

Newsletter of St. Andrew's
Episcopal Church
February 2018

The Carillon

Worship Schedule

Sunday Schedule

8:30 Quiet Holy Eucharist

9:30 Christian Formation

10:30 Holy Eucharist/
Music/Children's Sermon



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Rector's Reflections

Dear Friends,

St. Andrew's mission is, "Bringing Christ to the World and the World to Christ." All that we do, say, practice and propose, ideally, points to and leads us into that mission. Worship, outreach, in-reach, study, fellowship, administration, choices we make about the use of money and the use of our building and grounds provide the framework by which we work. The Vestry, other laypersons ministering through commissions and committees and the Rector provide leadership for this endeavor but every person at St. Andrew's is called to participate in this mission. You may notice that I often thank you for your ministry. I do that to emphasize that everyone serving and giving is a minister, using their gifts. Each week we pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit for St. Andrew's and God has been faithful in providing that guidance in 2017.

The January 2017 Annual Meeting was held on the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. As such, Dr. King's "I Have a Dream" speech served as a launch point for conversations about God's Dream for St. Andrew's and St. Andrew's role in Dr. King's Dream. An activity where parishioners completed the acrostic "D-R-E-A-M" resulted in compelling and authentic statements calling for racial reconciliation, inclusion of all people, confession of complicity, care of the earth, and courage to speak up, stand up and show up in Jesus' name. While the parish Annual Meeting might not be the first place one might consider to be a place of spiritual inspiration and hope, that day, it was just that for me.

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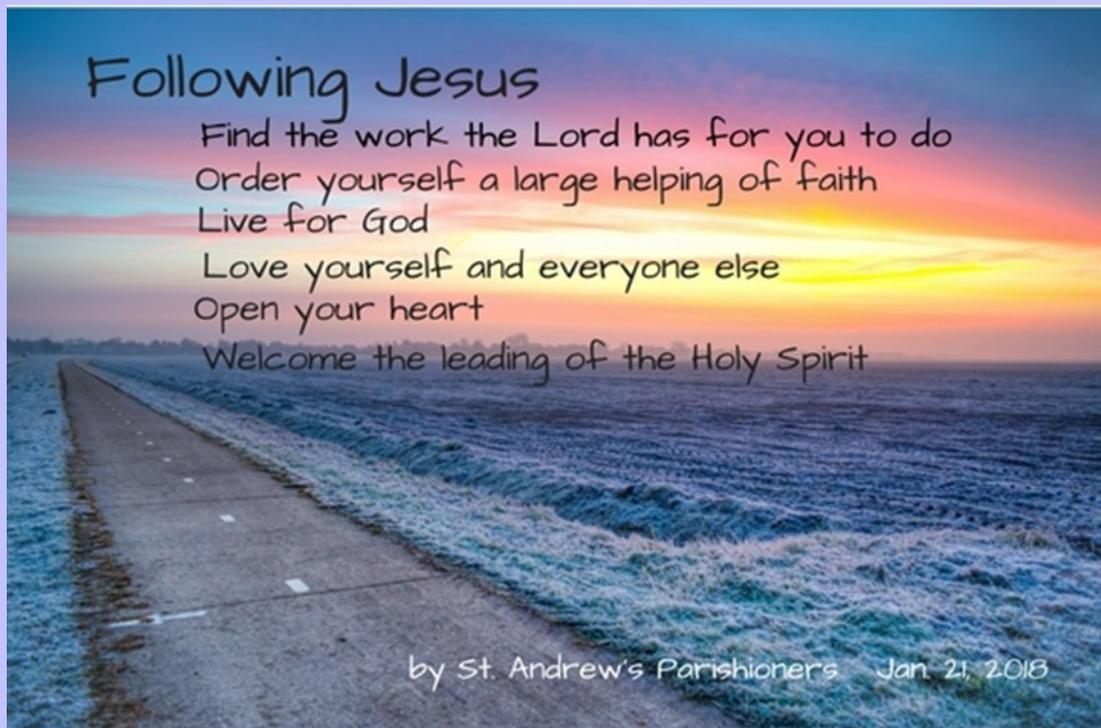
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Later in the year, an invitation was given in a Sunday morning worship, to make a list of the questions and topics that parishioners would like to engage at St. Andrew's. Again, the response was one of spiritual inspiration and hope as several themes emerged from the questions. The themes of Dialogue across Difference, Racial Understanding, and How to welcome and include LGBTQ people, How to express Faith and Action in the Current Political Climate, were expressed in the questions which became the framework of the Lenten Study for 2017 and other ongoing conversations.

