diverse or quirky as the gardener; the only limit is the growing season itself, so it's time to pick up trowel or shovel and get going. Our garden currently hosts pumpkins, tomatoes, broccoli, Brussel sprouts, corn and cabbage, and if the chipmunk doesn't win, we'll be up to our armpits in vegetables in a month or two. If you find yourself in the same boat, the Café would be very happy to take your donations. What doesn't get used in the kitchen, can be put to good use on the take-home table, where people can use whatever they select to help supplement their meals during the week. It's amazing how fast the vegetables go! Also, please consider donating cut flowers on Thursdays as well. We not only use them to decorate the tables, but patrons can take flowers to loved ones and that makes everyone feel good.

CHANGES TO CANTERBURY HALL KITCHEN - COMMENTS WELCOME

The kitchen in Canterbury Hall has seen many changes since it was first installed, and now, a new change is under consideration.

As many who use the kitchen know, there is a worktable with a polyethylene top. However, this top no longer meets the Code requirements for food safety. Additionally, the hotel pans stored underneath this table are in violation of a ServSafe regulation because the countertop is used for food prep. This table must be replaced before the inspector returns.

The proposed plan would replace this worktable with a table with cabinet storage underneath which could store that Coffee Hour supplies and items used for Parish Life events in a dedicated, larger space than they currently occupy.

The plan is to then remove the two electric conventional and white cabinet unit they are attached to. The ovens and cabinet would be replaced by shelving for the displaced hotel pans and a narrow worktable positioned next to the stove. This move is also important because the tray rack is next to the stove and the plastic covering that protects them from splatters is a fire hazard. The cover frequently has holes in it from being too close to the oven.

With the removal of the two electric ovens, the kitchen still has two conventional ovens underneath the stove and two convection ovens. Ron Rovansek is looking to have automatic lighters installed so that pilot lights do not have to be lit each time in order to use them. In the meantime, written instructions will be posted about how to light and use the ovens, and if anyone ever needs help, volunteers are always ready to assist.

This plan has been approved by our Sexton, Scott Luzier, who would be in charge of the demo of the unit; head of the Property Committee, Sarah Lowe; head of Parish Life, Darlene Nordoff; and Coffee Hour coordinator, Scott Strauss. The proposal is now in front of the Community Café Board and the members would like to hear from the parish at large by June 14.

If you have any concerns or questions, please contact Ron Rovansek at rrovansek@pacewater.com or Sharon Rovansek at srovansek@comcast.net or any member of the Board: Dennis Shea, Dan Foster, Julie Kwasnica, Amy Allison, Ted Jaenicke, Ron Rovansek or Father Jeff.



Counter to be replaced due to Code violations



Two convection and two conventional ovens that will remain



Electric ovens and cabinet to be removed

PIES NEEDED FOR ARTS FEST PIE SALE!

Pies Wanted!

The Community Café at St. Andrew's will host a pie and ice cream sale during Arts Fest on July 11, 12 and 13 to benefit continued operations, new worktables and shelving, and we need pies!



Please consider donating a pie or the ingredients, and we will take it from there. Apple and strawberry are always in high demand, and rest assured we will have plenty of those! Specialty pies such as pear, peach cream, key lime, blueberry, and black raspberry are in even higher demand, so whatever you choose to donate will most certainly be appreciated and sold.

Pies can be dropped off in Canterbury Hall on Thursday, July 11, or anytime during the sale. You can hand it to a volunteer or there will be room in the refrigerator. Please label your pie as to the type of pie, so we don't have to do a secret taste test. If you have any questions, please contact Ron Rovansek at 714-514-8875 or Sharon Rovansek at 574-4708.

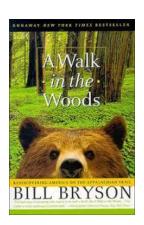
Thank you for your continued support of the Community Cafe!

UPCOMING

BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, July 2, 7:00 p.m. Home of Sharon Rovansek

Due to travel schedules, the book club is going to take a slight hiatus for the month of June, but will meet Tuesday, July 2, 7:00 p.m. at the home of Sharon Rovansek. We will discuss Bill Bryson's 1998 book, *A Walk in the Woods*, a hilarious recount of the author's hike of the Appalachian Trail and a perfect summer read. Please consider joining us.



