

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

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

November 2024

Live Eucharistically!

I took a class through our diocesan online school, the Stevenson School for Ministry, this past summer. It was a class about the Bible. In a discussion, when the subject turned to the Old Testament system of sacrifices, our professor made what seemed to me a curious statement. He said that the sacrifices offered in the temple in Jerusalem were not about the killing of the animal. Additionally, he made this point in relation to Jesus' offering of himself as a sacrifice. It wasn't about his dying, it was about his giving of his life, the professor pointed out. The example he used to make this point was our annual national sacrifice day: Thanksgiving. We sacrifice a turkey every year. Yet it isn't about killing the animal. It is about gathering for the meal. In our modern, civilized society, very few of us get involved with killing our own meat. In fact, I suspect that many of us would rather forget where the meat comes from, unless we think about it coming from the grocery store wrapped in plastic. But we love to think about Thanksgiving Day and the table spread with a beautifully roasted turkey and all the trimmings. The meal is an occasion that draws families and friends together. It is a celebration of abundance that reminds us to give thanks for all we have. For all that Thanksgiving is about, it is certainly not about the killing of the turkey.

As we look forward to this annual festival, I hope I haven't ruined your appetite talking about the reality of death that is prerequisite to our feast. But I take my professor's point seriously. We don't have to reflect too deeply about Thanksgiving to realize that the point of it is giving thanks. The overindulgence associated with the holiday simply heightens our awareness of our blessings, and therefore our sense of thankfulness. This concept of giving thanks is one that resonates with us Christians. Giving thanks is the central act of our weekly worship. The Holy Eucharist is also known as the Great Thanksgiving, the actual meaning of the Greek word eucharist. In that feast, we remember the death of our Lord who gave himself for us. Though again the death isn't the point. It is the gift of life we receive through that sacrifice that we celebrate. It is the giving of thanks we offer to God in gratitude for God's gifts.

Just as we take the time to think about what we are thankful for when we eat our Thanksgiving meal, we should take a moment to reflect on what we are thankful for when we eat our eucharistic meal. Just as the excess of food at Thanksgiving represents the bounty of harvest and blessings in our lives, the bounty of God's grace is celebrated in the Great Thanksgiving. In case this may seem like an empty religious practice, consider that the goal would be to learn to live eucharistically, that is to learn how to live with an attitude of thanksgiving in all things. We can practice this in the many mundane moments of our lives. Grace before a meal is a great start, but why not thank God for each little gift you receive throughout your day? To live a eucharistic life, a life of thanksgiving, is to live a blessed life in which you are ever conscious of God's grace and presence.

Fr. Jeff +

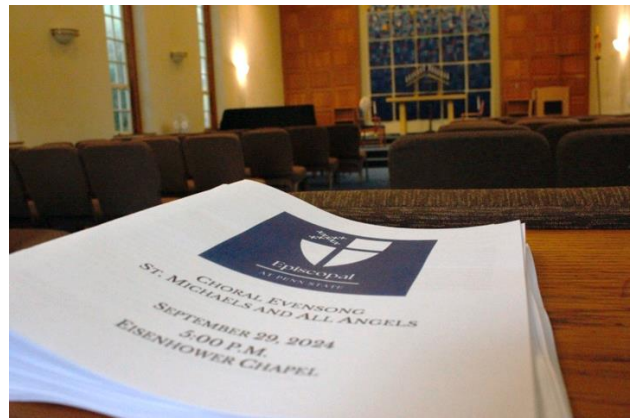
TED Talk

On Campus and Off

Episcopal at Penn State, along with the Center for Spiritual and Ethical Development at Penn State, hosted a showing of the film *The Philadelphia Eleven* at the Pasquerilla Spiritual Center. We were honored to be joined by Bishop Audrey and her husband, Glenn, who had dinner before the movie with a group of Penn State students, including the leadership of the campus ministry along with several of our Choral Scholars.

Speaking of our Choral Scholars, they will offer two services of Choral Evensong, both on Sunday, December 1. The first service will be at 2 p.m. at St. Mark's Lewistown and the second will be at 5 p.m. at St. John's Huntingdon. Part of the mission of this ministry is to offer this liturgy at parishes who do not have choral music programs. Our episcopal/Anglican tradition has such a rich musical tradition, and we are lucky to be able to share that, both on campus and off.