Part of those ongoing conversations include the openness to learning more about how to put our faith into action in the areas listed above. The 2018 Winter Convocation explores "Becoming Beloved Community." This is the Episcopal Church's long-term commitment to racial healing, reconciliation, and justice. Becoming Beloved Community represents not so much a set of programs as a journey, a set of interrelated commitments around which we as Episcopalians may organize our many efforts to respond to racial injustice and grow a community of reconcilers, justice-makers, and healers. It builds around four long-term commitments: 1) Telling the Truth, 2) Proclaiming the Dream, 3) Repairing the Breach, and 4) Practicing the Way of Love.

As important as learning in this endeavor is sustained practices of daily Scripture reading and prayer. St. Andrew's is joining thousands of Episcopalians in participating in "The Good Book Club" in Lent and the Easter season 2018. (See article about The Good Book Club). It is my hope and prayer that by strengthening our lives of prayer, studying the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles, and meeting together to listen and learn, we will be empowered to act, speak and take a stand that gives testimony to God's love for everyone.

Looking forward to the Lenten journey with you.
Blessings,
June



Curate's Corner

We have had a busy several weeks, and much of what we did is covered in my annual report. Instead, I want to take a moment to think about prayer. Our youth group focused on prayer for the last two Sundays of January, and during this time we talked about what we imagine as we pray, what we are doing when we pray, and what kinds of prayer resources we have available. This is laying the groundwork for our discussion during our EYC time in Lent. So, I invite you to ask yourselves the same questions that I asked our youth. How do you imagine God when you pray? What kinds of prayers do you find yourself saying or doing the most? During Lent, how might we better support each other in prayer? More importantly for us who live in the U.S., how might we take time to rest in God's abundant presence, trusting in God's goodness and power?

The Altar

by George Herbert (1593-1633)

A broken ALTAR, Lord, thy servant rears,
Made of a heart and cemented with tears;
Whose parts are as thy hand did frame;
No workman's tool hath touch'd the same.

A HEART alone
Is such a stone,
As nothing but
Thy pow'r doth cut.
Wherefore each part
Of my hard heart
Meets in this frame
To praise thy name.

That if I chance to hold my peace,
These stones to praise thee may not cease.
Oh, let thy blessed SACRIFICE be mine,
And sanctify this ALTAR to be thine.

George Herbert was a priest and poet in the Church of England during some turbulent times. This poem is the first in a collection of poems that he wrote entitled *The Temple*. Notice how the poem is in the shape of a table or an altar. Look at the words that are capitalized. Read through it slowly, taking time to see where the lines cut off, where periods invite a pause, how the words play with each other. So much of our prayer book comes from the same time as this poem, and it is part of what I find so compelling (if complicated) about our tradition. Herbert takes the part of our church where we offer our prayers to God, and uses it to bring it close to each of us – our hearts are the altar where we offer ourselves to God. And, if we do not offer our praise to God, if we do not pause to see how we are part of this beautiful story of creation, even the stones will cry out (Luke 19:40). So let us adore and praise and give thanks to God; let us confess and offer ourselves to God's work in the world; and let us pray with our words and with our lives for the healing for all God's creation.

Faithfully,
Greg+

Words of Gratitude to outgoing Vestry Members...

