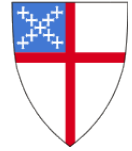


St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Parish Chimes



An Ancient Faith for a Modern World

June 2021



From the Rector

Dear Friends,

It is hard to believe that it is June already. Like last year this one has been pretty strange and it feels odd now to be working our way back to normal. In fact, there seems to be no real consensus on what "normal" is anymore. Still it is really nice to be able to see people without masks again and to be able to see their faces, their expressions, and their smiles!

Bishop Smith has told us that for those who have been fully vaccinated we can begin to meet without masks and without social distancing. Furthermore after my last meeting with the clergy of our diocese I found out that we can begin singing in church once more! Although for those who have not been vaccinated it is still strongly encouraged that they continue with wearing masks and keeping socially distant from others.

I will once again begin holding the Adult Formation classes on Saturdays after the 4 pm service. The class begins around 5 pm. Craig Gates has offered to Zoom the Saturday class so those who are our snowbirds and those who are homebound are still able to attend class. The Sunday morning Adult Formation class begins at 9:15 am between the two Sunday morning services. (If you would like to join the Saturday class via Zoom, please let me know so you can receive a Zoom invitation.) The new series is on Symbols and Symbolism in the Holy Eucharist.

Our repairs are pretty much complete from the lightning strike we received in April. We are back up and running and better than before! God has indeed blessed us! Steve Smith and I have installed four new speakers in the church to provide for a more balanced sound. Hopefully everyone will be able to hear more clearly now.

We have entered the season after Pentecost. This is a "green" season, the season for growth. You may recall that we started the year with the season of Advent, looking forward to the coming of Christ. Then there

was the season of Christmas, the celebration of Jesus' first coming to earth. Then the season of Epiphany, the season of realizing that Jesus really is God in a human being. Then the season of Lent with the 40 days of where we considered those areas of our lives where we need to improve how we are living our Christian lives. Then we have the glorious season of Easter when we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Pentecost we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and now, now we have the season after Pentecost. Each season in its way celebrates or commemorates the life of Christ. In this season after Pentecost it is the life of Christ in His church; it is the life of Christ in us! This season takes us through the rest of our Christian year.

So what does growth look like for us as Christians? In this season we attempt to strengthen our Christian life through understanding better why we believe what we believe. As we understand our faith better we are less likely to falter and doubt in times of trouble and grief. During this season too is a good time to add a new discipline to our spiritual life. In the same way that an athlete or musician improves through the discipline of practice we as Christians need to work on improving our Christian walk of faith. We may want to add a discipline of a daily prayer time or to add praying for a particular person or situation to our current list. We may want to add a discipline of a daily time to read the Bible. There are other disciplines as well that we could add but those two are great ones with which to begin. Strengthening our faith and adding virtues are ways we grow as Christians in our faith.

Of course, regular church attendance helps us to grow in our faith as well and I hope that I continue to see more and more of you in church, particularly as this pandemic winds down (thanks be to God).

Warmly in Christ,

Fr. Lance+

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Sr. Warden's Remarks

Mike Ludwell, Sr. Warden



Well, summer is finally upon us. To be precise, it will arrive at 11:32 P.M. on June 20. As Psalm 74 says, "You made summer and winter and gave them to the earth." Just as we enter a new season, so are we finally beginning to enter a new time for our church. We are able to return to the church services with which we are so familiar. To be sure it will be gradual, but it is coming. For those who have received both doses of the vaccine masks will no longer be required. There will be an area of the church for those who have not yet been able to avail themselves of the opportunity. The elements will be presented once again as in the past. We will still only receive the host and Father will continue to go between pews distributing it, but it is hoped that will not be for much longer. We are not quite ready for the choir to resume their ministry as we are waiting for additional direction from the bishop. Let me end by stating that we need to be patient for just a little longer. Things are changing for the better.

"God, the one and only-
I'll wait as long as He says.
Everything I hope for comes from Him,"

So why not? -Psalm 62:6

Ministry News

Altar Guild



Glee Gates, Director
Patti Werner, Assistant Director

As Altar Guild members, we are sometimes asked about all kinds of things associated with the church, the vestments, preparation for the Eucharist and the Altar.

We are often asked about crucifix above the altar at St. Andrew's and why it does not portray anguish or misery as most representations of the crucifixion do. Ours is actually a Christus Rex.

The earliest depictions of the crucifixion show Christ upon the cross, with body erect and with arms stretched straight out. He is clothed either in a long robe or with a loin cloth. There is no attempt to be realistic or to emphasize suffering or agony.

The modern "Christus Rex" crucifix is in the same tradition. Christ stands erect in front of a cross, with arms straight out. The body may be clothed in modern, western Eucharistic vestments, and there may be a crown on the head.

The image portrays several concepts at the same time: the historic event of the crucifixion, Christ as the King in his kingdom, and Christ as the victorious sacrifice in the Eucharistic feast.

We are always available to answer questions and invite anyone interested in joining the Altar Guild to contact one of us or Fr. Lance.

Have a safe and healthy summer whether you stay here in Spring Hill or travel to another part of the country. May God's blessings be with you.

Pastoral Care

Janet Crisfield



As I write this I cannot believe that it has been over a year since the Pastoral Care team has not been able to serve our parish family in our usual way. In consultation with Fr Lance, a list of parishioners that were in care communities and homebound due to infirmities and high risk to leave home was assembled. Members of the Pastoral Care Team each took a number of persons and called and/or sent cards each month. Over the past year the average number on the list was about 28.

