

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

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## **A Time for Every Purpose Under Heaven: A Time to Work, A Time to Rest**

In October, I began my eighth year as the sixth rector of St. Andrew's. I plan to take a sabbatical this summer for three months. I imagine that in an academically influenced community such as this I don't have to explain much about the purpose of a sabbatical. However, I will try to explain the practice as the church has done it which may be a little different from the academic practice.

First, the word sabbatical does come from the Hebrew word for sabbath, or rest. In the fourth commandment, God commands, "Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work." In fact, the word "sabbath" is related to the Hebrew word for seven. The concept was extended even into agriculture. Every seventh year the Israelites were commanded to allow a field to lay fallow, to let the land rest. Sabbaticals arose out of that tradition and are often taken every seven years or so.

A retired businessman in my last parish asked me about it when I was planning a sabbatical before. He didn't understand why I needed to take time off from work. I tried to explain that it was intended to be a refreshment so I could come back ready to take on new challenges. After reflecting back on his career, he realized that he had in fact grown restless with his work about every seven years or so. He then started looking for something new and changed jobs in roughly that timeframe. After thinking about it, he decided it was a good idea to take some time away and wished me all the best. To be clear, I am not feeling restless. Sabbatical leave is part of my contract with St. Andrew's. I have intended to take it all along. It may have been put off a year because of the work we were doing earlier this year around strategic planning and our core values.

A church sabbatical is different from an academic sabbatical in several ways. Rather than an entire semester or an entire year, I will take only three months, roughly June, July, and August. I will not be doing research or writing a book. I will be doing a lot of rest. I do plan to take a two-week course at Oxford. I want to write, not a book so much, but I realize that I have collected many interesting stories over my nearly thirty years of serving the church and I'd like to start writing some of them down. I'm also hoping to do some traveling with Sian. And did I mention rest?

I will share more of the plans when we get closer to sabbatical time. For now, I want to address a couple of potential sources of anxiety. First, who will do services? When I am gone, Father Ted will be doing most of the Sunday services and he will be available one day each week for pastoral needs. Second, sometimes there is concern that a sabbatical is a precursor to a priest leaving a congregation. I assure you that is not on my mind. I am obligated to stay for one full year after my sabbatical, but at this point in time I have no intention to leave St. Andrew's anytime soon. If this sabbatical experience is the same as the one I had before, I expect to return refreshed, renewed, and ready to move forward with whatever is our next big challenge.

Fr. Jeff+



November 2024

	November	Year-to-Date	% of Budget	2024 BUDGET
Parishioner Contributions *	\$ 38,447	\$ 439,483	102%	\$ 432,500
Total Operating Income	\$ 41,063	\$ 470,980	101%	\$ 464,100
Total Operating Expense	\$ 47,491	\$ 493,719	89%	\$ 555,264
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ (6,428)	\$ (22,739)		

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



December 2024

The Vestry met on December 10. On the consent agenda, Jerry Dittmann was appointed as a steward to Parishioners' Ministry and Beth Jones was reappointed for three more years.

Fr. Jeff reported that 1) the funding from the Kistler Trust settlement should be reaching St. Andrew's in late January or early February; thank you to Doug Lovisky for his support; 2) Community Cafe got their refrigerators and freezers (as a result of winning a grant) and are in place now; 3) we need someone to represent St. Andrew's on the boards of Out of the Cold (outgoing are Julie and Jamie Breuninger) and Interfaith Human Services (outgoing is Marion Schwartz).

The treasurer reported good income for November, but expenses were higher.

The 2025 Budget was approved unanimously by the vestry. Thank you to Linda Mace and the Finance Committee for their due diligence for this budget.

There was much discussion concerning the capital needs plan for the coming year(s).

The Spending Plan for the Assistant Rector for 2025 was approved. The Spending Plans for housing for the Rector and the Assistance Rector for 2025 were approved.

The next vestry meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 14, in room 324 at 7 p.m.