Todd Hartman, Judi Hudnutt and Amy Kellogg

Todd Hartman has been an excellent member of the vestry. Coming to St. Andrew's from another Episcopal Church in our Diocese, Todd joined the Vestry 3 years ago with knowledge and experience about the Episcopal Church. Todd has been an eager participant and has been especially committed to continued learning and leadership development. Since he has been on the Vestry, he continued participating in Adult Formation here at St. Andrew's and also in numerous Diocesan and Mission Area educational opportunities. Todd's most recent gift to St. Andrew's has been ensuring that the worship leaders' training and licenses are updated. He has worked closely with the Parish Administrator, Diane Linch, in scheduling and communicating about Worship Leadership responsibilities. We are grateful for his willingness to continue to serve as Chair of the Worship Commission. Todd, on behalf of St. Andrew's let us express gratitude to you for your Vestry Service and invite you to continue ministering through St. Andrew's with the same eagerness, commitment and skill you brought to your position on the Vestry.

Judi Hudnutt calls St. Andrew's her "happy place" and that attitude is apparent in all the ways she serves in our parish. As the Vestry Liaison for Inviting and Welcoming, Judi was instrumental in the process of updating St. Andrew's website and the creation of promotional materials which help tell St. Andrew's story to those who are outside of the church. She used her experience as a retired teacher to serve as a Vacation Bible School leader and was a valuable in communicating about that ministry to the Vestry. She advocated for and supported the formation of the Farmer's Market Ministry and served on the Youth Minister Search Committee. Judi was a part of the calling team for the Planting for Tomorrow Campaign which supports Youth Ministry at St. Andrew's. Judi also stepped in numerous times to serve as substitute clerk for Vestry Meetings and generously hosted Vacation Bible School and Vestry "pool" parties at her home. Judi is a cradle Episcopalian and has continued to develop her Episcopal identity by serving as a Lector and Eucharistic Minister and through the Invite, Welcome, Connect and Holy Currencies programs. I am grateful for Judi's commitment to ongoing ministry at St. Andrew's as she is one of the adult volunteers supporting youth ministry. Judi, on behalf of St. Andrew's let us express gratitude to you for your Vestry Service and invite you to continue ministering through St. Andrew's with the same competence, optimistic outlook, commitment and skill you brought to your position on the Vestry.

Amy Kellogg came to her current Vestry service with much experience in parish leadership and as a Vestry member. As such, she was willing to take on new responsibilities in the formation of the In-Reach Commission and most recently, chairing the Holy Currencies Group and the Stewardship Commission. Amy used her skills as an attorney in updating the Parish By-laws and leading the parish through the process of their being adopted at the 2017 Annual Meeting. Amy has a deep commitment to the children of our parish saying that she wants St. Andrew's to be strong, healthy and vital so that they can experience it as a force in building their faith, like it was a force in building her faith when she was growing up in this parish. Amy tells about her ministry as an usher as an opportunity to speak one on one with newcomers and parishioners, offering encouragement and making personal connections. Amy, on behalf of St. Andrew's let us express gratitude to you for your Vestry Service and invite you to continue ministering through St. Andrew's with the same wisdom, care for others, analytical mind, and skills you brought to your position on the Vestry.

Getting to Know New Vestry Members



Sarah Boesger

1. When and how did you come to be at St. Andrew's?

When I was newly pregnant with the force of nature that was to become Millie, I knew she needed the same church family experience I had as a child but in a different form. I wanted her to know community, the sense of safety that only a church family can give. I stumbled into St. Andrew's and was shocked to see a young, vibrant, redheaded pastor gifting a middle age African man the money he needed to travel back to Africa and bury his mother. I was 29, a queer woman pregnant with a biracial baby out of wedlock, and I thought, "I can raise my baby here". I have had some gaps in attendance but have considered myself a St. Andrew's member since that day.

