

The Net

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



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Dear Friends in Christ,

Take a look at this newsletter and you will see a vast amount of activity this month and wonderful ministry at St.

Andrew's! In the midst of a busy Spring, we celebrate our ministry together on May 15th, at 4:00 p.m. in the service which officially recognizes our relationship, with me as Rector. Since I received a phone call from January Layman-Wood, the chair of the search committee to this moment, I remain in awe and excited for our mutual ministry. While the service does "Install" me as Rector, the focus is on our relationship and mutual call in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The service gives thanksgiving for our ministry and recognizes our common call in baptism.

Churches do not often have the opportunity to celebrate in this service and this will be the third one in our 50-year history. I might add how incredible this is to celebrate in our 50th year! What exactly is this service about?

As the Presider, the Very Rev. Susan Hartzell, Dean of the Southern Fairfax Region, and Rector of St. Peter's -in-the-Woods, Fairfax Station, will represent the Bishop and the larger church. Within this service, there will be symbols of our ministry together presented such as a Bible and keys to the Church. Representatives from St. Andrew's, the Diocese of Virginia, and the larger church will be present and we all participate. We welcome the Rev. Dr. Margaret Ann (Sam) Faeth as our preacher, a priest important in my life and in the life of the church. Readings and Music are appropriate to the season/occasion, and the liturgy carries us through our relationship together.

Perhaps the central component of this service, however, is the Renewal of Baptismal Vows. The Episcopal Church affirms that each of us is called in ministry (with Laity as the first order) and we now recognize our continued work together. This service does not pretend that our work begins now, but that we continue the work that Jesus has given us to do. This is our mutual ministry together and what a joy it is to serve God in Christ with each other!

After the service, we will celebrate with a reception and we mark this time in our history. It is important to celebrate and mark such occasions. I am looking forward to this celebration and our journey together for years to come!

I look forward to seeing you at this celebration, at our services, and at our many events and ministry opportunities this month!

Faithfully yours,

PRESCHOOL 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.



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I think it's safe to say winter is behind us. We are enjoying spring weather with plenty of sunny outside playtimes.

Even though our school year is beginning to wind down we have so much more to do: Spring Teas, End of the Picnic, and Transition Ceremonies. We are looking forward to hosting all of these events!

SCIENCE NIGHT CAME BACK! Wednesday, April 27th we held Science Night where preschool families engaged in over 20 science activities that their children had experienced while in the Discovery Room. The Capital Snow Truck came and served shaved ice treats to all of our Science Night guests. SO FUN!

The week before Spring Break we celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week! Our teachers were treated to a lunch at Trattoria Villagio in Clifton. As crazy as this may sound, it was nice to enjoy a lunch sitting down with colleagues. The teachers also enjoyed snack baskets, flowers, a lovely card from the Vestry, and a basket of Sunshine to end the week. The Vestry and preschool parents donated their time, talent, and treasure to support this wonderful week of festivities.

We are happy to announce that both of our summer programs Summer Fun and Enrichment Camp are full. Summer Fun will take place during the week from June 1st-8th and is open to all of our students. Enrichment Camp will be June 13th-17th and is open to all of our Pre-K students.

We have a few spaces left for the 2021-2022 school year. If you know of anyone interested in our preschool for next year, please send them to our website: preschool.standrews.net. There they can take a virtual tour and register by completing the inquiry form under the Link to Register tab. Of course, they can always call our office at 703-455-8458 or email our office at preschool@standrews.net.

This year has gone by quickly and it is very hard for us to say goodbye to our Pre-K students. Getting to know all of our students this year has made our lives so much better!

As we sing at the end of each day:

*Goodbye, Goodbye, Goodbye. Goodbye,
my friends to you. God bless you
everywhere you go and all you say and do!*

VESTRY NEWS



SENIOR WARDEN

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I've been reflecting a lot this month about foundations. Both the physical ones, in our homes and buildings, but also the people that serve as our foundations in life. It is often said that without a strong foundation, you cannot build anything of value.

So many of you have shared your stories of St. Andrew's history with me this month.

