



The Net

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



PRIEST-IN-CHARGE
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*O God, by the leading of a star
you manifested your only Son to
the peoples of the earth: Lead
us, who know you now by faith,
to your presence, where we may
see your glory face to face;*

*through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for
ever. Amen. – Collect for Epiphany*

Dear Friends in Christ,

The collect for the Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ reveals to us the spirit of that feast. We enter into the new calendar year saying Merry Christmas and quickly head to this celebration when Jesus becomes known to the magi which may represent the gentiles and the whole world. How does the church today reveal this manifestation and share this news with the world?

The birth of our Church, St. Andrew's, was 50 years ago this year! Our mission to follow Jesus Christ includes sharing this manifestation of God's love with our community and the world. This year, we will recall many stories, celebrate, and look towards how we follow that star into the future. The members throughout the years and here now, yes, you, blessed and bless the church and the church blesses you. As the people, we are the church and our responsibility is to point to what guides us.

We celebrate on January 9th the Feast of the Baptism of our Lord Jesus Christ and begin our new year with a Thanksgiving for our 50th year. This service is most appropriate to begin our 50th year as our Christian mission begins in baptism and is

encompassed in covenant. Our journey from the star begins in a font, is sustained in our fellowship, breaking of the bread, prayers, and extends into the world. As our Christian journey begins so to do we begin to commemorate our journey on such a celebration.

As you will see, there are many commemorations planned. We have a wonderful committee planning events to commemorate this blessed year. Thank you for your diligent and continued work January Layman -Wood (co-chair), Martha Turner (Co-Chair), Rosemary Phillips, Jim Kirkpatrick, Rich Richardson, Mark Foster, Anne Brannam, Jane Gironde, Brian Jones, Doug Wood, and myself. As we move through the year, we are called into the future of our church so that we might be like the star, helping to reveal the love of God in the person of Christ and alive today.

May this new year bring you more than luck. May it bring you the knowledge of God's love made manifest on the Epiphany.

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

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We are starting off an exciting year, our 50th! January 9th is the official beginning of our 50th anniversary celebration. Please consult the Weekly Net and the bulletin board outside the conference room for upcoming events and information.

Later this month, your Vestry will be holding a Mutual Ministry Review moderated by Canon Abbot Bailey of the Diocese of Virginia. At the conclusion of that meeting, the Vestry can vote to elect Father Will Packard as our next Rector. On January 23rd we will be hosting our second St. Andrew's Friends of Music and the Arts (FoMA) concert. Lastly, at the end of this month we begin hosting Hypothermia Prevention week.

If you have not yet submitted your 2022 pledge it is not too late to do so! Pledge cards are available in the Narthex or you may pledge online.

And last but not least, I want to thank all the volunteers who assist with worship, outreach, formation, and the many other things that are required to support our community and our building. No matter who you are or what you do, your time and talent are important and appreciated.

Endowment Fund

Pete Kirkham | endowment@standrews.net

Make a New Year resolution that will pay it forward during your lifetime. Your gift and planned giving are a charitable way to ensure St. Andrew's continues its intentional, Godly works. Beyond the New Year, year after year, we witness how generous bequeaths have sustained our sponsored children's, adult, mission, and community programs, even through the pandemic.

There are many ways to give through your estate planning, personal and real property, individual retirement account, pension fund or stocks, bonds and treasuries. Your gift can be a one time, any amount, or a continuing gift. It may even be an individual tax benefit within your estate.

As good stewards of your donation, St. Andrew's uses the earnings (not the principle) from your endowment gift. So, take the next step this New Year. Speak to your family members, your financial and legal advisors about your desires to make a charitable bequest.

For more information you may contact anyone on the St. Andrew's Endowment Board consisting of Board Chairman Pete Kirkham; members: David Nies, Alice Redman, Pam Rozelsky, and John Robinson.

Feel it in our heart to donate with the assurance of doing "All the good you can" by your gift that will pay it forward over time.

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

Regathering Update

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The DC region continues to be a red zone for COVID-19. Please know that the virus seems to be evading many defenses, including boosted adults at times. However, statistics demonstrate that vaccinated and in particular boosted individuals are far less likely to need critical medical attention, including hospitalization.