## WORSHIP

### Altar Guild

If you have a yen to serve God and his Church, but not a lot of time or money to devote to anything, Altar Guild could be a perfect way to add a ministry to your life. We have four small teams, so each team works only once a month for an hour on a Saturday and the services on Sunday plus an occasional wedding or funeral. We dust, swat stray cobwebs, vacuum, straighten the things in the pews, clean and polish silver, vest the chalice, set up and clean up the altar, wash communion glasses, and launder linens.

Learn to handle beautiful sacred items and where they fit in our worship.

Anyone interested in being added to a team can call or email Teri Smith, 814-238-5964, [ssmith2124@aol.com](mailto:ssmith2124@aol.com).



## CHURCH BUSINESS

### Annual Parish Meeting

Sunday, January 26

Approximately 11:15 (following the 10 a.m. service)

In the church

Once again, we will have our annual parish meeting after church. We will gather in the church after a short break following the 10:00 a.m. service on Sunday, January 26. If you cannot attend in person, we will publish a Zoom link in advance so that you can attend virtually.

The election for vestry members and delegates to diocesan convention will again be an online election opening on the Friday before the meeting, January 24, and concluding the next day, Saturday, January 25.

More information about the election will be available in the two weeks before the election takes place. Results of the election will be announced at the annual meeting.

### ANNUAL REPORTS

If you are a committee chair or any kind of ministry leader, you will receive an email requesting a submission for the annual report. These reports are due in the office no later than Thursday, January 23. If you are expecting an email and don't receive one or if you have any questions, please contact Allison Shea at [office@standrewsc.org](mailto:office@standrewsc.org).

### VESTRY NOMINEES

We are pleased to announce that the following six parishioners have accepted nominations to run for the four vestry positions that will be open in January 2025: Cathy Dauler, Pam Ferguson, Alison Jaenicke, Sarah Skvarla, Dawn Ziegerer, and Karl Zimmerer.

Their photos and bios appear below.



## CATHY DAULER



I and my husband Tom have been members of St .Andrew's for over 40 years. Our daughter, Alexandra, was born in State College and was baptised, confirmed and served as an acolyte at St.Andrew's.

Over the years I have had the opportunity to serve as a member of the Vestry, Search Committee and as a delegate to the Diocesan Convention. I enjoyed teaching Sunday School with Robin Bagby, being a member of Parish Life, serving on the Property Committee, and being a member of Compassionate Life. For 14 years I had the pleasure of organizing the Easter Vigil Reception. My interest in the beautiful Willet stained glass windows in the church led to a project of my photographing the windows and also giving window tours during Arts Fest each year. Much to my astonishment, one of my photographs of our windows was included in the National Episcopal Church's calendar for 2024.

In my professional life, I have a Masters degree in Reading Education. As a reading specialist, I tutored private students, substituted at Radio Park school, and was a volunteer for 35 years with Global Connections, teaching international students English as a Second Language.

My civic life has included 16 years as a member of State College Borough Council, past president of College Heights Neighborhood Association, and now as a member of the Borough Tree Commission.

My husband Tom and I have joined Food for the Soul at St.Andrew's, and we are really enjoying it!

## PAM FERGUSON



I was baptized in the Episcopal church in 1949 in New Jersey, and I moved to State College in 1984, so I have always been an Episcopalian. My parents and ancestors are all from Minnesota, my parents having moved to New Jersey after graduate school. I am the second of seven children, rather unusual in the Episcopal church. I graduated from high school in Bolivia, when my father took a position with the United Nations. Then I attended Rutgers University for both my degrees.

Presently, I serve as a Lay Eucharistic Minister, a member of the Community Café board, a weekly volunteer at the café, a member of Parishioners' Ministry, a volunteer money counter, and as a participant in the book club and in Lectio. I also volunteer in the larger community in numerous ways, having served on several boards of nonprofits, including Meals on Wheels, Interfaith Human Services, the United Way, and the Sunrise Rotary. I normally attend the 8 a.m. service by myself. Walt Zimmerman, my partner for the past twenty years, no longer attends church. He has Parkinson's and finds it difficult to sit for very long.