You have shared how you came to find this place, and how it has helped you to weather the various storms in your life. You have shared with me the updates that have happened to the physical building during your time here; and the people who have changed you because of your time here. You have shared with me your hopes and ideas for the future. It's been an honor to hear your stories and to learn with/from you. What a strong foundation we have here at St. Andrew's.

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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.

The Vestry is excited, and ready, to build on our solid foundation for what's next here. This year, we hope

- to enhance our financial processes
- to engage relationships

With each of these goals, we're spending some time understanding the foundation and history of where we've been; being curious about where we are now; and working to create systems to help us look ahead to the next 50 years.

I'd like to take a moment to express gratitude and appreciation for two specific groups, who support our foundation, this month.

- Thank you to the Property and Resource Commission for all the work you do to ensure our physical building and grounds. Jonathan Withington, our outstanding Junior Warden, will share more with you about them and their work.
- Thank you to Sunday School Teachers for all the work you do in building foundations of knowledge in our youngest parishioners. We look forward to celebrating with you later this month.

In a dynamic way, both of these groups are working to ensure that the ground which we rest upon is solid, being present to the needs of the children and physical plant. Yet, they are ever mindful of what is possible in the future, as you will see in their hopes for what's next here.

May is an exciting month at St. Andrew's. There's a lot happening, and I hope to see you for many of these events, in their own way they celebrate our foundations and prepare us for the future.

- On May 14th, we'll have our Parish clean-up, where we'll spend some time cleaning up and preparing our physical spaces.
- May 15th, we'll have a Celebration of New Ministry, which is our chance to officially welcome Father Will as our 3rd Rector. This is an important, and unique, celebration in the history of a church. I highly encourage you to attend, all are welcome.

- May 22nd, we'll honor our Graduates and Sunday School Teachers .

There's a lot more, be sure to check the rest of the Net and the Parish Calendar.

May this place be a shelter in your life. When you come here, may all the weight of the world fall from your shoulders. May your heart be tranquil here, blessed by peace that the world cannot give. May this be a lucky place, where the graces of your life desires always find the way to you. May this be a safe space full of understanding and acceptance, where you can be as you are, without the need of any mask or pretense or image. May this be a place of discovery, where the possibilities that sleep in the clay of your soul emerge to deepen and refine your vision for all that is to come to birth. May it be a place of welcome for the broken and diminished. May it be a place of courage, where healing and growth are loved, where dignity and forgiveness prevail; a place where patience of spirit is prized, and the sight of the destination is never lost though the journey may be difficult and slow. May there be great delight here. May it be a home for you.

(Adapted from John Donahue)

Prayer List

Pam	Gloria Covington	Beth Matovick
Linda & Ed Hunter	Jack Keyser	Natasha Browning
John & Janet Carver	Hugh Brian Henderson	Joe & Karen Steele
Bill Hartig	Olivia Kertesz	Katie Gould
Nancy Knight	Rachel Gordon	Felix Benitez
Charles Petty	Phil Purdom	Zach Davis
	Christy Bering	Annie Sher
		Frank Traglia

Charles McLeod
 John Strong
 Maureen Sullivan
 Eddie Fortune

Departed

Ed Keyser
 (uncle of Jane Girondo)
 Jim Vafier
 (friend of Deborah England)
 Norma Tietjen
 (mother of Patricia Demont)
 William Tawney
 (father of Sean Hilber)
 Phyllis Wigg
 (aunt of Chris Umberger)



JUNIOR WARDEN
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"The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock." - Matthew 7:25

It humbles me to serve as your new Junior Warden in this 50th Anniversary year and follow in the footsteps of some true disciples of Christ such as Darren Williams, Doug Wood, Christine Kelly, Paul Foley, and Jewell Gould, just to name a few. They each carried out their service to the congregation by ensuring our physical plant accommodated and enabled the greater St. Andrew's community, along with our outreach partners, the ability to safely worship, serve and belong.

I look forward to serving our congregation and working with the Vestry and commissions to build upon the success made possible by previous lay leaders. I especially appreciate working with and contributing to the ministry of the Property and Resource Commission.

