



The Net

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



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Dear Friends in Christ,

Since our annual meeting, I continue to reflect on what it is to "belong." Many of us belong to various clubs, teams, and organizations. Sometimes we outgrow such groups and sometimes we long to belong to something and are unable for any number of reasons. The Body of Christ is an area to which we may belong from birth to death and forever. St. Andrew's is a place "for all to worship, serve, and belong."

We articulate this sense of belonging and sometimes there are different feelings of what it is to belong. In the past few weeks, we have baptized seven younger members into the body of Christ with the latest this past Wednesday (congratulations Stem family)! All of these children had promises made on their behalf as we recognize they do not yet have the capacity to make such promises. Yet, they are still full members of the body of Christ! In addition, many of us lose our agency, temporarily and even permanently with such ailments as dementia. While our Eucharistic prayer highlights characteristics that we are given "memory, reason, and skill," our full humanity and membership in Christ remains intact by the sole nature that we are created in the image of God.

We are all members of the body of Christ through baptism and I am also posed many questions regarding what one needs to do to become a "member" of the church. Please do consider yourself a member of St. Andrew's if this is home to you. Official voting membership occurs when one is confirmed, baptized, or received into the church, 16 years of age (or older), have received communion three or more times in the past year, and are

contributing towards the kingdom of God. We are updating our parish directory and records through Realm and you will have the ability to see what records we have for you. If you were a member of another Episcopal Church, you are able to request a "Letter of Transfer." Just ask us in the office. Please do not hesitate to contact the office with questions.

With our canonical requirements and other memberships on our earthly pilgrimages, know that you always belong in the body of Christ. St. Andrew's is a place to which you can always belong, always join, and always return.

I look forward to seeing you as we gather as the body of Christ this weekend.

Faithfully yours,

Will

VESTRY NEWS

Worship Services

Wednesday @ 9:30 AM
Saturday @ 6:00 PM
Sunday @ 8:00 & 10:00 AM

Bible Study

Sunday @ 9:00 AM

AA Meetings

Tuesday @ 7:00 PM
Friday @ 8:00 PM

ESOL

Tuesday @ 9:30 AM

Office Hours

Monday	9 - 4
Tuesday	9 - 4
Wednesday	9 - 4
Thursday	9 - 4

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.



SENIOR WARDEN

JEFF REBA

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As we head into summer, I want to take a moment to reflect on the many blessings we've experienced

and offer my heartfelt thanks to all who have helped us along the way.

Our formation classes have ended for the summer, and we are deeply grateful to the dedicated teachers, leaders, and volunteers who made this year so enriching. Your time, energy, and faithful guidance have helped plant seeds of faith in the hearts of our children, youth, and adults alike. Thank you for your ministry and commitment to spiritual growth in our parish.

After much planning by our Safety and Security and Property Resource commissions, a new interior door was installed in the hallway leading to the education wing, enhancing the safety and security for our young learners and their teachers. Thank you to everyone involved in this improvement. Your support helps ensure the children have a nurturing and secure environment for their development.

The parish picnic was a great success despite the rain! A heartfelt thank you to our incredible Fellowship Team, led by

Pam Hardin, for making it happen. The BBQ was delicious, and the joyful spirit of our community was evident despite the weather.

This past week, our Youth departed for their summer Work Camp mission. Please keep them in your prayers as they lend their hands and hearts to serve others. May their efforts be fruitful, and may their experiences deepen their faith and strengthen their sense of community.

As you've been reading in the Net and weekly service bulletins, we're excited about the rollout of Realm. This platform will serve as a vital tool for communication, connection, and ministry coordination. Inside Realm Connect, we're launching an updated parish directory—bringing us all a little closer, even when we're apart. A special thank you to the Realm Team for their tremendous work behind the scenes. Your efforts have brought us into a new chapter of digital connection with grace and care. If you haven't yet, we encourage you to attend one of the upcoming Realm trainings!

Wishing each of you a restful and joy-filled summer. I look forward to all the ways we'll continue to grow, serve, and celebrate together in the months ahead.

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship is not Just for Adults!

