



St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Spring Hill, FL

Proclaiming Christ in the heart of Spring Hill since 1971

PARISH CHIMES

January 2016



FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Friends,

There is a house that I pass on the way home that has all kinds of Christmas lights and decorations in the yard. And one of the decorations is a large, lighted, probably 3 or 4 feet high, 2016. It is a little jarring to me. It is always a little odd moving from one year to the next. Years are markers, milestones if you will. The human race has observed two thousand and fifteen years since, since well, the birth of Christ. Nowadays in our society, when we write our year typically we will put 2016 C.E. This stands for Common Era. The Common Era began two thousand and sixteen years ago. We used to use the initials, A.D. after our years. The A.D. stood for some Latin words, Anno Domini, that is, the year of our Lord. So the expression insinuates that since Jesus has been born two thousand sixteen years ago, every year is his. All of human history is marked as either before or after his life. As our society has grown more secular however we no longer mark our years with the A.D.; now we use the C.E.

But this year at St. Andrew's we are not going to have a 2016 C.E. We are going to have a 2016 A.D. It will not simply be another year in our common era. This year is going to be marked as the Lord's year! We, by His help and grace will get our addition built. We will by His help and grace continue to grow in numbers and serve God more in our church and community. We will by His grace and help continue to grow closer to God through our prayers and Bible studies. It is going to be a great Anno_domini!

And 2015 was an A.D. year as well. We did not get our addition built and I along with most of you hoped and thought that we would. Unfortunately we encountered

many obstacles; some were expected but most were unexpected. Yet they were all overcome with the Lord's help and it looks like we will be able to break ground in January. This past year fifteen members of our church went to be with the Lord. We will miss them all. Some of them were very active in our church life and their absence is keenly felt. Yet, this year in March and November Bishop Garrison received seventeen new members and over the year we transferred in 17 more members.

We added the projectors and screens and are using them to enhance our worship services. We had a leaky flat roof over the sacristy and we reroofed and replaced the flat with a pitched roof. So now our Altar Guild and Lay Eucharist Ministers will not need to jump over the buckets anymore. We have made other improvements and beautified our campus.

God has been very good to us. We have tried to be faithful stewards of his goodness as well. We gave over \$10,000 to outreach ministries in our community, our diocese and even to some world-wide ministries as well. We hope to be able to have enough extra at the end of this year to do this again.

I am looking forward to seeing you all in church and at our church birthday party on January 10th and at our annual meeting on January 31st! So we begin 2016 A.D. with anticipation and hopeful and grateful hearts!

Warmly in Christ,

Fr. Lance+



Sr. Warden's Remarks

Loa Jackson, Sr. Warden

Happy New Year Everyone! As we roll into 2016, there are a couple of dates to keep in mind. January 10th is our Parishioners' Birthday & Ministry Celebration, including an Anniversary Celebration of our Clergy. There will be a pot luck din-

ner, and everyone is asked to come and bring a dish to pass. There is a list of the expanding menu on the table during coffee hour, so please sign up and let us know what your prize dish will be.

The last Sunday of the month (Jan. 31st) is our Annual Parish Meeting. There will be a dinner supplied. It is the day we vote for vacant positions coming in the vestry. There will also be presented a summary of all the various ministries and their accomplishments for 2015. If you are a representative of one of these ministries, we need your reports by **Jan 15th** so it can be published for this meeting.

Last but not least, I would like to highlight our Ushers and Greeters Ministry. The Greeters are the first persons to greet both the new and the familiar parishioners. It's really heart-lifting to be able to make a smile spread at St. Andrew's. The Ushers also play a vital role, answering questions, making sure everyone is seated, and supplying directions. There is a special need for a larger pool of ushers and greeters. We have increased our numbers at all services. The 10:30 am service needs a minimum of 3. Once again, more members serving help these ministries to be more of a blessing and a pleasure than a duty. There is a great group just waiting to show you the routine. If you are interested, even to be a substitute, just give the office a call, or contact Paul Popalis.

That's about all for this month but don't forget the free dinners and desserts. Also, check the calendar for all the events. You don't want to miss a good time.

Till next time, see you in Church!

Loa Jackson, your Sr. Warden

Hello fellow church members,



The Tool Kit

Craig Gates, Jr. Warden

The recent increased activity around our church has been joyous and productive. Clean-Up Day was a huge success. Thirty-eight hardworking volunteers helped accomplish most of the *Must Do's* on our list. All windows were washed, all roofs and gutters cleaned and many beds and shrubs given much-needed attention. Many other small but very important projects were completed. A heart-felt thanks to all of you who volunteered and contributed to the success of our Fall Clean-Up Day. Thank you also to the Boy Scouts and their leaders for the help they provided and to Glee, Janet and Dennis for feeding us well.

Our sacristy roof-over is now complete. We are pleased to state that the water-stained ceiling tiles and wet carpet are a thing of the past. Once again, we are blessed to have the resources to take care of our church.

