

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

## **June 2022**

## **Celebrating Ordinary Time**

The month of June starts with two special Sundays. On June 5 we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost when God poured out the Holy Spirit on the Church. This is one of the major feast days of the Church year, right up there with Christmas and Easter. We will be celebrating a baptism on Pentecost, which is one of the four Sundays that our Book of Common Prayer designates "most appropriate" for baptism. The following Sunday, the First Sunday after Pentecost, is always known as Trinity Sunday, the day we celebrate the gift of knowing God as a trinity of persons with a unity of being. These two Sundays make an auspicious start to this summer month.

After Trinity Sunday, we enter what is known as Ordinary Time. Now this sounds like it means that nothing special is happening during this time. That is not what "ordinary" means in this context. It refers to the ordinal numbers by which the Sundays are counted—first, second, third, and so on... Sunday after Pentecost. Although that is the meaning of "ordinary" here, it is still true that, liturgically speaking, there is nothing special happening during this season. The season doesn't even have a name. It is known simply as The Season after Pentecost and is signified by green vestments and paraments, the same as that other bit of ordinary time in our calendar known as The Season after the Epiphany.

The Season after Pentecost is the longest season of the church year, lasting up to about six months. It lacks the focus of other liturgical seasons. There is no particular event or time in Jesus' life that we remember during this time. There is no specific spiritual theme like repentance, or incarnation, or resurrection. The Gospel lessons we read on Sundays during this season tend to include the sayings of Jesus, his teachings, and parables, as well as the stories about his healings and exorcisms. I don't mind telling you that preaching during ordinary time can be difficult given the lack of focus. This season can feel like it goes on forever.

If you think about it, it's a little like life. Most of our time is what you might call "ordinary time," not in the sense of the church season with its ordered Sundays, but in the sense that most of the time in our lives is filled with doing ordinary things, just normal, regular, even boring things. Ordinary. When we look back on our lives, we likely see the major events that impacted us and our families: getting married, moving, starting a new job, graduating, suffering a major loss. We may even view our lives as consisting of chapters or eras that are defined by these sorts of turning points. We probably don't focus on that time we folded laundry while watching a rerun of some dumb sitcom, or the time we made chicken for dinner, or the time we got the oil changed in the car. These are not memorable moments, and they don't feel important. But these are the moments that make up our lives. There are way more of them than those seemingly momentous moments. They are important because they make us who we are. They represent the habits we have which express our deepest held values. The ordinary moments of our lives create the foundation for all we do and all we are, and they help us to find meaning in life.

Lately it seems that we have lived with so much disruption in our lives. I find myself longing for just some ordinary time.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT, Julie Kwasnica, Treasurer

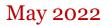


## April 2022

	April	Year-to-Date	% of Budget	2022 BUDGET
Parishioner Contributions *	\$ 34,107	\$ 214,391	47%	\$ 453,000
Total Operating Income	\$ 36,883	\$ 224,492	47%	\$ 481,600
Total Operating Expense	\$ 43,808	\$ 171,198	34%	\$ 506,519
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ (6,925)	\$ 53,295		

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

## VESTRY UPDATE, Kevin Lowe, Clerk of the Vestry



The vestry met on Tuesday, May 10, remotely, using Zoom. The vestry did not meet in April.

Following a second reading of the proposed bylaw changes presented at the March meeting, the vestry voted to approve the changes. These bylaw changes will allow stewards of Parishioners' Ministry to name their own chief steward, while reserving the appointment of a treasurer to the vestry.

In other work, vestry accepted a proposal for repair work to the Trost wing sewer vent pipes, to try to resolve the ongoing water leak issue on the roof. The vestry also approved a position description for a quarter-time Assistant Rector, to be hired using funds from our curate endowment. In addition, the vestry voted to approve ongoing use of Canterbury Hall as a polling place for three local districts and began a discussion of recommendations for potential safety improvements to the church that were prepared by the ad hoc Safety Committee.

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. The next vestry meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 14. Approved vestry minutes are available on our website ("Clergy, Staff & Vestry" under the "About Us" tab)

#### PARISH UPDATES

## Trinity House Update

In the summer of 2021 after much planning and hard work, Trinity House met all the criteria for use as rental housing and the first tenants moved in. This is part of a three-year plan approved by the Vestry. We will rent Trinity House for three years at a rate comparable to other housing in the area to recover the money spent on the various upgrades, repairs, and permits. At this point, we will be able to use Trinity House for our ultimate goal, outreach and ministry, as housing for low-income tenants.

