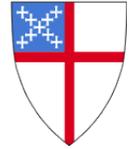


# St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

## Parish Chimes



An Ancient Faith for a Modern World

January 2017



### From the Rector

Once again we hail a new year! Once more we have wonderful new things on the horizon for St. Andrew's! At the end of this month, Lord willing, we will have new flooring installed in our church. It will be a continuation of the flooring in our new narthex. If you would like to contribute to the cost of the new flooring, it would really be appreciated! Directly after the flooring is completed we will have the pew seats replaced. It is pretty exciting.

The narthex addition was completed this past year even though there were several unexpected bumps to get that accomplished. Everyone has appreciated the new restrooms. Our chapel is used weekly and so is our toddler room. The baby nursery is not yet used weekly but it is used at least once or twice a month.

This past year we have seen our church grow and we are looking forward to seeing it continue to grow. We are growing in attendance and in our financial giving. Two years ago we gave \$10,000 to Mission and Outreach. Last year we gave \$12,000 to Mission and Outreach. We gave money to People Helping People, K-9 for Patriots, our Spanish ministry, and to the Daughters of the King for local ministry support. We gave money to R.O.P.E. Center for regional ministry support and then the Heifer International for international ministry support. And since we are ending this year again with a surplus, this

coming year I plan to ask the Vestry to give \$15,000 for Mission and Outreach. I hope you find it as exciting as I do that God is prospering St. Andrew's so that we are able to not only support our own ministries but are able to help other ministries in our community and around the world!

This past year we also welcomed a new church administrator in the person of Debbie Smith! She has been a wonderful addition to the staff!

The New Year always starts with such promise. We have no idea what will really happen. We have hopes, expectations, and perhaps fears. Yet what will be has yet to be discovered and experienced. Scripture tells us that God's mercies are new every morning! We are told that God can be counted on because He is faithful.

I hope that as you look forward to this coming year that you desire to experience God's presence more in your life and desire to serve God even more effectively. Also, please pray for St. Andrew's that we continue to honor our Lord Jesus and that we will keep on growing. And as we keep on growing we can continue to help our church community, our Spring Hill community, and even those throughout the world.

Warmly in Christ,

Fr. Lance+

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## Sr. Warden's Remarks

Loa Jackson



Happy New Year Everyone! Are you getting used to writing 2017 yet? LOL

There is an important date to mark on your new calendar. The last Sunday of January – the 29th will be our Annual Parish Meeting. This will be following the morning service and is a very important meeting as you will be electing vestry positions and conference delegates. Voting applies to church members over the age of 16. We are looking for someone to occupy the young ones so Moms and Dads can attend the meeting.

Dinner will be served to say thank you for attending. However, you do need to sign up and get a ticket so we can have a count as to how many will be attending. The 2016 Annuals report is being developed for this meeting. If you are the coordinator of a ministry and wish to have a report published, please submit your report to the office as soon as possible so it may be included in the this report.

And finally, this is my last Chimes submission as your Sr. Warden. My term of 3 years has come to an end. I can say with much pride that it has been a rich experience to have served and work with those members of the vestry. They are all top-notch people, and all are there because they care deeply about St. Andrew's. They all deserve a lot of praise and thank you for the time and planning they give.

Let me take this opportunity to say "It has been a pleasure to serve on the vestry and to serve all of you."

Thank you, and I'll still see you in church.



## The Tool Kit

Norman Neill, Jr. Warden

First, I would like to wish you all a happy, healthy and prosperous new year and hope your Christmas was very merry and blessed.

This past year we have been very busy with buildings and grounds. I thank all of you who came to the spring and fall clean up without which the grounds would not look as good as they do now.

We also did a lot of tree trimming and removal of dead trees. We installed new gutters around the church entrance and finished the addition which looks great and functions quite well. We are working on new flooring for the church as well as repairing and refurbishing the pews. We will soon replace the maintenance building overhead door. We are currently planning on replacing roofs on all buildings over the next 10 years or so. We are also looking into repairs and replacement of our air conditioning units. Much has been done but much remains to be tackled.

We are also looking to repair seal and stripe the parking lots. The Memorial Garden has been spruced up and looks great.

Again, I ask anyone with a few extra hours to please call me I can show you a portion of our campus that needs some attention.

