

The Carillon

Newsletter of
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
"Sharing God's Love"
December 2021



Worship Schedule

Sunday Morning Prayer

9:30 am [Zoom](#)

Sunday Holy Eucharist

8:30 am In-person (no music)

11:00 am In-person

**Children's Sermons will be offered at any service where there are children present.

***Protocols include socially distanced seating, masks for indoor worship (except for worship leaders when they are speaking) and singing indoors permitted with everyone masked.

Click here for our [Zoom](#) link.

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Rector's Reflections

Dear Church,

When St. Andrew's gathered for the virtual commemoration of the Feast of our Patron Saint, Andrew, we saw a video clip of a travel promotion for Scotland. The tourist department sent people all over the United Kingdom in search of people named Andrew and invited them and their guests to a free trip to Scotland. The video shows representatives of the promotion (dressed in brightly colored kilts) in Berlin and London and Paris – on the train and in shops and in parks – asking people, "We are looking for Andrew (or Andre, in the case of France.) They were met first with some confusion and surprise. In one place they went into a crowded bookstore and called "Andre". To the person who turned around, they offered the invitation and his countenance changed from confusion to delight.

The 21 Andrews and their guests were loaded on a bus and enjoyed a week of welcome, dancing, music, feasting and sightseeing. The video showed laughter, engagement and strangers becoming friends.

The joy and delight of this endeavor was contagious. [Click here to see the video.](#) or type in the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lh5T4NfCR4o>

St. Andrew is our patron saint. He is known for his persuasive invitations. He brought his brother, Peter, to Jesus, and they both immediately followed the Lord. He persuaded a young boy to share his lunch of fish and bread... and Jesus used it to feed the 5000. In both cases, Andrew reached out and brought people to Jesus. In our baptismal promises we say that we will "seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbors as ourselves." Reaching out is what we are all called to do.

Let us connect with our patron saint's gift of persuasion in making invitations to Christ through St. Andrew's. The Christian life is a joyful life, not punitive and restrictive, but expansive and inclusive. May we seek and welcome people in the manner shown in the video described above. May their perplexing countenances turn to delight as they encounter loving, liberating, life-giving God, Triune One, in and through St. Andrew's.

If you would like to keep up to date on the events and activities happening at St. Andrews, you can do so by clicking on the link to our Church Calendar below:

[ST. ANDREWS CALENDAR](#)

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Faithfully,
Mother June



MESSAGE FROM THE SR. WARDEN

Amy Kellogg

This seems like the perfect time of the year to offer thanks—thanks for family, friends, and health. Most of all though I am thankful for St. Andrew's and my church family. I continue to be amazed and humbled by the gifts and talents that are present in this church. Thanks to Jean Hays and Amanda Nagy who shepherded a very successful stewardship campaign that will allow us to Share God's love and to continue to make our mission a reality. Thanks to Anne Yug, Myki VanWormer and the team working to open a Warming Shelter at Andy's Place. What a great use of our space. It will allow us to share God's Love with our neighbors. Thanks to Rev. June and Bill Taylor who helped us get lower monthly rates for our copy machine and maintenance contract with Schindler Elevator. For you see it's not all about raising more funds—it's about using those funds as efficiently as possible. Thank you also to my fellow Vestry members, especially Doug Skladan, Leanne Taylor and Jon Quisenberry, whose terms have come to an end. I couldn't do this without their input, wisdom, and most of all laughter. So let me wish all of you a wonderful Advent season and a very Merry Christmas. I'm excited to see where 2022 leads us.

Advent Adventure!

Please join us on December 4th for our Advent Adventure! Featuring many enjoyable activities and other fun things for all ages including wreath making, chocolate St. Nicholas's, a yummy lunch, and more! Invite a friend and come have a fun day to help get us all in the Advent spirit!

Warming Shelter Update and Needs

Thank you to all who have graciously brought bedding and other items for the warming shelter. Progress continues to be made and we hope to open in the next couple of weeks.

We now have enough pillows and sheets, but we still need twin size winter blankets. Blankets can be dropped off in the office or in the parish hall (auditorium) where we are staging supplies. Thank you.

An Invitation to Help : Campus/Youth Grant

In a couple of months, we likely will be awarded grant funds to develop a Youth/LCCC partnership ministry! LCCC students will teach our youth Arts and Humanities skills such as drama, drawing/painting, music, and creative writing. They also will provide basic tutoring and mentoring for our own youth as well as children who participate in our meals program. Athletic skill training could become important as well. This exciting new direction for St. Andrews ministry should begin toward the end of next winter.