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WORSHIP

Evensong

November 3
5 p.m. in the Church



On Sunday, November at 5 p.m., the Adult Choir will present a service of choral evensong. Music will include the evening canticles in D by Herbert Brewder, Preces and Responses by Robert J. Powell, and the anthems UNTO THEE, O GOD by Alan Hovhaness, and BIDE WITH US LORD by Michael Praetorius. The Rev. Jeffrey A. Packard will be the officiant. Organist Gwen Catchen will play music by Johann Pachelbel and others.

Prior to the Reformation, prayer in the early evening or late afternoon was known as the Office of Vespers, one of the eight Canonical Hours of the divine office of the Western church. However, in 1549, the Book of Common Prayer was adopted in the context of the English Reformation. Bishop Thomas Cranmer established the office of Evensong using elements taken from both Vespers and Compline, generally to be conducted in the English language, as was the case with the entire liturgy. Old English speakers translated the Latin word vespervas as æfensang, which became 'evensong' in modern English.

After a series of slight modifications, the office of Evensong took its modern form in the 1662 Book of Common Prayer of the Church of England, a form that is followed very closely throughout the whole of the Anglican and Episcopal Church throughout the world. This is the form used at St. Andrew's,

Evensong, like all forms of liturgical worship, has elements of drama and ritual that nourish the spiritual life of all of us. It is based entirely on elements of Holy Scripture, and it is scripted according to a long history, originating in Judaic and early Christian evening worship. Evensong is traditionally mostly sung by a choir, with the full congregation participating throughout in thoughtful prayer, allowing the music to touch us and to draw us closer to the presence of God.

A reception will follow in Room 325. The next evensong will be February 2, 2025, at 5 p.m.

TREASURER'S REPORT, Julie Kwasnica, Treasurer



September 2024

	September	Year-to-Date	% of Budget	2024 BUDGET
Parishioner Contributions *	\$ 28,142	\$ 360,902	83%	\$ 432,500
Total Operating Income	\$ 30,296	\$ 386,397	83%	\$ 464,100
Total Operating Expense	\$ 36,431	\$ 401,950	72%	\$ 555,264
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ (6,134)	\$ (15,553)		

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

VESTRY UPDATE, Beth Jones, Clerk of the Vestry



October 2024

The vestry met on Oct. 8, 2024 in Room 324. The vestry approved the date of the Annual Parish Meeting as January 26, 2025 and the vestry retreat on February. 22, 2025. The treasurer reported that the income for September was a little lower than usual, but that often works itself out in the subsequent months.

The Sabbatical Committee, charged with helping to cover the Church duties while Fr. Jeff is on sabbatical next year, presented their first report with recommendations, with more action next month.

The Budget Recommendations Committee will present their report at the November vestry meeting.

A nominating committee to select parishioners for the coming years to be on vestry was also appointed. They will be speaking to individuals in the parish in the coming weeks.

2025 Budget - There was much discussion around how to allocate funds for the 2025 budget. More discussion to follow in November's meeting.

The next vestry meeting is scheduled for November 12, 2024, in Room 324 at 7:00 p.m. All are invited.

Vestry and Convention Delegate Nominations

Once again it is time to nominate candidates to serve on St. Andrews Vestry and as delegates to our 2025 Diocesan Convention. According to St. Andrew's By-laws, the Nominating Committee is chaired each year by the People's Warden. This year's committee, chaired by Sandy Schwartz, has initiated the process and will be contacting members to seek five vestry nominees for the 2025 election. Please consider serving in this capacity with thought and prayer.

To be eligible to serve on vestry **or** as a convention delegate, you must be baptized, at least 16 years old, and a confirmed or received member of St. Andrew's in good standing who supports the parish through regular financial contributions. Nominations for vestry members **and** convention delegates are due by December 15, 2024. You may self-nominate or nominate someone else. Please make sure your nominee is willing to serve and, for convention delegates, will be available on October 17 – 18 (tentative dates) before submitting his/her name.