Transmission rates:

According to the Brown School of Public Health, the average number of cases per day, over the last seven days per 100k is now 115.5. This is solidly in the red zone for this health metric. According to the CDC, there are a total of 808.26 cases per 100k over the entire last 7 day period (also solidly red zone). This means there were 9,275 cases over the past 7 days. However, these metrics may be under counting as many at-home positive tests were not included in these numbers. Over the past seven days, there were a total of 19 deaths in Fairfax County related to COVID-19.

Medical Center Metrics:

There were 114 new hospital admissions for COVID over the past 7 days which is a 62.86% increase. 7.85% of hospital beds were occupied due to COVID over the last 7 days (1.64% increase) and 9.75% of ICU beds were used for

COVID reasons over the past 7 days (0.99% increase). The University of Minnesota's COVID-19 hospitalization project showed our hospitals, while not under the "high" category of stress, are in increasing stress levels. Fairfax Hospital, for example, is at 76% overall capacity and 88% of adult ICU beds are in use. If you have tried to contact your doctor recently, you probably know that they too are seeing an increase in patients.

Vaccination Rates:

74.2% of Fairfax County is fully vaccinated and 88.4% have received at least 1 dose according to the CDC. A new metric in reveals that 30.9% of the total population has received a booster dose. Of those greater than 65 years of age, 57.3% have received their booster dose. 79.1% of our population eligible for the vaccine (those older than 5) are considered fully-vaccinated and 94.3 have received at least 1 dose.

We will continue to do the best we can to navigate the pandemic. Please use this information to make informed decisions, not only for your worship, but in how you engage in the community.

2022 Pledge Drive - Still Going Strong!

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It's never too late to pledge and it also has never been easier!

- Pledge cards are available in the Narthex, next to the TV monitor. You can either mail in your card or drop it off in the collection plate before or after one of our services.
- You can also pledge online by going to tiny.cc/hgdluz or by scanning the QR code. *(This does not require you to pay online, you can still do that by check).*

We are currently at 92% of our pledge goal and would love to make it to 95%!



Prayer List

Pam
 Larry Dickerson
 Linda & Ed Hunter
 John & Janet Carver
 Bill Hartig
 Nancy Knight
 Janet Keyser

Charles Petty
 Gloria Covington
 Jack Keyser
 Hugh Brian Henderson
 Theo Pickeral
 Olivia Kertesz
 Carol Matovick
 Rachel Gordon

Phil Purdom
 Karan Wright
 Kim Reisig
 Christy Bering
 Beth Matovick
 Dorothy Polk
 Rebecca Miyares
 Natasha Browning
 Robert C.

Eric & Melissa Christianson
 JoVanna Tawney
 Joan & Bud Hahn
 Joe & Karen Steele
 Mary Lu Powell
 Joani Dasher
 Kim D. Howard
 Becky Myhre
 Donna Schrock
 Jeff

Christina Nies
 Doffie
 the Ewers Family

Departed

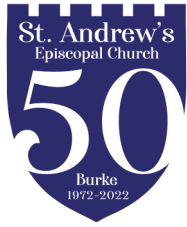
John Horton
 (brother of Tracey Brown)
 Bob Ewers
 (friend of Carl Jones)
 Debby Brown
 (friend of Carolyn Kohn)

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY 9, 2022

Service of Celebration

January Layman-Wood & Martha Turner | 50th@standrews.net



What do Triple Crown winner Secretariat, Burke Elementary School, and you have in common? All are central to the history of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, whose 50th anniversary we will be celebrating throughout 2022.

During our anniversary year we will continue to do the things we do best—worship, music, fellowship, outreach, formation, family ministry, stewardship—while also celebrating, storytelling (including more details about Secretariat and Burke Elementary!), remembering, and looking ahead.

Our first anniversary event will be a **Service for the Commencement of Our 50th Year** on Saturday, January 8th, at 6:00 p.m., and Sunday, January 9th, at 8:00 and 10:00 a.m., with Holy Baptism at the 10:00 a.m. service.

This kickoff service will be followed by a year of activities, events, special guests, and visual presentations that will lead up to the culminating **To the Glory of God, a Service of Thanksgiving for Our 50th Anniversary** and celebration on Sunday, November 20th.

Please look for upcoming anniversary events in the weekly and monthly Net and on the anniversary bulletin board outside the Parish Hall.

As members of the 50th Anniversary Planning Committee, we request your help with organizing events and activities that will make this anniversary celebration special, and we welcome photos or memorabilia reflecting St. Andrew's parish life through that you are willing to share.

Please contact us at 50th@standrews.net.