We need a few parish people to help develop this partnership. You would be "in on the ground floor" because we need people to decide which skills are most wanted, which LCCC students should be hired, and so forth. We need people who like to think creatively as well as those who are good organizers. We need adults of all ages—those who have a few hours to give and those who might have more.

Before the end of the year, we would need just one to two hours of your time to learn about the project and possibilities and to get an introduction to some LCCC personnel who are working with us. When the funds arrive next year, it would be up to you how many or how few hours you could offer to this ministry. At this point, we are very flexible and look forward to a few people tailoring their participation to what interests them and what works for them. A clear advantage to getting involved is that while you are over at our wonderful community college, you, yourself, could use the gym, library, Campana Center, walking tracks, and other lovely amenities.

If you are interested in considering developing this exciting ministry, please contact Rev. June at revjunehd@gmail.com. This contact is not a commitment! Let's just talk about what interests you and how you might want to contribute. At this point, you are not filling a "slot," you'll be helping to create the program!

December Birthdays

Jane McDonald	6
Phyllis DeMark	6
Jon Quisenberry	7
Lise Day	8
Cathy Heck	8
Russell Welsh	9
Lorraine Petitti Palazolo	10
Shannon Von Gunten	13
Jeff Hahn	16
Claire Skladan	18
Jerry Welsh	20
Roja Schuster-Little	25
Kaitlyn Heck	26
Hannah Skladan	28
Eric Barns	30
Nancy Lee Flynt	31

January Birthdays

Karen Hahn	4
Colette Van Wormer	7
James Casselberry	13
Robert Lehman	15
Lee Kauffman	15
Russ Van Wormer	18
Pat Barns	19
Cathy Whalen	20
Kim Reich	26
Carrie Hebble	31
Kathy Kerber	31
Myki Van Wormer	31

EMAIL SCAM

Please be aware that there has been someone sending emails pretending to be officials from churches around the area. We would once again to remind everyone to please CHECK the sender on ALL emails claiming to be anyone from St. Andrews before you open it/reply to it.

All official St. Andrews emails can be found on the front of this newsletter.

St. Andrew's Prayer List:

Our Spiritual Leaders
Michael, our presiding Bishop
Mark, our Bishop
Bill and Arthur, Assisting Bishops
June, our Priest
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 Bacskey, Rose Buttle, Luke Colcough, Aaron Colcough, Dylan Donnelly, Charles Kellogg, Kim Reich, Gavin Schwan, Ryan Sumner, Ashley Augustine

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.

We offer prayers of thanksgiving with Christ Church Oberlin on the call of their new rector, The Revered Andrew McQuery.

Long term illnesses/injuries: Kathy Inderrieden (Karen Blair's daughter),

At home: Virginia Larson, Ruth Smith, Donna Quisenberry, Sally Ruth, Barbara Tobin, Linda Wilbert, Patty Pozwyck, Bobbi Holiday, Jeanine Kirk

Those who have died: Florence (Flossie) Muller, Carol Lamond-Walker, Carol Hardy, Randy Bruce, Kelmi Snider

Other Concerns: Bob and Mavis Hardy, LaMar Harrell, Becky Hall and her family, Trevor Gosh, Kendra and Kendall, Charlotte Chotlos, Nick and Pam Pudar, Diana McKendree and her family, Julie Hendricks, Wesley Stewart, Doug Gatchell, Chuck Reich, the Van Keuren Family, Tom Heinz, Cybil Nagy, John Kellogg, John Torres, Kim Rhodes

Heather Campbell Reich



St. Andrew's volunteers serve on Wednesday, December 22nd. Please contact Bill Hebble by calling or texting 440-731-7088 to make sure we have enough volunteers but also to keep our number between 6-8. Thank you!

Send us your news!

If you have information you would like included in the weekly e-news or in the monthly Carillon, please send by email to office@standrewselyria.org.

Deadline for the January issue of the Carillon is December 30th.

(Inclusion in either publication is at the discretion of the rector.)

Christmas Service Schedule

Christmas Eve

5:30pm Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist with Music and Children's Pageant

10:30pm Zoom

Contemplative Candlelight Service [Zoom Link](#)

Christmas Day

10:00am Christmas Day Holy Eucharist

First Sunday of Christmas - Dec. 26

10:30am Lessons and Carols (Only one service on this day.)

Vestry Nominations

The Vestry Nominating Committee is now seeking nominations for the next Vestry class. The Vestry of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church plays a vital leadership role in being responsible for Parish finances, including investments, the preparation of a balanced budget, Parish buildings, and planning for the future. The Vestry strives to advance the spiritual development of the Parish, working under the direction of the Rector and is receptive to the concerns of the Parish.

