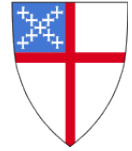


St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Parish Chimes



An Ancient Faith for a Modern World

March 2020



From the Rector

Dear Friends,

February was a wonderful month here at St. Andrew's. We had a super Shrove Tuesday pancake dinner—thank you young people, youth leaders, and all those who helped with the cooking and cleaning for that once again! The next day we had meaningful Ash Wednesday services.

And now, once again we are in the season of Lent. We fast, we stop drinking wine or eating chocolate or we stop doing something that ordinarily we really enjoy and for what reason? Why do we partake in such uncomfortable behavior? How can people say to each other, "Have a blessed Lent when we act like this?"

Lent is based upon the forty days of fasting that Jesus himself did right after he was baptized. You recall that as soon as he was baptized he went off into the wilderness to be tested by the Evil One. One of the reasons he did this was to prepare for his public ministry. As soon as he finished this time in the wilderness he started his public preaching, teaching, and healing ministry. What does that have to do with us at Lent you may ask? Like him, we are preparing ourselves. Ever since the fourth and fifth century the early church made time to prepare for Easter. As the years rolled by it gradually came to be the forty days we now have. But we like them still use this time to prepare ourselves for Easter. We prepare ourselves for the celebration of our Lord's mighty resurrection and victory over Evil, Death, and the Devil. If Ash Wednesday is the day we acknowledge our mortality; Easter is the day we celebrate our immortality! And we are both aren't we? We are both mortal and immortal. We are both physical and spiritual. Our bodies are physical and mortal; our souls, since we have been reborn through Jesus, are immortal and spiritual. Throughout Lent, we work on preparing ourselves for our spiritual, immortal lives. During this time we try to exercise self-control over those parts of our lives that have to do with indulging ourselves and those habits that make us

forget our mortality. We do this because we are going to leave these lives and all that pertains to our lives behind! We exercise this self-control over indulging and bad habits through our fasting. The flip side of our preparation is to work on strengthening our spiritual lives; these are the parts of us that will be living forever.

So practically speaking how do we do this? How do we prepare for Easter; how do we prepare for our coming immortality? This sort of preparation is spiritual. We are trying to refocus our hearts on our heavenly home. Every year about this time Joanne Lillpopp reminds me that it is not enough to give up something for Lent; we need to pick up something as well. And she is right. She is referencing our spiritual preparation. In this preparation we are to try to develop our 'forever' disciplines. That is things we will start now or perhaps increase now that we will carry with us into eternity. What are these sorts of 'forever' disciplines? These disciplines are things like learning to practice feeling and knowing God's presence in our day to day lives. We learn to know God's presence through meditation, prayer, and reading and considering God's Word. Another 'forever' discipline is learning to really listen and care for those around us. This is an outgrowth of learning to love our neighbors as ourselves. I suppose there are many of these types of disciplines. But those two are really good ones with which to start.

You may already have your Lenten practices firmly into place and that is good too. As always the church also has Lenten devotionals in the narthex to encourage you on your Lenten journey.

So this year may your time of exercising self-control and your time of developing a 'forever' discipline be one that changes your life! May you be able to control yourself better and be more aware of God's abiding presence in your life! With that in mind, have a blessed Lent my dear friends!

Warmly in Christ,

*Fr. Lance**

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Sr. Warden's Remarks

Mike Ludwell, Sr. Warden



It is hard to believe we are already into another Lenten season. Our Altar Guild has diligently prepared the church for this period of reflection and self-examination. As Christians, we are asked to commit ourselves to three practices. First, we are asked to fast. This is a way of showing penance for our past actions. Next, we are expected to pray to others as well as ourselves. Finally, we are asked to give. This might be money, time, or talents.

ST. Andrew's is providing all of us a number of opportunities to come together as a church community during the holiest of seasons. Fr. Lance continues Adult Formation on Saturdays and Sundays, while Fr. Fred is offering Bible study on Tuesday evenings relating to Christ's crucifixion. Holy Week will include Maundy Thursday and the washing of the feet; Good Friday services will offer Stations of the Cross, and the the Great Easter Vigil on Saturday. Please review the Chimes for all of the opportunities to participate to deepen your faith.

Someone once said that Lent is equivalent to the Spring cleaning of our lives. This is a reassuring thought. During the process it is important to remember that Lent will ultimately lead to the joy of Easter.