2. What are two characteristics about St. Andrew's about which you are particularly grateful?

I cherish the sense at St. Andrew's that there is a coexistence between science and faith. Smart thinkers who believe in God? I'M IN! Also, there is such a spirit of commitment to justice and peace.

3. What are the ministries/activities at St. Andrew's in which you have been involved?

I was the coordinator for Family Promise while we were active with that ministry. I have also helped (not on a huge scale) with the warming ministry.

3. What gifts/abilities/skills do you offer as a part of Vestry Service?

I have a definite gift for stirring the pot. Seriously, I feel like what I have to offer in Vestry is a new voice. An angry voice. A voice that maybe has not been heard at St. Andrew's in some time, a voice that is calling for racial justice and extension of our love into the community in radical ways. How can we do better? That is what I will always ask, every Vestry meeting, should I be elected.

4. Say something about your call to serve on the St. Andrew's Vestry.

I see the potential for huge, huge labors of love in the St. A's parish. What I also see is confusion on how to take our yearning for justice and our compassion and mold it into a workable plan. I would love to join Vestry in order to help us formulate these plans, to take our vast resources of dedication and care and make real change in our neighborhood. I'm not the best at math; I'm not the most well read; I'm not the best delegator. I am a fire, though, and I'd be glad to share that heat with the parish.

Jean Hays

1. When and how did you come to be at St. Andrews?

Phyllis and I were introduced to St. Andrew's church about two years ago by our friends Judy Beebe and Norm Kummerlen. Through our friendship with Judy and Norm, we met Rector June Hardy Dorsey and consequently, we were married by her.

2. What are two characteristics about St. Andrew's about which you are particularly grateful?

The friendliness and acceptance we found at St. Andrew's has been and is so special. Also, the church LIVES the message of Jesus to help and take care of others. It also lives by the statement that "God loves you. No exceptions". That phrase is very powerful statement, especially at this time of chaotic national governance.

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3. What are the ministries/activities at St. Andrew's in which you have been involved?

I have been involved with Vacation Bible School for two years. Both Phyllis and I volunteer on Thursdays at the Food Pantry, and we help serve meals for funerals and special events. We also hang around for clean-up duty!

4. What gifts/talents/skills do you offer as a part of Vestry Service?

I have a willingness to serve and to learn as well as share new ways of contributing to the greater good. I bring a wide view of the world through extensive travels. And, through my job as special education supervisor (I'm now retired.), I learned how to work with others to provide for the common good.

5. Say something about your call to serve on the St. Andrew's Vestry.

I didn't thought about serving on the Vestry until being asked by Amy Kellogg and Doug Skladen. After careful consideration and encouragement, I realized that I do have skills and talents that can be used as a member of Vestry along with a life-long commitment to service.

Jim Jablonski

1. When and how did you come to be at St. Andrew's?

I came to St. Andrew's simply to take in a Christmas service reminiscent of those of my childhood. The welcome was so helpful and kind that I determined to learn more about Episcopalianism. Here I am, three years later, a nominee for vestry.

2. What are two characteristics about St. Andrew's about which you are particularly grateful?

St. Andrew's openness to people of all backgrounds, personal characteristics and beliefs. The opportunity the membership provides to seek community and personal satisfaction.

3. What are the ministries/activities at St. Andrew's in which you have been involved?

I have not been involved in too many ministries/activities so far for various reasons. I did help the food pantry on delivery dates for a while. Currently, I am an usher. I have written for the newsletter and also take an active part in Sunday morning classes.

4. What gifts/abilities/skills do you offer as a part of Vestry Service?

I think I can, for the most part, write clearly. I also have a late-developing willingness to present my own viewpoint. (I've noticed that if a person isn't willing to do this when young, they are more than willing to do so when old.)

5. Say something about your call to serve on the St. Andrew's Vestry.

It is past time that I began to give back to St. Andrew's for everything I have received over the last three years.

FEBRUARY LENTEN SCHEDULE

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper February 13, 5-7:00 p.m.