We are also in need of help in the Thrift Shop. Please contact me at 352-340-5511 or call the church office and let me know if you can help.

Thanking you in advance for any help you can give to the Thrift Shop or help with the buildings and grounds.

God Bless You.

## Ministry News

### Altar Guild

Gail Niedurny, Coordinator



Thank you members for decorating the altar and church for Christmas. Our church looked beautiful!

The Altar Guild still has room for others who would love to serve Christ through preparing the altar for our church services. If you are interested, please talk to Gail Niedurny.

### Coffee Hour

Barbara Ingram,  
Coordinator

If you are able to host a coffee hour please contact Barbara or call the office at (352)683-2010.

## Daughters of the King

Vera Scharf and  
Carolyn Wallner,  
Chapter Co-Presidents



Daughters of the King  
Save the date!  
February 25th, 2017

The Daughters of the King are hosting a Day of Reflection on February 25. Fr. Roy Allison from St Mark's Episcopal Church in Tampa will be our guest presenter and our theme will be "Opening our Hearts and Minds to the Holy Spirit." We are very excited!

All men and women of our church, and their friends, are invited to attend. It will be free of charge and include a light lunch. More details will follow, along with a sign-up sheet.

For more information, please contact Vera Scharf at 727-863-2119 or Carolyn Wallner at 727-869-1964.

## Grief Share

Jean Caamaño, Facilitator

We are continuing the Bible study on how we can understand our grief and honor those emotions we have to struggle with. We follow the five stages of grief and we share our experiences and hope. Please join us on Mondays at 9 am in the library.

You may reach me at any time, cell (352)201-2336 or home (352)666-7193.

## HeartLine

Hank McInturff, Coordinator  
(352)597-4642

If you are in need of a ride to go grocery shopping or to a doctor appointment, please contact Hank.

## Karen's Kit 'n Kaboodle Thrift Shop

Rick Kovacs, Manager  
Dick Ammen, Assistant Manager

We have openings for those people who would like to join us in helping our church and helping others in our community.

## Library News

*Joanne Lillpopp and Nancy Koehle,  
Library Coordinators*

FRIENDS OF THE WITT LIBRARY - 2nd Tuesday of the month at 12:30 p.m. October through April. Next meeting is January 10, 2017 in the Krysher Hall Library. Please join us. No experience necessary, just a fun and friendly attitude. (Susan Villnow, thank you for once again hosting the group in your beautiful home and preparing a delicious meal (seconds were had by most). The December meeting was also filled with good fellowship, interesting conversation and a lot of hearty laughs because of your warm and welcoming hosting talents.)

### BOOK OF THE MONTH

Something different for 2017: Every third Sunday of the month during coffee hour after the 10:30 service, we will be putting on the round tables some of the interesting books from your library. If you would like to borrow one of them for reading at your leisure, please put your name and phone number on the card located in the pocket in the back of the book and leave the card on the desk in the library.

We encourage you to visit the library while you're having your 'after-church-coffee' and see if there is a book or two you might want to borrow. We have LARGE PRINT, Religious, Children's, Fiction, Biography, History, Young Adult, etc...books for everyone's interest.

BOOK CLUB: 2nd Tuesday of the month around 1:45 p.m. October through April. January 10, 2017 is our next meeting in the library.

## Music Notes

*Jody Bowes, Minister of Music*

Your Music Ministry is entering 2017 with joyful and thankful hearts. We continued to grow in fellowship and musicianship throughout 2016, and there is much new music planned for the New Year.

Our sincerest thanks to Fr. Lance and Diane for researching and purchasing new portable, rechargeable lights for our



music folders (it was getting dark during Thursday night rehearsals). Their time and effort are very much appreciated! Also thank you to Fr. Lance for moving the sound board over. This has allowed more room for the choir, and makes it easier for those running the sound board to more accurately hear the mix and feedback from the system's several speakers. I honestly don't know how Fr. Lance was able to make time to do all this for us, but again, we are most grateful. God is good!

