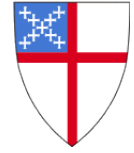


St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Parish Chimes



An Ancient Faith for a Modern World

January 2021



From the Rector

Dear Friends,

The beginning of a new year always carries with it the promise of a better year. And we certainly hope that will be the case for 2021. We are looking forward to this Covid-19 virus going away.

We are looking forward to being able to be with our families and friends again; to going shopping and eating in restaurants. We are looking forward to resuming our church ministries and classes. And at least for me, I am really looking forward to being able to have everyone back in church! I have missed seeing so many people and I know that many of you have missed seeing your friends too.

We have a lot of hope that things will get better in 2021. And yet, even though 2020 has been a tough year, there have been many good things that have happened. We as a church have learned to be adaptable. We now have online church services! Last year at this time, having an online church service was not in our wildest dreams. Those sorts of things were for the very big churches, but now we have online services and our snowbirds and people who have visited from out of town tell me that they love to watch our services. People who are sick or unable to attend also watch and enjoy being part of our services. So God is good and brought good out of this.

Furthermore, God provided the money from donations and bequest from Nita Dickson so that we could purchase all the equipment that was needed. The new sound and audio booth also came from another bequest. And there is a growing group of people who are doing the filming of the services Steve Smith, BJ Lawson, Susan Fiegel, Tom Foster, and we are hoping more will want to film as well.

Another good thing that has happened this past year is the renovation of our Memorial Gardens. Craig Gates has been overseeing the renovation. Diane Wallace consulted with some designers and came up with an overall design and chose the plants. Steve Smith and Craig pulled out the old bushes and plants. They hired an arborist to trim the trees. Craig and Hal Smith had the Jesus statue and the Memorial plaque moved to a place of prominence. Craig, Glee, and Debbie Smith planted the new plants. Glee and Debbie have been working very hard leveling and straightening the

headstones. (Over the years the ground has sunk in different areas and the stones have shifted.) The renovation is not quite finished yet, but it looks so much better. Thank you to those who have been working so hard on this project!

Because we do not pass the plate during the offertory, our collections have been down this past year. The Thrift Shop has been closed and that also has affected our finances in a negative way. Fortunately most of our parishioners have been faithful with their pledges and we have been able to keep paying all our bills. Still the budget is lean for this coming year. In spite of that, God has provided for us in marvelous ways. Several months ago, Hal Smith, the church's ground and building manager, decided to ask our insurance company to come out to check our roofs for any wind damage. They sent a fellow out and he checked all our roofs and discovered that we did indeed have wind damage on our main church roof, Krysher Hall, and the office building. They sent us a check for \$92,000 for replacement of our damaged roofs! And we were able to find a contractor who will replace the church, Krysher Hall, the office and the walkway roofs and still remain within the \$92,000! Roof replacement is scheduled to begin early in January. God has blessed us wonderfully! Ever since I have been the rector here at St. Andrew's the repair of the roofs has been hanging over our heads and now, even in a time of great leanness, God has given us the money for new roofs! Thank you to Hal and praise be to God!

Also, as many of you know, our carillon system which played our hourly chimes went out last summer. We suspect it was a lightning strike, but we do not know for sure. What we do know is that this system is unable to be repaired. It was purchased back in 1995 and now parts for it cannot be found. And yet again God provided through the John Barroncini, Micki Smith, and Richard Hammel memorial funds so that we will be able to have chimes once again at no extra cost to the church! The new carillon system should arrive mid-January.

We don't know what the New Year holds for us. We do not know when we will be able to resume all our ministries. We don't know when the Thrift Shop will reopen or when we will be able to resume our in-person classes. Yet, we see God's wonderful provisions and constant care for us personally and for St. Andrew's and we know that

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whatever happens in 2021 we can still

trust in our God who loves us so much that He sent Jesus to earth for us and has given us the gift of the Holy Spirit, Himself, to live within us.

Warmly in Christ,

Fr. Lance+

Sr. Warden's Remarks



Mike Ludwell, Sr. Warden

I was viewing the internet for some clever saying from Christian writers regarding the new year. As I read them it made me think of my major professor in my doctoral program. Dr. Rebores kept telling us that the degree is given as much for perseverance as for knowledge. Less than half doctoral candidates actually finish the degree. As I reflected, it reminded me that that is exactly who we are as Christians. We have to persevere. That is how we ended this last year and how we must begin the new year.

Here is hoping you a positive new year.

Ministry News

Altar Guild

Glee Gates, Coordinator
Patti Werner, Assistant Director



The Altar Guild wishes you a Happy New Year! Here's hoping that 2021 will be a healthy and safe year for all of our church members, their families and friends. We hope you celebrated the joy of Christ's birth at Christmas even though we were limited to small gatherings or may have been alone.

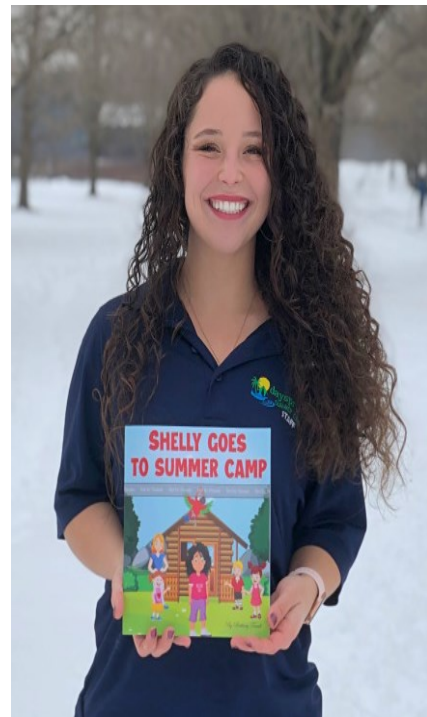
The Altar Guild members, who are able, continue to prepare the Altar for the services and care for and clean the linens and vessels used for each service. Our Altar color has been changed to white for Christmas and after Epiphany we will change to green which is often referred to as our regular color.