You may submit nominations in writing to the church office or by email to Sandy Schwartz at sanford.schwartz@gmail.com

ELECTION 2024

“It is a Christian obligation to vote, and more than that, it is the church’s responsibility to help get souls to the polls.”

Election Eve Prayer Service

Monday, November 4, 2024
5:30 p.m. in the church

The evening before the election, St. Andrew's will hold a worship service so that we may come together as a community to offer prayers and find comfort during this time of stress and uncertainty.



Election Day

Tuesday, November 5, 2024

ALL DAY: During the election, **our church will be open** all day for individual prayer and reflection.

6:30 p.m. ON ZOOM: **Lection Divina** is a slow contemplative reading of the scripture. The St. Andrew's group, led by Christina Ford tapsy@hotmail.com, invites you to join them for a time of prayer during this time of confusion and uncertainty. Zoom link: <https://psu.zoom.us/j/601435067>

Election Night Virtual Prayers

Tuesday, November 5, 2024
8 – 10 p.m. on Facebook and Zoom

Everyone is invited to join **Election Night Virtual Prayers** hosted by **The Episcopal Church Office of Government Relations**. Bishop Sean Rowe, who will become presiding bishop on Nov. 1, will offer an opening reflection and prayer. Episcopalians from around the church will hold silence and lead participants in prayers together for peace, the nation, and all people and countries.

Join the event via Zoom by registering [HERE](#), or watch a livestream on The Episcopal Public Policy Network's [Facebook page](#).

Vote Faithfully

Demonstrate to your friends, family, and community your church's commitment to our common life this election season. Tell them that you #VoteFaithfully with an "I Voted" sticker or sharing one of the following on your social media.



- When we vote, we publicly declare our commitment to love our neighbor and to seek the common good. Let's spread the word that we #VoteFaithfully!
- I #VoteFaithfully because voting is a commitment we make to our community.

Stickers are available in the church office and the narthex in a limited quantity.

MUSIC AT ST. ANDREW'S

MEET YOUR CHOIR

You see them every Sunday. It is time to learn more about the members of the choir at St. Andrew's.

Darla Lindberg

I grew up on a 1500-acre grain farm in the area of North Dakota known as the Bakken Shale. I was baptized, confirmed, and married in the First English (speaking) Lutheran Church in Lostwood, ND, located between Stanley, ND and Powers Lake, ND (where I attended grades 1-12). Lostwood is now a ghost town, but the church and the Bible school still stand against the setting sun in the middle of fields of grain. Church and choir singing were at the center of our life in that beautiful farm community.



Fast forward, Penn State recruited me to join the Architecture faculty in the fall of 1995. My boys, Trevor (36 with daughters 5 and 2) and Teague (32) and I found St. Andrew's shortly after we moved here. I liked standing behind Teri and Steve Smith in the congregation and singing alto harmony with her beautiful soprano voice. When out of the blue I was asked by Walter to join the choir for Easter, I long suspected Teri was the one to turn me in. When I asked her about that, she did not deny it. 😊

I've been in the choir now soon 30 years, also singing in small groups and even helping out with the youth choir! Walter is a saint! And Gwen an angel. As a choir, we have enjoyed decades of friendships and fun together. While every season in the church is meaningful; the moment these unique voices all come together to sing this incredible music, I feel the promise of God's love vibrate in four-part harmony.

Lori McGarry

I've been a choir member at St. Andrew's since 2003, when my husband, Kevin, and I moved to State College from New Jersey. Having sung in Episcopal churches since early childhood, I've always found choir to be like a second family to me, and St. Andrew's choir is no exception. Making music together brings connection and closeness, and we see each other through life's joys, challenges, and sorrows. St. Andrew's choir has supported us through the births, baptisms, and confirmations of our two children, Kaleigh and Sean, as well as their years in Youth Choir.



In addition to the friendships, I'm grateful for the wide range of anthems Walter selects for us and his vast knowledge of all things musical; he's even visited my high school history classes to teach students about early American music and the Battle of Gettysburg. I'm also grateful for Gwen's immense talent and dedication as an organist, pianist, and singer; being immersed in her preludes and postludes during Evensong is one of my favorite ways to find joy and healing. Above all, I'm grateful for the opportunity St. Andrew's choir provides to seek and serve God through music, in fellowship with others in our community.