Happy Anniversary to our church home.

Yours in Christ,

50th Anniversary Planning Committee

The Rev. William Packard, *Priest-in-Charge*
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January Layman-Wood, *co-chair*

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JANUARY 9, 2022

Sacraments Class Reschedule

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Our second Sacraments class will be held on Sunday, January 9th, from 4:00-5:00 p.m., with the Rev. Will Packard and Amy Dutton. This class will discuss the sacrament of Communion. We may not need the full hour, depending on the number of participants. These classes work best with those 4 years old and above. Email Amy if you plan on attending.

JANUARY 23, 2022

FoMA Concert: Sophia Subbaya Vastek, pianist

Gabe Simerson | foma@standrews.net

Friends of Music and the Arts at St. Andrew's (FoMA) invites you to come and hear pianist and keyboardist Sophia Subbaya Vastek play on Sunday, January 23rd at 4:00 p.m. in the Nave.

Described as playing with "passion and profound tenderness" (Second Inversion) and with "serene strokes and lyrical beauty" (Brooklyn Rail), Sophia maintains an active career as a performer, educator, interdisciplinary collaborator, and event producer. Free admission. Masks required.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY 30 - FEBRUARY 6, 2022

Hypothermia Prevention Week

Steve Koss | hypothermia@standrews.net

St. Andrew's is hosting our annual Hypothermia Prevention Program from January 30th - February 6th. During this week, we will welcome approximately 35 guests each night and provide them with food, fellowship, and shelter. There are many volunteer slots (found here: tiny.cc/Hypo22) that will need to be filled in order to make this week a success.

We also have a need for donated items. Any donation is greatly appreciated and can be dropped off on the brick ledge across from the Church Office. Please mark all donations with "Hypothermia Program." **We are ready to receive donations now through February 2nd, but prefer to receive them in late January.**

Food Items: Bottled water (16 oz.); Individual chocolate milk & juice (apple/orange) boxes; Individual cups of pudding, fruit, & applesauce; Individual packs of raisins, chips, popcorn, nuts, pretzels, trail mix, & cookies; Individual V-8 cans; Peanut butter or cheese cracker packs; Sunny D (6-8 oz.); and Chewy granola/breakfast bars

Personal Items: Hand or foot warmer pouches; Cell chargers; Reading glasses (all but esp. 2.5-3.5); Travel size toiletries (toothpaste, tooth brushes, tissue pouches, foot powder, hand lotion, Chapstick, etc.), rain ponchos.

Other items: a few board games, appropriate DVDs, daily newspapers, and magazines.

LECTIONARY READINGS (www.lectionarypage.net)

JANUARY 2, 2022

2nd Sunday after Christmas Day

Jeremiah 31:7-14

Psalms 84 or 84:1-8

Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a

Luke 2:41-52

JANUARY 9, 2022

1st Sunday after the Epiphany

Isaiah 43:1-7

Psalms 29

Acts 8:14-17

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

JANUARY 16, 2022

2nd Sunday after the Epiphany

Isaiah 62:1-5

Psalms 36:5-10

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

John 2:1-11

JANUARY 23, 2022

3rd Sunday after the Epiphany

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Psalms 19

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Luke 4:14-21

JANUARY 30, 2022

4th Sunday after the Epiphany

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Psalms 71:1-6

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Luke 4:21-30

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 NEW YEAR'S DAY Nancy Knight Patrick Murphy 
2 Jim Slawski Scott Emert Steve Koss Andrew Winfield	3 Ann DiMisa	4 Carol MacLean	5 Brian Umberger	6 EPIPHANY Janet Foley Liz Ryon 	7 Janet Carver January Layman-Wood Henry Scarborough	8 Michael Boster
9 Christie Dasher Jackson Shriner	10 Violet Baker	11	12 Shawn Richardson	13 JD Thomas	14	15 Timothy Brady
16 Libby Spencer Isabel Hernandez	17 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY Amy Dutton 	18 Pam Rozelsky Ronan Davis	19 Bella Bruggeman Dave Lewis	20	21	22
23 Alex Sperry	24 Devon Scott	25 Deborah England Bill Wright Dan Emrick Sean Cafferky	26 Ward McKinley Tim Bradfield Ben Bradfield	27 Harper McGuin	28	29 Bruce Stuck Nick Jones
30 Anna Rozelsky	31 Rowan McGuin Harrison Coates					

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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