

Newsletter of St. Andrew's
Episcopal Church
March 2020

The Carillon

Worship Schedule

Sunday Schedule

8:30 Quiet Holy Eucharist

9:30 Christian Formation

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



SET YOUR CLOCKS
Ahead!

March 7, 2020. Day-
light savings time begins

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Rector's Reflections

Dear Good People of St. Andrew's,

On Ash Wednesday, Lent began with the call to self-examination and repentance; prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and the reading and meditating on God's holy Word. St. Andrew's has created programming and worship to assist in these endeavors and I urge you to discern where God is leading you in participating. (See Lenten Schedule)

The leadership of St. Andrew's has been examining the structure of Commissions and Committees and is making the following changes. We are using the season of Lent to explore and transition into these changes, which will be finalized at the April Vestry Meeting.

Beginning March 1, St. Andrew's organizational structure for mission and ministry is being realigned to create a cohesive and connected structure consisting of four Commissions and four Committees. This new structure will work on the goals set forth in the Strategic Plan adopted in September 2019.

This restructuring will dissolve all current Commissions except Worship and Youth Ministry and create two new commissions incorporating the purpose and work of all of the dissolved commissions. Remember that all Commissions are a part of the mission and ministry to which God has and is calling St. Andrew's.

This new structure will integrate purposes, cross-pollinate the responsibilities and parishioners serving on the commissions. Budget line items will remain the same at this time and support the work for which the funds were allocated.

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The new structure is detailed below.

The Congregational Development Commission is chaired by Greg Hebble and replaces the following commissions and ministries and includes their purpose and accountability:

- **Inviting and Welcoming**
- **Parish Life• Outreach**
- **Christian Formation**
(Adults, Children and Intergenerational)

- **Library**
- **Pastoral Care**
- **Lenten Fish Fry and other fundraisers**

Newly developed committees will relate with this commission and continue to work on the goals established for them through the Strategic Plan.

Connecting Communities Committee

Communications Committee

The Resource Management Commission is chaired by Amy Kellogg and replaces the following commissions and ministries and includes their purpose and accountability:

Building and grounds

Finance

Stewardship

Holy Currencies

The Creation Care Committee will relate with this commission and continue to work on the goals being established.

The Worship Commission continues to be chaired by Todd Hartman, working at the direction of the Rector . It facilitates the work and is accountable for the following ministries that support worship services and sacraments.

Altar Guild

Eucharistic Ministers

Eucharistic Visitors

Music

Worship Ministries Lectors, Intercessors Ushers and Greeters

Liturgy and Service Schedule

Columbarium Committee

Worship Service "Fresh Look" Committee

This commission is responsible to the vestry for the administration of the following designated (restricted) funds as well as the corresponding line items in the annual budget :

Worship (Operating Budget)

Altar Guild

Flower

Music (Operating Budget)

Organ

Carillon

Choir

Acolyte

Columbarium

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Youth Ministry Commission (chair TBD) will encourage and support youth and their families from our parish and communities, growing participation. It will continue to integrate our youth into all aspects of our parish life.

Transition Considerations

The names of new commissions are tentative and will be adopted or changed in the Easter season of 2020.

All chairs and members of the newly dissolved commissions are invited to be a part of the new structure.

Initial meetings of the new commissions will be held on 2 Wed. nights in Lent from 7:30 – 8:30 pm on alternating weeks. Holy Eucharist will be offered at 7 pm on Wednesday nights in Lent as a spiritual support to the work of the new commissions.

The purpose of this intensive on-boarding is to ensure the integration and inclusion of pertinent responsibilities of the former commissions with the freedom to make changes as determined.

(Congregational Development Commission to meet on March 4 and 18. Resource Management Commission to meet on March 11 and 25)

After the initial meetings in March, beginning in May, Congregational Development and Resource Management Commission Meetings will be held on the second Wednesday nights of the odd numbered months, from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. Worship Commission and Youth Ministry Commission meeting schedules will continue with their current meeting schedules.

To ensure good communication, accountability and follow up, minutes will be kept at all meetings with hard copy report submitted to vestry and made a part of the ongoing record of the church.