It's really exciting going into a new year knowing we have more new music to learn, an ever-improving choir area, and enthusiastic singers who embrace each opportunity with love in their hearts and smiles on their faces. I hope to see a few more new faces on Thursday nights at 6 pm. We also begin Saturday 1 pm rehearsals for Easter Choir on Saturday, March 4. Ash Wednesday is March 1 this year (I can't believe we're already talking about Lent and Easter!). Palm Sunday is April 9 and Easter Sunday is April 16.

Of course our first Music Ministry-sponsored event of 2017 is our annual Parish Celebration of all of our birthdays, clergy anniversaries, Epiphany, and a thank-you to our many volunteers. This happens after the 10:30 am service on Sunday, January 8, and is a really fun way to kick-off the new calendar year.

Thank you to all who made our Christmas services so lovely. I couldn't do any of this without all your support. See you in church!

## Order of St. Luke

*Clayton Lindsey, Convener  
Nancy Cotter, Secretary*

The Order of St. Luke is a group of church members that meet on the third Sunday of the month at 12:30 pm in the library of Krysher Hall. We invite any who are interested in the healing power of God to attend our next meeting on December 18<sup>th</sup>. Become more deeply focused in your faith at this hallowed season and grateful for all of God's blessings. Learn how to bring your Christian foundation to a higher level. Come to our meeting and share in our comradery or contact Fr. Lance in the interim.



## Pastoral Care Ministry

*Janet Crisfield, Facilitator*

The Pastoral Care Team brings the presence of Christ to the homebound, hospitalized and those who are in Rehab and extended care facilities. Holy Communion and anointing for healing are offered.



In November we were saddened to lose a faithful and original member of our team, Bill Casey. Bill served faithfully for over eight years comforting many with encouraging companionship, prayer, communion and anointing for healing. He was a valuable team member sharing his years of experience ministering to people and we all benefitted from his knowledge. He will be greatly missed.

The next meeting is January 25, at noon in the library. Training and screening is required. If you feel called to this ministry please call Janet Crisfield 796-9389 or Fr. Lance in the office.

## Sunday School

*Miss Susan, Miss Colleen & Miss Jeanie*

Our Sunday School has tackled the meaning of Advent and the importance of John the Baptist.

Wishing you a very Happy New Year.



# Ministry NEWS



# JANUARY 2017

EVENT KEY	
<b>AF</b> = Adult Formation	<b>HE</b> = Holy Eucharist
<b>BP</b> = Back Packs	<b>JrI</b> = Junior Inquirers
<b>DOK</b> = Daughters of the King	<b>OSL</b> = Order of St. Luke
<b>FOL</b> = Friends of the Library	<b>SS</b> = Sunday School
<b>GB&amp;B</b> = Guys, Bibles & Bfst	<b>YI</b> = Youth Inquirers
<b>GS</b> = Grief Share	<b>YM</b> = Youth Ministry

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1 New Year's Day</b> 8 am Festival of Lessons & Carols 10:30 am Festival of Lessons & Carols	<b>2</b> Office Closed	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 9:30 am Backpacks 6 pm Choir	<b>6</b> Office Closed	<b>7</b> 9 am GB&B * 4 pm HE II 5 pm AF (SC)
<b>8</b> 8 am HE II 9:15 am AF (L) 9:45 am JrI (KH) 10:15 am SS (KH) 10:30 am HE II <b>CHURCH BIRTHDAY</b>	<b>9</b> 9 am Grief Share	<b>10</b> <b>Thrift Shop Bag Sale</b> <b>12:30 pm Friends of the Library</b> <b>1:45 pm Book Club</b>	<b>11</b> 9:15 am Preschool Reading (L) 10 am HE II and Healing Prayers 1:30 & 6 pm Bible Study (SC) 6 pm Youth Group	<b>12</b> 9:30 am Backpacks 6 pm Choir	<b>13</b> Office Closed	<b>14</b> 9 am GB&B * <b>10 am DOK</b> 4 pm HE II 5 pm AF (SC)
<b>15</b> 8 am HE II 9:15 am AF (L) 9:45 am JrI (KH) 10:15 am SS 10:30 am HE II <b>12:30 pm OSL (L)</b> <b>3 pm Atria</b>	<b>16</b> 9 am Grief Share	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 9:15 am Preschool Reading (L) 10 am HE II and Healing Prayers 1:30 & 6 pm Bible Study (SC) 6 pm Youth Group	<b>19</b> 9:30 am Backpacks 6 pm Choir <div style="background-color: yellow; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;"><b>CHIMES Articles &amp; Schedules Due</b></div>	<b>20</b> Office Closed	<b>21</b> 9 am GB&B * 4 pm HE II 5 pm AF (SC)
<b>22</b> 8 am HE II 9:15 am AF (L) 9:45 am JrI (KH) 10:15 am SS 10:30 am HE II- <b>12:30 pm Vestry Meeting</b>	<b>23</b> 9 am Grief Share	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 9:15 am Preschool Reading (L) 10 am HE II and Healing Prayers <b>12 pm Pastoral Care Mtg</b> 1:30 & 6 pm Bible Study (SC) 6 pm Youth Group	<b>26</b> 9:30 am Backpacks 6 pm Choir	<b>27</b> Office Closed	<b>28</b> 9 am GB&B * 4 pm HE II 5 pm AF (SC)
<b>29</b> 9:15 am AF (L) 9:45 am JrI (KH) <b>10:00 am HE II ANNUAL MEETING</b>	<b>30</b> 9 am Grief Share	<b>31</b>				