Treasurer's Tidbits

Connie Mehr



As shown in the Treasurer's Report, we ended the first month of 2020 in the red by \$523.76—meaning that expenses were \$523.76 more than revenues. The reason for this is that the plate offerings and the non-pledge offerings received were only 62% of what was budgeted. But, we have to remember that these offerings are estimates based on last year's giving; we cannot accurately budget for these revenues.

If you are not currently putting your envelope or non-envelope number on your checks, I would ask that you do so as a courtesy to our counters; it makes their job a little easier. If you pledge or do not pledge but consistently give, you have a number assigned to you. If

you do not know your number, let me know.

If you have any questions about your pledge/giving or about the budget, please feel free to contact me at the church office.

Ministry News

Altar Guild

Glee Gates,
Coordinator



Hello everyone and welcome to our March Chimes. We are now in our Lenten Season and as you learned in the Ministry Moment a couple of weeks ago, our colors have changed and the crosses are shrouded until the profound service of Ash Wednesday. You may also notice there are no Altar flowers during Lent.

I hope you have made a commitment to adhere to a discipline during this time. It is not always sweets and treats we can give up but fears or bad habits. Instead of "giving up" for Lent, we can vow to strengthen our faith and promise to God. Whatever your choice, may you feel God's presence and know His love.

Security Team

Hal Smith,
Vestry Security Liason



Each Church Service Security Team:

Please plan a meeting and let Hal Smith know when it is so he can meet with you.

Sunday School

Miss Susan,
Miss Colleen &
Miss Jeanie



We learned how to be eyewitnesses, simulating having glasses and a microphone and discussed John the Baptist's news report about seeing the spirit coming down from Heaven. We went fishing for people using our fishing pole and net. We learned about the importance of having the right equipment, knowing where to go and patience. We made trail mix together incorporating several different ingredients and placed it into individual bags. We enjoyed it together learning a recipe for happiness, i.e. the Be-

attitudes. Using a lamp and extension cord, we learned about the necessity of being plugged into God's power and turning ourselves on for Jesus.



Jeff gives it up for Lent.

The Belles of St. Andrew's

Connie Mehr



The Belles got together on January 25 to play card games. We had a wonderful time and sampled some delicious foods and drink.

The Belles Leadership Team met and planned activities for 2020. To start off, we had a "leap day" potluck luncheon on February 29 (a report on this next month).

July White and Lorraine Yokitis are putting together a St. Patrick's Party for March 14 at 2:30 pm in Krysher Hall.

This is sure to be a good time! Mark your calendars now for these upcoming events: April 4, a trip to New Port Richey for the Chasco Fiesta and May 2, an afternoon tea for which ALL women of the church will be invited.

The Belles also resumed its Discussion Group on Thursday, February 13 at 10:00 am in Krysher Hall. This is the new day, time and location for the Discussion Group. Our new format is deciding on a subject and discussing what the Bible has to say about it. Our first meeting with the new format was well-attended and we had a great discussion!

Any questions about any of the Belles' activities, please contact Connie Mehr at 352-593-4789.

Thoughts from our back porch

By Deacon and Carolyn Wallner



As we look back at our 12 years at St. Andrew's a verse from Philippians 1:7 comes to mind – "We have shared together the blessings of God".

As the recent memories of every good-bye lingers in our hearts and minds there is that sadness of what has been left behind – a loving and wonderful church full of friends and acquaintances who've been caring and kind. Although we are now separated by distance there is an excitement to know that beyond the horizon still unknown to us there will be opportunities for one's spirit to grow as we begin a "new" life.

Although we are not in your presence, you will remain in our hearts, thoughts and prayers as we know the same will be true for us in yours.

A Note from One of Our Parishioners.....



"To my wonderful St. Andrews family,

I just want to say thank you for all your prayers and all your well wishes. It helps so much because we who receive these can feel them.

Thanks again and keep the blessings coming.

I love you all!"

- Loa Jackson



Did You Know???