A Vestry nominee must be a member of the church for at least six months, at least sixteen years or older: that is, faithful in corporate worship and have contributed to the support of the parish through working, praying, and giving. The Vestry of St. Andrew's, as a group and individually through its members, is a faithful body of people who work together to support the clergy, staff, and lay leadership of the parish in carrying out our mission of Sharing God's Love. The Vestry has monthly meetings and annual retreats, but the work should be seen as a full three-year commitment, rather than simply the task of showing up at meetings.

We are looking forward to hearing from the parish not just the names of nominees, but also a bit about why and how the person you are nominating will be a good leader of the parish through the work of our Vestry. Each nominee should be committed to the vision and mission of St. Andrew's. We are counting on you to suggest the names of such nominees along with your insights into what they will bring to the leadership of St. Andrew's. And of course, you are welcome to nominate yourself!

Please recommend a nominee for Vestry to the Vestry Nominating Committee, All nominations must be received in the church office by January 5, 2022. The final slate, approved by Vestry, will be presented to the congregation for final approval at the annual meeting on January 16, 2022.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR NOMINATION!

Vestry Nominating Committee 2022

Leanne Taylor

Jon Quisenberry

Doug Skladan

CALLING ALL ANGELS, SHEPERDS, SHEEP, AND STARS!

We are currently looking for members of our youth and children's ministries who would like to participate in this year's Children's Christmas Pageant. The pageant will be held at the 5:30pm in person Christmas Eve service. If your child might be interested in being a part of this year's pageant, you can either contact either Rev. June or the office by phone or email to sign up. We are looking forward to making this one of our best Christmas Pageants yet with the help of St. Andrews young shining stars!



The Hopes of St. Andrews

At the beginning of October, as a part of our financial stewardship campaign, those in the congregation were asked both about what gives each of us hope and what our hopes were for the future. Below is a full list of the hopes of those who participated. May this list of the hopes of our congregation inspire and impassion you in the upcoming year so that we can truly make it “A Future with Hope”.

- I hope to grow taller
- Respect and understanding
- My hope is for love, compassion, and understanding
- Everyday kindness gives me hope
- To do well in my play!
- I hope that we continue feeding the hungry of Elyria
- Each Day Brings New Hope!
- Hope for World Peace
- Hope that our nation can heal from this divide and that each person feels like they can make a difference.
- My family and good friends give me hope and happiness.
- We hope for just and fair leaders for our government
- End of Covid!
- I hope for good health to my brothers and all people of the world.
- Strength to do what is right and good.
- To love one another as Jesus loved us.
- I hope we will keep feeding people.
- I hope for our communication to grow each day.
- I hope that we can spread God’s love with other people.
- My hope is for peace in this world brought on by empathy, inclusion, and God’s love.
- Hope we can have a country that could go back to family, love, and trust.
- Seeking peace brings me hope.
- Sharing, teaching, practicing prayer.
- St. Andrews remains a vibrant community where peace is abundant.
- Hope for happiness; my dog brings me happiness
- Wisdom, discernment, faith, peace for myself and Nick.
- That we can create a community that is loving, inclusive, and warm for all who enter our doors.
- Nature gives me hope.
- Hope for healing in the world.
- Good health for friends and family.
- My hope that through my faith in Jesus, I am never alone, and God is always with me.
- The faithful works of St. Andrews, even in the midst of trying times, gives me hope.
- That all may share God’s love.
- I hope for peace and good health to all.
- I hope to do well in school.
- The love of people in my life gives me hope.
- For the continued development of faith and faithful practice for all of St. Andrew’s so that we can truly share God’s love in all the places we God.
- I feel the Holy Spirit moving through our missions in the church and directing us.
- More participation from the church members, those in the fringes.
- I hope for mutual respect and understanding of one another in our nation.
- I hope for a speedy end to the pandemic.
- I hope our nation will come together in peace
- I hope that we again will have pews filled next Easter
- What gives me hope is God is ever present in our lives and is still speaking to all of us.
- I hope for growing church membership.
- Hope for reconciliation between family members
- To not only remain health as individuals, but continue to remain healthy as a church
- That St. Andrew’s retains and grants its ministry for another generation.
- I hope that the world will open up to the light of all who believe in one God.
- My hope is to find the right words of comfort, support, and peace to open a heart and mind.
- I hope to have a good future.
- My family and pets to be happy and healthy.
- My hope is that we all become one and overcome our biases.
- That St. Andrews becomes an integral part of the downtown community.