It was suggested on clean-up day that we form a group of five to ten people who would meet once a month for 2 to 3 hours, to do needed work around our campus. If you are interested please let me know or sign up on the board in the Narthex.

Is anyone interested in adopting one bed to maintain as a special project? It can be as small as one tree or as large as you wish. This would help improve the overall appearance of our campus and create an enjoyable ministry. Signup sheets are in the Narthex.

May you and your loved ones be blessed with a Christmas heart the entire new year.

Your friend in Christ,

Craig Gates

DIOCESE YOUTH NEWS

FROM DAYSPRING— November's *New Beginnings* #58 was a great success! (St. Andrew's had several youth participants and team members). The weekend's theme was on John 16:33, "In this world you will have troubles. But take heart! I have overcome the world." Throughout the weekend new friendships were formed, old relationships strengthened, and many lives were touched by God. It was a wonderful experience that was fun and deeply meaningful. Thanks to all the team members and adults who put the weekend together, and to all the participants for making it so special!



New Beginnings #58 Participants (photo from Diocese)

Upcoming Youth Events

Hootenanny: Free 2016 Youth Event
Features *Urban Gypsies* on Jan. 23

The Youth Leadership Team is sponsoring this Diocesan-wide youth event at Day-Spring Conference Center. Invitations have been sent to parishes, youth leaders and youth participants in Diocesan programs.

Happening #72 – February 26-28

A unique, one-time encounter weekend for high school youth. Helps teens foster a personal, more meaningful relationship with Jesus Christ through music, talk, prayer, worship and a community led by fellow students, supported by clergy and lay adults. Open to all 9th through 12th graders. Cost: \$100 per person. *

New Beginnings #59 – March 11-13

Responds to the unique challenges and concerns of youth in grades 6-8. Created by adults and youth to help participants grow in their love of themselves, others, and our Lord Jesus Christ. Participants meet peers from across the diocese, enjoy skits, listen to talks, and participate in small group activities & discussions that focus on self, friends, parents, siblings, school, God's love, prayer and the church. Free time allows for fellowship with new friends. A highlight is Holy Eucharist at St. Thomas Chapel. Participants must be recommended by a member of the Episcopal Church and have an adult sponsor from that church. \$100 per person. *

Registrar: Michelle Mercurio 941-556-0315 or mmercurio@episcopalswfl.org.

- St. Andrew's has scholarships available. Talk to Mrs. Joanne Lillpopp or Fr. Lance.

FRIENDS of the LIBRARY & BOOK CLUB



Submitted by Nancy Koehle

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

2nd Tues. of the month 12:30 pm (October through May)

Next meeting: Tues, Jan. 12th *

*Our January 12 meeting will be a day adventure to Mt. Dora for a luncheon visit with Sally Cloughly. Sally and her late husband Bruce were valued members and supporters of St. Andrew's and our Witt Library for many years. If you would like to join us on this adventure, please contact our president, Joanne Lillpopp.

Our February 9 meeting will be in the library at 12:30 p.m.

January Book of the Month:

Jan Karon is the author of the best-selling series of nine novels featuring **Father Timothy Kavanagh**, an Episcopal priest in the fictional village of Mitford, in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. The series is full of warm humor, memorable characters and stories of a faithful life serving the members of his parish. Father Timothy and his dog Barnabas become involved in burglary, mystery, romance, Alzheimer's, runaway children, alcoholism – in short all the ups and downs of life in the real world. Your library is fortunate to have a number of these books. They can be found on the west-wall book shelves labeled 'Fiction' filed alphabetically by the last name of the author, "K".

ST. ANDREW'S BOOK CLUB

2nd Tuesday of the month at 1:30 pm (October through May)

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 9th

Our February 9th meeting is part of our Book Club outing to Mt. Dora; there is no Book Club meeting on Jan. 12th.

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CHRISTIAN FORMATION, EDUCATION & MINISTRY

Christian formation and education is a life-long process and is offered in the Anglican tradition of seeking the truth as it is presented to us from the Holy Scriptures and the Book of Common Prayer. You are always invited to become involved in and to make use of St. Andrew's many ministries.



Bible Study

Join Fr. Lance on **Wednesdays at 1:30 & 6 pm in the Library.** We are now studying the *Book of the Revelations*, an exciting study of the last days. Come join us!



Adult Formation

45-minute classes meet **Saturdays at 5 pm** and **Sundays at 9:15 am.** Topics cover our liturgy and Anglican heritage. We are currently studying "What is Unique about Christianity in our Society," looking at what makes us unique and examining other faiths in reference to our uniqueness.



Inquirers Classes

For those interested in becoming members of St. Andrew's. A 4 to 5 week class covers what Episcopalians believe; our traditions and why we observe them; what is expected of members. A great class for those new to the Episcopal Church and those uncertain what "we" really believe and why "we" do what we do. Speak to Fr. Lance or watch your weekly bulletin and/or *The Parish Chimes* for announcements.



