



The Net

The Monthly Newsletter of
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
Burke, Virginia



PRIEST-IN-CHARGE
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Dear Friends in Christ,

November begins with our celebration of the Feast of All Saints' and we will hold an outdoor baptism! That is the way to begin a month! We also begin the month with our parish ingathering and, as indicated, you may drop your pledge off by the church, mail it in, or, the easiest option, [pledge online](#).

While we have been unable to use our buildings as we have, the mission of the church is as important as ever. We continue to carry out the mission and seek to understand it through our worship, service, formation, and fellowship in new ways. We also see more clearly the importance of our gathering places, staff, and ministries. I am grateful for the many years of faithful stewardship to provide a strong rock on which we may carry out our mission and ask you this year for your continued support in time, talent, and treasure.

This mission is guided by our Baptismal Covenant which we know well and I ask you to pay particular attention to them this month. They are part of our identity, our being, and point to whom we belong. When the anxieties of this world seem overwhelming, I turn, and I ask you to turn to our Baptismal Covenant. In it, we remember the promises of discipleship we have made and we remember the promises God has made through Jesus. We also remember, that whenever we read them, we are recalling that we make them as part of our community, One Together. While we may be physically separated, we are not alone, for we are all one in Christ.

It is a usual practice, along with renewing our Baptismal Covenant, to sing hymns of the saints. "For the saints of God are just folk like me/and I mean to be one too!" These are the words from Lesbia Scott in the hymn, *I Sing a Song of the Saints of God*. Each of the saints we remember are shining examples of how to follow Christ and we recall this Sunday, November 1st, that they were and are people like us, and, they were part of the larger church community. We remember those saints who have come, who are here with us, and who will come. We also acknowledge that we are made in the image of God and called to walk One Together, as the saints of God in the Church. Quite the task it may seem! Remember, it begins with a prayer, a moment, an act of faith, a pledge, a "yes," and the statement, "I will, with God's help."

This month is full of events from the immediate celebrations of All Saints', to the election, to Thanksgiving. May we walk this month, One Together, in Thanksgiving for our community and the many gifts we have been given by God through Christ.

Faithfully yours,

Worship Services

Wednesday @ 9:30 AM

Saturday @ 6:00 PM

Sunday @ 8:00 & 10:00 AM

Bible Study

Wednesday @ 10:30 AM

Sunday @ 9:00 AM

PRESCHOOL NEWS



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Happy fall! We have been blessed with beautiful weather days where the children can get out multiple times a day to enjoy the fresh air. Just as the leaves are changing our students are beginning to change as well.

When you think about how a classroom of children grow into a community of learners it is astonishing. At the beginning of the year children are unfamiliar with each other, not sure of routines, and wonder why they need to leave their house to come to us. Familiarity and trust lay the groundwork for a powerful learning community. Plentiful unstructured and structured playtimes create a place where children take chances, make mistakes, discover new things, build relationships, develop their voice, and ask thoughtful questions. This transformation is beginning to happen in our St. Andrew's classrooms. It is a beautiful reminder of why play is so important to early learners.

We have some changes in our program starting in November. Each class will visit the Discovery Room for one week a month. The other three weeks of the month the Discovery Room will come to them. We will follow the same cleaning guidelines as the classrooms by limiting sharing, cleaning in between rotations, and disinfecting everything each afternoon. I'm sure our students will love being in the Discovery Room. I know my own boys, now 18 and 13, enjoyed time in the Discovery Room.

We are offering a Lunch Bunch in November. One Lunch Bunch for each class. This extends the day to 1:15 pm for a charge of \$10.00. This is an experiment to see how often we can offer Lunch Bunch in the coming months while following the Phase 3 Guidelines.

Our Food for Friends program continues. This month we were able to pack 150 main meal food bags and 75 snack bags with the help of our preschool families, Cub Scout Pack 1346, and the MITRE corporation.

Our children are precious and we continue to feel thankful to have the opportunity to work with them.

Net Submissions

If you have an article for the Monthly Net, please email it to Emily (emily@standrews.net) no later than the 20th of the month. All submissions are subject to approval.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Pageant

Amy Dutton | amy@standrews.net

O come, all ye faithful! It's not too early to start thinking about our Christmas pageant! We are looking for participants in this year's pageant. Everyone is welcome!

Since we are putting our pageant together online this year, there's no competition for roles. If your child, grandchild, nibling, or neighbor would like to be Mary, Joseph, one of the kings, or any other role, all you have to do is sign up. Feel free to sign up for multiple roles. The sign up link will be available next week!

