# St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

# Parish Chimes

An Ancient Faith for a Modern World

July/August 2021



# From the Rector

Dear Friends,

We begin this next month with a mixture of hope, enthusiasm and caution. We do have good reason for hope because all the signs are pointing to lower COVID cases and fewer deaths due to COVID here in the U.S. We are fortunate because this is not necessarily the case around the world yet. Still we are thankful and will continue to pray that God will help those other countries still struggling with this virus. We have good reason for enthusiasm as well since we can now meet together again without wearing masks; we can sing again in church and not simply hum along with Jody. Classes and meetings are once again taking place. The Thrift Shop, the food pantry, and the Back Pack ministries have been operating again. And yet we are still acting with caution because there are still those who are susceptible and the virus seems to be shifting and mutating every several weeks. That said, our bishop still encourages us to be cautious. He still tells us that Holy Communion must be done observing the same protocols we did while we were under COVID restrictions. Therefore we are still not offering wine and receiving the host at the altar at least for a bit longer.

Summertime is typically a time when people vacation and our attendance tends to drop a bit. I encourage you though, if you are in town to keep coming to church. If you go out of town, watch the

service online from our website or from Facebook. We grow spiritually by continuing to feed our spiritual selves. And one important way to be fed is by attending church.

I also encourage you to read your Bible. If you do not have one that is easy to understand, I have some that you can have. They cost \$13.60 but if that is too much, I can simply give it to you! As a church we want everyone to have a readable Bible! We cannot learn and follow what God is telling us to do if we do not know what He tells us!

And finally, I encourage you to persevere in your prayers. The Bible tells us to pray, to talk to God, to look for God, and to desire God. We are told to talk to God about everything; we are told to talk to him all the time. We are told to ask Him for help in our times of trouble and for our needs. We are to pray for forgiveness and to be thankful for our blessings. We are told to pray for other people. We are told to pray fervently, that's with a lot of feeling, to really mean what we are saying and not simply saying words. And as Episcopalians we have a whole book of great prayers, we have the Book of Common Prayer. If you need one of those, I can help you out there too!

In short, use these summer months to continue to

grow closer to God, to learn to love him more and serve him better! Warmly in Christ,

Fr. Lance

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## Sr. Warden's Remarks

Mike Ludwell, Sr. Warden

"Mine is the sunlight Mine is the morning Born of the one light Eden saw play Praise with elation, praise ev'ry morning God's recreation of the new day'

- (v. 3) "Morning Has Broken" Eleanor Farjeon

For the first time in many months, the vestry meeting in June was clearly dominated by a positive atmosphere. As the COVID epidemic appears to demonstrate a significant decline in Hernando County, the vestry is now at the point of beginning to plan for the complete reopening of the ministries and services of St. Andrew's. If you take a minute to think of all the ministries the church is involved in you will soon realize that this is no small task. The vestry hopes to have this goal completed by the 50th celebration of the founding of St. Andrew's in September. This would truly allow us to experience the recreation of a church we know and love. At this time we are awaiting final direction from the bishop and hope that we will receive such clarification in the near future. He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Revelation 21:5

# **Ministry News**

#### **Altar Guild**



Glee Gates, Director Patti Werner, Assistant Director

Ah summer! It's time to do yard work, relax by the pool and take vacations. This may be the first time in many, many months that some of us can actually take a vacation. Getting away for a little break can be rejuvenating but remember, your services here at St. Andrew's do not take a break and neither does your Altar Guild. If you have ever considered being part of the Altar Guild or would like more information, please contact Glee Gates, Patti Werner or Fr. Lance. There are many ministries that can use your talents. Please consider volunteering as we continue to open our church to more "normal" activities. Have a blessed and safe summer.

### **Pastoral** Care

Janet Crisfield



The Pastoral Care team will continue to serve our parish family through the summer. We will continue, in consultation with Fr Lance, with our list of parishioners that are in care communities and homebound due to infirmities and high risk to leave home was assembled. Members of the Pastoral Care Team will each commune with a number of persons and call and/or sent cards each month.

Facilities continue to open up to visitation within strict guidelines. Each facility is a little different but we are able to visit and bring communion and altar flowers to several people. Father Lance will continue to visit the hospitals as, understandably so, they still have strictly limited visitation guidelines. We continue cards, prayers and calls to the homebound. All our team have completed the vaccine protocol and are willing to visit individuals at their homes if they and other household members have completed the vaccine protocols.

In the fall we hope to welcome new team members as by then we hope to be further into our usual service. Over the next few months I ask you to read and meditate on Mathew 25:34-36 as well as talk to Fr. Lance or me if you feel called to join us.

**A reminder:** We cannot visit or be in touch with you if we do not know you of your needs. If we are not currently visiting you and you need our prayers and support, you must contact the office and let them know. Lisa is very faithful in communicating with Fr. Lance and myself.

## The Craft Group



Patti Werner

This group is open to all crafters at St. Andrews and your friends/neighbors. We meet in Krysher Hall to work on and share craft ideas that we are working on at home. Our July meeting will be Wednesday, July 21st at 1pm. At the July meeting there will be instructions and supplies to learn how to make a note card. In order to have enough supplies, you must let me know by Wednesday, July 14th if you would like to participate in this craft. You will need to bring scissors and a glue stick. If you prefer, please bring a craft you are working on. This is a wonderful social time.