Formed last year, the commission's main objectives are to provide short and long-term guidance for planning plant maintenance and upgrades in concert with Vestry. The PRC also collaborates with other standing committees such as the Finance & Audit, Stewardship, and Endowment Fund to manage projects using smart partnerships and best financial practices to accomplish our goals. We have a very talented group led by chairperson, Christine Kelly, along with Paul Foley, Gene Gironde, Chuck Sleeper, and Deb Braun. While the Junior Warden doesn't necessarily have to carry a tool belt anymore, our PRC provides needed continuity and plant knowledge. Members of the PRC often avail themselves of the building and grounds' needs during the workday.

To keep your physical plant happy and healthy, and to ensure fiscal responsibility, **we're working to update the property master plan.** Many of you will recall the Mason & Mason Capital Reserve Analysts Study from 2015. We have recently put out two big projects for bid:

- **External Lighting project** — We conducted a site survey of the campus with the same vendor who installed the exterior lights at Adat Reyim and other churches in the area. We're awaiting a bid that we expect to include 30-foot poles, bullhorn fixtures (adjustable), and LED lights for both the front and back parking lots. We'll get durable/sustainable light poles, proper electrical upgrades to code, and ensure the security of our parish.
- **Organ and Nave HVAC** — We have a need to stabilize the humidity levels in the Nave to preserve and protect the organ as well as the rest of our wood furnishings. During both the heating and cooling seasons, the room has experienced extremes –

humidity and dryness – beyond the acceptable ranges for musical instruments. Given the asset value in excess of \$1 million for the organ and grand piano, it is imperative we determine an acceptable solution to stabilize the humidity levels. We recently met with the organ builder and our HVAC representatives. We've now requested a bid to replace the Nave HVAC, which was installed during the "Ministry for Tomorrow" campaign renovations. Although the HVAC and organ were installed around roughly the same time, the HVAC unit did not accommodate for some of the environmental needs of the pipe organ. Bottom line, we need to upgrade the HVAC unit servicing the Nave. The issue has also prompted us to reassess our property insurance to make sure it adequately covers all of our assets. The FAC has taken initial steps to evaluate our policy with the Church Insurance Company and we will continue to take the necessary measures necessary to ensure we're appropriately covered.

Around the church, you will also notice some recent changes.

- Our sexton, Carlos Guzman, is steadily replacing all of our interior lights with cost-saving LEDs. He's replaced a number of hallway lights and completed the Narthex and the conference room.
- The Sacristy now has a new HVAC wall unit. Parishioners working in the Sacristy will now enjoy a more pleasant and safe environment.
- Though some of you still miss the mowing teams of yore, we've renewed our landscaping contract with Trusted Landscapers to care for the mowing needs on the campus. However, we're always in need of more gardeners.
- Speaking of gardening, check out the great work going on in our Memorial Garden by our Memorial Garden team and also the beautification of beds around the building by a group of volunteer gardeners.
- The arborists from Bartlett Tree Co. have also been out assessing our trees on the property and determining the next steps on some that need maintenance or to come down.

The Spring Parish Clean-Up is upon us – May 14th at 8:00 a.m. until completion. Please come out and support if you can. Some of the main tasks include:

Inside

- We will have inside teams to work on the Nave including cleaning the pews and wood services and also cleaning the glass on doors and windows.
- Clearing any cobwebs
- Vacuuming the Parish Hall

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Outside

- Roof cleaning team to remove leaves
- Rear retention pond cleanup
- Tree removal in the woods
- Tree branch pruning in the parking lots
- Blowing debris out of the parking lots
- Pulling weeds
- Pavement patching in the back parking lot
- Back shed clean up
- Outside storage room clean up

Memorial Garden

- Power washing the back wall
- Beautification

Trip/s to the Lorton Landfill

- Removal of light bulbs, paints, and other items yet to be determined.

St. Andrew's is our home and, collectively, we must care for it as if it were our own house. Like Matthew, it will not fall because our house has its foundation on the rock.