Stephanie Meadows | stewardship@st.andrews.net

While stewardship is often viewed as making an important financial contribution to the church for parish expenses and to maintain properties and activities, it is more, WAY more! Stewardship, in its deepest sense, is a lifestyle—a calling to honor God with our time, talents, treasures, and energy. Among the most promising and dynamic stewards in any congregation are the youth, who bring fresh perspectives, boundless energy, and a desire to make a difference.

This was particularly evident on Sunday, June 22, 2025, at the 8:00 a.m. service as I sat behind our group of teens preparing to leave for their mission trip to Wrightsville, Pennsylvania. As offered by Father Will, these teens were “living in their baptismal covenant” – promising to serve with passion and purpose. We all can follow their model.

The sense of belonging to the St. Andrew’s parish community is an important aspect of faith development for children of all ages. Emphasizing our 2025 stewardship theme of a place to belong adults are asked to engage in church activities to utilize their talents and gifts to serve both inside and outside of St. Andrew’s. Children too can share their time and energy gifts from God to further care for God’s world (e.g., help with a fellowship event set up or clean-up, participate in the youth choir or Christmas pageant, help bag meals with Food For Friends, shop with your family for Giving Tree items).

The Stewardship Commission continues to explore ways to include our children in the annual stewardship program. As a starting point, parents can initiate a stewardship conversation with their children through one or two of these helpful questions:

- How do you think God wants us to take care of our church?
- How are we ministers for others through Jesus?
- What are some things you can do to help the church in its ministry?
- What can you do to help take care of God’s world?

(from Sharon Ely Pearson – buildfaith.org; October 10, 2011)

Prayer List

Tony Durso
Don & Marlene Taggart
Eve Albanese
Claudia Dugan
Larry Packard
Rich Roerig
D'Arcy
Ron Mason
Susan Scott
Barbara Klix
Julie Morgan
Jeff Dutton
Sarah Lillard
Laura Sabo
Andie Hardin
Mary Richardson
Rosemary Phillips

Marifran Bustion
Cathy Harman
Dave Lewis
Dave MacLean
Kit Thompson
Lauren Bowdren
Bill Hartig
Olivia
Felix
Eddie Fortune
Bishop Shannon Johnston
Elaine Askew
Bill Armour
Wally Morgan
Benn Crandall
Gary Nash
Cathy Withers
Mike de Cardona
Eric
Kevin Linehan

Dan Dellapenta
James
Brice P.
Patrick
Samuel
Phillipa
David Humphrey
Doffie Crabb
Ro & Rob Africano
Karen Brannam
Frank Winfield
Cari Gulley
Jean Gulley
Cathy
Patsy High
Bob Turner
Annie Hughes
Millie Nash
Irma
Carol Payne

Frank Traglia
Athalee Williams
Jack Williams
Donna Fortune
Ellie Davis
Sarah Waite
Jan Wouters
Pam Mowry
Henry Anderson
Rick Harra
Paula
Mike Columbus
Dennis Williams
Carol & Kelsey
Gene
Tom & Beth C.
Jim Myhre
Ann Shannon
Jane Hoge
Georgiann McDaniel

Peggy Nordin
John Sandy
Patrick Sandy
Avi Zahedi
Marla Cook
Jane McDonald
Gene Rose
Chris Boyle
Janice Crosby
Katie Escalona
Susan Henderson
Russell Mac Nair
Lauren Bidwell
Levi Ridpath
Lew Alleman
Steve Morgan
Pat Maddy
Janet Williams

Departed

Jaqueline Turner (sister-in-law of Peggy Fink)
Lloyd Sterling (husband of Claudette Sterling)
Frank Winfield (father of Larry Winfield)

ENDOWMENT NEWS

Did you know that stocks and bonds make excellent gifts to the St. Andrew's Endowment Fund? You may be entitled to special tax considerations if you give these securities to the church during your lifetime.