Sunday School

Jane Girondo & Stacey Peters | formation@standrews.net

Sunday School meets every two weeks. The dates for Sunday School for the remainder of 2020 are November 1st, November 15th, and December 6th, from 11:00-11:30 a.m. We will have a break for the holiday and pick back up after the new year. If you haven't **registered your children for Sunday School** yet, please do it today.

Meet Father Will

Betsy Cotten & Rebecca Umberger | fellowship@standrews.net

Father Will would like to meet with each and every one of our parishioners in person or by Zoom. He will be hosting a series of small group meetings (up to 10 people) in the mornings (10:00 a.m.) and evenings (7:30 p.m.) to get to know the people of St. Andrew's. Outdoor meetings will require you to bring your own chair and wear a mask. These meetings will be held between now and November 30th on Mondays and Tuesdays.

A Sign-Up Genius has been created, so pick a time that works best for you/your family and **[sign up here to schedule a meeting.](#)**

Men's & Women's Fellowship

Darren Williams | mensgroup@standrews.net & Stacey Thomas | womensfellowship@standrews.net

The St. Andrew's Men's & Women's Fellowship groups participate in a variety of social outings and service events. They assist at the campus clean up and various other maintenance and grounds keeping projects at the church, they volunteer at Oktoberfest, ECHO, and Hypothermia Prevention week, and they raise money for building renovations through golf scrambles. When they are not volunteering, they hang out at restaurants, join up for joint bowling outings, and lot of other fun fellowship events.

If you are interested in learning more or being a part of either group, contact Darren Williams (Men's Group) or Stacey Thomas (Women's Group).

Prayer List

Michael Arnold

Lauren Bauer

Maxx Bauer

John and Janet Carver

Carol Cobb

Chris Conrad

John Corbett

Larry Dickerson

Dale Dickey

John Dunham

Phil Dunn

Katie Durso

George Duvall

Ed Frey

Agnes Gleason

David Graves

Lori Hardin

Bill Hartig

Susan Henderson

Linda and Ed Hunter

Jack Keyser

Janet Keyser

Nancy Knight

Dale Leonard

Ryan Martel

Gunnar and Heike Mayer

Regina McCombs

Conrad Moore (and family)

Mary J. Moses

David Nies

James Padgett

Leean Palmgren

Pam

Andrew Parthum

Philippa Pearce

Terry Peel

Charles Petty

Marie Reba

Lloyd Sterling

John Strong

Maureen Sullivan

Douglas Taggart

Susan White

Bette Williams

Departed

Col. Terry Rice
(friend of Tony Durso)

Clayton Farnham
(friend of Chris Umberger)

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Team Believe 2021

Christine Kelly | relay4life@standrews.net

COVID-19 has put cancer patients at risk – attacking already weakened immune systems, delaying cancer treatments, and closing many clinical trials. Because of the impact cancer has had on our lives, Team Believe is kicking off the 2021 Relay For Life to remember people we've lost and offer up support to anyone in our community who is affected by cancer.

Please join the team by signing up at on our [Team's Webpage](#):

2020 was a year where we were not able to walk together, but 2021 will be a new year of hope. If you have participated previously, you will receive an e-mail inviting you to a Zoom meeting on November 17th. We hope you will consider participating in this Women's Fellowship Event. If you have any questions, please contact Christine.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 1, 2020

Annual Ingathering

Darren Williams & Karan Wright | stewardship@standrews.net

The Annual Ingathering is this weekend and you can participate by mailing in your pledge, [making a pledge online](#), or by dropping off your pledge at church this Sunday between 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Father Will, the Stewardship Committee, and the Vestry will participate in a safe, socially distanced, drive-through Ingathering. You can drive around the front of the church, and place your pledge in a basket, to remain touchless, and without having to leave the safety of your car.

If you did not receive a Pledge Card, you can either make your [pledge online](#), or you can contact Emily Nein (emily@standrews.net), and one will be mailed out to you (please include a current address in your email).

We touch lives here at St. Andrew's in so many ways. We ask for your Pledge, even in these stressful times, and for you to be there for us, others, and God in a time where it is needed most. We continue to serve the Lord, and our manifold missions...One Together.

NOVEMBER 3, 2020

Election Day

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You may have heard that there is an election this Tuesday! If you have not already, we do ask you to vote. Please also be aware that we have opened the building as a polling location and ask you to use caution if needing to visit the church grounds. I also understand that this particular election carries with it the potential for new anxieties. I ask you to pray, as we will do for every election, and be gentle with your neighbors and yourselves. Please stay tuned for online prayer options the evening of November 3rd.