⇒ 9 am Saturdays: GB&B = meets at *Panera Bread* on SR50 (Cortez Blvd.)



LOCATION KEY
<b>C</b> = Church
<b>CH</b> = Coulton Hall
<b>KH</b> = Krysher Hall
<b>L</b> = Library
<b>TS</b> = Thrift Shop
<b>SC</b> = Side Chapel/Class Room in Narthex

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## JANUARY EVENTS

### Sunday January 1:

8 & 10:30 am HE II with Festival of Christmas Lessons & Carols

### Sunday January 8:

Annual Parish Birthday Party with celebration of our Clergy Anniversaries & Volunteers, Potluck Lunch

### Thursday, January 19:

Articles for Annual Report due to office

### Saturday, January 21,

Life Line Screening

### Saturday, January 21:

Youth Explosion Saturday, Sarasota

### Sunday, January 29:

Annual Meeting following the 10 am service

## FEBRUARY EVENTS

### February 3-4:

Vestry Retreat

### Sunday, February 5

Scout Sunday

### Saturday, February 25

The Daughters of the King -- Day of Reflection

### Tuesday, February 28

Pancake supper --Shrove Tuesday

## January Lectionary

### January 1

**The Holy Name of our Lord**

**Jesus Christ**

Numbers 6:22-27

Galatians 4:4-7

Luke 2:15-21

Psalms 8

### January 8

**First Sunday after the Epiphany**

Isaiah 42:1-9

Acts 10:34-43

Matthew 3:13-17

Psalms 29

### January 15

**Second Sunday after the Epiphany**

Isaiah 49:1-7

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

John 1:29-42

Psalms 40:1-12

### January 22

**Third Sunday after the Epiphany**

Isaiah 9:1-4

1 Corinthians 1:10-8

Matthew 4:12-23

Psalms 27:1,5-13

### January 29

**Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany**

Micah 6:1-8

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Matthew 5:1-12

Psalms 15

## Diocesan News

### [Youth Explosion Saturday Set for Jan. 21 in Sarasota](#)

SARASOTA - Youth Explosion Saturday will be held January 21, 2017, from 11:30 to 4:30 at Church of the Redeemer in Sarasota. The day, sponsored by the Diocese of Southwest Florida, is about connecting, having a great time and flourishing in faith.

The event is free to all participants and is open to everyone from grades 5-12. The first part of the event will include registration, icebreakers, and games, and then lunch will be served. Then participants will have the opportunity to participate in three different workshops on a rotational schedule. For more information, check out the website at [http://www.episcopalswfl.org/dfc/newsdetail\\_2/3182732](http://www.episcopalswfl.org/dfc/newsdetail_2/3182732)