PICK YOUR FAVORITE HYMN

The Friends of Music would like to give you the opportunity to pick your favorite hymn to be sung at our 10:00 service in the upcoming year.

**FRIENDS OF
MUSIC**
at St. Andrew's

During the month of November, you can fill out a form found in the bulletin and for the price of \$10 your hymn will be selected to be sung as the offering is brought to the altar. When your hymn is selected it will be announced in the bulletin giving you credit for your fine musical taste! Please place the form and \$10 in the plate during the offering.

Please see or email Walter (waltermolly@gmail.com) or Gwen (gwencecilia47@gmail.com) with any questions.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Youth Confirmation Class

October 20

11:15 a.m. in Room 325

We are partnering with two other parishes – St. John's Bellefonte and St. John's Huntingdon, to launch a Confirmation Class at St. Andrew's. This is a wonderful, collaborative opportunity for the young people involved as well as the leaders to get to know each other, to row in faith, and to have fun!

Father Ted will be leading the group along with Kelley Paulsen and two students from Episcopal at Penn State, Calvin Engbrecht and Will Bond. In addition, we are delighted to include two high school mentors, Anna Christopher and Genavieve Clayton – both previously confirmed at St. John's Bellefonte.

The group will meet monthly on Sunday afternoons from 4:30 until 6:30 p.m. at St. Andrew's. We are asking for volunteers to help with dinners for the meetings. Please reach out to Fr. Ted or Kelley if you are interested in helping.

Thanks for keeping the group in your prayers.

Meeting dates: October 20, November 17, December 8, January 12, February 9, March 2, April 6.



Adult Forum



Sundays in November
9-9:45 a.m. in Canterbury Hall
(Presentations begin promptly at 9 a.m.)

Our Adult forums continue in November with the following presentations. Watch your weekly emails for more details.

Sunday, November 3 – **NO Adult Forum**

Sunday, November 10 – **Hands-on Demonstration of Our Strategic Filter With Fr. Jeff**

Making decisions is hard. Sometimes even having the discussion can be a challenge. For an organization like a church making decisions that remain focused on the organization's core values and not getting side-tracked by ancillary things gets a little tricky. St. Andrew's now has a tool to help us with all of this. It is called a Strategic Filter. Come experience what it is like to use this tool in a discussion as we consider a fanciful question.

Sunday, October 17 – **"Hebrew, Aramaic, and the Politics of Language in Ancient Judiasm"**

Presented by: Dr. Robert E. Jones (Assistant Director of Jewish Studies; Assistant Research Professor of Jewish Studies and Classics and Ancient Mediterranean Studies, Penn State")



The use of the Hebrew language declined significantly after the destruction of Judah, its temple, and its government by the Babylonian Empire in 586 BCE. In its place, Jewish scribes adopted Aramaic, the *lingua franca* of Ancient Near Eastern empires, as their language for writing religious and political literature as well as commercial and legal documents. But eventually, Hebrew began to re-emerge as a language for composing religious and political literature, even as Aramaic continued in use as a legal and commercial language. This presentation traces the revival of Hebrew in the second century BCE as a symbol of religious and political identity.

Sunday, November 24 – **Housing Transitions**

Housing Transitions is a non-profit located in downtown State College that has been providing shelter, guidance, and hope to Centre County since 1984. Housing Transitions is the only family homeless shelter in Centre County. Their motto is "Ending Homelessness Everyday." Amy Werner, Development and Human Resources Manager, and Shannon Newby, Program Manager, will share a presentation about Housing Transitions' mission and work in our community.



CHILDREN AND YOUTH

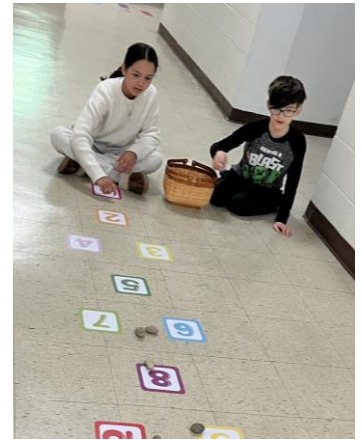
News from our CHILDREN and YOUTH PROGRAMS

Our Classes meet during the 10 a.m. service.

