

Newsletter of
St. Andrew's
Episcopal Church
May 2019

The Carillon

Worship Schedule

Sunday mornings:
8:30—Rite One
9:30—Christian Formation
10:30—Rite 2 with Music
and Children's Sermon
11:30—Fellowship

Looking Ahead—

Summer Worship Schedule Begins

Saturday Evening Service

June 15 – 5:00 pm

Sunday, One Service

June 16 – 9:30 am

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Rector's Reflections

Dear St. Andrew's,

Alleluia, the Lord is Risen! The Lord is risen, indeed. Alleluia! What joy it is to proclaim these words in worship and greeting in this Eastertide. During the 50 days of Easter, several of the scriptures we read and study in worship are stories of Jesus' appearing. Beginning with the Resurrected Jesus appearing for the first time to Mary Magdalene in the garden, Jesus appearing to the disciples behind closed doors and Jesus appearing to the travelers who walked on the road to Emmaus, these are stories of Jesus appearing to those who were surprised to see him.

Perhaps surprise is an expected response to encounters with the Risen Christ? Perhaps fear, like that of the disciples behind locked doors, is not unusual when the One who was crucified, shows up? Perhaps, like the two on the road to Emmaus, Christ is hard to recognize until we see familiar actions?

The Connecting Communities Guiding Team is a group of parishioners participating with leaders from other parishes in a diocesan training initiative designed to help identify where God is at work in our communities, neighborhoods and places of study, work and play. One of the questions this group poses is "Where do you experience God at work?" Were this question asked of Mary Magdalene or the disciples or the travelers, they would likely describe their encounters with the Risen Christ, in the garden or behind closed doors or in the midst of their travels.

What about us? In the gardens of our lives, behind the doors that we close to protect us from that which we fear or in the midst of the ways we go, everyday, where do we encounter the Risen Christ? Where do we experience God?

Several years ago, our son, Jake, had an opportunity to travel to Japan and participate in an art and technology presentation. There were so many experiences I wanted for him in this country that I knew from my childhood.

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"Notice everything!" were my words of travelling blessing to him. Upon return, his description of his time there was, "I loved everything about it!" Perhaps his intention to "notice everything" increased his capacity to positively experience the trip?

My friends, in this Eastertide, let us pay attention, watch and "notice everything" as we live into these days of celebrating our Risen Lord. In the gardens of our lives, behind the doors that we close to protect us from that which we fear or in the midst of the ways we go, everyday, let us encounter Jesus and be drawn closer to our Lord.

Alleluia!

Mother June

Bishop's Visit on Pentecost Sunday, June 9, 2019.

St. Andrew's will welcome Bishop Mark Hollingsworth, Jr., Bishop of Ohio, on June 9th, Pentecost Sunday 2019. There will be one service at 9:30 on the day of the Bishop's Visit, followed by a Parish Brunch.

Bishop Hollingsworth will preach and preside in worship and Confirm, Receive or acknowledge the Reaffirmation of Faith of those presenting themselves for those rites.

Those who are interested in Confirmation, Reception or Reaffirmation of Faith should talk to Rev. June or Rev. Greg for more information.

June 9th promises to be a great day of celebration and affirmation at St. Andrew's.

Wear red for Pentecost.

Farmer's Market Ministry

To Continue or Not to Continue? That is the Question

For the past three summers, St. Andrew's has had a presence at the Elyria Farmer's Market. Funded in part by a grant from the Congregational Development Office of the Diocese of Ohio, parish volunteers and clergy have staffed a St. Andrew's "booth" at the Elyria Farmer's Market, distributing cold water, inviting prayer requests, building community with the vendors and sharing about St. Andrew's and the message of "God Loves You, No exceptions." When the 200th Anniversary of the City of Elyria and the 200th Anniversary of the Diocese of Ohio coincided, we invited people to take "selfies"; and we took pictures in front of a banner celebrating both events which showed up on social media throughout our community and were put on a celebratory display.