The first year is nearing an end with no major problems and we have just signed lease agreements with tenants for the second year.

#### WORSHIP

# Welcome to our new acolyte, **JASON MCCLOSKEY**

We are grateful to welcome Jason McCloskey to our acolyte team. You probably saw him acolyting his daughter, Penelope, recently.

Jason McCloskey has been attending St. Andrew's since moving to State College with his wife, Andrea, in 2008. They have a daughter, Penelope. At St. Andrew's Jason has served on vestry, volunteers with the youth, and enjoys attending morning prayer. He works for Bucknell as Associate Prof. of Spanish, and in his free time enjoys listening to rock music, running, camping, and translating poetry.

We welcome anyone from 5th grade to adult to train to acolyte at St. Andrew's. **Thank you!** 

For more information, please contact Robin at children@standrewsc.org



#### **CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

## YOUTH PROGRAMS

**Trivia Night** 

J2A Pilgrimage Fundraiser at Big Spring Spirits 198 Match Factory Place, Bellefonte (814) 353-4478

**Monday, June 13** 5:00 p.m. – Doors open – full bar and food menu 7:00 p.m. – Trivia starts – 6 rounds

Enjoy an evening of Team Trivia at Big Spring Spirits to raise money for St. Andrew's J2A Youth Group!

CA\$H prizes for first (\$200) and second (\$100) place. Team Entry fee is \$40 per team, maximum of 4 players per team. (If you are a solo player in search of a team, purchase a solo ticket for \$10 and we will find teammates for you).

- Enter a Team (4-person max) \$40 and let us know your team's name
- Enter as a solo player \$10 (and we will find you a team)

#### **TO REGISTER**

Direct link to the registration page: https://www.bigspringspirits.com/shop/trivia-night

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From the main menu on the web page:

Go to PA Shipping, and then scroll through the inventory to find Trivia Night. After you book the table, remember to check out.



#### Youth Banner Making for Pride Parade

All youth are welcome to help craft the St. Andrew's banner for Pride parade! We'll meet Sunday, June 5, in Room 325 from 3-5 p.m.

#### J2A

#### **Urban Adventure**

Our 8th-10th grade youth group ventured down to Washington, DC May 13-15 for a challenging city scavenger hunt and worship at the National Cathedral. Many thanks to their leaders - Daniel Foster, Deborah Morton, and Kelley Paulsen - for journeying with them, and for the support of our J2A families!





#### Announcing J2A Pilgrimage 2023!

J2A will be on the road to meet God away from home again June 17, 2023! They will travel to upstate New York for service, worship, reflection, and adventure in the forests and waters of that beautiful area. Thank you for your support of this meaningful time for our youth!

#### YAC

YAC (Young Adults in the Church) met in May to wrap up the year. They enjoyed dinner together, re-enacted their younger years at the parklet, and finished up the night with some reflective journaling prompts as the sun set. Thanks for a great year, YAC! We'll miss you next year Kaleigh!



#### News from our CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

#### June 5th - Celebrating Pentecost



The last day of our Church School Year is June 5th.

On Pentecost Sunday, we will also celebrate a Baptism & Father Jeff will share a children's sermon.

We are grateful for our families and teachers for a meaningful Church School Year.

#### Summer News: We are OPEN!

When your family is home from summer adventures, the Nursery is Open for all children.

We look forward to our summer of dancing, reading, playing & learning together.



#### **UPCOMING**

#### State College Pride Parade

Saturday, June 11 1:45 p.m. Marchers meet on front lawn 3 – 5 p.m. Parade

St. Andrew's is proud to sponsor and take part in the State College Pride Parade on Saturday, June 11. Anyone wanting to march in the parade behind a St. Andrew's banner created by our youth group should meet on the front lawn at 1:45 p.m. The parade is scheduled from 3 - 5 p.m. and passes right in front of the church. If you would rather show your support as a spectator, come grab a front row seat on the lawn (BYOC – bring your own chair.)



We have also purchased a new Progress Pride banner for the front of the church. Our existing rainbow banner needed to be replaced due to weather damage and this gave us the opportunity to update to the most current version of the Pride flag designed by Daniel Quasar in 2018. Thank you to Connie Puckett taking care of all the details of having it made and to Scott Luzier for hanging it yesterday. (See photos)

The additions of black and brown to the original rainbow colors stand for people of color and their contributions to the Pride movement. The pink, blue, and white sections represent people who are transgender, intersex, or non-binary. The placement of these new colors in an arrow shape is also symbolic and conveys that progress is still needed.