Sunday School

Susan Villnow, Director

Meets every Sunday at 10:15 am. You are always welcome to drop in and join our discussions about the Bible, church, and our daily lives. Input comes from every one and is always encouraged!



The ladies of the **Daughters of the King** meet on the **Second Saturday** of the month at **10:30 am** in the Library. Our primary goals are prayer, service and evangelism. We pray for the church and its members, the country, and whatever concerns we have. Come see what we're all about. Call Betty Audette at 352-683-2045.



Prayer Network

To request prayers for those in need of prayer within and beyond our parish community, please send prayer requests to: thewallners@hotmail.com



Order of St. Luke

During each church service, members of The Order of

Saint Luke are in the rear of the church as you leave the communion rail, to anoint and give prayers for healing.

Our next meeting is **Sunday, Jan. 17th at 12:30pm** in the Krysher Hall Library.

If you are interested in joining please contact Susan Bruno, Convener, at 352-686-4602 or Father Lance at 352-683-2010.



Altar Guild

Gail Niedurny, Director

Liturgy begins and ends with the work of the Altar Guild. To care for the sacred vessels, the bread and the wine, the fair linens and hangings and the candles and torches used for worship in the Sanctuary is far more than a task, it is a true ministry. The contribution of each Altar Guild member is important; together those contributions are a devotion to the greater glory of God.

Happy New Year! Thank you, members of the Altar Guild, for the wonderful job you did decorating and covering for all our Christmas services. You all deserve a pat on the back, and from me – a heart-felt Thank You! I could not have managed this holiday without all of you.

Wishing everyone great blessings throughout the new year. Please call me at 352-686-0808 if you have any questions or are interested in joining our Altar Guild. — *Gail*



Pastoral Care Ministry

Brings the presence of Christ to the homebound, hospitalized, and those in rehab or extended care facilities. Holy Communion and Anointing for Healing are offered.

Visits may include bringing altar flowers, bulletins, newsletters, cards, small gifts, prayer and a short friendly visit. We meet bi-monthly during the church year.

Training and screening are required. Call Janet Crisfield at 352-796-9389 or Fr. Lance in the church office. If you need or know of a parishioner that could benefit from this ministry please call the office.



Heartline Ministry

Helps parishioners who need a ride to a doctor, rehab, etc.

If you need a ride, call Hank McInturff at (352) 597-4642. **If you drive** & can help (even once!), give Hank your name & number so he can call when he needs you.



Music Ministry

Jody Bowes, Minister of Music

Sanctuary Choir (Sept. thru May) sings at the Sunday 10:30 am service. Rehearsals are **Thurs. at 6 pm** - no experience necessary!

Praise & Worship Band (Sept. thru May) plays at special services; rehearses **Wed. at 7 pm**. Come if you play an instrument or sing!

Instrumental/Vocal Solos are always welcome. Leave Jody a message at the office or email her at JBowes001@aol.com.



You are not alone

GriefShare

Helps us explore and begin to personally understand the journey of grief. This 13-week program can begin as needed. Contact the office for meeting information (usually held Tuesdays at 3 pm in the library).

DivorceCare for the newly separated/divorced is **Thursdays at 7 pm** at **St. Frances Cabrini** (Mariner Blvd. in Spring Hill, Cabrini Education Center rooms 7 & 8). Contact the office for more information about this Christ-centered program of healing. **New sessions begin late January/early February.**

Recovery Programs including AA, NA and OA are ongoing in Coulton Hall. Call the church office for a current schedule.

Bereavement *Barbara Ingram, Chair*

St. Andrew's Bereavement Ministry serves our parish members who have suffered the loss of a loved one. We prepare a beautiful reception in our Parish Hall as we celebrate the going home of their loved one. Last year we prepared several such lovely receptions.

If you would like to be part of this special ministry, call the church office (352-683-2010) and leave a message for Barbara Ingram.

2016 January

EVENT KEY	
AF = Adult Formation	HE = Holy Eucharist
BP = Back Packs	OSL = Order of St. Luke
DOK = Daughters of the King	SS = Sunday School
FOL = Friends of the Library	YI = Youth Inquirers
GS = Grief Share	YM = Youth Ministry

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3 8am HE II 10:15 SS (KH) 10:30 HE II	4 OFFICE CLOSED	5	6 10 am Epiphany Service & Healing Prayers 6 pm Youth Group	7 9:30 am Backpacks 6:00 pm Choir	8 Office Closed	9 9 am GB&B * 10:30am DOK 4 pm HE II 6 pm Spanish Svc
10 8am HE II 10:15 SS (KH) 10:30 HE II 12 noon Potluck: Epiph., B'day, Volunteer & Clergy Anniversaries Celebration 3pm Atria Evrgreen Wds	11  Parish Party & Potluck	12 Thrift Shop Bag Sale 12:30pm FOL (trip to Dade City) 3:00 pm TS Mtg	13 10 am HE II / Healing Prayers 6 pm Youth Group	14 9:30 am Backpacks 6:00 pm Choir	15 Office Closed	16 9 am GB&B * 4 pm HE II 5 pm AF 6 pm Spanish Svc
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31 Annual Parish Mtg 10:15 SS (KH) 9:30 HE II 10:45 Annual Meeting	PARISH MEETING & Lunch				* 9am Saturdays: GB&B = Guys, Bibles & Breakfast meets at <i>Panera Bread</i> on SR50 (Cortez Blvd.)	