May each one of you be blessed in this Lenten Season and consider how God is calling you to serve and relate within this new structure. Please reach out to me, the Commission Chairs or Vestry members if you have questions.

**Blessings,
Mother June**



Curate's Corner

Do you remember the first time you got to sing with a group? Or maybe you got to play an instrument together with some friends? When I was a child I did Suzuki Violin and played "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star" in front of a crowd of parents, grandparents, friends, and family. I remember the excitement and the anticipation before going on stage with some of my peers in Stockton, California at the University of the Pacific. It was probably a much smaller stage than my imagination has re-constructed, but I still remember the pride and joy in my parents' eyes. I also remember the confidence and sense of agency that it gave me - I have something to offer others. I have something to offer God. We take pride in celebrating our little ones here at St. Andrew's. We train our volunteers in Safeguarding God's Children, we offer Christian formation opportunities between services, and invite our children to fully participate in the life of the worshipping community. Our wonderful organist and music director, Joan Van Wormer, brings such joy to our little ones, inviting them and teaching them new songs to sing for Christmas, VBS, and Easter. This month, I am especially excited for this new collaboration between the Lorain County Episcopal Churches with Kathy Plank to have shared children's choir. On Saturday March 21st, some of our little ones will gather to rehearse an anthem, learn some singing techniques, and spend time together in fellowship over lunch. The next day, Sunday March 22nd, they will prepare our hearts to hear the good news and worship God in the beauty of holiness and joy. It was a joy to see them sing together (and to get to sing with them) at Christ Church in February, and I hope that you will make sure to be present and support them at St. Andrew's. If you have a child, grandchild, niece, nephew, or neighbor or friend in kindergarten through fifth grade, encourage them to reach out and come join. I can forward any interested families to Kathy Plank (curate@standrewselyria.org). May we all do what we can to shepherd and empower the voices of our little ones, and may God give us ears to hear the joys and truths they proclaim.

Faithfully,

Greg+

Lenten Worship and Programs

Wednesdays in Lent

12:00 pm Noon Day Prayer

12:30 pm Anti-racism Book Study

7:00 pm Holy Eucharist

7:30 pm New Commission Meetings

March 4 & 18 Congregational Development Commission Meetings

March 11 & 25 Resource Management Commission Meetings

Monday nights 6:30-8:30 p.m.—Climate Change and Christian Faith

Sunday Afternoons 3:00 pm Collaboration with Lorain County Urban League,
"Black History; Lost, Stolen, or Strayed."

ECLC Children's Choir

Episcopal Churches of Lorain County Children's Choir
for children in grades K - 5 and their friends!

The group will perform three times this spring, once at each church.

The experience will include a 45 minute rehearsal at 11am on Saturday morning, followed by lunch provided by the parish. Parents may stay and enjoy coffee and conversation while the children rehearse. The choir will provide an anthem for the church the next morning at the regular Sunday service.

March 21/22 St. Andrew's, Elyria
April 25/26 Church of the Redeemer, Lorain

Katherine Plank will direct the choir.

We will provide a bus that will pickup children (and parents, if desired) at their home church and take them to the Saturday rehearsal and Sunday service where the choir is performing.

Ms. Plank has over 40 years experience as an elementary school music teacher and choral conductor. She is the founder of Oberlin Choristers, a community choir for children and youth in northeast Ohio. Rehearsals will include musical games and activities.

The choir will be prepared to present a simple anthem for the Sunday service. Children are encouraged to invite friends to join us.

Questions?

Contact Katherine Plank at ksplank52@gmail.com or 440-935-5158

Creation Care Meeting—Jim Jablonski

"The Holy Land is Everywhere."
Black Elk, Oglala Lakota leader

Native Americans and the Bible emphasize that we need to be stewards of the earth. However, our consumer culture has led us astray and we increasingly fail in our covenant with God to care for creation.

St. Andrew's newly forming Creation Care Committee intends to add its efforts toward changing the nation's current direction.

Our goals are three-fold. First, to begin a pollinator garden in front of the church to attract bees, butterflies and birds that serve that crucial function and to make the entrance more inviting.