Did you know that your vestry members and Fr. Lance pray for you every week? It is true. There is a vestry member who prays for you particularly. In the 10:30 service Rita Watson-Trapp prays for those people who attend whose last names begin with *A* to those whose last names go to *Cord*. Joyce Bartholomew prays for people whose last names are from *Corl* to *Gi*. Maureen Follansbee prays for those whose last names are from *Gh* through *L*. Connie Mehr prays for those whose last names are *M* through *N*. Janie Fritz prays for those whose last names are from *O* through *Sm*. Mike Ludwell prays for those whose last names are from *Sn* through *Z*. In our 8 am service Bob Meissner prays for those whose last names are from *A* through *K*. And Harry Calderbank prays for those whose last names are from *L* through *Z*. And in the 4 pm service Hal Smith prays for all those who attend this service. Why is this important? Well, as you probably know, we Episcopalians put a lot of stock in prayer. In fact, our whole service revolves around prayers. So we believe that praying for each other is extremely important. If you have something you would like someone else to be praying for you about then here we [are](#)! You may think that you don't even know what you would ask someone else to pray about for you. Here are some ideas.

I need more joy in my life. Would you pray that I could recapture a sense of spiritual awe and delight?

My spiritual life is kind of blah. Please pray that I'll recapture my desire to live for God.

There's an unresolved conflict that is affecting one of my primary relationships. Pray that I'll do right—do everything within my power this week to begin to address it and fix it.

I'm facing a big, life-decision. I sure could use wisdom.

I keep tripping over the same temptation(s). Pray that I will lean on God's strength this week to say "NO!"

I don't feel right now like I know God very well. Pray that he'll reveal himself to me and that I'll have eyes of faith to see and ears to hear what he's saying to me.

Our/my finances are not in the greatest shape. Pray that God would show what needs to be done.



Of course you may need or desire prayer in some other area and that's fine too. Still, if you would like to have someone to pray for you talk to your vestry person! He or she will be praying for you and you will see a difference in your life! You can also talk to Fr. Lance. He also prays for you every week.





EVENT KEY

AF = Adult Formation	JrI = Junior Inquirers
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
HE = Holy Eucharist	

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8 am HE II 9:15 am AF (SC) 9:45 am Jr. I 10:00 am SS Music (KH) 10:15 am SS 10:30 am HE II	2	3 6:00 pm Lenten Study with Soup (KH)	4 10 am Preschool Reading (KH) 10 am Holy Eucharist II (with Healing Prayers) 11 am Food Pantry (KH)	5 9:00 am Backpacks (KH) 6 pm Choir	6 Office Closed	7 1 pm Easter Choir (KH) 4 pm HE II 5 pm AF (SC)
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UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH EVENTS

Tuesday, March 3	6 pm Lenten Bible Series starts
Sunday, March 8	12 pm Episcopal Traditions Classes start
Tuesday, March 10	4:30 pm Nita Dickson Committal
Thursday, March 12	12 pm Belles' Discussion Group
Friday, March 13	9 am Men's Group
Saturday, March 14	2:30 pm Belles' St. Patrick's Day Luncheon
Wednesday, March 25	12 pm Pastoral Care
Friday, March 27	9 am Men's Group
Monday, March 30	11 am Charlene Fales Requiem

APRIL EVENTS

Saturday, April 4	Stripping of the Palms
Sunday, April 5	Palm Sunday
Wednesday, April 8	Holy Wednesday Rite I Service
Thursday, April 9	Maundy Thursday
Friday, April 10	Good Friday
Sunday, April 12	Easter Sunday



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR
MEN & WOMEN
SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES AT
HOME & OVERSEAS:

Keith Barroncini, Julian Barry, Joseph Beatty, Martin Clausen, Neil Crown, Krista Crosetto, Jason Daniels, Olivia Clair, Warren Fedoryk, Daniel Fitch, Shawn Fitch, Howard Gidden, Sean Gilbert, Donald Harris, Dwayne Hamblin, Roger Handy, Doug Henderson, Joseph Kee, Amy Kelly, Artie Kelly, Kristina Langley, Skip LaPointe, Rhett Roy, Tracy Thomas, Courtney Foster McCorvey, Peter Turner, & Mary Turner.

