



The Net

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



PRIEST-IN-CHARGE
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Dear Friends in Christ,

The month of November begins with one of our largest feasts of the year, All Saints! It is officially on November 1st

but we are able to move the celebration to the next Sunday (November 7th this year). It is a day when we bring out the Paschal Candle, we baptize, we renew our Baptismal Covenant, we dress the sanctuary for an Easter service, and recognize the gift of the Saints.

In our celebration, we acknowledge what takes place on the calendar on November 2nd, the Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed. We remember the saints who have died and we ask you to send an email to the office if you wish to commemorate someone who has died this past year. Within our celebration of All Saints', we remember and celebrate with the saints who have gone before us.

We often think that we are not able to become saints. The human saints that we celebrate, such as St. Andrew, were people as well and far from perfect. We reserve perfect for God. As aspiring saints, we aim to move closer and towards God's love in discipleship. As the hymn written by Lesbia Scott in our Hymnal writes, "And I mean to be one too." Yes, we are called to sainthood, a

recognition that God's love is for us, yes, for you, and calls you.

As we remember the saints who have gone, as we seek to live into our own sainthood, and as we celebrate the gift of God's love throughout the ages, we give thanks together. November is a month when we secularly and in our religious tradition, give thanks. Let us give thanks this month together and as we seek to recognize the living saints that are around us in the world.

Faithfully yours,

Will

VESTRY NEWS

Worship Services

Wednesday @ 9:30 AM

Saturday @ 6:00 PM

Sunday @ 8:00 & 10:00 AM

Sunday School

Sunday @ 11:20 a.m.

Adult Forums

Sunday @ 11:20 a.m.



SENIOR WARDEN

DOUG WOOD

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November 1st is All Saints' Day. On this day we remember all of the saints, both known and unknown. We are quite familiar with our namesake St. Andrew as we prepare to begin our 50th Anniversary with a yearlong celebration of the history and growth of our parish, and a discussion of where God is calling us in the future.

Let us focus for a moment, however, on the "unknown" saints. The Bible tells us that in order to become a saint a person must both call upon Christ for salvation (1 Corinthians 1:2) and, just as importantly, must live into His Word in our actions. (1 Peter 1:15-16).

Is there a ministry at St. Andrew's that brings you closer to saintliness? Perhaps it is providing food, clothing, or shelter to the homeless or hungry through our assistance to FACETS and ECHO, teaching our youth during Formation hour, serving as a lay assistant during worship, or helping care for our building and grounds. These are just a few of the ways our parishioners affirm their faith. Your pledge to St. Andrew's is also important as it provides the financial means to continue and expand the good works we perform in our community.

There is no hierarchy of saints: we are all brothers and sisters in Christ. Though we may not be named, we can strive for saintliness by how we care for our neighbors: in our church, community, and the world.

Regathering Update

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This post is providing statistics as of Wednesday, October 27th. Nationally and in Virginia we are seeing an improvement with transmission rates and an increase in vaccines being administered. Fairfax County, according to the Brown School of Public Health improved and went down a level this week from Orange to Yellow with under 10 cases (8.6) per 100k residents on average over the past 7 days. The CDC recorded 65.53 total cases per 100k over the past 7 days. While we are still in the "Substantial" level, it is a large decrease from the prior week and weeks before.

This week, there was also a decrease in hospitalizations, ICU beds in use, and deaths.

Vaccines are helping with transmission rates and are significantly decreasing severe cases, hospitalizations, and death. 82.4% of residents 18 and older (69.7% of all residents) have received at least one dose of a vaccine and 75.6% of adults 18 and older (63.8% of total population) in Fairfax County are considered fully vaccinated. According to the CDC, 69% of Fairfax County residents are fully vaccinated which is 81.2% of the eligible population.

We will continue to monitor when we may lift some, if any, of our precautions. This week, we will not make any changes to our practices of wearing a mask indoors at all times.

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.

FELLOWSHIP

For those worshipping from home or who were otherwise unable to join us at our in-person Fellowship Ministry Fair in early October, we would like to extend to you a warm invitation to explore the many Fellowship opportunities within our St. Andrew's community!