- **Godly Play**, ages 3 to 8, meet in Room 338
- **Church School**, ages 9 to 14, meet in Room 330 at the end of the hallway!

Teachers will be in the hallway to greet our children and to make sure that they can find their room!

If you have any questions or you would like to help, please contact Robin
Children@standrewsc.org



Volunteers Needed in our Classrooms

We are looking for volunteers to help once a month in either of our two classes: Godly Play or Church School. Children and teachers return to the service after class for communion. No experience is needed to help. Two adults are required in our classrooms.

If you are willing to help, here is what you need to know:

The diocese requires that church volunteers who work with children get background clearances every five years. This is in addition to Safe Church training.

You can read the diocesan policies here: <https://diocesecpa.org/diocpapolicyandbackgroundchecks/>

1. **Rich Marini**, rpm12@psu.edu, is our **Safe Church administrator**. Safe Church is an online curriculum that you complete at your convenience. Contact Rich when you are ready to complete Safe Church. He will let you know what you need to do.
2. **Julie Kwasnica**, treasurer@standrewsc.org, **keeps all of the records of our clearances**. Please contact Julie to find out about the three clearances you will need to complete.

If you have any questions, please contact: Robin children@standrewsc.org

A huge Thank You to all of our volunteers. We couldn't have our programs without you!

Thanksgiving Dinner at the Community Café

Thursday, November 28

Noon until 2 p.m. (there is no 5-7 p.m. meal on Thanksgiving Day)



The Community Café will serve their annual Thanksgiving meal this month – all the delicious foods you know and love, offered free of charge, to all who come. Everyone is welcome. This is a great gift to the community and a big undertaking. If you would like to be involved, here are some ways you can help:

CALL FOR TURKEYS: You can't have a Thanksgiving meal without turkeys, and we would appreciate your donations. You can drop off frozen turkeys starting today in the freezer in Canterbury Hall. If you are dropping off a turkey the week of Thanksgiving, put it in the refrigerator in Canterbury Hall. If you find there is not space, email Ron Rovanseck at rovansek@pacewater.com or message him at (714) 514-8875. Thank you in advance!!

CALL FOR PIES: No matter how much turkey you eat, there is always room for pie! We need pies for our famous pie room. All kinds. Of course, pumpkin is the traditional favorite, but apple, pecan, sweet potato, berry, anything you can bake up is welcome. If you can help out, please let us know in advance, but that is not necessary. It just helps us plan. Pies can be dropped off that week or on Thanksgiving Day itself. Thank you in advance!!!

Cheers to Art! Fundraiser

On Wednesday, October 30, the Community Café held a Cheers to Art! fundraiser at the Arena Bar and Grill. The event was open to the public and \$5 of every admission went to the Community Café. Thanks to everyone who came out and Ron Rovanseck's skill in selling 50/50 raffle tickets, the event raised \$500.

At the event, you were supplied with paint, brushes and a canvas. The leader walked you through creating a painting step by step – this time it was a ghost for Halloween. Everyone did the same painting but added their own creative touches. No previous painting skills were necessary, and subject was easy enough to enjoy conversation, food, and beverage while you worked. At the end of the night, you had supported a great organization, and you got to take home an original work of art.

There are rumors of another Cheers to Art! evening this winter, but no definite date. If this sounds like fun to you, watch for an announcement in the new year.



OUTREACH

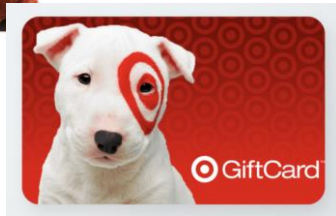
Tradition of Giving: Gift Card Blessings for Thanksgiving

DEADLINE EXTENDED - Gift card donations due by Sunday, November 10!

This year we are requesting gift cards from Walmart, Target, Giant, or Weis for families in need in the State College Area School District. Gift cards make it possible for families to buy the foods and hygiene products that their family needs and enjoys.

We will need gift cards by Sunday, November 10, to allow time for distribution. On Weekdays, donations may be brought to the Church office. Please write the amount of the card on the card.