The new banner, like the one it replaced, will be permanently on display as a symbol that the Episcopal Church and St. Andrew's are open and affirming and believe that God loves everyone – no exceptions. This item was not included in

our budget, so we are accepting donations to cover the cost. Please use "Pride Banner" as the description for your check or online payment. We will donate any funds collected above the cost of the banner to Centre LGBTQA Support Network to help fund their initiatives like support groups, a community clothing closet, workshops, trainings, and other resources.

For a complete list of PRIDE 2022 events, go to centrelgbtqa.squarespace.com/pride2022schedule

#### St. Andrew's "Welcome Statement"

We are a community of faith, seeking "to promote charity, which is the chief of Christian graces," and we welcome all persons, regardless of race, ethnic background, gender identity, sexual orientation, capability, or circumstances of life.



## **Daughters of the King Triennial Meeting**

June 22-26, 2022 Baltimore, MD



"People will come from east and west and north and south and will take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God." Luke 13:29 (NIV)

Daughters of the King from around the world meet every three years, usually the same time frame as the General Convention of the Episcopal Church; this meeting is referred to as the Triennial meeting. The first National Convention of The Order was held in Baltimore, Maryland, in 1893 and returned to Baltimore for the next National Convention in 1894. Now, 129 years later, Daughters are to meet once again in Baltimore, June 22-26, 2022, for their Triennial gathering. (This meeting was to have been held in 2021, but Covid-19 necessitated that it be postponed for one year.)

Triennial 2022 is being hosted by Province III, and our Diocese will have a significant presence at the meetings. The Diocese of Central PA will be represented by Province President and de facto co-host, Michele Marini; presenters Kitty Mussett and assistant Linda Hoover leading a workshop on Praying in Color; and volunteers - from St Andrew's in State College: Sian Packard and Kelley Paulsen; from St. John the Baptist in York: Alison Vedder, Susan Leake, and Ann Brooks; and from St. James in Lancaster: Heather Trenary and Jennifer Trenary.

At the Triennial gathering, National officers will be elected, bylaws will be updated, but most importantly, Daughters will gather as a community in celebration and worship of our King and Savior, Jesus Christ. It is a wonderful, spirit-filled gathering of women from all eight provinces, along with international Daughters from countries like Panama, Spain, Italy, and Germany, to name a few.

Michele Marini Vice President, Dame Julian of Norwich Chapter President, Province III The Order of the Daughters of the King®





## Central Pennsylvania Festival of the Arts™ At St. Andrew's

#### July 14 – 17

#### **Arts Festival Ice Cream Social**

Friday, July 1 5 – 7 p.m., Schlow Library

The Central Pennsylvania Festival of the Arts is back in person this year! To celebrate, they are hosting an Ice Cream Social outside at Schlow Library. Festival staff, volunteers, and board members (including Fr. Jeff) will be scooping "Festival Fudge" ice cream from the Creamery as one of the events for the July "First Friday" in downtown State College.

#### St. Andrew's Poetry Reading and Panel Discussion

Saturday, July 16 St. Andrew's Episcopal Church 1 p.m. Poetry Reading 3 p.m. Panel Discussion

We received the final entry in our 2022 poetry contest 43 minutes before the midnight deadline on May 29. The 79 adult entries are now in the judges' hands, and we will be announcing the winners soon. Unfortunately, we did not receive enough youth entries this year and will not be awarding a youth prize. Thank you to all who submitted poems.

We will hold a poetry reading and panel discussion this year during the Arts Festival on Saturday, July 16. The poetry reading will begin at 1 p.m. in the church and will be hosted by our featured poet, Marjorie Maddox. All prize-winning poets and others selected by the poetry committee for inclusion our contest anthology will be invited to read. Copies of the anthology will be available for purchase. Following a short break, Fr. Jeff will moderate our panel discussion on the topic of Creation Care and Climate Crisis.

We hope you will join the conversation as we explore this topic that affects our earth and "all that is in it" through poetry and discussion.

#### **Stained Glass Window Tours**

Friday, July 15 and Saturday, July 16 10 a.m. to Noon Meet in Narthex

Cathy Dauler will be leading tours of our stained glass windows during the Arts Festival again this year. Even if you see them every Sunday, you are certain to learn something about their history, fabrication, or images depicted and leave with a new appreciation.

#### Sunday Worship at St. Andrew's

Sunday, July 17

On the Sunday of Arts Festival, July 17, we will have only one worship service at 9 a.m.