If you are interested in any of the following ministries and would like to be notified of future events, please email the POC to be added to the email distro list.

BOOK GROUP

Pam Rozelsky (bookclub@standrews.net)

This group of women gather monthly for lively and thoughtful discussions on a wide variety of books. The gatherings, rotating between hosts' homes pre-COVID, are currently being held on Zoom. This is a wonderful mix of long-time and new members, and many friendships trace their beginnings to these gatherings.

COFFEE MINISTRY

Lori Foster (coffeehosts@standrews.net)

Coffee hosts set up, serve, and clean up at the coffee fellowship following each Sunday service. Pre-COVID, a rotating group of volunteers (2 to 4 each Sunday) provided coffee and tea, snacks, and kids' beverages in the Parish

Hall. While indoor activities have been mostly on hold due to the pandemic, we are planning for a future when we can return to indoor Coffee fellowship. This is a great activity for couples or to team up and meet new people!

FOYER GROUPS

Debbie Williams (foyergroups@standrews.net)

Foyer groups are an easy, casual way to connect with other St. Andrew's parishioners. Each group of about 10 people share a meal or activity on a monthly/bi-monthly basis. They previously met in homes or at restaurants, as determined by that month's group hosts.

MEN'S & WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Woody Browne (interim) (mensgroup@standrews.net) & Stacey Thomas (womensfellowship@standrews.net)

The Men's & Women's groups participate in a variety of social outings and service events. They assist at the campus clean up and other maintenance and grounds-keeping projects at the church; volunteer at various parish events; and 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 lots of other fun fellowship events.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanksgiving Baskets

Amy Braun | thanksgiving@standrews.net

We will not be collecting food for our Thanksgiving Baskets again this year, but we are asking for monetary donations in order to buy gift cards for families who are affiliated with ECHO. We hope to help more than the 12 families we normally support.

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.



Prayer List

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| Pam | Charles Petty | Karan Wright |
| Larry Dickerson | Gloria Covington | Candi James |
| Linda & Ed Hunter | Jack Keyser | Kim Reisig |
| John & Janet Carver | Hugh Brian Henderson | Jeff Nein |
| Bill Hartig | Theo Pickeral | Christy Bering |
| Lloyd Sterling | Olivia Kertesz | Beth Matovick |
| Nancy Knight | Carol Matovick | Dorothy Polk |
| Janet Keyser | Rachel Gordon | Rebecca Miyares |
| | Phil Purdom | Natasha Browning |
| | | Robert |

- Steve Ramsdell
- Becca Triplett
- Eric & Melissa Christianson
- Christina Kelly
- JoVanna Tawney
- Joan & Bud Hahn
- Marlene Taggart
- Donna Schrock

Departed

- Penny Webb
(Friend of Gail Bouton)
- Lova Wile
(mother of Shelly Naisbitt)
- Robert McGlohon
(friend of Barbara Klix)
- Pauline Piccirillo
(family of Doug Kelly)

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Candy Tithe

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All Saints' is coming up this Monday which means that Sunday is Halloween. This is the time when we can have fun and also receive a lot of candy! We invite the children this year to a new practice of the candy tithe.

On All Saints' Sunday, November 7th, we invite children to bring 1/10 of their candy to the church. We will invite them up during the Offertory or they may place it in the wagon we have before or after the service. For every 10 pieces of candy, we ask the kids to bring in 1 piece. This is a fun practice that also helps us parents limit the sugar just a little bit! It is also an opportunity to begin teaching our children about the biblical principle of stewardship.

Where will all the candy go? We will send it to bellies and minds of our college students to aid their energy levels during papers and exams! If you have a student in college right now, please send their name and address to Colleen.



Necrology

Emily Nein | emily@standrews.net

For our All Saints Day service on Sunday, November 7th, we will include everyone from our Prayer List who has passed away in the last year. If you have someone you would like to add to this list who died in the past year, please email their name to Emily by Thursday, November 4th.