OUTREACH

El Hogar

Jewell Gould & Doug Wood | outreach@standrews.net

A part of St. Andrew's international outreach is the support of El Hogar Ministries, an organization that provides food, housing, and education to abandoned and impoverished children in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. El Hogar, which operates under the umbrella of the Episcopal Diocese of Honduras, educates over 200 children ages 6-18, with half in grades 1-6 and the balance in higher grades studying at the technical institute. The mission is to give children a practical education in a Christian environment and to impart skills that lead to jobs and steady employment. St. Andrew's has lent generous financial support to El Hogar since 2010. The message below comes from the Executive Director in Honduras that provides the most recent news at El Hogar.

*A Report from El Hogar
by Denise Vargas, Executive Director in Honduras.*

When children are separated from their families, they often arrive at El Hogar with one or two personal things, a blanket, a doll, and some clothes. They leave everything else behind: familiar faces, the sounds they used to wake up to, and their surroundings. And although children who are referred to us by the family welfare agency are removed for their own protection and are leaving distressing and often perilous environments, in the children's eyes, they are moving from one uncertainty to another. In this process, not only do most of them leave behind their belongings, many have long lost all sense of belonging.

Our work at El Hogar is to offer a safe and nurturing home for children who do not have that option. And although we can never replace a child's family, we continuously strive to be the best alternative. I believe it is our most delicate of responsibilities at El Hogar, to offer children a home, such a basic need, where they will instead, master the art of sowing: connection, resilience, self-love, empowerment, and hope.

It has been a long-time endeavor of El Hogar to transition the residential program to a more home-like family-based environment. Research indicates that a family setting best supports children's development of a healthy sense of identity, purpose, and belonging. We have doubled our efforts toward this goal, working as a team and consulting with experts to support critical shifts. Children at El Hogar are now living in clusters with siblings and sibling groups, instead of grouped by age and gender. We are exploring new arrangements and roles for caregivers to seek longer-term relationships and more personalized care.

We are creating fully furnished apartment units which will each be a separate home, where a caregiver will permanently reside with the same group of children until they age out from the program. Sleeping quarters will consist of smaller bedrooms for 2 or 3 children maximum and each apartment will have its own kitchen, living quarters, and access to outside social areas like any apartment complex.

We envision children coming home from school and enjoying a quiet movie night in their living room with their caregivers after doing their homework; older and younger kids running errands together on a Saturday afternoon: teens having their own personal spaces decorated by them to reflect individual personalities; we envision playdates and typical sibling arguments. Mostly, we hope that this environment will allow each child to build deep, lasting bonds with their caregivers and sibling groups that will last well beyond their years at El Hogar. Our dearest dream is that every child can experience the joy of family and belonging for a lifetime.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar Flower Donations

Emily Nein | emily@standrews.net

Acknowledge the special events in your life and those you love with an Altar flower donation. Your thanksgivings and remembrances are printed in the weekly service bulletin. Most Sunday's a portion of the flowers are available for you to take home. We also try to give a small bouquet to visitors and newcomers.

Altar flowers are funded by your gifts and our reserves are running low. How do you donate? Envelopes for your cash or checks are located on the bulletin board by the church office. We are working on an online payment option which should be available soon.

Coffee Hosts

Lori Foster | coffeehosts@standrews.net

Coffee Hour has returned! Please join us after services on Sunday for some refreshment and fellowship. The continuation of this fellowship ministry relies on the support of volunteers. If you would like to have an opportunity to get to know your fellow parishioners better, and ensure we are able to provide this ministry, consider signing up to be a coffee host.

Team Believe

Christine Kelly | teambelieve@standrews.net

Relay for Life is the signature fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. This year's Relay for Life is on Saturday, May 21st from 1:00-10:00 p.m. at South Lakes High School, Reston VA.

Team Believe is a team of amazing, St. Andrew's women who have all had our lives touched by cancer ourselves or someone close to us. If you are a cancer survivor and you wish to walk the survivor lap with us, or if you would like to become a member, we would love for you to attend! We will also be hosting our own walk on the church grounds in May.