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OUTREACH

News from ECHO

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A BIG THANK YOU:

Many thanks to St. Andrew's for the Easter Outreach Food Donation – Our little pop-up request resulted in 170 pounds of food being donated to ECHO. St. Andrew's also put together 50 treat bags to celebrate ECHO client mothers in May.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT ECHO:

ECHO takes great pride in being an all-volunteer organization. For more than 50 years, they have attracted people who offer their talents, skills, time, and commitment without compensation. Thank you, Anita King, Mark Price, Dave Goldberg, Reagan Brough, Mark Smith, and Debby McElroy, for offering to lead ECHO's Board of Directors for the next two years.

ECHO is also seeking a Client Engagement Chair to lead the Counselor Team, Grant Writers willing to search for and apply for grants on ECHO's behalf, and volunteers who

would be willing to photograph and/or video special events to help build a photographic record for ECHO. Anyone interested in finding out more should contact volunteercoordinator@echo-inc.org.

FOOD REQUESTS FOR ECHO:

Our Food Pantry especially needs dried beans, rice, canned fruits, healthy snack foods, and instant coffee, laundry detergent, dish detergent, shampoo, and toothbrushes.

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS ECHO COULD USE:

ECHO's Housewares Department could really use functioning vacuum cleaners and microwaves as well as frying pans and flatware.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Designated Plate for July 5th & 6th

Paul Foley & Bill Johnson | outreach@standrews.net

This month our designated plate offering is going to our Food for Friends outreach program. All loose offering and checks with "food for friends" on the memo line will go to support this program which provides weekend meals and snacks for children who would otherwise go without. Thank you for your support!

Childcare Help

Kate Lewis | formation@standrews.net

We are looking for volunteers to assist in our Pre-K & K class every Sunday this summer from 10:00 to 11:20 a.m. While we have a paid staff member, we need an additional volunteer helper to ensure the safety and well-being of all the children. Teenagers (14+) can earn service hours for their time. If you'd like to volunteer, please sign up here: <http://tiny.cc/babywatch-sum25> (July & August dates).



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Let's Get Connected: Realm Connect is Here!

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The Realm Roll-Out Team is excited to introduce the next phase of Realm Connect. Right now, we're focusing on getting everyone into the Parish Directory—and by the

end of summer, we hope every member of our community has activated their profile on Realm Connect.

The most important thing is simply this: get started. Church isn't just about Sunday mornings—it's about the relationships and support we build all week long. So let's do this—together.

How to Get Started: First, look for an email from the Realm system inviting you to join our online community. Next, click the link in that email and follow the "Setting Up a User Profile" guide to create your account. Then, sign up for a training session if you get stuck.

App Tip: Some users have found that downloading the Realm Connect app from the App Store or Google Play

makes the process smoother and easier to navigate. If you have questions about how to do that, we encourage you to sign up for a training session—they're friendly, helpful, and designed with all comfort levels in mind. *Note: You must accept your invite to realm before you are able to sign in to the app.*

Why Realm Connect? Realm Connect brings our church life together in one place. It helps you stay updated with your ministries and groups, discover new opportunities to serve and connect, share responsibilities, so no one is stretched too thin, and know who's praying for you—and who you're praying for.

Whether you've been here for decades or only a few months, Realm Connect is here to help you feel more at home. We hope you'll join us in this exciting step forward in how we connect, care, and grow together.

You can sign up for a training session here: <http://tiny.cc/realmconnectreg>.

Coffee Hour Donations

Pam Hardin | fellowship@standrews.net

If you enjoy having goodies with your coffee (or tea) each week, we rely on volunteers to provide these snacks! If you would like to provide some baked goods, crackers, fresh fruit, etc. please sign up here: <http://tiny.cc/3avjzz>.

Shrine Mont Parish Retreat – Registration is Now Open until August 1st

Betsy Cotten | shrinemont@standrews.net

What if this fall, you gave yourself (and your family) the gift of pause?

Shrine Mont is more than a retreat—it's a reset. Tucked in the Shenandoah Valley, the Cathedral Shrine of the Transfiguration offers a quiet, sacred space where we trade noise for stillness, and hurry for connection. It's where community deepens, where faith finds breath, and where you don't have to do anything to belong—you just have to come.