NOVEMBER 8, 2020

CROP Walk

Mark Foster & Carl Jones | outreach@standrews.net

The annual CROP Walk will be held Sunday, November 8th after the outdoor service! Stay tuned for details, and email outreach@standrews.net if you're interested in helping out.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 8, 2020

Messy Church

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Our next Messy Church service is scheduled for Sunday, November 8th, at 3:30 p.m. You are welcome to bring a snack to eat during the service, and remember to wear clothes that could get messy. Chairs and tables will be set up for each family registered, so please **remember to sign up**.

NOVEMBER 11, 2020

Sacred Ground

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We have discerned to continue our discernment and prayerful response to racial reconciliation with an intentional entry into the Sacred Ground series. We will host a pre-session gathering on Wednesday, November 11th, at 7:30 p.m. on Zoom. Attending this meeting will not commit you to the entirety if you would like to gather. **More information on Sacred Ground may be found online**. This session, led by Fr. Will, will discuss the practical components of gathering, the commitment, and prayerfully begin our group work.

NOVEMBER 14, 2020

Outdoor Cleanup

Doug Wood | jrwarden@standrews.net

There is a Parish Clean Up Day planned for Saturday, November 14th @ 9:00 a.m. The focus is on cleaning up the outdoor sanctuary and classroom area. We will need people to remove downed branches and clear away brush, and probably poison ivy. Please contact Doug for more information.

NOVEMBER 14, 2020

Samaritan Ministry of Greater Washington Gala

Elaine Runkel | smgw@standrews.net

You are invited to Samaritan Ministry's 2020 Gala, a virtual celebration of the work and mission of Samaritan Ministry of Greater Washington during these unprecedented times and a look ahead at what's to come. The gala will take place on Saturday, November 14th from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. **Registration is still open**.

NOVEMBER 15, 2020

Thanksgiving Baskets

Amy & Debby Braun | thanksgiving@standrews.net

Due to COVID-19, we will not be collecting food for our Thanksgiving Baskets this year. Instead, we are asking for monetary donations in order to buy gift cards for the 12 families we are helping.

If you would like to donate, please mail in a check made out to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church with "Thanksgiving Baskets" on the memo line. **The deadline for sending in checks is Sunday, November 15th**. Thank you!

LECTIONARY READINGS

(www.lectionarypage.net)

NOVEMBER 1, 2020

All Saints

Revelation 7:9-17

Psalm 34:1-10, 22

1 John 3:1-3

Matthew 5:1-12

NOVEMBER 8, 2020

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

Psalm 78:1-7

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 25:1-13

NOVEMBER 15, 2020

24th Sunday after Pentecost

Judges 4:1-7

Psalm 123

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Matthew 25:14-30

NOVEMBER 22, 2020

Last Sunday after Pentecost

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Psalm 100

Ephesians 1:15-23

Matthew 25:31-46

NOVEMBER 29, 2020

1st Sunday in Advent




Isaiah 64:1-9

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Mark 13:24-37

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Nick Runkel	3 ELECTION DAY Susan Jaskot Chandra Cookson Nora Wood Kathryn Payne 	4 Alex Froede Jeff Regan	5 Darren Williams	6 Kiley Meadows Chelsey Dunham Andrew Nedelka Samuel Demy	7 John Sabo Maddy Cotten Peyton Larsen
8 Monica Speaker	9 Steve Van Beek Carleigh Haskins Ken McKeever	10 Gloria Spaans	11 VETERANS DAY Stephen Bowdren Nicholas McWilliams 	12 Allie Kugler	13 Donna Daugherty Dave Umberger	14
15 D'Arcy Roper Scott Elliott Allie Harris	16 Julie Morgan Christina Nies Ann Bidwell	17 Brian Jones Claudia Borke Keira Schaffer Kylie Arnott	18 Marcy Bowdren	19 Carolyn Kohn Rachel Burkhalter	20 Robbie Kugler	21 James Godley
22 Hope Van Beek Skye Van Beek Lee McKinley	23 Chris Umberger	24 Stephanie Meadows	25 Martha Locke	26 THANKSGIVING 	27 Lavona Andersen	28 Alice Corbett Heidi Kugler
29 Jackie Mula Cathy Harman Olivia Beckwitt Janet Rife	30					

*Don't see your name on your birthday? Let us know!
Contact Emily (emily@standrews.net) and we'll get you added to the list.*

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