The time has now come where we are discerning the continuation of this ministry. Some of our key volunteers have moved away. Other volunteers who have carried this ministry in the past have discerned that for this summer, they are no longer called to continue. As one volunteer put it, "I think we have served our purpose for the Farmer's Market and I'm not sure what it's purpose is now." Clergy are clear that this needs to be a lay-led ministry supported by clergy and not the other way around.

It is a reality that ministries have a beginning and an end. Sometimes ministries that seem to be ending are evolving into something with a different emphasis or service. Sometimes ministries end to make a way for new and different ministries. The Farmer's Market Ministry has been a way that St. Andrew's has shared the love of God in our community for the past three summers. It may be a ministry that will be continued with a new group of volunteers who feel called to carry it on. It may be decided to close this chapter so a new chapter can begin. It may continue but change.

You are invited to prayerfully help influence this decision and share your discernment about this ministry, specifically about "who will work in this ministry" and "what will be its purpose". A decision will need to be made by mid-May. Please notify Rev. June of your discernment around this and talk with any of the team volunteers who have served in the past, including Myki Van Wormer, Anne Yug, Joe Myers or Barbara Prior.

Curate's Corner

May 2019

*O, to take what we love inside,
to carry within us an orchard, to eat
not only the skin, but the shade,
not only the sugar, but the days, to hold
the fruit in our hands, adore it, then bite into
the round jubilation of peach.*

From "From Blossoms" by Li-Young Lee*

This past weekend I had the privilege to be one of the adult chaperones for the Spring Youth Gathering out at Bellwether Farm. Twenty-four junior and senior high youth spent their weekend picking beets and carrots and turnips, collecting eggs, holding goats, canoeing and fishing, doing archery and arts and crafts. We opened and closed each day and each meal with prayer, and we grew in the knowledge and love of God and one another by immersing ourselves in God's creation. This is the purpose of camp and of church. This is an icon of the Kingdom of God.

The poet Li-Young Lee describes a summer experience of buying peaches in his poem, "From Blossoms." Lee pushes us to see differently; we aren't just eating peaches, but the blossoms, the orchards, "not only the skin, but the shade, / not only the sugar, but the days." His vision of what is contained in the fruit is expansive. I have visited Bellwether many times over the last year and a half – for youth gatherings, for clergy day, for Fresh Start and Newly Ordained meetings, and just to go spend some time on the farm. I think of what a gift it is that this place is only 25-30 min away. I have seen farmer Kyle Mitchell caring for the greens and the beets and the tomatoes in the hoop house. I spent time with Brandon and Candace Gooch and their adorable daughter as they prepare Bellwether for all the campers this summer. And each time I see it continue to grow, continue to see our youth grow into it, love it, and make it their own. Make it our own. The poet writes, "to hold / the fruit in our hands, adore it, then bite into / the round jubilation of peach."

Church is hard because community is hard. Community is hard because we humans are complicated. Our sinfulness gets the best of us, and we fail to see the peaches, the beets, the goats for all that they are. For all that fed them and us and the ways in which we are bound one to another. The confession found in *Enriching Our Worship* describes it beautifully, "We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created" (EOW 1, 19). So we turn back, because we have been restored through the Passion and through Easter to God's vision for our wholeness. We repent and confess and trust that God is indeed making us whole and holy. May we have the poet's eye for all of creation contained in a peach, and Christ's eye to see that God is drawing all things back to God and making them holy. Thanks be to God!

* For the full poem see: <https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poems/43012/from-blossoms>

Youth Calendar May and June:

May 5 - Youth Group 6-8pm at St. Andrew's in Elyria

May 12 - Mother's Day Youth Group - 6-8pm, all moms of our youth are invited to participate.

May 17-19 - Youth opportunity to participate in the Cathedral Pilgrimage at Trinity Cathedral.

Contact Greg for more information.

May 26 - No Youth Group for Memorial Day Weekend

June 2 - Final Youth Group 4-7 at the Whalen's



Vacation Bible School 2019 "Who is My Neighbor?"