You can support us and this wonderful cause by donating directly on our Relay for Life team page ([Relay for Life - Team Believe](#)).

Shrine Mont Camps

The Rev. Colleen Schiefelbein | colleen@standrews.net

Summer is around the corner and so are Shrine Mont summer camps. Shrine Mont is often described as a thin space where God is easily felt. Shrine Mont campers have fun, develop and deepen friendships, and grow in faith up on the mountain.

Shrine Mont camps are now divided by age groups. Previously camps were more divided by focus such as Art Camp, Soccer Camp, Explorers, Music and Drama, etc. St George's was the traditional camp experience with a little of everything. By dividing camps by ages, families can more easily send multiple children to camp in the same week.

All camps offer age-specific cabin assignments, small groups, and daily programming. Campers will enjoy the Shrine Mont pool, day hikes in the woods, fun and creative games and activities, and daily worship times. Campers also will have opportunities every day to choose their own adventure like arts, sports, explorers, and music/theatre.

Age 8-14

- 7 days
- 4 sessions across the summer

Age 15 to 17

- 10 days

- Themes of service, adventure, leadership, storytelling, and vocation will be explored
- 2 sessions

St Andrew's Camp: Age 8-13

- A traditional camp program but with higher levels of structure and support than the other camps offer
- Low camper-to-staff ratio
- One session

The Great: Age 15-17

- Campers spend more time "off-site" on extended camping trips than they do at Shrine Mont but do get a few days to enjoy the Shrine Mont food and location.
- Hiking and canoeing are standard parts of the program
- One session

Family Camp is an opportunity for the whole family to enjoy Shrine Mont Camps. **St Elizabeth's Camp** is for campers with intellectual disabilities. (Both Age 14-25)

Check out <https://www.shrinemontcamps.net> for more information and to register. Scholarships are available for all camps.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Call to Ministry: St. Andrew's Campus Gardens

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Thoughts from Nancy Tillinghast, a past leader in this Ministry and Master Gardener

THE MINISTRY: "Gardening has a way of seeping into your soul, and one day you find yourself, in the words of the poet May Sarton in *Plant Dreaming Deep*, spending the first half-hour of the morning 'enjoying the air and watching for miracles.'" (from *Soul Gardening, Cultivating the Good Life* by Terry Hershey). As the author further notes, gardening is not just about planting or digging. Gardening is about cherishing. And to cherish, one must be present.

Gardening—a spiritual activity? Absolutely! The gardens offer up so many miracles that one cannot help but be moved by the beauty and grace of God's hand on our campus. The garden is one of my favorite places for prayer. St. Andrew's has several garden and woodland areas to be tended and cherished: The Memorial Garden behind the church, the area surrounding the Richardson Memorial, the altar and path in the woods, the church entrance, and beds in front of the church and surrounding the Old Keene Mill Road sign.

THE NEED: Volunteers to plant, weed, and trim the garden areas noted above. Donations to provide plants, shrubs, trees (new and replacements), and tree maintenance

WHEN: May is the classic time to plant—the beginning of another new season! Help with some pre-planting cleanup is also appreciated.

A Call to Ministry: St. Andrew's Altar Guild

Marlene Taggart | altarguild@standrews.net

The Altar Guild is a very necessary ministry for a church. They are in charge of all the "set pieces" that are used in each service.

The people who serve in that ministry have a variety of detail oriented tasks, such as making sure the linens are washed and ironed; the alms basins are polished every week; the silver is polished periodically; the correct color Burse, Veil, and Frontal are used; and the correct linens are used (corporal, purificator, baptismal towel).

There are currently 4 teams that rotate weekends in which they are in charge of setting up. In addition, there are some members who are only responsible for washing and ironing linens. Set up is done on Saturday mornings with clean up happening after the 10:00 a.m. Sunday service.

If you are interested in learning more, feel free to ask during clean up, or email Marlene.