This past month some facilities have opened up to visitation within strict guidelines. Each facility is a little different but we have been 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.

The Craft Group

Patti Werner



Our meeting in June will be our 4th meeting. It is so wonderful that we can continue to meet, enjoy crafts together and socialize! If you enjoy doing a craft, bring it to our

next meeting on Wednesday June 23rd at 1pm in Krysher Hall. Maybe you haven't done a craft in a while, this is a great way to get started. We'd love to meet you and share each other's ideas and talents. So many crafts, so little time, where to start. If you have a friend and/or neighbor that likes to craft, bring them along. So far the crafts we've seen being enjoyed are knitting, crochet, wind chime creation, painting, guitar building, word search puzzle and embroidery. We meet for 2 hours. Bring your own beverage. If you have any questions, please call me, I'm in the directory.

The Belles of St. Andrew's



Patti Werner

The Belles had several enjoyable games of Bingo at our May meeting with fun prizes for the winners. For June we will meet on the 9th at 2pm in Krysher Hall for cards and board games. Do you have a favorite card game or board game that you'd like to share? Keep in mind that we only meet for 2 hours, so bring games that move along quickly. Bring your own beverage and snack. This club is open to all single ladies at St. Andrew's. If you haven't attended any meetings, please join us, we love to socialize and are so pleased to be able to do so once again. If you have any questions, please give me a call, I'm in the directory.



TREASURER'S REPORT

Connie Mehr, Treasurer
As of **April 30, 2021**

	This Month	Year to Date	2021 Budget
Revenues			
Core Church	30,531.00	134,609.82	327,044.00
Thrift Shop	2,340.60	2,343.76	30,150.00
Total Revenues	32,871.60	136,953.58	357,194.00
Expenses			
Core Church	30,613.74	114,067.31	340,170.00
Thrift Shop	2,742.80	7,304.68	17,024.00
Total Expenses	33,356.54	121,371.99	357,194.00
Net Gain/Loss			
Core Church	(82.74)	20,542.51	(13,126.00)
Thrift Shop	(402.20)	(4,960.92)	13,126.00
Total	(484.94)	15,581.59	0.00
Investments		Bank Accounts	
SSGA	121,896.43	Sun Trust	
Alliance Bernstein	30,007.17	Unrestricted	18,122.89
		Restricted	161,947.64
		Discretionary	615.51
Total	151,903.60	Total	180,686.04

May 2021

Transfers in: 1

Transfers out: 1

Deaths: Ralph Guyadeen 5/5/21
Helen Schwartz 5/15/21Funerals: Stanley Bedford 5/28/21
Helen Schwartz 5/29/21

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.**

May Attendance

Week Ending Sat./Sunday	* Other Services	Sat. 4 pm	Sunday 8 am	Sunday 10:30 am	Total
May 1/2		45	35	77	157
May 8/9		46	37	77	160
May 15/16		57	34	69	160
May 22/23		63	30	72	165
May 29/30	*50	43	26	69	188
TOTAL	50	254	162	364	830
AVERAGE		51	33	73	166



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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

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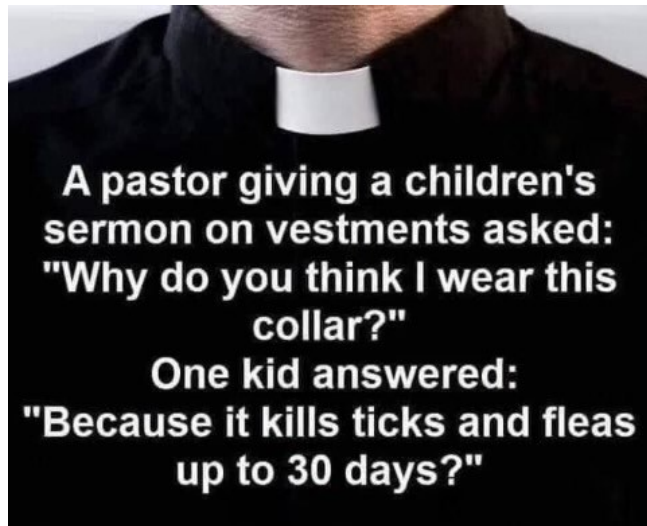
The Parish Chimes Editors

Lisa Jackson & Debbie Smith



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

2 Beverly Blickensdorf	9 Georgianna Gault	20 Colleen Kovacs
2 Gene Laveroni	10 Helen Nouza	20 Kathryn Bangs
2 Gloria Lewis	12 Jennifer Meissner	24 Barbara Johansen
2 Gloria Sumner	13 Austin Cole	24 Joe Monday
2 Donna Schauer	16 Carla Newman	26 Marlene Christie
3 Junette Holmes	16 Bradley Meissner	29 Pat Hubbell
5 Edna Wood	18 Bev Clohset	30 Edward Farrell
5 Skip Joyce	18 Anthony Clifton	30 John Crouse
5 Julian Barry	19 Angelina Meissner	30 Rita Watson-Trapp
8 Jeff Leavenworth		



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JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

2 Veronica & Maurice Smith	26 Caroline and Bob Meissner
3 Marion & Michael McClelland	27 Glee and Craig Gates
12 Nancy and George Cotter	28 Charlotte and Edward Farrell
19 Mary and Leeroy Clark	28 Janet and Ralph Guyadeen
25 Gretchen Murray and Fredrick Larham	28 Laura and Gene Laveroni