Joint VBS of the Episcopal Church in Lorain County
at St. Andrew's

June 24 - 28, 9:30-12:30 (Register by June 10th)
Ages 4 years through 5th grade

Vacation Bible School 2019 Registration

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Child's Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Home Phones _____ Grade Completed _____ Date of Birth _____

Home Church _____ Email _____

Allergies or other medical conditions _____

Special needs _____

Emergency Contact Persons

Parent/Guardian Names _____

Address (if different from child) _____

City _____ Zip _____

Work/Cell Phone-Mother _____ Father _____ Other _____

If you cannot reach me in an emergency, please contact _____

My child may be released to _____

I am interested in helping with Vacation Bible School!

Name _____ Phone _____

Please return this to St. Andrew's Church, 300 Third Street, Elyria, OH 44035

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church has my permission to use my or my child's photograph publically to promote St. Andrew's. I understand that the images may be used in print publications, online publications, presentations, websites, and social media. I also understand that no royalty, fee or other compensation shall become payable to me by reason of such use.

Parent/Guardian's signature:

Date _____



The Vestry at Work

(minutes from April 11 meeting)

Present: Rev. June Hardy Dorsey, Celeste Brlas, Jean Hays, Jim Jablonski, John Quisenberry, Chuck Reich, Doug Skladan, Leanne Taylor, Anne Yug, Treasurer Robert Sharkody

Excused: Lee Kaufman

Meeting was called to order by the Rev. June Hardy Dorsey at 7:17 pm

Minutes from March 9 Meeting

Correction: Correction of spelling of Doug Skladan

Correction to 1:05 pm as call to order

Minutes Accepted

Robert Sharkody presented the Treasurer's Report. See updated financial reports attached.

Recommendation from Finance Commission regarding Designated Funds 22000 accounts. See Motion from March 8, meeting attached.

Discussion followed

Chuck Reich moved to accept Finance Committee recommendation and authorize Treasurer to determine amount to be transferred based on balances on date of transfer. Seconded by Anne Yug.

Motion carries

(Note: Explanation for usage on attached document does not apply based on discussion with Treasurer.)

Casting the Light: Strategic Planning Group Report by Doug Skladan

Group has met twice and is doing an outstanding job working on mission statements and vision based on parish meeting. Group is committed and enthusiastic. Goal is to present more at the September Vestry meeting.

Connecting Communities Guiding Team Report (Diocesan wide initiative) by Leanne Taylor
Coach from Diocese attended their meeting. She encouraged physical neighborhood connections. Also, asking where have you seen God this week? Where did you see Grace this week?

Statement of Inclusion tabled from March 8, Vestry meeting: See attached, page 3.

Also see statement from Christ Church attached.

Motion made by John Q, seconded by Doug to accept what we currently have on website under the "About" section as our statement of inclusion with the opportunity to edit as needed.

Motion carries

Rev. Greg stark, Jean Hayes and John Quisenberry will continue to work on a short statement.

Commission Reports:

Jim Jablonski would like to start looking at environmental issues and how to get St. Andrew's involved. Possible involvement/partners might include the Scout troops we sponsor, our youth, the Audubon Society, and the City of Elyria. Following the lead of the National Church, "The Pledge to Care for

Creation" is part of living as the Jesus Movement. It's a promise to protect and renew this good Earth

and all who call it home. It's a promise to share our stories, stand with those who are most vulnerable, and live more gently on the Earth.

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Vestry Minutes, April 11, 2019

Jean Hays – For the month of March, 862 people were served at our Food Pantry, and 937 Community Meals were served. The pantry requests donations of canned goods, especially soup.

Chuck Reich – Parish Life, Easter Brunch.

The Easter Brunch will be a more simple, self-serve event with breads, spreads, fruit, meat, cheese, mimosa's and more.

John Quisenberry – B&G

Work continues on modifying the balustrades (rail around stairs on upper level) to make them more safe, especially for young/small children. The width or distance between the rails is wide and unsafe.

Rev. June Hardy-Dorsey – Fish Fry.

The Lenten Fish Frys are now concluded and it has engaged more of our members than other projects and committees. The event is in the black and final numbers should be ready by the May Vestry meeting.