March Lectionary

March 1

First Sunday in Lent
Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7
Romans 5:12-19
Matthew 4:1-11
Psalm 32

March 8

Second Sunday in Lent
Genesis 12:1-4a
Romans 4:1-5, 13-17
John 3:1-17
Psalm 121

March 15

Third Sunday in Lent
Exodus 17:1-7
Romans 5:1-11
John 4:5-42
Psalm 95

March 22

Fourth Sunday in Lent
1 Samuel 16:1-13
Ephesians 5:8-14
John 9:1-41
Psalm 23

March 29

Fifth Sunday in Lent
Ezekiel 37:1-4
Romans 8:6-11
John 11:1-45
Psalm 130



St. Patrick driving the snakes out of Ireland.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Connie Mehr, Treasurer

As of January 31, 2020

	This Month	Year to Date	2020 Budget
Revenues			
Core Church	27,912.55	27,912.55	351,900.00
Thrift Shop	6,169.26	6,169.26	45,350.00
Total Revenues	34,081.81	34,081.81	397,250.00
Expenses			
Core Church	32,574.02	32,574.02	376,934.45
Thrift Shop	2,031.55	2,031.55	20,415.55
Total Expenses	34,605.57	34,605.57	397,250.00
Net Gain/Loss			
Core Church	(4,661.47)	(4,661.47)	(24,934.45)
Thrift Shop	4,137.71	4,137.71	24,934.45
Total	(523.76)	(523.76)	
Investments		Bank Accounts	
SSGA	111,441.62	Sun Trust	
Alliance Bernstein	36,534.47	Unrestricted	(11,701.74)
		Restricted	173,446.90
		Discretionary	421.49
Total	147,976.06	Total	162,166.65

February Attendance

Week Ending Sat./Sunday	Other	Sat. 4 pm	Sun. 8 am	Sun. 10:30 am	Total
Feb. 1/2		48	46	128	222
Feb. 8/9	*14	64	53	139	270
Feb. 15/16		51	56	147	254
Feb. 22/23	*149	63	48	120	380
AVERAGE		57	51	134	282

Food Pantry Shopping List

This is our staples list, other items appreciated.



Mac 'n cheese
Spaghetti
Cereal
Pancake Mix
Pancake Syrup

Cans or jars:
Peanut Butter
Jelly
Pasta Sauce
Chicken Noodle soup
Tomato soup
Tuna
Corn
Green beans
Pork 'n beans
Canned peaches

Hotdogs

Thanks so much for helping our community families.

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

February 2020

Transfers in: 1

Transfers out: 0

Deaths: Les Ganoe 2/13/20

Funerals: Loreen Rice 2/8/20

Baptisms: 0

Weddings: 0

Anointings: 44

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.

*Right: The Men's Group
know how to have some fun!
Need an example?
Here's a picture from their
"Bonfire, Bourbon,
and Cigars" night
last month!*



MARCH Birthdays

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|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 Pat Culverhouse | 18 Sarah Lillpopp |
| 2 Ron Parks | 18 James Skinner |
| 3 Betty Lou Baird | 19 David Ward |
| 4 Susan Fiegel | 20 Justin Lightburn |
| 4 Carole Wiquist | 21 Beverly McDougal |
| 5 Sherri Haun | 21 Charlie DeCosa |
| 7 George Cotter | 22 Linda Comey |
| 7 Loreen Eylward | 23 Doris Derer |
| 7 Nancy Skinner | 24 Fred Julian |
| 10 Mark Traudt | 24 Lillian Lambert-Mulholland |
| 12 Marion McClelland | 27 Susan Villnow |
| 12 Caroline Meissner | 30 Philip Seminerio |
| 16 Hank McInturff | 31 Jeanie Fedoryk |
| 17 Cliff Dubiel | 31 Fred Kull |
| 17 Jackie McCabe | 31 Gail Niedurny |
| 17 Norman Neill | |

MARCH Anniversaries

- 17 Kay & Dale Hatch
26 Deb & Paul Wilks
28 Ron & Linda Parks

Just a reminder that it's "Spring Forward" for Daylight Savings Time on March 8th this year! Make sure you set your clocks before going to bed Saturday night!



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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)

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Lent

Find these words having to do with the liturgical season of Lent in the puzzle below. Words can go horizontally, vertically and diagonally in all directions.

H K Y G N I T S A F L F P W Z Z Y L G Y
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alms giving	lent
ashes	meditation
Ash Wednesday	penance
cross	prayer
crucifixion	prepare
Easter	reconciliation
fasting	sacrifice
forgiveness	sorrow
Holy Week	spring



Episcopal Church Memes

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Sundaes in Lent -- Sometimes spelling means everything!