My hobbies include visiting our children and grandchildren in three other states (Georgia, Florida, and California). I love gardening, reading, hiking and exercising, and going to the Chautauqua Institution for a week every summer, staying in the Episcopal Cottage, while Walt's brother stays with him.

Professionally, I served as the executive director of the Food Bank of State College in the 1990's, when it was located in St. Andrew's. For the last twelve years of my professional career, I taught English at the South Hills School of Business & Technology.

I have served on the vestry of St. Andrew's four times previously. My favorite accomplishment was chairing the 1996 capital campaign, with a goal of \$400,000. Together we raised \$598,000. For many years, I chaired Planned Giving.

Observing the vestry over many years, I think it functions best with older and newer members of the parish. I would be honored to serve again, having served in the 1980's as the youngest member.

## ALISON JAENICKE



In 2001, when I moved to State College with my husband Ted and our two young children, one of the first (and best) things we did was join St. Andrew's. We've been active members ever since.

Both Ted and I were raised in the Catholic Church, but in 1991 we married in an Episcopal church in Maryland, where I taught English and coached basketball at an Episcopal school (also named St. Andrew's!). We were received into the Episcopal Church when our oldest child (now 27) was baptized.

We raised our children at St. Andrew's and were deeply involved in the children and youth ministries for many years, not only teaching, but also planning fundraising events and attending retreats, pilgrimages, and mission trips. We have also been committed to Community Cafe since its inception and currently serve meals with a team every other week. Among the many ways I have participated in life at St. Andrew's, I have found committee work particularly fulfilling and enlightening. I served on the Search Committee leading to Father Jeff's selection as rector; the Discernment Committee for Ted Christopher; and the Poetry Committee for our parish's three recent poetry contests and readings.

My professional life has primarily involved teaching, research, writing, editing, PR, and web design. In mid-2024, I retired from the English Department at Penn State, where I worked for 18 years, teaching writing courses and serving as Assistant Director of Creative Writing. I have enjoyed collaborating with others in my work life and in our church community, and retirement seems like an opportune moment for me to consider taking on a larger commitment to parish life by serving on the St. Andrew's Vestry. Thanks for considering me for this important leadership role.

## SARAH SKVARLA



Thank you for considering me to be a member of the vestry. My family and I have been attending St. Andrews since 2022. While we were not raised in the Episcopal tradition, we immediately felt like we had found a home. Our children were baptized at Easter in 2023 and my husband and I were confirmed earlier this year. I have volunteered to be a greeter for Godly Play and attended many events such as the Pride parade, St. A's nights at the Spike's games, and the Crop Walk. Recently, I joined the Parish Life committee and the Knitting Ministry (December will be my first time going).

I was raised in conservative evangelical churches and always felt like I was missing something, like there was some key piece to faith that others understood but I didn't. But when we started attending St. Andrew's, that hole in the center of my faith was filled and I finally understood what my faith was and how to live it. I love St.

Andrew's and being a member of the vestry would allow me to serve the church that has come to mean so much to me in such a short time in a new way.

When I'm not at church I am a mom to Vaun (10), Violet (7), and Abigail (6) and wife to Michael. I work as a paraprofessional at my children's school. I enjoy being with my family and reading.

## DAWN ZIEGERER



I've lived here for about 20 years. One day, I met this guy named James who went to St. Andrew's. The first time I came here, it felt surreal. A few years prior, I'd been here at an AI Anon meeting which was also the night my second husband left me. My life fell apart after that, and I never thought I'd be in this building again. But there I was. By that time, I'd rebuilt my life and was happy to be dating James. Over the next few years, I decided to leave the Catholic church and become Episcopal. I'm so happy I did. I volunteered at Community Café for a few years, then three years ago, I started running a divorce support group here called "Life After Divorce." It feels like a ministry as we have 10-15 attendees each week and I'm blessed

to serve those who have been devastated by divorce.