Ash Wednesday February 14 Services at 7:00 am and 7:00 pm

Lenten Mid-week Communion and Lenten Study begins Feb. 21. Worship 6:00 p.m., Soup Supper 6:30 p.m., Lenten Study 7-8:30 p.m.

FLOCKNOTE SIGNUP

Church information and updates delivered through your phone:

Holiday Service Times

Weather Cancellations

Ministry updates & more

To sign up, text the keyword **BRING** to the number **84576**.

THE HEARTBEAT OF GOD - ADULT CLASS

Schedule for Spring

Date Topic Page

(Continued) Part Four Connecting with the Heart of God

4-Feb The Dream of God 134
Called by Name 139

11-Feb The Web of Life 143
Saints and Superheroes 148

18-Feb A Preparation for Lent BCP, Etc.

25-Feb Holy Conversation 153
Healing Broken Connections, Practicing Peace 159

4-Mar Pentecost Continues 166
Living the Questions 172

11-Mar High Anxiety 177
Pushing Boundaries 182

18-Mar No Class - Parish Breakfast

25-Mar Go Forth for God 187
Fossils 192

1 April No Class - Easter Sunday

7-April A Moveable Feast 196
Healing Division 201
Finding God in Dissent (Last chapter of Book) 206



Winter Convocation.

February 2-3, 2018. Kalahari Resort and Conference Center, Sandusky.

February Restaurant Night: February 11 at 5:00 p.m., at Timber Lodge in Brunswick. Please contact Lee Kauffman at 440-665-7379 or lee_kauffman@yahoo.com to place your reservations.

SAVE THE DATE!

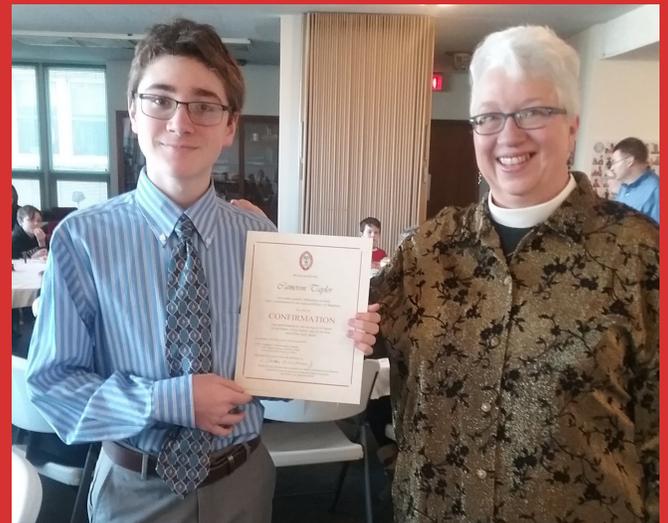
2018's St. Andrew's Night at Progressive Field will be Friday, June 15th. The Indians will be hosting the Minnesota Twins. For more information, feel free to contact Amy Kellogg. (akellogg@bakerlaw.com or 440-937-1812).



VBS 2017

Looking Ahead to VBS 2018

Vacation Bible School June 25 – 29, 2018
June 24 – VBS Commissioning Sunday,
July 1 – VBS Sunday



Congratulations to
Cameron Taylor who was
confirmed on Jan. 28, 2018 by
Bishop Arthur B. Williams, Jr.



The Good Book Club

St. Andrew's joins the Good Book Club – Launch on Sunday, Feb. 11, 2018

Lenten Mid-Week Program – 6 pm Worship, 6:30 pm Simple Supper, 7:00 pm The Good Book Club in Practice : Diving Deeper into the Gospel of Luke through Study/Discussion/Contemplative Practices

What is the Good Book Club?

The Good Book Club is an invitation to all Episcopalians to join in reading the Gospel of Luke and the Book of Acts during Lent-Easter 2018. Episcopalians will start reading Luke on Sunday, February 11 and read a section of Luke's Gospel every day through the season of Lent. The entire season of Easter will be devoted to daily readings from the Book of Acts. Already, individuals, congregations, and organizations are committed to being a part of the Good Book Club, and we hope you'll join the journey too!