**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR  
MEN & WOMEN**



**SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES AT  
HOME & OVERSEAS:**

*Keith Barroncini, Julian Barry, Joseph Beatty, Brian Cain, Martin Clausen, James Cole, Neil Crown, Krista Crosetto, Jason Daniels, Myriaha Diaz, Olivia Clair Warren Fedoryk, Daniel Fitch, Shawn Fitch, Howard Gidden, Sean Gilbert, Donald Harris, Dwayne Hamblin, Roger Handy, Andrew Hammatt, Doug Henderson, Michael Jenkins, Joseph Kee, Amy Kelly, Kristina Langley, Skip LaPointe, Courtney Foster McCorvey, Cade Mulrooney, Jacob Poma, Rhett Roy, John Spencer III & Tracy Thomas*

**Please call the office with updates to this list.**

## TREASURER'S REPORT

*John Follansbee, Treasurer*  
As of **November 30, 2016**

	This Month	Year to Date	2016 Budget
<b>Revenues</b>			
Core Church	28,482.68	296,347.84	321,550.00
Thrift Shop	5,758.72	60,145.00	58,500.00
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>34,241.40</b>	<b>356,492.84</b>	<b>380,050.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Core Church	27,985.76	322,015.60	358,929.74
Thrift Shop	517.49	13,774.95	16,311.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>28,503.25</b>	<b>335,790.54</b>	<b>375,240.74</b>
<b>Net Gain/Loss</b>			
Core Church	493.92	(26,164.38)	(37,379.74)
Thrift Shop	5,241.23	41,128.82	42,189.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,735.07</b>	<b>14,964.44</b>	<b>4,809.26</b>
<b>Investments</b>		<b>Bank Accounts</b>	
SSGA	120,741.12	Sun Trust	
Alliance Bernstein	33,290.54	Unrestricted	11,159.80
		Restricted	139,045.96
		Discretionary	1,562.53
<b>Total</b>	<b>154,031.66</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>151,768.29</b>
Diocesan Loan			
Balance	79,879.73		

## Food Pantry Shopping List

This is our staples list, other items appreciated.

Mac 'n cheese  
Crackers  
Spaghetti  
Oatmeal  
Instant Potatoes  
Cereal  
Pancake Mix  
Pancake Syrup  
Shelf milk/dry milk

Cans or jars  
Peanut Butter  
Jelly  
Pasta Sauce  
Chicken Noodle soup  
Tomato soup  
Tuna  
Corn  
Green beans  
Pork 'n beans  
Carrots  
Canned peaches  
Hotdogs  
Ravioli/pasta

*If you wish to make a monetary contribution, we will shop for you. We do most of our shopping at Save A Lot.*

## Parish Register

November Attendance					
Week Ending Sat./Sunday	* Other Services	Sat. 4 pm	Sunday 8 am	Sunday 10:30 am	Total Sat/Sun
November 5/6		51	36	125	<b>212</b>
November 12/13	13	44	48	151	<b>256</b>
November 19/20		50	46	120	<b>216</b>
November 26/27	44	34	51	130	<b>215</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>899</b>
<i>AVERAGE Sunday Attendance</i>		45	45	132	236
* 11/13 Atria Evergreen HE II at 3 pm * 11/24 Thanksgiving Service					

## NOVEMBER

### Transfers in:

Juliana Woodworth  
Jillian Wagner  
Diane Atkins  
Joyce Turner  
Annette Blane

**Transfers out:** none

**Deaths:** Bill Casey 11/17/16  
Dolly Fuller 11/21/16  
Linda Kline 11/22/16

**Funerals:** None

**Anointings:** 127

# Bulletin Board

Meetings, Event News, etc.

If you would like more information about our ministries please pick up a copy of the Serving Opportunities brochure or call the church office.

Average Sunday Attendance for 2016	
Jan	232
Feb	295
Mar	282
April	249
May	221
June	222
July	190
Aug	194
Sept	205
Oct	230
Nov	225
Dec	281
	235.5

**Annual Meeting  
January 29th.  
There will be one service  
at 10 am.**

**We are updating our email list.**

If you would like to be added or continue as a prayer warrior please email Carolyn Wallner at [thewallners@hotmail.com](mailto:thewallners@hotmail.com).



Prayer Chain

**Grief Share**  
Meets each **Monday at 9 am** in the library.  
If you have lost a loved one, please join us.  
Facilitator: Jean Caamaño 352-201-2336.

**Friends of the Witt Library**  
The next meeting is **January 10th at 12:30 pm.**  
The Book Club meets immediately afterwards.