I got my Master's in Media Studies (advertising) from PSU in 2012 and taught in the English dept. for a few years. For about eight years I was an on-air personality at BigFroggy 101 here in State College and Bigfoot Country in Lewistown. I currently run a professional development business called "The Great Story Workshop" where I teach leaders and entrepreneurs to connect to teams via storytelling.

I just became a grandma and James and I have five kids ranging in age from 18-32. We like them most of the time. I obviously have no sense of humor and hope to bring my seriousness to the vestry.

## KARL ZIMMERER



I am honored to be nominated and stand for election to the St. Andrews's Vestry. Having not served previously, my interest at this time is motivated by the combination of prayerful consideration and desire to serve in this capacity.

Since 2007 I have enjoyed worshipping regularly with my family as an active member of the Saint Andrew's community—mostly at 10:00 a.m. occasionally at 5:00 p.m. Previously, we were members of St Andrew's in Madison, Wisconsin. I was confirmed at the Church of the Redeemer in Lexington, Massachusetts. With my wife, Medora Ebersole, we are grateful to have worshipped with our children as a family in these Episcopal parishes.

I was a YAC teacher during our first years at Saint Andrew's. My mother, Katherine, worshipped with us at St. Andrews's during her final churchgoing years (2012-2014). Later I participated in the Education of the Ministry (EfM) group at Saint Andrew's. When it went into hiatus, I completed the EfM curriculum with an on-line group and graduated in 2022. I have continued informally with post-EfM readings and discussion. Through these experiences and my career as a university professor, I have volunteered and worked as a team member in diverse service roles that have provided much experience in team-based governance and group dynamics. I will be an enthusiastic and egalitarian participant in Vestry activities, committed to practicing active listening, open conversation, deliberate discernment, and informed stewardship.

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The candidates to serve as delegates and alternates to our Diocesan Convention will be elected by acclamation at our annual meeting. They are listed below:

### **Delegate Nominees**

Anthony Grillo  
Carolee Grillo

Michele Marini

Rich Marini  
Kelley Paulsen

### **Alternate Nominees**

Paul Hochreiter  
Allison Shea

### CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

Robin Bastress, Acting Dir. Of Children

#### The Feast of St. Nicholas

Thank you to everyone who helped with Toys for Tots from donations to delivery! Thank you to St. Nicholas for your visit!

**Cheers to St. Nick! We enjoyed your visit!**



#### Happy New Year!



Our Classes meet during the 10 a.m. service.  
All children are welcome!

**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 greet our children in the hallway to make sure that they can find their room!

Please email us with any questions: [children@standrewsc.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:children@standrewsc.org)

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



## UPCOMING

### Friday Films

Friday, January 24  
7 p.m. in Canterbury Hall  
Snacks at 6:30 p.m.

### *Ghost Light*

Rated R  
1h 55m



On Friday, January 24, Friday Films will present the 2024 film, *Ghost Light*.

When melancholic construction worker Dan (Keith Kupferer) finds himself drifting from his wife and daughter, he discovers community and purpose in a local theater's production of *Romeo and Juliet*. As the drama onstage starts to mirror his own life, he and his family are forced to confront a personal loss. With a 99% rating on Rotten Tomatoes, the critic consensus describes it as "A small film that elicits a huge emotional response, *Ghostlight* is a deeply moving and superbly acted meditation on grief."

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.



### CAFÉ TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday, February 1  
Doors open 6 p.m., Contest begins 7 p.m.  
Canterbury Hall

Start practicing now with the  
[Random Trivia Generator!](#)



It's time for the 2025 edition of the Community Café's trivia contest fundraiser! Come with a team (of any size) or we can put you on one. Teams will compete for bragging rights and an impressive trophy.

Tickets are \$40 per person and can be purchased in advance at the church office or in person at the door. Your ticket includes the contest, pub food, and soft drinks. Complementary adult beverages will be provided for anyone with ID. Donations will gladly be accepted.

All proceeds benefit the Community Café.