Each fall, we gather for a weekend away—October 24th–26th this year—to rest, reconnect, and remember what really matters. For first-timers, we want you to know: there's no pressure here. No perfect packing list. No expectations to meet. Just a place where kids roam freely, conversations run deep, and laughter stretches long into the night.

Mornings begin with worship and prayer that linger. Afternoons invite adventure or rest—hiking wooded trails, teeing off at the golf course, sipping something sweet at a local winery, or settling onto the porch with a good book.

Evenings gather us around the campfire for stories, songs, s'mores, and starlight. Meals are shared family-style and rich with tradition—fried chicken, green beans, and the famous "butt buns" (ask Father Will).

If you're new to Shrine Mont, this is your invitation to come and be part of something deeply good. The beauty of the weekend isn't in a packed schedule, but in the space we make—for each other, for God, and for ourselves.

Register here --> <http://tiny.cc/smretreat2025>

Registration is open now through August 1st, and spots are limited. A \$100 deposit per adult holds your place, with full payments due by September 15th. Lodging options include single or double rooms, with children's pricing available. Need help covering costs? Just reach out to Father Will—we never want finances to be the reason someone can't come.

Contact shrinemont@standrews.net with any questions, or visit shrinemont.com for more information about Shrine Mont itself. We would love to welcome you.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY 11, 2025

Men's Fellowship: Coffee to Go or Stay!

Darren Williams | mensfellowship@standrews.net

Please stop by the West Springfield Panera (Rolling Rd and Old Keene Mill Rd) on your way to work, or stay and have coffee and a bagel. Be it 5 minutes or an hour, we'd love to see you for some fellowship on **Friday, July 11th**, between 7:30 and 8:30 a.m.!

Upcoming coffee meet-ups: August 15th.

JULY 13, 16, & 22, 2025

Traces of the Trade: Movie & Discussion

The Rev. Susie Harding | susie@standrews.net

In the feature documentary *Traces of the Trade: A Story from the Deep North*, filmmaker Katrina Browne discovers that her New England ancestors were the largest slave-trading family in U.S. history. She and nine cousins retrace the Triangle Trade and gain powerful new perspectives on the black/white divide.

Deacon Susie will be sharing this movie on three different days and times to allow more people the opportunity to watch and join in the discussion afterwards. All are welcome to participate as much or as little as they would like.

- Sunday, July 13th, from 12:00 - 2:30 p.m. ([link](#))
- Wednesday, July 16th, from 10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. ([link](#))
- Tuesday, July 22nd, from 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. ([link](#))

Please register so we have a head count (we are looking into food options). This film is part of the Sacred Ground curriculum. If you would like to learn more about the film, you can visit: <https://www.tracesofthetrade.org>.

LECTIONARY READINGS

(www.lectionarypage.net)

JULY 6, 2025

4th Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 66:10-14

Psalm 66:1-8

Galatians 6:(1-6)7-16

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

JULY 13, 2025

5th Sunday after Pentecost

Deuteronomy 30:9-14

Psalm 25:1-9

Colossians 1:1-14

Luke 10:25-37

JULY 20, 2025

6th Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 18:1-10a

Psalm 15

Colossians 1:15-28

Luke 10:38-42

JULY 27, 2025

7th Sunday after Pentecost


Genesis 18:20-32

Psalm 138

Colossians 2:6-15, (16-19)

Luke 11:1-13

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Bo Zagurski	3 Andrew Haskins	4 FOURTH OF JULY 	5
6 Vinnie Zagurski Cathy Sears Christopher Lillard Mike Brant	7	8 Todd Brannam Emily Sertich	9	10	11 Cary Haskins	12
13 Quinny Hawkins	14	15 William Hellier Maria Maguire	16	17 Su Pankow Susan Scott Elena Rhoads	18 Kevin Rozelsky	19 Ashleigh Haskins
20 Shirley Dunham Bill Johnson	21 Alex Brannam	22 Jeff Nein Karen Spencer Lorelai Scribner	23	24 Margaret Jones	25 Paige Packard	26 Pam Hardin Benjamin Mattalino
27 Eliot Lillard	28	29	30 Steve Frazier Alyssa Rollo Laythrop Krasnoselsky	31 Henry Hinton		

*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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