Rector's Report – see attached report from Rev. June Hardy Dorsey

Curate's Report – see attached from Rev. Greg Stark

Concluding Prayers

Adjourn*

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle VanWormer

Vestry Clerk 2019

*Reports and attachments are displayed on the bulletin board in the second floor Education Wing

A Word of Gratitude

to Robert Sharkody for his service as St. Andrew's Treasurer since 2017. At the Annual Meeting in Jan. 2019, Robert declared his intention to resign from this position in Dec 2019 but has accelerated that time table and resigned as Treasurer on of April 14, 2019.

We are grateful for the many hours of faithful work that Bob gave to this endeavor and look forward to seeing where God will be calling him to serve in other St. Andrew's ministries in the days to come.

Quarterly Breakfast

The last St. Andrew's quarterly breakfast until fall is May 19, at 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.



Recognition Sunday

June 2 is Recognition Sunday at St. Andrew's. Christian Formation teachers and choir members will be thanked for their service, while 2019 graduates will be recognized for their accomplishment. If you have a graduate in your family this year, please let the church office know before May 28.



MAY BIRTHDAYS

Tyler Heck	1
Fr. Brian Wilbert	2
Lynn Mand	2
Hannah Barkhurst	3
Jonathan Frazier	6
Flossie Muller	7
Violet Secaur	7
Howard Kerber	10
Amanda VanWormer	13
Carl Bredel	14
Chuck Reich	14
Walter Warner	17
Nolan Barns	18
Jeremy Secaur	20
Tom Norfleet	23
Jonathan Frazier, Jr.	24
Don Scarbrough	24
Russell Wilson	24
Naviya Schuster-Little	25
Marilou Moorman	27
Bonnie Paine	28
Jacob Hebble	29
Lila McGinnis	29
Mike Von Gunten	29
Robert Wilson	31

Is your birthday or anniversary missing? We continually work to update the database. Please contact Diane Linch in the church with any missing info.

Happy Anniversary

Jeff & Pam Hahn	6
Eric & Pat Barns	16

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
 Greg, our Curate
 Jane, our Deacon
 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, Dylan Donnelly, Charles Kellogg, Kim Reich, Gavin Schwan, Ryan Sumner, Ashley Augustine

Those recently ordained

Sally Goodall

All Postulants and Candidates for Holy Orders in our Diocese

Our Partner Dioceses

The Diocese of Tonga and The Diocese of Belize

Churches in our Mission Area

St. Paul's, Bellevue; St. Paul's, Fremont; Christ Church, Huron; Redeemer, Lorain; St. Paul's, Norwalk; Christ Church, Oberlin; St. Thomas, Port Clinton; St. Paul's, Put-in-Bay; Grace, Sandusky; Old Trinity, Tiffin.

Long term illnesses/injuries

Kathy Inderrieden (Karen Blair's daughter)

At home

Zen Fitzgerald, Virginia Larson, Lynn Mand, Verne Potter, Ruth Smith, Doris McDonough, Sally Ruth, Barbara Tobin, Robert Wilson

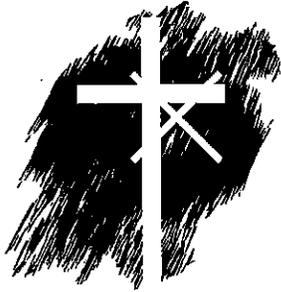
Illness, surgery, challenges, concerns

3/3/2019	Retta Reynolds
3/3/2019	Monica Sansom and the Monschein Family (Amy Kellogg)
3/10/2019	Michael McKenna (Karen Blair)
3/17/2019	Lynn Mand
3/17/2019	Phyllis Payne
3/24/2019	Molly Richeson and the Stone Family (Amy Kellogg)
3/24/2019	Donna Quisenberry
3/24/2019	The Warden Family in the death of their son
4/7/2019	Deb Schwan (Doug Skladan)
4/28/2019	Skip Bookbinder (Amy Kellogg)

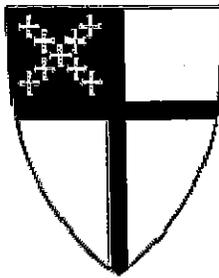
Those who have died

3/3/2019	Joan Monschein (Amy Kellogg)
3/24/2019	Ken Stone (Amy Kellogg)





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