ARTS FESTIVAL FAMILY FILM

Wednesday, July 10, 7 p.m. Canterbury Hall

Lego Batman Movie (2017) Rated PG

This family friendly movie is meaningful for both kids and adults, longtime Batman fans and new! There are big changes brewing in Gotham, but if Batman wants to save the city from the Joker's hostile takeover, he may have to drop the lone vigilante thing, try to work with others, and maybe, just maybe, learn to lighten up. Maybe his superhero sidekick Robin and loyal butler Alfred can show him a thing or two about the true meaning of family.

We will gather at 6:30 p.m. for summertime treats including hot dogs, chips and lemonade. The film is free and all are welcome!



NOTICES

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS



Beginning June 10 until August 26, the church office will be closed on Fridays. Monday through Thursday, we will be open our regular hours, 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. You may leave a message or send email at any time.

SUMMER WORSHIP

Summer worship times will remain the same as during the school year: Sunday at 8, 10, and 5 p.m.; weekdays, Morning Prayer at 8:30 a.m.; Wednesdays, 12:15 Eucharist with Healing Prayer and 5:15 Evening Prayer. June 9 is the last Sunday for all children and youth programs and Adult Forums until the fall. Nursery will be available during the summer at the 10 a.m. Sunday service.

GARDENERS WANTED!

Each summer a small group of parishioners takes turns weeding and watering our beautiful front flower bed. I think we can all agree that they do a fantastic job and we are grateful for their efforts.

Unfortunately, the gardening group has dwindled in recent years, and they could use a few new members. Each person is responsible for weeding and watering one, two, or three weeks during the summer. This usually requires a couple of hours one or two days during the week and does not require any specialized knowledge or training. If



you are available to take one or more weeks this summer, please contact Julie Kwasnica immediately.

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

Wednesday June 12, 6:30 p.m. Home of Mena Jones

Our next meeting will be at Mena Jones's Home for a potluck cookout on June 12 at 6:30. RSVP to Kitty Mussett by June 10th at kam13@psu.edu or 814-880-5217.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1 Ann Gibboney	9 Robin Bastress	19 Ann Shepherd
2 Kate Freeman	9 Jean Stump	20 Anthony Grillo
2 Ted Jaenicke	10 Lori McGarry	21 PJ McCloskey
3 Monica Niccolai	10 Kingsley Okafor	21 Stephen Mainzer
4 Kayden Orlich	13 Chris Marini	21 Sawyer Malik
5 Cathy Dauler	13 Natalie Urban	22 Robert Freeborn
5 Nathaniel Felsmann	14 Anne Heinsohn	23 Eli Jaenicke
7 Julie Kwasnica	5 Julia Lowe	24 Carolyn Donaldson
7 Thomas Dauler	15 Kathy Johnston	25 Cindy Law
7 Mary Evans	16 Mary Amato	27 Kaleigh McGarry
7 Mark Patzkowsky	17 James Green	27 Jack Rovansek
7 Don Hopkins	18 Betsy Llewellyn	30 Chris Dash
9 Gilli Cozine	18 Geoff Rule	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! If you have a June birthday and don't 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.

Those for Whom We Pray

Teri, Denise, Fred, Joe, Chuck, Lee, Mary, Joyce, David, Peter, Addy, Joan, Jane, Don, Kevin, Frank, Diane, Robbie, Vicki, David, Sara, Emily, Natalie, Pat, Sandy, Karen, Kathryn, Ty, Terry, Wayne, Cathy, Bob, Judy, Bill, Ed, Andrew, Fritz, Patrick, Franklin, Carla, Bob, William, Doug, George, Stu, Alexandra, Betsy, Sarah, Gretel, Brian, Barb, Susan

Those in the Armed Forces and First Responders

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

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St. Andrew's 2019 Graduates

Raina Arnett

recently graduated from the Eastman School of Music with BM degrees in Violin Performance and Music Theory. She is also a member of the honors society Pi Kappa Lambda. This summer she has been invited to premiere several new works in Finland at the Creative Dialogues Symposium, and in the coming year she will be doing arts outreach in the public school system as an ArtistYear AmeriCorps Fellow in New York City.