### Cheers to Art! Fundraiser

Wednesday, February 19  
Arena Bar and Grill at Northland Bowl, 6 p.m.  
Pre-registration required by email to  
[northlandbowl@northlandbowl.com](mailto:northlandbowl@northlandbowl.com)



The rumors of a second Cheers to Art! Event were true. Mark your calendars now to save the date.

At the event, you will be supplied with paint, brushes, and a canvas. The leader will walk you through creating a painting step by step. Everyone does the same painting but can add their own creative touches. No previous painting skills are necessary, and the subject (to be announced) is easy enough to enjoy conversation, food, and beverage while you work. At the end of the night, you will have supported a great organization, and get to take home an original work of art.

Admission is \$15 (\$5 of each admission goes to the Community Café.) Additional money will be raised with a 50/50 raffle. You must register in advance by emailing [northlandbowl@northlandbowl.com](mailto:northlandbowl@northlandbowl.com) If you are coming as part of group, please register together in one email. Admission is collected at the event.

## IN THE COMMUNITY

Monday, January 27

6 p.m., Freeman Auditorium in the HUB-Robeson Center

Penn State Jewish Studies Program presents  
A film screening and panel discussion with Penn  
State faculty of

### ***The Zone of Interest***



Nominated for five Academy Awards, *The Zone of Interest* tells the story of Rudolf Höss, the commandant of Auschwitz, and his wife Hedwig as they strive to build a dream life for their family in a house and garden next to the camp. The Höss' lavishly subsidized tenancy juxtaposes a bucolic Aryan fantasy with the nightmarish realities on which it has (literally) been built.

The screening of the film will be followed by a short panel discussion and Q&A with Penn State professors who specialize in film production and the history of the Holocaust

### **12<sup>th</sup> Annual Lenten Ecumenical Choir**

Grace Lutheran Church, 205 S. Garner Street

**Performance** Wednesday, April 19, 7 p.m.

**Rehearsals:** Sundays 2-4 p.m. beginning February 23

**Dress Rehearsal:** Sunday, April 6, 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

(with orchestra)



Grace Lutheran invites all\* who love to sing to participate in the 12<sup>th</sup> annual Lenten Ecumenical Choir performance

### **“Christ Has No Body But Yours”: A Lenten Musical Meditation**

This year's Lenten Musical Meditation will feature Michael John Trotta's Requiem. The group will rehearse on seven Sunday afternoons and will present this stunning choral work accompanied by a 17-piece orchestra on April 9, 2025. Other works on the program include Mark Burrows' Yours Are the Hands and two handbell selections performed by The Bells of Grace. The program will last approximately one hour.

Contact Laurel Sanders at [lsanders@glcpa.org](mailto:lsanders@glcpa.org) or 814-238-2478 for details.

\*The Requiem will be sung in Latin. Choral singing experience and some music reading skills are helpful but are not required. No prior experience with Latin is needed; pronunciation will be taught during rehearsals. Audio tracks are available for individual voice parts to facilitate learning.

Merry Christmas from Paige and Mary Andrew



To our St. Andrew's family,

December 2024

Dear family and friends:

This year has been one of the most stressful yet exciting ones for us, highlighted by a long drive across country to move into our new home in Washington State. We took 10 days to travel from State College, PA to Richland, WA stopping in Nebraska to visit family and enjoying the beautiful landscape and scenery along the way.

Our new address is: 2302 Franz Court, Richland, WA 99352

State College, Pennsylvania State University and central PA was our life for nearly 30 years and will always be in our hearts, but we also fulfilled a desire to return to our roots and be close to most of our siblings and especially our surviving parents.