**DOK**  
This month we will meet on  
**January 14th at 10 am** in the library

**OSL**  
Meets the 3rd Sunday of each month at  
**12:30 pm** in the library.  
This month's meeting is **January 15th.**

**Vestry Meeting**  
**Sunday, January 18th at 12:30 pm** in the side chapel.

**Pastoral Care**  
Meets **January 25th at noon** in the library.

**AARP** will be offering free tax preparation at St. Andrew's beginning February 2.

## CALL ON HIS NAME



- |                  |                     |                    |
|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Henry Mehl     | 7 Bill Wiquist      |                    |
| 1 Edna Jarvis    | 8 Pat Zahniser      |                    |
| 1 Paul Wilks     | 11 Helen Muir       | 19 Janice James    |
| 1 Corey Fitch    | 13 Robert Hicks     | 19 Edith Lohlein   |
| 4 Al Arnold      | 14 Aneita Porter    | 19 Lea Dubiel      |
| 4 Larry Nash     | 14 Brinda Mendoza   | 19 Ed Audette      |
| 5 Brian Parks    | 15 Glenn Clarke     | 21 Dewey Woodworth |
| 7 Audrey Collins | 17 Calvin Ingram    | 24 Carolyn Melber  |
| 7 Janet Guyadeen | 18 Brandon Meissner | 24 Marisa Hamblin  |
|                  |                     | 25 Diana Seminerio |
|                  |                     | 26 Irving Melber   |
|                  |                     | 26 Jan Nash        |
|                  |                     | 28 Pat McNeil      |
|                  |                     | 29 Ariel Bethoney  |
|                  |                     | 30 Anita Curtis    |



## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



**JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES**

- 3 Maureen & John Follansbee
- 6 Joanne & Donald Lillpopp
- 11 Jeanie & Ron Fedoryk
- 11 Milia & Fred Julian
- 25 Barbara & Bill Clark
- 25 Jan & Larry Nash
- 25 Donna & Robert Sievers
- 31 Lea & Cliff Dubiel

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## Sunday Services

8 am Service (no music)  
9:15 am Adult Formation Class  
9:45 Jr. Inquirers  
10:15 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Service (music)

## Saturday Services

4 pm Service (no music)  
5 pm Adult Formation Class

## Wednesday Services

10 am Service  
with prayers for healing  
11 am to 1 pm Food Pantry open  
1:30 and 6 pm Adult Bible Study  
6 pm Youth Ministry

## Parish Office Hours

Mon.–Thurs. 9 am – 2 pm  
(Closed Friday)

## Diocese Website

[www.episcopalswfl.org](http://www.episcopalswfl.org)

## The Parish Chimes Editors

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## United Thank Offering

2016 was a busy year for the United Thank Offering. Your prayers of thanksgiving totaled a gift of \$1,493.38 from the spring and fall gatherings. Thank you to everyone who participates in this daily ministry. Your prayers and donations are God's hands in our nation and the world.

Because the people of Haiti once again fell victim to a terrible natural disaster, I wanted to tell you about two grants that will help them to rebuild. The Diocese of Colorado with the Companion Diocese of Haiti is using a \$64,000.00 grant to reforest degraded land with high-nutrition native fruit and nut trees using environmentally sustainable methods; to strengthen family garden and small animal husbandry programs at St. Paul's School; to train local producers in eco-friendly practices; to conscientiously integrate female students and teachers; and to empower girls with nutrition and agricultural skills.

Diocese of Haiti also applied for a \$41,300.00 grant to restore dormant farmland surrounding the diocesan-owned St. Barnabas' Agricultural College. A tractor and plow will be purchased. The food economy will be revitalized by making the land once again bear fruit and support the health and well-being of those who inhabit it.

Here in the United State the Diocese of New York will use a \$14,750.00 grant to build a greenhouse to develop local, healthy, and sustainable food production and consumption practices. The church is in a small village in a rural area. The site for the greenhouse is within a hundred yards of both a high school and affordable senior housing. Through existing membership and ministries of Grace Church, owners, farmers, and farm workers, as well as restaurant and food production workers, are able to connect to one another.