JANUARY Birthdays

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| 1 Henry Mehl
Edna Jarvis
Paul Wilks
Corey Fitch | 11 Helen Muir | 24 Carolyn Melber
Marisa Hamblin |
| 4 Al Arnold
Larry Nash | 13 Robert Hicks | 25 Diana Seminerio |
| 5 Brian Parks | 14 Brinda Mendoza | 26 Irving Melber
Jan Nash |
| 7 Audrey Collins
Janet Guyadeen
Bill Wiquist | 17 Calvin Ingram | 28 Pat McNeil |
| 8 Pat Zahniser | 18 Brandon Meissner | 29 Ariel Bethoney |
| | 19 Janice James
Edith Lohlein
Lea Dubiel
Ed Audette | 30 Anita Curtis |

January Anniversaries

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| 3 Maureen & John Follansbee |
| 6 Joanne & Donald Lillpopp |
| 10 Barbara & Raymond Woodruff |
| 11 Jeanie & Ron Fedoryk |
| 11 Milia & Fred Julian |
| 25 Barbara & William Clark |
| 25 Jan & Larry Nash |
| 31 Lea & Cliff Dubiel |

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sat. & Sun. Jan 2 & 3: **LIFELINE SCREENING SIGNUP**
 Make sure to sign-up for you're your testing time after church services this weekend. For pricing & information on specific tests offered, see flyers in your service bulletin that weekend, or ask the office for a flyer.

Sun. Jan 10: **PARISH POTLUCK & CELEBRATION OF: EPIPHANY, PARISHIONER BIRTHDAYS, VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION & RETIRED CLERGY ANNIVERSARIES**
 following 10:30 am Service

Tue. Jan 12: **ANNUAL REPORTS DUE TO OFFICE**

Sat. Jan 23: **LIFELINE SCREENING**
Begins at 9 am in Krysher Hall
You need to have signed-up for a testing time. See Jan 2 & 3, above.

Sat. Jan 30: **Regular Schedule:**
 Service at 4 pm (English)
 Adult Formation at 5 pm
 Service at 6 pm (Spanish)

Sun. Jan 31: **NO 8 am or 10:30 am SERVICES**
ONE SUNDAY SERVICE at 9:30 am
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING at 10:45 am
LUNCH SERVED at 12 noon

— — — FEBRUARY EVENTS — — —

Sat. Feb 6: **VESTRY RETREAT**

Sun. Feb 7: **SCOUT SUNDAY**

Tues. Feb 9: **SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER**

Wed. Feb 10: **ASH WEDNESDAY**



January Lectionary

January 3rd

2nd Sun. after Christmas
 Jeremiah 31:7-14
 Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a
 Luke 2:41-52
 Psalm 84:1-8

January 17th

2nd Sun. after Epiphany
 Isaiah 62:1-5
 Psalm 36:5-10
 1 Corinthians 12:1-11
 John 2:1-11

January 6th

Epiphany Service
 Isaiah 60:1-6
 Ephesians 3:1-12
 Matthew 2:1-12
 Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14

January 24th

3rd Sun. after Epiphany
 Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10
 Psalm 19
 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a
 Luke 4:14-21

January 10th

1st Sun. after Epiphany
 Isaiah 43:1-7
 Psalm 29
 Acts 8:14-17
 Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

January 31st

4th Sun. after Epiphany
 Jeremiah 1:4-10
 Psalm 71:1-6
 1 Corinthians 13:1-13
 Luke 4:21-30

Parish Register

DEATHS	(Nov.)	Glen Troutwine
	(Nov.)	Donald Buckner
	(Dec.)	Judith Karczewski
FUNERALS	(Nov.)	Harry Gowans
	(Nov.)	Glen Troutwine
	(Dec.)	Judith Karczewski
TRANSFER IN	(Nov.)	Barbara Hood
		Connie Mehr
BAPTISM	(Nov.)	Linda Mahoney

VESTRY NOMINEES 2016

Vestry members will be elected at the Annual Meeting on **Sunday, January 31st**. There are two (2) Two-Year Positions open, and three (3) Three-Year Positions open. Vestry members must be confirmed or received, and full members of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. They must be regular in attendance, faithful in stewardship of time, talent and resources, and able to attend monthly vestry meetings. They must also be available for the Vestry Orientation Retreat the first weekend in February.

The following persons (listed alphabetically) have agreed to run for a Two-Year position on the vestry:

Norman Neill & Rita Watson-Trapp. You will be asked to vote for two.