To read more of the Andrew's holiday letter, Click [HERE](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1rChOPS4OvesCIRU2mpyIcOSUsBtMjXpb/view?usp=sharing) or go to <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1rChOPS4OvesCIRU2mpyIcOSUsBtMjXpb/view?usp=sharing>

Thank you from the Rev. Kevin Lowe



Kevin, Sarah, and Julia's new address is:  
251 S. Derr Drive  
Lewisburg, PA 17837

12/2024  
Dear people of St Andrew's,  
Thank you so much for the lovely rose chasuble and stole in honor of my ordination. I cannot wait to wear them this Sunday! And thank you for raising me up into my ministry, and for nurturing Sarah, Julia, and me for so many years. We're so grateful and we miss all of you!  
Advent blessings and peace,  
Kevin Lowe

## GROUPS, MINISTRIES, & COMMITTEES

*This is not a comprehensive listing; regularly scheduled meetings and events are included only if they submitted an item for publication. For complete and updated listings, please check your Sunday bulletin or weekly email.*

### KNITTING MINISTRY

Sunday, January 12  
11:15 a.m., Room 324

The Knitting Ministry will meet on Sunday, January 12, 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](mailto:anne.hoag@gmail.com)."

**Next meeting: Sunday, February 9**

### COMPASSIONATE LIFE

Thursday, January 17  
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.

### ST. ANDREW'S MEN'S GROUP

Tuesday, January 21  
5:30 p.m., Room 324

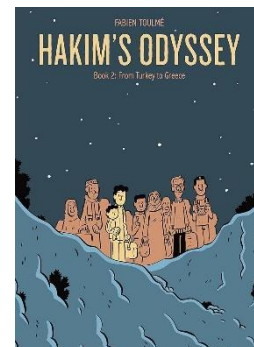
St. Andrew's Men's Group gathers once a month at 5:30 p.m. for food and fellowship, usually followed by reflection on the Bible at about 6 p.m. All men of St. Andrew's are welcome. Questions or requests for more information can be sent to Dennis Shea. [dennisgshea@yahoo.com](mailto:dennisgshea@yahoo.com)

### BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, January 28  
7 p.m., Room 324

For the first meeting of the new year, the Book Group is going to read something new (to us) - a **graphic novel!** The book, *Hakim's Odyssey Book 2: From Turkey to Greece*, is the second book in a trilogy by Fabien Toulmé.

In this true story, Hakim, a successful young Syrian is forced to leave everything behind, including his family, his friends, his home, and his business after the Syrian uprising in 2011. Hakim was arrested and tortured, his town was bombed, his business was seized by the army, and members of his family were arrested or disappeared. At the start of the second book, Hakim, now a refugee, has travelled from Syria to Turkey where he struggles to earn a living and find a more settled life in Europe.



Newcomers and visitors are always welcome.

### PARISH LIFE

Thank you to everyone who helped make our Lessons and Carols reception such a success. If you left any serving dishes or decor donations, please pick them up as soon as possible, or they will soon be packed up and stored in our Undercroft.

Our next endeavor will be the Pancake Supper on Shrove Tuesday, which will be held on March 4.

If you'd like to join this important and collaborative Parish Life ministry, please contact Darlene Nordoff at [dnordoff737@gmail.com](mailto:dnordoff737@gmail.com).

If you'd like to help with Coffee Hour, please contact Scott Strouse at [scottallen1750@gmail.com](mailto:scottallen1750@gmail.com).

If you can help with funeral receptions, please contact Robin Bastress at [bassandrobin@aol.com](mailto:bassandrobin@aol.com).

Thank you, Darlene Nordoff.

### 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 [tapspsy@hotmail.com](mailto:tapspsy@hotmail.com) if you would like to be on the regular email reminder list for the group).

Scenes from  
**ADVENT and CHRISTMAS at ST. ANDREW'S**  
2025

**Christmas Eve Nativity Pageant**

Thank you to all of those who were part of telling the Christmas Story. Special thanks to Michael Marini for playing the piano for our service.