Chris Robertson  
UTO Chairperson

## Life Line Screening

10 minutes can save your life! Do you have high cholesterol? Do you smoke? Do you have a family history of stroke? If yes, you may want to consider being screened for stroke risk. Life Line Screening screens the carotid arteries as up to 75% of all strokes are linked to plaque buildup in the carotid arteries. St. Andrew's is hosting its annual screening on **Saturday, January 21, 2017**. Call 1-800-324-1851 for more information or to pre-register. All 5 screenings for \$149.00; includes Carotid Artery/Plaque Screening, Heart Rhythm Screening, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening, Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening and Osteoporosis Risk Assessment. You can find more information on the pink sheets located on the Narthex table.

## VESTRY NOMINEES 2017

Vestry members will be elected at the Annual Meeting on **Sunday, January 29th**. There is one One-Year Position, one Two-Year Position, and three 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 person has agreed to run for a one-year position on the Vestry. **Eddie Lindsey**. You will be asked to vote for one.

The following person has agreed to run for a two-year position: **Janie Fritz**. You will be asked to vote for one.

The following persons (listed alphabetically) have agreed to run for a Three-Year position: **Maureen Follansbee, Craig Gates, and Dale Hatch**. You will be asked to vote for 3 candidates.

The following person has agreed to run for the vestry alternate position: **Janet Crisfield**

*Following are the questionnaire submissions from each candidate:  
(answers are listed in alphabetical order)*

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

**Janet Crisfield:** I have served on the Vestry several years ago. During that time I developed an appreciation for the many aspects of caring not only for the people of Christ who worship here but the logistics and administrative duties required to keep our beautiful campus and ministries functioning. Having had this experience I feel more confident to fulfill these duties.

**Maureen Follansbee:** I do believe that I have a responsibility to my church family to assist in the smooth operation of the administrative matters we face.

**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.

**Craig Gates:** One of my favorite Bible verses is Ephesians 4:16. "From Christ the whole body joined and held together by supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work." I feel that I am following God's will when I serve as part of our whole church body. By serving on the vestry a second term, I hope to continue representing all members of St. Andrew's Church, to further develop our ministries, and keep our church stable, united and growing.

**Dale Hatch:** I believe I'm being led to serve in this ministry.

**Eddie H. Lindsay:** To be more involved and participate in the Church's overall growth and contribute to its direction, programs and activities in any way possible. I previously served on the Vestry for two terms ending 2013.

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

**Janet Crisfield:** Have experience serving on Vestry. Lifelong Episcopalian. Was a group leader for the Alpha program. Am a trained Stephen's Minister. Regularly attend and greet and usher at the 4pm service. Currently am facilitator/coordinator for the Pastoral Care Team. Served in various capacities in community groups/school activities while raising my children. I am a retired ARNP with a BS and MS in Nursing. My career experience involves caring for patients, managements and administration, staff training and education, program development and research.

**Maureen Follansbee:** I have degree in Business Administration from Marquette University. I worked in Human Resources and Administration as an officer of my company. After corporate life, my husband and I ran an inn in New Hampshire. These experiences required attention to "the big picture" and minute details.

**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 Squad-ron there, I became the president of the OWC. My experiences in these activities were extensive, and included be-ing 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.

**Craig Gates:** As an educator I strived to see each person as Jesus would with special strengths and needs. St. Andrew's Church is also filled with members with diverse strengths, needs, talents and skills that through dedicated commitment have built a strong and growing church. My experience as a board member on state and international science education organizations has required me to have the ability to work with, recognize and value individual strengths and needs and reach our desired goals. The past 3 years on the vestry has shown that our church members give willingly of their time and knowledge to reach our goals. During my first term on the Vestry I have served as Jr. Warden, on the Building Committee, grounds Committee, and other groups as needed. In each area, members have stepped in and used their skills and talents to the benefit of the church.

St Andrew's is my church. I care about it and its members. I want to serve the people I have come to know so well, to see the church continue to grow, to develop and refine our missions and continue to do God's work as He directs us.

**Dale Hatch:** I have a Doctorate in Ministry; a Master's of Divinity; a Bachelor's in Administrations; and an Associate's Degree in Nursing Technology. I have served on several church committees, boards and administrative counsels for the past 20 years. I have served on local community committees and boards as well as those in nursing and health care while I was actively practicing nursing. Regardless of the area of service, be it nursing, health care or church ministry, the work usually involved assessing needs, planning and implementing programs or services, and then evaluating their effectiveness in achieving the desired goals or outcomes. I believe I have a heart to serve using my education and experience as a foundation to do so.