It is hard to believe we are approaching a year since we have been able to fully worship together as a church family with hugs and handshakes during the peace. We pray that this year will bring us all together once again in fellowship and love to worship our Lord Jesus Christ together.

It is a privilege to be of service. If you feel called to serve on the Altar Guild, or would like more information about our ministry, contact one of us or the church office.

Congratulations, Brittney Traudt!!!

"Brittney Traudt is now a self-published author! She decided to turn her passion for writing into a children's book, inspired by our very own Dayspring and Summer Camp which she has actively participated in for over 10 years. The book is titled "Shelly Goes To Summer Camp" and is about a young girl going to camp for the first time away from home. She's scared and shy but makes an amazing friend while she's there that changes her experience for the better. Her book can be found on Amazon or Barnes and Noble, or you can get the link from her blog at www.traudtstwocents.com/summercamp. She would like to thank everyone for their support (spiritually and financially over the years), especially our beloved Betty Audette who encouraged her to go to Dayspring in the first place. Feel free to check it out on her blog or on Amazon!"



Buildings & Grounds

Hal Smith

Happy New Year! Our Church Campus looks great and ready for all of us to enjoy. However, we will be replacing the roofs on Krysher Hall, the Office, the Walk-way and the Church building beginning on January 4th and working through January 28th, 2021. Please be careful of where you park your car during this time period, as there will be many maintenance vehicles around the work area. As you can see, much work has already been accomplished in Memorial Gardens. Thanks to Craig, Glee, Debbie, Diane and Steve, for all your hard work.

We have had some minor expenses over the last two months, but nothing major. We are constantly trying to keep our campus clean and fresh-looking for all the community to enjoy. Please let Bob Meissner or Hal Smith know if there are any areas we can improve on.



TREASURER'S REPORT

Connie Mehr, Treasurer
As of **November 30, 2020**

| | This Month | Year to Date | 2018 Budget |
|-----------------------|------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Revenues | | | |
| Core Church | 29,184.41 | 302,732.50 | 351,900.00 |
| Thrift Shop | | 18,371.69 | 45,350.00 |
| Total Revenues | 29,184.41 | 321,104.19 | 397,250.00 |
| Expenses | | | |
| Core Church | 28,194.28 | 294,475.60 | 376,834.45 |
| Thrift Shop | | 12,660.08 | 20,415.55 |
| Total Expenses | 28,194.28 | 307,135.68 | 397,250.00 |
| Net Gain/Loss | | | |
| Core Church | 990.13 | 8,256.90 | (24,934.45) |
| Thrift Shop | | 5,711.61 | 24,934.45 |
| Total | 990.13 | 13,968.51 | |
| Investments | | Bank Accounts | |
| SSGA | 108,749.30 | Sun Trust | |
| Alliance Bernstein | 38,190.14 | Unrestricted | 4,155.48 |
| | | Restricted | 249,563.24 |
| | | Discretionary | 240.51 |
| Total | 38,190.14 | Total | 253,959.23 |

December 2021

Transfers in: 0
 Transfers out: 1
 Deaths: Katherine Goulet 12/1/20
 Jim Braiden 12/14/20
 Funerals: Elliot Barnett 12/17/20
 Baptisms: 0
 Confirmed: 0
 Received: 0
 Weddings: 0



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

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

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

December Attendance

| Week Ending Sat./Sunday | * Other Services | Sat. 4 pm | Sunday 8 am | Sunday 10:30 am | Total |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------------|------------|
| December 5/6 | | 47 | 28 | 56 | 131 |
| December 12/13 | *48 | 38 | 32 | 59 | 177 |
| December 19/20 | | 43 | 31 | 55 | 129 |
| December 26/27 | *106 | 30 | 18 | 40 | 194 |
| TOTAL | 154 | 158 | 109 | 210 | 631 |
| AVERAGE | 77 | 40 | 28 | 53 | 198 |



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Sunday Services

8 am Service
10:30 am Service

Saturday Services

4 pm Service (no music)

Parish Office Hours

Mon. & Thurs. 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

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Birthdays

| | | |
|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Edna Jarvis | 12 Pina Krizan | 24 Carolyn Melber |
| 1 Henry Mehl | 13 Bob Hicks | 25 Diana Seminerio |
| 1 Paul Wilks | 14 Aneita Porter | 26 Irving Melber |
| 4 Al Arnold | 15 Glenn Clarke | 26 Jan Nash |
| 4 Larry Nash | 15 Brenda Reisen | 26 James Smart |
| 5 Brian Parks | 17 Calvin Ingram | 28 Patricia McNeil |
| 7 Bill Wiquist | 17 Britney Smart | 28 Malachi Toppin |
| 7 Audrey Collins | 18 Brandon Meissner | 29 Ariel Bethoney |
| 9 Lee Thomas | 19 Lea Dubiel | 30 Anita Curtis |
| 9 Ward Price | 19 Katherine Ward | |
| 11 Charles Allen | 21 Dewey Woodworth | |
| 11 Helen Muir | 24 Marisa Hamblin | |



Anniversaries

3 Maureen & John Follansbee
6 Fr. Don & Joanne Lillpopp
11 Fred & Milia Julian
25 Jan & Larry Nash
25 Robert & Donna Sievers
31 Lea & Cliff Dubiel