The following persons (listed alphabetically) have agreed to run for a Three-Year position:

Jeannette Mott (Janie) Fritz, Michelle Traudt, Hal Smith & Carolyn Wallner. You will be asked to vote for 3 of these 4 candidates.

Following are the Questionnaire submissions from each candidate:

Question 1: *Why do you want to serve as a Vestry member of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church?*

Carolyn Wallner: As a member of the Vestry I would like the opportunity to continue to serve another term. I feel that during this time of growth and construction a continuity of leadership is important. Many decisions will need to be made during the next several months and years – and knowing the background and history of the issues is important.

Norman Neill: I feel I have a lot to offer St. Andrew's now and in the future.

Rita Watson-Trapp: Being on the Vestry for this year is very interesting and I would like to complete a full term.

Hal Smith: When my wife and I retired to Spring Hill, we began our search for a church where we could serve not only the church but the community. We have found such a place at St. Andrew's. We began our participation with spring cleanup as a way to meet other members and be of service. Since becoming members, I have had the privilege of serving as usher, greeter, and computer operator. My wife and I help with the Back-Pack (Weekend Blessings) outreach program for kids. I was involved in the Canterbury Festival and was allowed to play St. Nicholas in the Christmas program. All of these activities are done with pleasure as St. Andrew's has become our home.

Michelle Traudt: I'd like to be a voice/representative for the youth and the younger families that attend the church.

Jeannette Mott Fritz (Janie): After having discussed this opportunity with several people, and doing a lot of praying about it, I thought I might be able to offer myself for this position to help our church grow, both in love and caring, and in other aspects of church life where I might be needed.

Question 2: *What are your qualifications for this position?*

Carolyn Wallner: I have served as a member of the Vestry for three years. I serve as a Lay Eucharistic Minister, am co-chair of the Weekend Blessings Backpack Ministry, am an active member of the Daughters of the King, and also am part of the Cooking Team Ministry along with other activities in the church.

Norman Neill: I was on the Vestry for several years and served as Jr. Warden for two years at St Mary's Lake Romkonkoma in New York. I am a life member of the Farmingville Fire Dept. being a member for fifty years and attaining the rank of Chief of Dept. After leaving this office I was elected to the board of fire commissioners. Our duties included overseeing a three million budget, hiring and overseeing our paid employees, purchasing and maintaining fire and EMS equipment and maintaining buildings and grounds. I served on the board for 25 years. I left the board due to moving to Florida.

Rita Watson-Trapp: I served on the Vestry for one year. At work I'm part of a team where we meet often and work together to provide Head Start Children the services they need.

Hal Smith: I am a retired Lieutenant Colonel in the Army and a retired school teacher/administrator. I have led men and women throughout both careers. In my military career, I was responsible for leading men and women in the accomplishment of our mission as well as seeing these men and women achieve their personal goals. As a teacher and administrator I was responsible for setting goals and objectives for our organization then setting the tone of each task as a way to meet those goals and standards. As a teacher, my successes were my students; many of whom were extremely successful in their chosen careers. In both careers, I have learned the importance of building consensus, prioritizing goals and maintaining standards. Creating such an environment allows for maximization of ideas, building consensus so that all ideas are appreciated, and utilization of resources in meeting established goals. I will bring to this organization the same passion that I feel for continued growth at St. Andrew's.

Michelle Traudt: I am finishing up my first year on the vestry and it has been a wonderful and positive experience. I am open minded and willing to listen to and understand the concerns of the entire congregation. Previously, I served on the board of the Mother's Club of Hernando County for 7 years. The Mother's Club was a group of moms who came together to find friendship for themselves and their children; to support each other, and to give back to our community, by collecting food, clothes, supplies and volunteering time to local organizations.

Jeannette Mott Fritz (Janie): I am a cradle Episcopalian, as were both my parents and grandparents. During my adult life, I have been lucky enough to have lived in many places with my husband Tom. He was in the US Navy for 36 years, where I became active in the Officers' Wives Clubs, eventually serving as the representative to the United States Naval Station Command in Rota, Spain. When Tom became the Commanding Officer of his Squadron there, I became the president of the OWC. My experiences in these activities were extensive, and included being the 'mother hen' to hundreds of wives. After we returned to the United States, I fulfilled a long-held dream of becoming a Registered Nurse. I worked in the hospital setting and was elected to the Board of Directors as the employee representative to the Civista Health Foundation in our Hospital. It was there I gained more experience in the directing and planning for hospital-wide, as well as community-wide, involvement in our fund-raising efforts for our hospital community. I currently serve as a counter on the financial committee, and have served our church, as requested, as a member of other groups.

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Question 3: *Tell us a little about yourself and your faith:*

Carolyn Wallner: I have been an Episcopalian for over 50 years and have been on a spiritual journey for many of those years. I was blessed to be a part of Cursillo weekend, experienced two Believe in a Miracle weekends and have been part of many spirit filled events. I have also participated in two pilgrimages to parts of the Holy Land and was awed by the sacrifices of Christ's followers.