Stewardship: Do All the Good You Can

Brian Jones | stewardship@standrews.net

As we look forward to Thanksgiving in a few weeks, let's give thanks for the ministry here at St. Andrew's and all that we have through Christ. "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

Pledge cards were mailed out on October 8th and following the annual Stewardship Sermon, pledges have been streaming into St. Andrew's at a steady rate. Your pledge provides St. Andrew's with a baseline to plan the annual budget prior to the church's annual meeting in February. If you have not already sent in your pledge, there is still plenty of time. And if you did not receive a pledge card, you can pick up one at St. Andrew's near the

entrance to the Nave or pledge on our website at: tiny.cc/StApledge2022.

As we close on our 50th anniversary, we will celebrate the history of this wonderful church through various events being planned for 2022. Great things that have happened here in the last half-century at St. Andrew's. Let's continue to build on this legacy of doing all the good we can! Your pledge matters.

"Do all the good you can, By all the means you can, In all the ways you can, In all the places you can, At all the times you can, To all the people you can, As long as ever you can." – John Wesley

Childcare Volunteers & Teachers Needed

Christie Dasher & Stacey Peters | formation@standrews.net

We are still in need of volunteers in Pre-K and Nursery. If you are vaccinated and 14 years or older, please sign up to help out (tiny.cc/babywatch-fall21).

Also, teachers are needed for the K-2nd, 6th-8th, and high school classes, as well as another lead for Godly Play.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 6, 2021

Parish Clean-Up

Darren Williams | jrwarden@standrews.net

Our cyclical Fall Parish Clean Up Day is planned for Saturday, November 6th beginning at 9:00 a.m. We will be paying attention mostly to the exterior, with leaf clearing from the roof and grounds, but will also be working on the interior cleaning, as directed by our wonderful Sextant, Carlos Guzman. In case of inclement weather, we will try again on November 13th. Please contact Darren for more information.

NOVEMBER 9, 2021

Youth Choir Parents Meeting

Gabe Simerson | gabe@standrews.net

The Youth Choir is on its way back! As these are stressful and unknown times for everyone and such a commitment should come with ample information, the next step in the project will be a **parent interest meeting, held over Zoom on Tuesday, November 9th, at 7:30 p.m.** (meeting link - <http://tiny.cc/mrpku2>). The meeting will also be recorded for those who can't make it. In the meantime, any questions or interest can be directed to Interim Organist and Choirmaster Gabe Simerson or to Gabe and to Marietta Grundlehner, Youth Choir leader, at youthchoir@standrews.net. The more the merrier; we'd love to hear from you or your children!

NOVEMBER 13, 2021

CROP Walk

Elaine Runkel | crop@standrews.net

In the absence of the annual large Burke/Fairfax CROP Walk, we are having our own St. Andrew's CROP Walk as a joint fellowship/outreach event.

We will hold a walk around Lake Royal (approx. 1.9 miles around) at 5216 Pommeroy Dr. in Fairfax on Saturday, November 13th, at 10:00 a.m. We will meet at the entrance off of Pommeroy Dr. at 9:45 a.m.

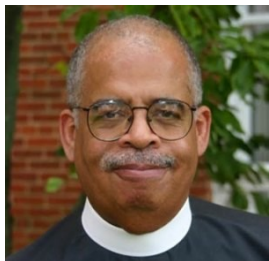
We will also be collecting non-perishable items for ECHO since the Burke walk typically provided donations to ECHO. We will have a box at St. Andrew's to collect items and they can also be dropped off at Lake Royal. There is no rain date - so we will walk rain or shine.

Please sign up to be on our official CROP Walk team at tiny.cc/STA_CROP_2021. We would love more team members, but registering is not necessary to walk! If you are not able to join us, please consider making a small donation at the link above.

NOVEMBER 14, 2021

Adult Forum - Biblical Studies with the Rev. Lloyd A. "Tony" Lewis

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Join us after the 10:00 a.m. service on Sunday, November 14th, for an Adult Forum led by the Rev. Lloyd A. "Tony" Lewis, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus.