Our August meeting will be Wednesday, August 18th at 1pm in Krysher Hall. Bring your crafts and talents to share. I hope to see you soon.

### The Belles of St. Andrew's



Patti Werner

The Belles group is open to all single ladies in St. Andrews, we'd love to see you join us. Last month we enjoyed cards and games. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, July 14th at noon (not the usual 2pm) and I'd like for us to meet at Cracker Barrel on Hwy 19 in Hernando County for lunch. In order for us to gather there I need to know if you plan to attend. So, let me know by Sunday July 11th. You can email me or call me or let me know in church. They don't take reservations but I'll need to give them a head count ahead of time. Our August meeting will be Wednesday, August 11th at the usual 2pm for cards and games in Krysher Hall. For August bring your card/board games and your own beverage. Hope to see you soon. My number is in the directory.

## **Music Ministry**



Jody Bowes, Music Director

At long last, choir rehearsals will resume on Thursday, August 19 at 6:30 pm in the Krysher Hall music room! Bring your voice and love of singing!



#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Connie Mehr, Treasurer
As of May 31, 2021

	This Month	Year to Date	2021 Budget	
Revenues				
Core Church	36,384.37	145,395.97	320,044.00	
Thrift Shop	2,286.46	4,630.22	30,150.00	
Total Revenues	38,670.83	150,026.19	350,194.00	
Expenses				
Core Church	26,484.04	140,551.35	333,044.00	
Thrift Shop	1,127.04	8,431.72	17,150.00	
Total Expenses	27,611.08	148,983.07	350,194.00	
Net Gain/Loss				
Core Church	9,900.33	30,442.84	(13,000.00)	
Thrift Shop	1,159.42	(3,801.50)	13,000.00	
Total	11,059.75	1,043.12	0.00	
Investments		Bank Accounts		
SSGA	108,000.61	Sun Trust		
Alliance Bernstein	30,007.17	Unrestricted	33,877.03	
		Restricted	169,691.11	
		Discretionary	615.51	
Total 138,007.78 Total			204,183.65	

June Attendance								
Week Ending Sat./Sunday	* Other Services	Sat. 4 pm	Sunday 8 am	Sunday 10:30 am	Total			
June 5/6		45	23	69	137			
June 12/13		46	26	74	146			
June 19/20		52	27	75	154			
June 26/27		37	26	67	130			
TOTAL		180	102	285	567			
AVERAGE		45	26	72	142			

#### **June 2021**

Transfers in: 0
Transfers out: 0

Deaths: Charles Giarratana

Funerals: 0
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,
Bradley Meissner, Karen MondayGresham, Rhett Roy, Tracy Thomas,
Courtney Foster McCorvey,
Peter Turner, & Mary Turner.

# Please call the office with updates to this list.



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#### **Sunday Services**

8 am Service 10:30 am Service

#### **Saturday Services**

4 pm Service (no music)

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Mon. ,Wed. , & Thurs. 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

#### **Diocese Website**

www.episcopalswfl.org

#### The Parish Chimes Editors

Lisa Jackson & Debbie Smith

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- 3 Zane Stymiest
- 6 Glee Gates
- 7 Patricia Chapyak
- 7 Emma Ruth
- 8 Lilian Bolchazy
- 8 Judy Colmery
- 9 Marjorie Campbell
- 13 Anthony Acquaviva
- 13 John Bowes

- 14 Phylis Mercer
- 15 Joan Hammell
- 15 Laura Laveroni
- 18 Heather Claggett
- 18 Ted Stymiest
- 19 Ellie Wilcox
- 20 Carmen Milbuta
- 22 Elena Gregson
- 23 Barbara Hood
- 24 Sarah Hutchinson

- 24 Dorothy Owens
- 24 Liz Hamilton
- 25 Barbara Ingram
- 26 Joanne Lillpopp
- 27 Lisa Jackson
- 29 Nancy Pignatiello
- 29 Dale Hatch
- 31 Kristina Hutchinson
- 31 Bonnie Staveski



3 Katherine & David Ward 9 Edna and James Wood 19 Marjorie & Harry Campbell



- 1 Donna Sievers
- 3 JoAnn Bowe
- 4 Craig Gates
- 4 Aaron Lewis
- 5 Larry Harrelson
- 7 Ann Esposito
- 7 Lill Giordano
- 8 Bob Burton
- 10 Janet Stephens

- 14 Mervis Lewis
- 14 James Wood
- 16 Carole Levesque
- 16 Marie Julian
- 17 Gabriel Lightburn
- 17 Janet Crisfield
- 18 Norma Leavenworth
- 19 Lisa Brennert
- 20 Helen Sharp

- 22 Derek Newman
- 23 Susan Meissener
- 25 Milia Julian
- 26 Claudia Milledge
- 27 John Caamano
- 28 Zane Lewis
- 28 Sally Roberts
- 31 Marilyn Dietzel



- 10 Debbie and Hal Smith
- 11 Diana and Philip Seminerio
- 15 Emily Ann and Clay Lindsey
- 23 Colleen and Rich Kovacs
- 25 Vonetta and David Lightburn
- 26 Bev and Phil Clohset