Norman Neill: I am a lifelong Episcopalian growing up in a deeply religious family. I served as an acolyte and lay reader for several years before becoming a Eucharistic minister for over 20 years before moving to Spring Hill. I am now a Eucharistic minister at St. Andrew's. I am married to my wife Linda for 26 years. We have 6 children, 13 grandchildren, and 3 great grandchildren. I am retired after 33 years as a foreman in the sheet metal construction industry. Linda and I have lived in Spring Hill since 2010.

Rita Watson-Trapp: I was born and raised in New York City. I went to Catholic school for 12 years and attended a Catholic church. After I completed college I started attending an Episcopal church where my daughter was also baptized. I am so happy to have found St. Andrew's.

Hal Smith: I grew up in a Catholic household where Jesus Christ was the center of our daily lives. I was baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church at a young age. As I became an adult, I grew away from an organized church but I always knew Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior and have tried to live my life that way. I have always prayed that I would find a church to expand my knowledge of the Bible and continue my life serving God. I say daily prayers for God to use me in some way. My wife and I believe we have found our calling at St. Andrew's and continue to look for ways for God to use us as humble servants.

Michelle Traudt: I was born & raised in Massachusetts. I have a Bachelor's Degree in Hotel Restaurant Management. Mark and I were married in 1993 and moved to Spring Hill a couple years later. This is where we started our family and raised our 4 daughters, all teenagers. I was a stay at home mom for 14 years before going back to work as an administrative assistant. I still struggle with my faith at times, but I believe that in order to be successful in anything, you have to keep working at it every day. St. Andrew's & the people who I encounter here, help me to do just that.

Jeannette Mott Fritz (Janie): I have 3 sons, all currently living in FL. I have 7 wonderful grandchildren, and am often busy with them. My boys are all confirmed Episcopalians, and 3 of my grandchildren are students at St. John's Episcopal School in South Tampa. My dearest Tom passed away 3 years ago, and was also Episcopalian; in fact, we actually met in Grace Episcopal Church in Bath, Maine, where he was an usher and I was taking my very small boys every week! I sang in the choir at my childhood church (All Saints Episcopal, in Chevy Chase, Maryland), and was confirmed in the Washington National Cathedral. My faith has always been my strength in everything I do. Through thick and thin, God has been with me.

Question 4: *What do you love about our Church?*

Carolyn Wallner: During the past 52 years I have had the opportunity to worship in many churches. St. Andrew's has provided a spirit-filled space in my life where my relationship with Christ has grown deeper and more meaningful. This spiritual journey has been aided by friends and acquaintances with whom I worship each Sunday along with the clergy and the opportunities to continue to study and learn.

Norman Neill: I love the friendly people who accepted us to St. Andrew's and the many outreach programs that are sponsored here. I feel that Fr. Lance is and will be a wonderful pastor to lead us now and in the future.

Rita Watson-Trapp: Everyone is very friendly here and since I have been attending St. Andrew's I have grown spiritually.

Hal Smith: When my wife and I first visited St. Andrew's we were welcomed and accepted with open arms, not only by the pastor but by the congregation. I still feel that same sense of belonging every time I visit our beautiful campus. I am honored to be surrounded by faithful servants as I help with various outreach programs that serve not only our church but the community at large. St. Andrew's has a spirit that goes beyond the walls of the sanctuary, reaching into our community with its many needs. As we expand out into the community, I look forward to being part of the efforts. I am proud and privileged to be a member of this church.

Michelle Traudt: First, I love the location of the church and the grounds. It is beautiful, peaceful and serene. Second, I love how the church has become an integral part of my children's lives and how it has influenced and taught them about being a good Christian. Lastly, the people at St. Andrew's who have welcomed, accepted, supported, encouraged, and loved my entire family for the 12+ years that we have been here are truly the greatest gift that St. Andrew's has to offer.

Jeannette Mott Fritz (Janie): I love the PEOPLE! They are what makes this church a wonderful, comforting, and happy place. I love all of the Episcopalian rituals, the hymns, the robes, all of it, but it is the people who absolutely are the heart of our church.

Question 5: *Are you able to be present for Vestry meetings?*

All nominees answered, "Yes."

Question 6: *Are you able to attend the Vestry Orientation Retreat the first weekend in February?*

All nominees answered, "Yes."

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Please join us on our Mt. Dora adventure, or come to our Feb. 9 meeting at 1:30 p.m. in the Library where we hopefully will have a review on **Something Beautiful for God**, by Malcolm Muggeridge. It is a book on Mother Teresa.

Thank you Susan Villnow for being the 'Hostess with the Mostess' for our delicious, interesting and joyful Christmas luncheon. This was a generous and memorable gift to your grateful fellow committee members.