Why read the Bible?

People who read scripture with an open heart grow in faith through their encounter with the sacred stories of the Bible. We know this to be true in our personal experiences — and we have research to back it up. [RenewalWorks](#), a Forward Movement research-based initiative, has data from nearly half a million participants that identify scripture engagement as a key catalyst for spiritual vitality in congregations and for individuals. In other words, if you want to grow and strengthen your faith, reading scripture is the perfect exercise.

Why Luke and Acts?

We love sequels, and Luke-Acts provides a wonderful two-part narrative. Luke tells the wondrous story of Jesus' birth, ministry, teaching, death, and resurrection. Acts picks up where Luke leaves off and tells the story of the earliest disciples through the lens of Peter and Paul and the real star of the show — the Holy Spirit. Written by the same author, the books are accessible, and the story is a page-turner!

How will it work?

Forward Movement has created a set of daily readings to divide Luke and Acts into 50 days each. Each day, participants will read a few verses of Luke or Acts. Readers of *Forward Day by Day* can easily follow along, with Luke and Acts guiding the reflections during Lent-Easter 2018.

Will there be other resources?

Yes! In addition to [Forward Day by Day](#), Forward Movement offers the Bible Challenge series, *A Journey with Luke* and *A Journey through Acts* (coming soon), with theological reflections written by faith leaders from around the world. Forward Movement also will provide a free, downloadable discussion guide for groups. Further, many partners are working with Forward Movement to create resources to support you on your journey in the Good Book Club. These resources will include videos, podcasts, blogs, and study guides for all ages.

How much does it cost?

The Good Book Club is free. You can download the reading list and read Luke and Acts for no charge. Several resources created for this project will be free, while others will have a cost. You'll pay only for the resources you wish to purchase.

Who is doing this work?

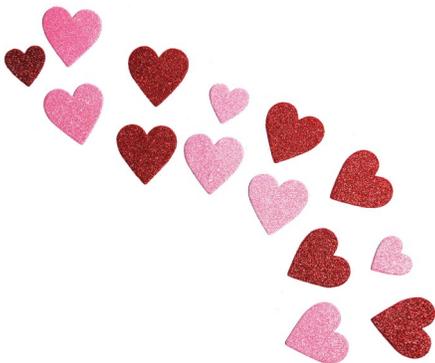
The Good Book Club is an initiative of Forward Movement and supported by its [RenewalWorks](#) ministry. In addition, many partners from across the church are joining in the project. Partners include The Episcopal Church, The Center for Biblical Studies, Episcopal Church Women, Acts 8, ChurchNext, Episcopal Church Foundation, and many others. Visit the [partners](#) page to see the full list—and keep checking as we expect to add more.

What are the next steps?

You can sign up to receive updates. Please tell as many people as possible about this invitation to a transforming encounter with scripture!



- 1 Heather Denham
- 2 Ellen Otis
- 4 Quintin Wilkerson
- 5 Tilisha Frazier
- 6 James Austin
- 7 Zen Fitzgerald
- 11 Ellen Otis
- 12 Mark Skladan
- 14 Molly Ann Pace
- 16 Piper Varga
- 17 Ava Dukes
- 17 Barb Prior
- 22 Abigail Skladan
- 25 Gwen Frazier
- 27 Kristopher Hebble
- 28 Jazlyn Frazier



Happy Anniversary
February
16 Robert & Pat Lehman
26 Joe & Kathy Dembeck

February 2017 Liturgist and Usher Schedule

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8:30: Gary Pressnell (All)
10:30: Adrienne LLOYD (1, Ps), Amy Kellogg (2), Barb Prior (P),
Cheri Van Wormer (EM), Doraine Toms (EM)
Ushers: Amy Kellogg, Bill Taylor