Regathering Update

The Rev. Will Packard | will@standrews.net

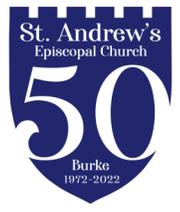
We continue to keep a close eye on the health metrics in our region. At this time, we continue to follow the CDC's guidance for areas determined to be in the "Low" category for "Community Level." There has been an increase in cases in Fairfax and our region and encourage you to be aware of the risks. In this high allergy season, it is often hard to determine allergies from other symptoms and you may determine to be more cautious. With fourth boosters available for certain people, we encourage you to speak with your healthcare provider to determine if this is the right course for you. At this time, we will continue to stream our Sunday services so that we may worship together even if we are unable to come in person.

Fairfax County COVID-19 Community Level - LOW

Weekly Metrics Used to Determine the COVID-19 Community Level

- Case Rate per 100,000 population: **173.24** (*Last Week: 133.07*)
- New COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population: **2.7** (*Last Week: 1.9*)
- % Staffed inpatient beds in use by patients with confirmed COVID-19: **1.4%** (*Last Week: 1.2%*)

50 YEARS OF ST. ANDREW'S



Celebrating Our Children and Youth

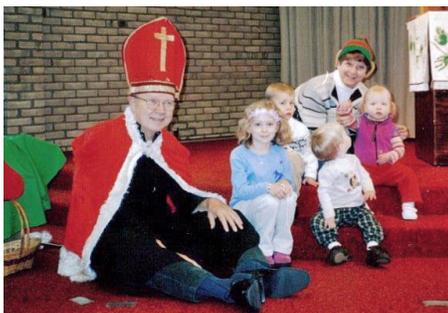
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Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."— Matthew 19:14

With St. Andrew's celebrating its 50th year we are also able to celebrate multiple generations of our church family. Some longtime parishioner families have up to four generations who attend or have attended St. Andrew's. Children we remember from the Sunday nursery or from the preschool are in college or were married here and have children of their own. We enjoy greeting and catching up with young adults who grew up in the church and return for visits.

Throughout our five decades, children have been an integral part of St. Andrew's, engaging in a variety of programs and ministries for worship, music, fellowship, outreach, formation, stewardship, and just for fun! Pictured here are children and youth participating in acolyting, youth choir, Workcamp, Vacation Bible School, Thanksgiving basket assembly, fundraisers and walkathons, Scout Sunday, St. Andrew's Day at the Potomac Nationals, and St. Nicholas and Epiphany parties. These activities are in addition to Formation, which will be highlighted later this anniversary year.

As we celebrate our 50th anniversary let us recognize the contributions of our youngest members and the joy they bring to our church home.



UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 2022

Easter Book Study: The Church Cracked Open

Sarah Akins & Janet Fife | sacredground@standrews.net

A continuing group who engaged in the Sacred Ground racial reconciliation curriculum will be hosting a book study on *The Church Cracked Open: Disruption, Decline, and New Hope for Beloved Community* by the Rev. Canon Stephanie Spellers from the National Episcopal Church.

This group, now called Stirring the Waters, will meet on four consecutive Wednesdays in Easter, May 4th through May 25th, at 7:30 p.m. in a hybrid format (church Conference Room and Zoom). Reading two chapters per week, we hope to engage in faithful discussion. Email Sarah and Janet if you are interested.

MAY 1, 2022

Preschool Sunday

Emily Nein | emily@standrews.net

We will be celebrating Preschool Sunday on May 1st during the 10:00 a.m. service. Children are welcomed to the steps to help with Godly Play and to share the songs from preschool chapel. Following the service, there will be a moon bounce for Nursery-Kindergarten age kids and a small reception out front. Older kids will meet for Sunday School as usual, but can play in the moon bounce after class.

Preschool's outreach program, Food for Friends, will be collecting individual, microwavable Kraft macaroni & cheese cups and individual, microwavable Chef Boyardee mini ravioli cups at the service as well. Look for the donation bins in the Narthex and/or Parish Hall to drop off your items.

MAY 8, 2022

Adult Forum: Introduction to Stephen Ministry

The Rev. Will Packard | will@standrews.net

Congregation member, Kate Chipps and Father Will received the leadership training to bring Stephen Ministry to St. Andrew's and we would like to introduce this program to you on Sunday, May 8th.