MUSIC NOTES

Jody Bowes, Minister of Music

Our Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and services of *Lessons & Carols* were lovely and inspirational. I am thankful for the contributions of those who sang in our "Christmas Choir" who are not regular members of our Sanctuary Choir: Lisa Emerson (who also sang several solos), Dave Hamilton, John Haun, Lauren Houghton (who also played flute and sang a beautiful duet with Sarah), Barbara Ingram, Loa Jackson (who played piano and flute), Joanne Lillpopp, Sarah Lillpopp (who also sang the duet, "Pie Jesu," with Lauren), and Deb Smith. The contributions of these musical souls added so much, especially as several of our Sanctuary Choir members were away this year for the Christmas holiday.

My thanks also to our Sanctuary Choir members who participated in our Christmas musical offerings: Marie Bruno, Pete Jackson (who also played guitar and sang duets with Loa), Charlene Moore, Janet Moorman, Doug Voght, and Edna Wood.

How truly blessed we are to be able to praise God and tell God's story through music. As we begin a new year, I pray that God will continue to guide each of us in using our musical gifts to honor the Gift Giver.

The loss of our beloved Bob Tober was still on the hearts of our Sanctuary Choir throughout this joyous season. Bob was as faithful and sincere as a choir member could be. He is dearly missed, and I hope our music honored his memory.

Thanks to Charlene for singing at the Sat-

urday 4 pm and Sunday 8 am services of *Lessons and Carols*.

I am now setting my sights on 2016, and plan to again do some separate Saturday (1 pm) rehearsals for an Easter Choir. Easter is early this year (March 27th) so we will begin these one-hour rehearsals in February. I hope you'll join us, it's fun! Watch your bulletins and the February *Chimes* for the start date. I will have CDs available with the music in parts to help you practice on your own as well.

Looking forward to a wonderful year of creative praise—Happy New Year to all!

LIFELINE SCREENING

LifeLine Screening will once again be offered at St. Andrew's on Saturday, Jan 23rd from 9 am – 4 pm in Krysher Hall. Testing is offered for 5 different conditions: Stroke/Carotid Artery; Heart Rhythm; Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm; Peripheral Arterial Disease; and Osteoporosis Risk.

Brandy Baxter will be here **Jan. 2 & 3** to give a brief overview of this service and to sign people up. A **FREE Annual Wellness Visit** is also offered to those who are Medicare beneficiaries.

BACKPACK BLESSINGS

Submitted by Debbie Smith

Sitting around a table in Krysher Hall the day before Thanksgiving, a few of the folks helping with the food pantry started brainstorming about ways to help in the com-

munity. One of the ideas--- gifts for needy kids. But how to locate these kids so quickly since Christmas was only a month away? Ah ha....the backpack students that we already serve each week with "Weekend Blessings." After contacting Spring Hill Elementary we were given 36 students that had not been adopted for Christmas. Thus the Angel Tree. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to provide presents to these 36 kids, ranging in age from 1-17. With only their age and gender, St. Andrew's congregation jumped at the chance to help kids who normally would be going without presents at Christmas. Each child received around five age-appropriate gifts. The wrapping crew did a beautiful job and presents were delivered to the school on December 17 along with the weekly backpacks filled with food. Thanks you for your generosity and the willing spirit to give to others. God bless each of you.

SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR

Happy New Year to our Hostess, visitors and our congregation. Thanks to all who hosted last year and to those who helped when there wasn't any one to host. Let us all think about our children who come to Sunday School and then attend the service, go to Krysher Hall and find there is nothing for them to snack on. OH! How it breaks my heart.

Now that 2016 is here let us all make our fellowship time even better than before. Our Coffee Hour consist of pastries, cookies, fruits, coffee, tea, and beverages.

There is a sign-up sheet on the table for you to select a date you would like to host. Also, please remember when you host you

have to help with the cleaning up. As St. Andrew's continues to grow spiritually so must we, in our time and talent.

Love in Christ,

Barbara Ingram



The "Backpack Wrappers" with the fruits of their labors.



TREASURER'S REPORT as of NOVEMBER 30, 2015

John Follansbee, Treasurer

	November	YTD	2015 Budget
<u>Revenues</u>			
Core Church	31,049.20	277,666.78	302,325.00
Thrift Shop	5,314.15	58,041.59	58,500.00
Total Revenues	\$36,363.35	\$335,708.37	\$360,825.00
<u>Expenses</u>			
Core Church	29,230.41	324,765.54	355,505.00
Thrift Shop	726.17	12,945.57	16,035.00
Total Expenses	\$29,956.58	\$337,711.11	\$371,540.00
<u>Net Gain/Loss</u>			
Core church	1,818.79	(47,098.76)	(53,180.00)
Thrift Shop	4,587.98	45,096.02	42,465.00
Total	\$6,406.77	(\$2,002.74)	(\$10,715.00)

<u>Investments</u>		<u>Bank Accounts</u>	
SSGA	\$116,236.35	Sun Trust	
Alliance Bernstein	31,494.20	Unrestricted	(\$9,983.08)
Funds in process of transfer	280.11	Restricted	234,677.20
Total	\$148,010.66	Discretionary	735.27
		Total	\$225,429.39
Diocesan Loan Balance	\$90,109.48		