2/11

8:30: Judi Radosevich (All)
10:30: Bill Taylor (1, Ps), Cheri Van Wormer (2), Doraine Toms
(P), Ellen (EM), Hans Van Wormer (EM)
Ushers: Dave Whalen, Deb Panchak

2/18

8:30 Jon Quisenberry (All)
10:30: Doug Skladan (1, PS), Ellen Otis (2), Hans Van Wormer
(P), Patty Peacock (EM), Leanne Taylor (EM)
Ushers: Gwen Frazier, Jim Jablonski

2/25

8:30: Linda Wilbert (1, 2), Peggy Casselberry (P, EM)
10:30: Sue Paine (1, Ps, EM), Karen Hahn (2, EM), Karl Kirk (P),
Ushers: Jim Paine, Joe Myers

FEBRUARY

February Acolyte Schedule

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Crucifer - Matthew Van Wormer
Left Torch - Cameron Taylor
Right Torch - Michael Taylor

2/11

Crucifer - Karen Hahn
Left Torch - Jeremy Van Wormer
Right Torch - Russ Van Wormer

2/18

Crucifer - Hannah Barkhurst
Left Torch - Cole Von Gunten
Right Torch - Aidan Von Gunten

2/25

Crucifer - Matthew Van Wormer
Left Torch - Erin Welsh
Right Torch - Cameron Taylor

Please keep these people in your prayers:

Our Spiritual Leaders

Michael, our presiding Bishop
Mark, our Bishop
Bill and Arthur, Assisting Bishops
June, our Priest
Jane, our Deacon
Greg, our Curate
Joan, our Music Director

Our Friends

Christ Church, Oberlin
Church of the Redeemer, Lorain
Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Elyria
Elyria First United Methodist Church
Avon United Methodist Church
The Original Glorious Apostolic Church
Redeemer Lutheran Church, Elyria

Active duty military

John Able, Stephanie Bacskay, Rose Buttle, Luke Colcough, Aaron Colcough, Trent Crofit, Dylan Donnelly, Cory Garretson, Charles Kellogg, Kim Reich, Nicholas Schafer, Gavin Schwan, Ryan Sumner

Recently Ordained

The Rev. Gregory Stark, curate at St. Andrew's and Christ Church, Oberlin; The Rev. Alex Barton, Priest in Charge, Church of the Redeemer; The Rev. Nathan Bourne.

Long term illnesses/injuries

Kathy Inderrieden (Karen Blair's daughter), Margaret Super

At home

Zen Fitzgerald, Virginia Larson, Lynn Mand, Pat Muntean, Verne Potter, Ruth Smith, Doris McDonough, Robert Wilson, Tom and Barbara Tobin

Illness, surgery, challenges, concerns

12/3/2017 Retta Reynolds
12/3/2017 Kris Hebble
12/3/2017 Barbara & Tom Tobin
12/10/2017 Betsy Bauer Family (Joanne Pressnell)
12/17/2017 Joan Monschein (Amy Kellogg)
1/14/2018 Carolyn Evans (Lynn Mand)
1/28/2018 Susan MacBeth
1/28/2018 Dave and Anna Balmert (Jean Hays and Phyllis DeMark)
2/4/2018 Marilyn Frew (Diane Linch)

Those who have died

11/12/17 Bernice Kehl
12/3/2017 Denise Pierce
12/3/2017 Gary Yug
1/7/2018 Dan Wirth (Dave and Cathy Whalen)
1/14/2018 Jamal Harris (son of Jemel Harris)
1/28/2018 Brad Smith (Judi and Scott Radosevich)

Looking Ahead...

Shrove Tuesday - Feb. 13
Ash Wednesday - Feb. 14
Sundays of Lent - Feb. 18 - March 25
Holy Week - March 25-31
Easter Day - April 1

See weekly emails and Sunday bulletins for more information about Lenten Studies, activities, and mid-week worship in conjunction with Christ Church and Church of the Redeemer.



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