Many Thanks for All of the Support. If you have any questions, please write: Robin children@standrewsc.org



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Job Opening At Interfaith Human Services

Full-time Case Manager needed



If you know or are someone who cares about serving those in need and is looking for a full-time position as a Case Manager, please share this information:

Interfaith Human Services seeks a community-minded individual with a passion for protecting the vulnerable and helping low-income residents of Centre County to fill a Case Manager position. This full-time position will work to coordinate and stabilize our client's basic needs and finances. Pay \$37-41,000 per year, generous PTO, 3% IRA match from day one, and monthly medical expenses reimbursement benefit.

For complete details, use the link below or contact Interfaith Human Services.

<https://www.interfaithhumanservices.org/casemanager/>

UPCOMING

Friday Films

Friday, November 22
7 p.m. in Canterbury Hall
Snacks begin at 6:30 p.m.

What Dreams May Come

Rated PG-13 for thematic elements involving death, suicide, some disturbing images, and language
1 h 56 m



On Friday, November 22, Friday Films will present *What Dreams May Come*, a 1998 film adapted from the 1978 novel by Richard Matheson. The film stars Robin Williams, Annabella Sciorra, and Cuba Gooding, Jr. The title is from a line in *Hamlet's* "To be, or not to be" soliloquy. In the film, a man dies and awakens in the world of his afterlife, a lush and visually rich world based on one of his wife's paintings. He finds no joy in paradise without his wife who now resides in hell for committing suicide. The man undertakes an Orpheus-like journey to save her and reunite.

Please note cautions above regarding death, suicide, and frightening depictions of the afterlife.

We will gather at 6:30 p.m. for pizza and other refreshments. The films will start at 7 p.m.

Friday Films are free and all are welcome.

If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Rovanseck at srovansek@comcast.

St. Andrew's Day Celebration

Sunday, December 1
11:15 a.m. (During Coffee Hour)
Canterbury Hall

November 30 is the feast day of Saint Andrew, our patron saint, and the patron saint of Scotland. This year's celebration will be held a day late, on December 1, during Coffee Hour. We will have special refreshments and a performance of Highland Dance by some familiar faces.



ADVENT PREVIEW

A complete Advent schedule will appear in the December issue of the *Net*, but since Advent begins on December 1, here's a look at what's ahead.

Advent Taizé Services

Wednesdays, December 4, 11, 18
5:45 p.m. in the Church



On three Wednesday evenings during Advent, we will have a Taizé service in the church. Take a break from the busyness of the holiday and join us in minutes of quiet reflection. Taizé is a quiet, meditative service of music, silence, brief readings, and prayer, which calms body, mind, and spirit.

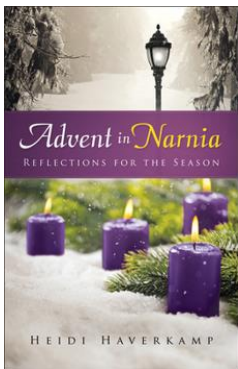
Advent in Narnia

Come through the wardrobe with us this Advent as our programming includes something for every age group and all ages together. (More details will follow.)

ADULT FORUM

Sundays in December
9 a.m. Canterbury Hall

Advent is a time of waiting – waiting for Christ to appear to us as an infant at Christmas, yet we acknowledge that we are always in this perpetual season of waiting. Please join us for an Advent study during Adult Forum. We will meet at 9 a.m. every Sunday in December to discuss C.S. Lewis and how his book *The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe* evokes images of Christ in all. We will use *Advent in Narnia* by Heidi Haverkamp as a study guide. This book is available on amazon.com for less than \$10 in hard copy version. It is also available for Kindle. The study guide is not necessary to participate in this Advent study, but you might find it helpful to follow along. *Advent in Narnia* connects the weeks in Advent to particular stories and chapters in TLTW&TW, so you might want to have a copy of that book handy to follow along.



I'm most excited to say that the book group will also be reading Lewis's book, and the Friday night film series will be showing the movie in December. Additionally, the youth in our church will follow a Narnia curriculum and our Lessons and Carols reception in mid-December will also have a Narnia theme. Come and join us as we celebrate this most important season of hope in Advent.

Submitted by Michele Marini (814-574-9639 or michelemarini@comcast.net for more information.)



BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, November 19
7 p.m., Room 324

The Book Group will meet in November to discuss *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* by C. S. Lewis.

FRIDAY FILMS

Friday, December 13
7 p.m., Canterbury Hall



Friday Films will show the 2005 movie version of *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* with snacks and discussion. The movie is rated PG and running time is 2h 30m.



CHURCH SCHOOL

December 1st - December 24th

"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." ~John 1:5

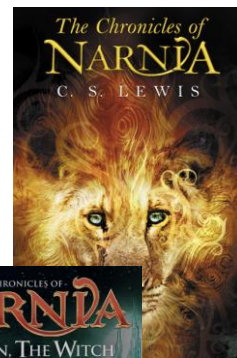
Our Church School classes will be celebrating Advent in Narnia all month long.

"We will read age appropriate versions of *The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* in our two classes. The story follows four children as they discover the magical world of Narnia through their wardrobe. We have copies of either book available for \$5.00, or feel free to check out copies from the library.

Mark your calendars: We will gather to watch the movie the evening of Friday, December 13."

Submitted by Robin Bastress.

Contact with any questions at email: children@standrewsc.org



LESSONS AND CAROLS RECEPTION

Sunday, December 15
Following 5 p.m. service



Our festive reception after the service of Lessons and Carols will also have a Narnia theme this Advent.

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.

LECTIO DIVINA

Most Tuesdays

6:30 p.m. on Zoom

<https://psu.zoom.us/j/601435067>

Lectio Divina is a slow contemplative reading of the scripture. We meet almost every week on Tuesday (please contact Christina Ford tapspy@hotmail.com if you would like to be on the regular email reminder list for the group).

COMPASSIONATE LIFE

Thursday, November 7 and November 21

9:30 a.m., Room 325

The Women of Compassionate Life invite all women of the church and their friends to join us in prayer and study, conversation and connection, compassion in action... and coffee! We meet in Room 325 at 9:30 a.m. the first and third Thursday of each month.

KNITTING MINISTRY

Sunday, November 10

11:15 a.m., Room 324

The Knitting Ministry will meet on Sunday, November 10. following the 10 a.m. service in the Library (Room 324.) and (usually) on Zoom. The mission of Knitting Ministry is fellowship and prayerful/mindful making with our hands for others. All are welcome. Bring your knitting and a snack to share. We are knitters, crocheters and weavers -- all parishioners and local friends. For more information or a Zoom link, email Anne at anne.hoag@gmail.com."

Next meeting: Sunday, December 8

NEWCOMERS / GREETERS MINISTRY

Monday, November 11

7 p.m., Room 131

There will be a meeting for those interested in greeting newcomers to St. Andrew's on Monday November 11 at 7 p.m. in Room 131. This ministry is central to our core values – all are welcome at St. Andrew's where we nurture mind, body and soul. Please join us as Fr. Jeff shares some exercises to help us consider the needs of all of our visitors. See or email Julie Breuninger with any questions julieknits4@gmail.com

ST. ANDREW'S MEN'S GROUP

Tuesday, November 19

5:30 p.m., Room 324

St. Andrew's Men's Group gathers once a month at 5:30 p.m. for food and fellowship, usually followed by reflection on the Bible at about 6 p.m. All men of St. Andrew's are welcome. Questions or requests for more information can be sent to Dennis Shea. dennisgshea@yahoo.com

BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, November 19

7 p.m., Room 324

The Book Group is getting a head start on our parish-wide trip to Narnia this Advent by reading *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* by C. S. Lewis in November. Even if you have read it before, there is a lot to enjoy and to learn from this classic. Newcomers and guests are always welcome.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! If you have an October 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 Deborah Morton
1 Tyler Farris
4 Linda Hoover
5 Martha Faller
6 Gwen Catchen
7 Andrew Gaines
8 Anne Hoag

8 Michelle Mason
13 James Tybout
15 Tom Yuhas
16 Brucie Serene
18 Christina Ford
20 Lauren Krasnansky
20 Christine Mihalenko
20 Carolyn Hatley

20 Mary Valentine
21 Jim Serene
21 Diane Cramer
23 Tony Kwasnica
23 Ted Christopher
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Those for Whom We Pray

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