In short, "Stephen Ministry offers a proven and effective way to organize, equip, and supervise a team of congregation members—called Stephen Ministers—to provide high-quality, one-to-one, Christ-centered care to people in the congregation and the community experiencing life difficulties."

MAY 8, 2022

FoMA Concert: Brass of Peace

Gabe Simerson | foma@standrews.net

Join us on Sunday, May 8th at 4:00 p.m. for a performance by Brass of Peace. Directed by Sylvia Alimena, Brass of Peace is a scholarship based brass ensemble dedicated to creating an environment of higher musical learning for the Washington area's most accomplished high school brass players. A tuition-free program, Brass of Peace is an intensive training program which prepares its members for greater success in the very competitive field of music. Come hear our rising stars of tomorrow! Free admission. Masks optional.



MAY 14, 2022

Mega Parish Clean-Up

Jonathan Withington | jrwarden@standrews.net

Grab some gloves and a rake and come out for our Spring Parish Clean-up from 8:00 a.m. until done on Saturday, May 14th. We will be working both indoors and outdoors, so weather won't be a factor. This is a fun and easy way for teens and adults to give back to the church and spend time with fellow parishioners outside of the services. The more helpers there are, the more work we can get done.

Planned projects include: OUTDOORS: *Roof cleaning team to remove leaves; Rear retention pond cleanup; Tree removal in the woods; Tree branch pruning in the parking lots; Blowing debris out of the parking lots; Pulling weeds; Back shed clean up; Outside storage room clean up; Pavement patching in the back parking lot; Power washing the back wall; Beautification of Memorial Garden; Trip/s to the Lorton Landfill (Removal of light bulbs, paints, and other items yet to be determined).* INDOORS: *We will have inside teams to work on the Nave including cleaning the pews and wood services and also cleaning the glass on doors and windows; Clearing any cobwebs; Vacuuming the Parish Hall.*

Hauling Help: We need about 4 pickups with drivers on to haul away some old junk and deliver it to the county dump. We hope to send at least one helper with each truck to assist with loading and unloading as necessary. Chuck Sleeper will assign loads once you get to the church. Please contact Chuck at property@standrews.net if you can help!

MAY 15, 2022

Celebration of New Ministry

Stacey Peters & Sarah Akins | fellowship@standrews.net

Join us on Sunday, May 15th, at 4:00 p.m. as we officially install the Rev. William L. Packard as the 3rd Rector of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. This service will feature music, guest preaching, and a fabulous reception. Come together with the people of St. Andrew's to celebrate this new chapter of our church!

We will need help with setting up the Parish Hall following Sunday School/Coffee Hour on the 15th. We also need volunteers to help with hosting/serving during the reception and with clean-up. Sign up here to help out and/or bring food: <http://tiny.cc/texquz>.

MAY 22, 2022

Graduate Sunday

Emily Nein | emily@standrews.net

At the 10:00 a.m. service on Sunday, May 22nd, we are celebrating all who are graduating this Spring. In order to honor everyone's achievements, please send the following information to Emily by Tuesday, May 17th: your photo, your name, your parents' names, from where you are graduating, and, if applicable, what you majored in. This is not restricted to only High School and College grads. If you are graduating from any kind of program, we want to know! Photos and info will be posted in the Friday email on May 20th.

MAY 22, 2022

Teacher Appreciation

Sarah Gregory & Woody Browne | formation@standrews.net

Join us May 22, 2022 for the last day of Sunday School when we celebrate both Graduates Sunday and Teacher Appreciation! We'll have refreshments to honor this years' graduates at Fellowship, beginning at 11:15 a.m. and invite our teachers and their families to join us for a luncheon following Formation's end at 12:15 p.m.

MAY 22, 2022

FoMA Concert: Singing Sergeants

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The Singing Sergeants, the official chorus of the United States Air Force, is one of the world's most versatile and traveled choral organizations. They perform a wide range of musical styles, from traditional Americana, opera, and choral standards to modern Broadway and jazz. As part of The U.S. Air Force Band, the Singing Sergeants' mission is to honor those who have served, inspire American citizens to heightened patriotism and service, and connect with the global community on behalf of the U.S. Air Force and the United States. Free admission. Masks & Vaccination Cards required.