Lloyd Alexander ("Tony") Lewis, Jr. was born in Washington, DC, and raised in Alexandria, Virginia. After graduating from Trinity College with an AB in classics, he entered Virginia Theological Seminary (VTS) and was ordained a deacon and priest in 1972. He has served in parishes in New York, Connecticut, and Washington, DC.

In 1978 he was elected to the faculty of VTS, and in 1985 Yale University conferred on him a PhD in New Testament Studies. From 1991 through 2000 he was the Dean of George Mercer Memorial School of Theology, and Bishop's Deputy for Education in the Episcopal Diocese of Long Island. He is a Canon Theologian to the Bishops of Long Island. Upon his return to the VTS faculty in 2000, he was named Molly Laird Downs Professor of New Testament Studies, a position he held until his retirement in December 2012.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 21, 2021

Evensong

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On Sunday, November 21st, at 5:00 p.m., we will continue our celebration of our patronal feast with a Choral Evensong for St. Andrew's Day. One of the crown jewels of our Anglican musical patrimony, evensong (essentially choral Evening Prayer) is almost entirely sung by the choir, punctuated by prayer and congregational hymns. In honor of St. Andrew's influence beyond our walls, this service will feature the music of living Scottish composers alongside choral standards and favorite evening hymns, in the meditative glow of candlelight. We'd love to have a full church to celebrate our parish and our patron, and to raise the roof on hymns, so mark your calendars!

NOVEMBER 28, 2021

Messy Church

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We will be hosting a Messy Church in the afternoon of the first Sunday of Advent (November 28th). This is the Sunday of Thanksgiving weekend, so make your plans accordingly. We will have a short, kid-friendly service and story and then each family will make an advent wreath to use this advent season. Registration for this event will be available soon.



DECEMBER 5, 2021

Sacraments Class

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Our second and final Sacraments Class will be held on Sunday, December 5th, at 4:00 p.m. This class will focus on Communion and will be led by the Rev. Will Packard and Amy Dutton. Please contact Amy if you plan on attending.

DECEMBER 19, 2021

FoMA Concert: Celtic Music w/ Karen Ashbrook

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Friends of Music and Arts is back! Please mark your calendar for the season opener on Sunday, December 19th, at 4:00 p.m. in the Nave – an afternoon of Celtic music by Karen Ashbrook and Friends. Karen and her husband, Paul Oort, were a highlight of our virtual Christmas Eve worship last year, and we're excited to have them back this holiday season for an in-person concert. Karen is world renown as an Irish hammered dulcimer player, and she also plays the Irish flute and pennywhistle. Paul performs on harp guitar, 10-string cittern, mandolin, and musette accordion. They'll be joined by another vocalist, details to be determined. In the spirit of giving, this will be a fundraiser for both ECHO and FACETS. Watch this space for more information.

LECTIONARY READINGS (www.lectionarypage.net)

NOVEMBER 7, 2021

24th Sunday after Pentecost

Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17

Psalm 127

Hebrews 9:24-28

Mark 12:38-44

NOVEMBER 14, 2021

25th Sunday after Pentecost

1 Samuel 1:4-20

1 Samuel 2:1-10

Hebrews 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25

Mark 13:1-8

NOVEMBER 21, 2021

Last Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 23:1-7

Psalm 132:1-13 (14-19)

Revelation 1:4b-8

John 18:33-37

NOVEMBER 28, 2021

1st Sunday of Advent




Jeremiah 33:14-16

Psalm 25:1-9

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Luke 21:25-36

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 ELECTION DAY Nick Runkel 	3 Susan Jaskot Chandra Cookson Nora Wood Kathryn Payne	4 Alex Froede Jeffrey Regan	5 Darren Williams	6 Kiley Meadows Chelsey Dunham Andrew Nedelka Sammy 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	20 Robbie Kugler Jensen Kugler
21	22 Hope Van Beek Skye Van Beek Lee McKinley Evie West	23 Chris Umberger	24 Stephanie Meadows Teddy Chatman	25 THANKSGIVING Martha Williams 	26	27 Lavona Andersen
28 Alice Corbett Heidi Kugler	29 Jacqueline 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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