Samantha Bastress

is graduating from The University of Pittsburgh with a Bachelors degree in Media and Professional Communication with minors in Political Science and Museum Studies. As she graduates, she is working for The Carnegie Museum of Natural History and attending Chatham University to earn a Master's in Interdisciplinary Design (Art).



Caroline Boston,

a daughter of Keith and Alison Boston (former members of St. Andrew's) graduated from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst with a degree in History. During her tenure at UMass, she worked as a bus driver and spent two summers shuttling tourists and islanders around Martha's Vineyard. This summer she is driving a bus at Denali National Park in Alaska and plans to return to Amherst in the fall

Hayley S. Couch

is a Spring 2019 Penn State graduate from the Smeal College of Business with a B.S. degree in Marketing. In a few short weeks, Hayley will be relocating to Massachusetts (just outside of Boston) where she will be employed by Oracle.





Ryan S. Couch

will be graduating in June from the State College Area High School. In the fall, Ryan plans to pursue a B. A. degree in English and a minor in Global Studies from Penn State. Ryan has set some long term goals and plans to apply to law school upon completion of his undergraduate studies.



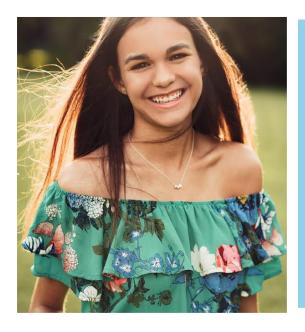
William Hartmann

graduated from Juniata College in May with a Master of Accounting degree.

Helen Grace Hoffman

is a Delta Graduate! She is taking a gap year before heading off to Arizona to study Outdoor Education. During her gap year, she will continue working at 2000 degrees, creating art and traveling the globe. She and her best friend will be traveling to Greece for the month of August and is hoping to visit California for some time as well. We are proud of her handwork and her desire to teach children about nature and the benefits of the outdoors.





Anna Kwasnica

is graduating from State College High School. She is an honor student, a piano player, and a distance runner on the State High track and cross country teams. At St. Andrew's, Anna is a nursery volunteer, acolyte, and occasional amateur photographer. Anna will attend Allegheny College this fall, where she plans to major in Political Science and run on the track and cross country teams.

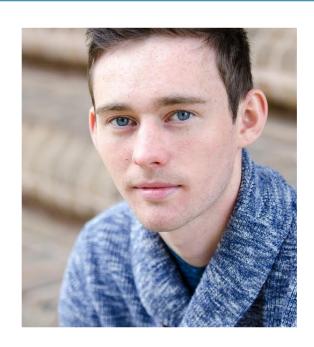


Abbie "Abba Dabba" Loviscky

started her St. Andrew's career as a tiny tike in the nursery, where she enjoyed taking care of all the stuffed animals and letting Miss Julie think she was in charge! She is now a tiny 18 year old and has spent the last two years as a Delta student, where she has had many *fabulous* teachers, including St. Andrew's own Lori McGarry and Amy Allison. "Abbra Cadabra" will be attending Penn State starting this summer with the LEAP program and will be majoring in Psychology.

Patrick Osborne

is graduating from State College High School. Patrick is an avid wood worker and a varsity pole vaulter. Beginning in August 2019, he will attend Emory University in Atlanta, GA, where he plans to pursue his interests in international studies and foreign language. He also looks forward to continuing his pole vaulting adventures as a member of the Emory Eagles track team.





Leah Patzkowsky

is graduating from State College High School and is thrilled to announce that she will attend Mount Holyoke College this fall. She is considering a major in Film and Media Studies.



Zach Paulsen

is graduating from State College High School. Zach will be serving his country in the United States Air Force.

Risha Shea

is graduating from State College Area High School. At State High, Risha was a member of Thespians for four years, on stage and behind the scenes. They played cello with several different string ensembles and symphonic orchestra, and wrote for and edited *Acclivity*, State High's literary magazine. This fall, Risha will attend the University of PIttsburgh and continue to pursue their interests in writing and music. They will major in Bioinfomatics and Philosophy with a focus in Bioethics.





Eric Zimmerer

graduated in May from Penn State with a BS in Chemical Engineering. Eric will start his next chapter in Boston where he will work in chemical engineering research.