## The Community Café

Greetings from the Community Café! We would first like to thank everyone who donated or spread the word on social media about our annual campaign during CentreGives. During the event itself, we raised an incredible \$5,745.00 which will go toward operating costs, ingredients, and kitchen equipment (if you haven't had the chance, check out the new convection ovens which were bought with last year's fundraising). We will find out the final tally which will include additional money from the stretch pool within 45 days and will be sure to let you know!





Also, you may notice two changes in Canterbury Hall. The first is that we bought brand new chairs for the Café and church to use. They are a beautiful color, and we already love them.

The second change is that the Café is open to in-person dining! The first week, we served over 70 guests inside Canterbury Hall for the first time in over two years. It was wonderful to hear voices in that room and see people enjoying their food. We know that the number will continue to grow as we look ahead to the summer and fall.

That's why we would like to remind gardeners that it's the right time of the season to 'grow an extra row.' The Café will take any vegetable donations and use them for ingredients; however, we would be particularly thrilled to get tomatoes, zucchini, bell peppers, eggplants, cabbage, and rhubarb.

If you have any to donate, please let Ron know by emailing him at <u>rrovansek@pacewater.com</u> and he will let you know the best place to drop them off.



Finally, as a reminder, the Café serves a free meal every Thursday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and all are welcome. As always, the Community Café thanks you for your support!

#### Episcopal Relief and Development (ERD) aid for Ukraine



Your donation to <u>Ukraine Crisis Response Fund</u> will help ERD, working with Action by Churches Together (ACT) Alliance, to provide humanitarian assistance including food, shelter, water and basic supplies, to people fleeing the violence in Ukraine.

For more info: https://www.episcopalrelief.org/

## **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.

#### **COMPASSIONATE LIFE**

Compassionate Life met at Tudek Park at the end of May to celebrate the year together before we break for the summer. It's been another rich cycle of prayer, laughter, sharing, and discussion together!

## KNITTING MINISTRY / ST. ANDREW'S PEACE POD

Sunday, June 12, 11:15 a.m. Library (Room 324) and *Zoom* 



Join us for fellowship and prayerful/mindful making with our hands for others.

Join us June 12 following the 10 a.m. service (~11:15) in the Library or by *Zoom*. All are welcome. We are knitters, crocheters and weavers with a connection to the Centre Region and/or to St. Andrew's. The Zoom link is https://psu.zoom.us/j/2897917610.

#### **BOOK CLUB** Tuesday, July 5 7 p.m., Breuninger home

For the summer, the St. Andrew's Book Club has gotten into the spirit of travel; we will read



Charles Wheelan's memoir *We Came, We Saw, We Left: A Family Gap Year.* The book chronicles the author's 2018 journey with his wife, and their teenagers spanning nine months and six continents, and getting them into all sorts of unusual and hilarious situations.

Julie and Jamie Breuninger will host the discussion at their home on Tuesday. July 5 at 7 p.m. All are welcome to join us.



Future Dates for 2022 are Jul 10, Aug 14, Sep 11, Oct 9, Nov 13, Dec 11. Anne Hoag will email the mailing list a few days in advance if there are any changes. To be added to the email list, contact Anne at anne.hoag@gmail.com.

## **JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

1 Ann Gibboney	9 Robin Bastress	20 Anthony Grillo
2 Dannielle Kroczynski	10 Lori McGarry	21 Penelope McCloskey
2 Kate Freeman	13 Chris Marini	21 Stephen Mainzer
2 Ted Jaenicke	14 Anne Heinsohn	22 Rob Freeborn
5 Cathy Dauler	15 Julia Lowe	23 Eli Jaenicke
5 Nathaniel Felsmann	15 Kathy Johnston	24 Carolyn Donaldson
7 Julie Kwasnica	16 Mary Amato	25 Cindy Law
7 Thomas Dauler	17 James Green	27 Kaleigh McGarry
7 Mary Evans	18 Betsy Llewellyn	27 Jack Rovansek
7 Mark Patzkowsky	18 Geoff Rule	30 Chris Dash
7 Don Hopkins	19 Ann Shepherd	
9 Gilli Cozine	19 John Mason	

**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** Sandy, Dick, Erica, Teri, Molly, Mavis, Kevin, Diane, Frank, Sara, Emily, David, Vicki, Donna, Robbie, Joan, Don, Jane, Zach, Ty, Jordan, Carolyn, Ken, Beth, Betty, Jamie, Magen, Jean, John, Johanna, Ellen, Lish, K. Elaine, Tom, Mimi **Those in the Armed Forces and First Responders** Zach, Christie, Sean, Matt, Eric **The Newly Baptized** Arthur John Davis **The Faithful Departed** William Lorren Hartmann

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