**Eddie H. Lindsay:** Experienced and knowledgeable in Finance, Management, and Administrative activities. Previously held positions with several companies and various civic community organizations. I also worked for (2) major Banks in NY (MHT) and NJ (Broadway Bank) for many years as AVP-Branch Manager and Financial Officer. I thereafter opened and operated my own company, "Priority Chemical Co" in New Jersey until I retired to Spring Hill. FL.

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

**Janet Crisfield:** Have been married for 50 years to Dennis and have two grown children. Both my husband and I were raised in the Episcopal Church. Worked for over 40 years in the Nursing Profession. Through life experience, my vocation and church life I have developed an awareness of God's presence in all things and situations. I have had the privilege to witness God's miracles at births, during crisis and joys and finally at the end of life on this earth. For this I am thankful and this sustains me.

**Maureen Follansbee:** I try to walk the path set before me by our Father, maybe with a few detours along the way. It is important to me to be involved in volunteer work. This started with my working as a candy striper and volunteering at an orphanage while in high school. My volunteer activities continue.

**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 every-thing I do. Through thick and thin, God has been with me.

**Craig Gates:** My wife Glee and I have been married 46 years and have two beautiful daughters Marla and Mandy (both confirmed at St Andrews), and five equally wonderful grandchildren. With a bachelor's of Science, masters of curriculum, and specialist degree in school administration, I spent 40 years teaching, coaching basketball, and as an athletic director; 14 of these years at Holy Redeemer Catholic in Flint, Michigan, and 26 at Springstead High School locally.

As a third generation Episcopalian, the seeds of faith planted early on have provided a pathway to this stage of my faith. As a more mature Christian, I often feel the activity of Gods' spirit in my everyday life and in people I meet. I strive each day to talk to God, read and live his word, and find in myself constant hunger to better understand his plan for me.

**Dale Hatch:** I am a former Registered Nurse of 25 years, and for the past 20 years have served the Church as an ordained clergy in the United Methodist Church. I was raised in the church community by parents and grandparents who had strong commitments to the teachings of Christ; those have always been an integral part of my life along with the belief that when you love Christ you not only follow Him but serve him by using your gifts and graces to serve others. I am married to Kay Hatch and we have five children and nine grandchildren.

**Eddie H. Lindsay:** Originally from Antiqua, (Caribbean) migrated to UK/London, England and to the U.S.A. in 1961. Married: Joyce, 2 adult children (Paul/Son 44, Lisa/Daughter 42) both living in Atlanta, Ga. (3 Grand- girls, 8yrs, 10 yrs,) and 23 yrs/College in La. We moved to Spring Hill in 2003 and searched

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for a place to worship and was introduced to St. Andrews. As a devout Episcopalian/Christian I worshipped and served at the “Church of the Resurrection” while living in Queens, N.Y.

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

**Janet Crisfield:** The parishioners and clergy. The energy and potential for growth. I feel we are now in a good position to continue to expand our knowledge and love of Christ to our community and those around us.

**Maureen Follansbee:** St. Andrew’s has taken a wonderfully positive tack in recent years. I find myself drawn rather than obligated to attend services at our church.

**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 abso-lutely are the heart of our church.

**Craig Gates:** St. Andrews Church is filled with loving, caring people. As faithful individuals we are a strong Christian body performing ministries needed in our church and community. Our church is willing and able to embrace change while keeping continuity in balance. God’s presence is felt as you walk through our door

**Dale Hatch:** There are several things I love about St. Andrew’s church. First is the worship experience because of the liturgy, messages, and music. Second are the ministries that serve not only the congregations but people of the community. Third is the sense of welcoming one gets when attending services. These are the things that have encouraged Kay and I to join and serve in the various ministries. Currently I serve as greeter/usher, in the food pantry, and the Christmas Choir.

**Eddie H. Lindsay:** The Clergy who we met initially and members of the congregation were friendly. The beautiful/spacious campus and serene atmosphere—afforded spiritual development.

**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.”