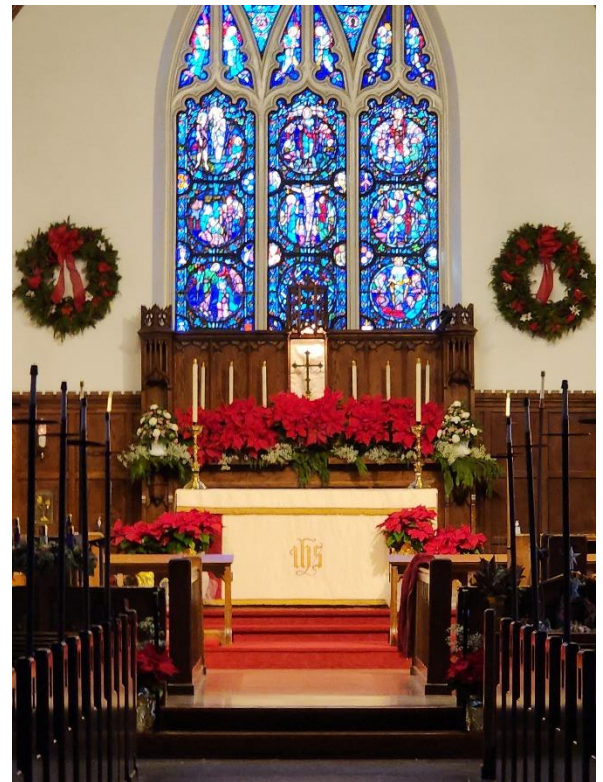
## Lessons and Carols Reception in Narnia

Thank you to everyone who helped make Narnia come to life for the reception after the Service of Lessons and Carols. It truly takes a village of volunteers to make an event like this happen. Thank you to those who donated fur coats (real and faux) for the wardrobe, who made and hung snowflakes, who donated trees and lights (and a lamp post!) for the Narnia forest, who donated yummy foods and supplies, who made monetary donations, and who helped with set up and clean up. Such a gift to each other and to our visitors to offer a magical reception after a beautiful service!. ~ Darlene Nordoff





The church decorated for Christmas Eve



# JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** If you have a January 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 Michelle McNutt	13 Frank Pugliese	22 Rachel Buzzell
1 Anne Ayer	13 Madi Christopher	23 Sue Stephenson
1 Theresa Johnson-Pritchett	13 Madeline Johnson	23 Daniel Foster
1 Nico Diaz	13 Erica Wells	23 Nevaeh Farris
2 Richard Porter	13 Marsha Haack	24 Gretchen Schrock-Jacobson
3 Esther Wall	14 Alison Jaenicke	24 Susan Dawson
4 Jack Selzer	16 Abraham Rovanssek	26 Darla Lindberg
6 Ainsley Paulsen	16 Lochlan Hoover	26 David Spencer
7 Dana Tilghman	17 Dale Gericke	26 Navy Cozad
7 Christie Alter	18 Teri Smith	28 Mike Hickner
8 Elisa Edgar	19 B.K. Bastress	28 Ruth Packard
8 Jason Nolan	19 Marybeth Hoffman	29 Elaine Meder-Wilgus
9 Melanie Foster	20 Sean McGarry	30 Laurel Zydney
9 Austin Leakey	21 Diane Dillon	31 Beth Jones
12 Melody Chisholm	21 Nat Hickner	

## Those for Whom We Pray

Sandy, Joe, Erica, Molly, Walter, Marion, Teri, Janet, Mavis, Mena, Mickey, Pam, Joan, Don, Jordan, Ty, Isa, Ivonne, Zarah, Eugene, Kevin, Vicki, Diane, Sara, Emily, David, Frank, Robbie, Earl, Andy, Terry, Brian, Ed, Mary Lou, Sheralee, Elisabeth, Alexandra, Isaac, Wilhelmina, Leonora, Patricia, Jane, Sophie, Lennox, Otto, Emily, Aran, Heather, Uncle Will, Stu, Jean, Miranda, Ulicia, Nicholas, Jaime, Ruth

## Those in the Armed Forces and First Responders

Zach, Christie, Sean, Matt, Eric, Andrew, Zachariah, Cameron, Doug

## Our Sister City in Ukraine

Nizhyn

## Our Companion Parish

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