ATTENDANCE for November 2015

	Sat 4 pm	Sun 8 am	Sun 10:30	Spanish Sat. 6 pm	Thanks- giving Day	Weekly Totals
Oct. 31/Nov. 1	48	53	133	9		243
Nov. 7 / 8	67	40	153	7		267
Nov. 14 / 15	48	50	141	7		246
Nov. 21 / 22	36	52	171	17		276
Nov. 26, 28 / 29	51	44	105	8	35	243
Avg	50	48	141	10		255

Food Pantry Shopping List

<u>Dry Goods</u>	Beans (<i>dry</i>)	Puddings
Rice	Coffee	Canned Meats
Potatoes	<u>Cans or Jars</u>	(<i>tuna, chicken, corned beef hash, salmon</i>)
Macaroni and Cheese	Soups	<u>Condiments</u>
Noodles and Rice Mixes, like (<i>Hamburger Helper</i>)	Tomato Sauces	Mayonnaise
Pasta	Pasta Sauces	Mustard
Cereal	Spaghetti-O's	Catsup
Powdered Milk	Ravioli	<u>Toiletries</u>
Soup Mixes (<i>ex. Ramen Noodles</i>)	Beans or Chili	Toilet Tissue
	Fruits	Hand Sanitizer
	<u>Misc.</u>	
	Peanut Butter	
	Jelly	



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Worship & Formation Schedule

Saturday 4:00 pm Holy Eucharist
 5:00 am Adult Formation Class
 6:00 pm Holy Eucharist in Spanish

Second Sat. 10:30 am Daughters of the King

Sunday 8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II
 9:15 am Adult Formation Class
 10:00 am Youth Inquirers' Class
 10:15 am Sunday School
 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II

Nursery available Sundays 10:00 am—Noon

Third Sun. 12:30 pm Order of St. Luke (Sep-Jun)

Second Tues. 12 noon Friends of The Library &
 Book Club (Oct–Apr)

Wednesday 10:00 am Holy Eucharist II &
 Healing Prayers
 1:30 pm Bible Study (Sep–May)
 6:00 pm Youth Ministry (Sep–May)
 6:00 pm Bible Study (Sep–May)
 7:00 pm Praise & Worship Band Reh.

Thursday 6:00 pm Sanctuary Choir (Aug–May)
 7:30 pm Cantata Choir (Aug–May)

*Grief, Divorce and Recovery support is available.
 Please call us for current meeting schedules.*



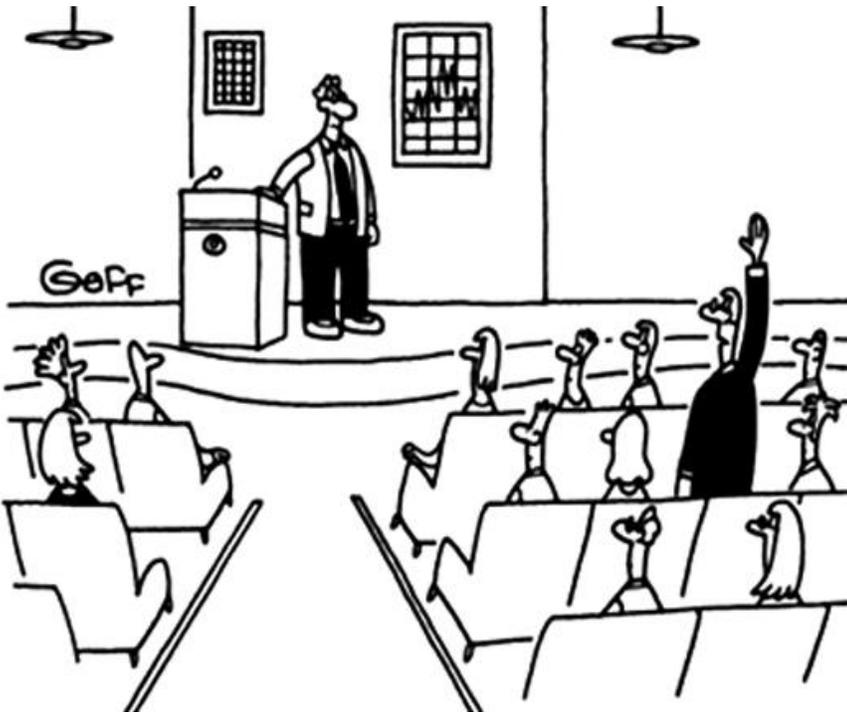
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ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Sunday, Jan. 31

10:45 am

In Krysher Hall

SCHEDULE for

ANNUAL MEETING WEEKEND

Saturday service: 4 pm

ONE SERVICE on Sunday, Jan. 31

at 9:30 am

followed by

St. Andrew's Annual Parish Meeting

10:45 am in Krysher Hall

Lunch at 12 noon