The second goal is to counter the plastic trash that is overwhelming the landscape, sidewalks, streets and eventually the rivers and waterways of the country. We plan to hold plastic collection days periodically throughout the year.

Finally, the organizers would like to encourage the younger members as well as girl and boy scouts, and others to become more environmentally aware. We plan to do this through programs given by members of Black River Audubon Society and in other ways.

To start making a difference, please contact Jim Jablonski.

Lenten Fish Fries—Fridays in Lent (except Good Friday)—5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Fish Dinner \$14.00, Shrimp Dinner \$14.00, Half/half Dinner \$14.00, Half Fish Dinner \$8.00, Mac & Cheese \$6.00, Pizza \$5.00, Side of Shrimp \$7.00.

Bellwether Farm summer camp is an opportunity for campers to immerse themselves in fun, engaging outdoor activities. These programs will seek to teach healthy social, nutritional, and environmental practices, while providing a safe context in which to encounter God's beautiful creation. Campers will have an opportunity to learn about organic gardening, animal care, and creative cooking. They will also participate in traditional camp activities, including swimming, canoeing, arts and crafts, fishing, and field games. The Bellwether Farm staff is invested in the life of every camper, seeking to inspire future generations to become passionate leaders in the world around them. Registration is now open. Register by March 15 and enter promo code WORM to receive \$25 off. A sibling discount is applied when you register two or more siblings for a week of camp. Scholarships are available upon request. Please fill out the Scholarship Application form before May 1.

Full descriptions of the camp offerings are available on the Bellwether Farm website.



Save the Date. May 29, 2020 will be our next visit to Progressive Field. The Tribe will be playing the Kansas City Royals that night. If you're interested in reserving tickets, just let Amy Kellogg know. (akellogg@bakerlaw.com or 440-937-1812).

March Restaurant Night: March 8th at 5:00 p.m. Our next restaurant night will be at Uncle Bo's Slow and Low BBQ out by Midway Mall on West River Road. Contact Lee Kauffman to make your reservation.

The Food Pantry is in need of empty egg cartons.

VBS 2020

June 22-26

9:30-12:30

Contact Fr. Greg,
gregory.d.stark@gmail.com



Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
Saturday, March 14, 2020
9 am - 12 noon
\$15 adult, \$10 ages 2 and over

Benefit for Hurst Brothers Battle against Hurler's (Syndrome)

300 3rd Street, Elyria, OH

For more information on Hurler's Syndrome, visit
<https://tinyurl.com/sr3kh3c>



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

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, Ruth Smith, Donna Quisenberry, Barbara Tobin,

Illness, surgery, challenges, concerns

8/4/2019 Norm Kummerlin
 1/5/2020 Gen Jereb (Amy Kellogg)
 1/5/2020 Skip Bookbinder (Amy Kellogg)
 1/26/2020 Carol Pierce (mother of Cheri Van Wormer)
 2/2/2020 Joe Quisenberry
 2/9/2020 Walter Smitley (Joanne Pressnell's brother)
 2/9/2020 Mary Mizen-Bruce (Karen Blair's daughter)
 2/23/2020 Rick Armbruster (Amy Kellogg)

Those who have died

2/16/2020 Lynn Mand
 2/23/2020 Liliana Sanchez (2nd grader. Prospect Elementary)

March Birthdays

Jerry MacBeth	1
Jason Quisenberry	1
Joe Dembek	3
Freya Hughes	3
Jeanne Harris	4
Juliann Walker	4
Caren Quisenberry	5
Todd Hartmen	9
Derek Howland	17
Alexis Knapp	17
Isabella Shaffer	23
Anne Yug	23
Abigail Knapp	25
Margo Reich	26
Dakota Squire	26
Amy Kellogg	28
Genevieve Barkhurst	28
Catherine Secaur	29
Nandi Badat Hahn	30
Carla Milkovich	30
Nancy Roth	30

Unveiling Black History, Lost, Stolen, or Strayed. Join the Lorain County Urban League and St. Andrew's Episcopal Church as we engage in a candid conversation about black history. March 8 & 15, 3-5 p.m. at St. Andrew's.