MAY 28, 2022

Worship Schedule Change

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Instead of Holy Eucharist: Rite II, we will have an Evening Prayer service on Saturday, May 28th, at 6:00 p.m.

JUNE 5, 2022

St. Andrew's '70s Picnic Bash

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Mark your calendars and break out your bell-bottoms, tube socks, and peace signs for the St. Andrew's 50th Anniversary '70s Bash on Sunday, June 5th from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Help us celebrate 50 amazing years with a gathering that will take us back to this congregation's 1970s roots.

Festivities will include live music, food trucks, bouncy houses, games, and prizes for the best '70s outfits. This bash is guaranteed to have something for everyone: balloon animals, limbo, musical chairs, great food, dancing to classic '70s music, and, most importantly, fantastic fellowship.

The picnic will take place immediately following the 10:00 a.m. service on Sunday, June 5th. Take advantage of this rare opportunity to come to church in whatever '70s attire or outdoor play clothes you see fit! Volunteer opportunities to help with the '70s Bash will be published in the coming weeks!

JULY 18-22, 2022

Save the Date: Vacation Bible School

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Vacation Bible School (July 18th-22nd) is our camp for kids ages 3½ to rising 4th graders. We start each morning at 9:00 a.m. and spend the day making crafts, singing, eating snacks, and listening to Bible stories until pick-up at 12:00 p.m. Classes will be both inside and outside (weather depending) so dress kids appropriately. The cost is \$30/child (\$70 family max - registration cost only) and \$8/t-shirt (t-shirts are optional). Money & registration are due by June 20th.

When registering a child, please register yourself (parent/guardian) first, then add your children. Volunteers can also use the form to sign up to help. There is no registration cost and t-shirts are free for volunteers.

Sign up here: <http://tiny.cc/StA-VBS-22>

LECTIONARY READINGS

(www.lectionarypage.net)

MAY 1, 2022

3rd Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:1-6, (7-20)

Psalm 30

Revelation 5:11-14

John 21:1-19

MAY 8, 2022

4th Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:36-43

Psalm 23

Revelation 7:9-17

John 10:22-30

MAY 15, 2022

5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 11:1-18

Psalm 148

Revelation 21:1-6

John 13:31-35

MAY 22, 2022

6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 16:9-15

Psalm 67

Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

John 14:23-29

or John 5:1-9

MAY 29, 2022

7th Sunday of Easter

Acts 16:16-34

Psalm 97

Revelation 22:12-14,16-17,20-21

John 17:20-26

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Connor Flanagan Forrest Browne	2 Susan McWilliams Alice Redman	3 Carolyn Girondo Michelle Ramsdell Sarah Winfield	4 Barbie Nein	5 Madeline McCurdy	6 Janet Crooks Alison August-Fedio	7
8 MOTHERS DAY Jeanne Jones David Nies Sophie Baker Jacob Baird 	9 Ryan McGuin	10 Fred Bubenhofer	11 Chuck Sleeper Tom Horan Libby Packard	12 Stacey Peters	13 Mary Hartig	14 Sarah Paquette
15 Brian Tollie	16 Kathleen Boster	17 Kate Rozelsky Johnny Rollo	18 Linda Leong Annette Wright	19 Natalie Chrosniak Chris Runkel Holden Browne Sloan Anderson	20 Jun McKeever	21 Christian Locke Sadie Wood Beth Van Beek
22 Kelly Stuck Cole Arnott Gavin Heyer	23 Randy Cotten	24	25 Peter Schiefelbein	26 Hunter Ridge	27 Bill Sears	28 Jennie Koss Anna Nedelka Rhys Spitzer
29 Tyler Young	30 MEMORIAL DAY Michael Slawski Meredith Stuck Joshua Kirkham Abby Thompson 	31 Marlene Taggart Jack Ramsdell Christopher Chrosniak				

*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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