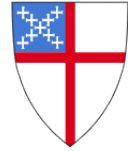


St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Parish Chimes



An Ancient Faith for a Modern World

March 2021



From the Rector

Dear Friends,

Once again we are in the season of Lent. We fast, we stop drinking wine or eating chocolate or something 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 was sent off into the wilderness to be tested by the Evil One. After passing that time of testing, 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 Death. 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. We try to lay aside and exercise self-control over those parts of our lives having to do with our bodies and mortality. We are going to leave our mortality and all that pertains to it behind! God is going to give us new spir-

itual bodies, ones that don't wear out and develop problems like the ones we now have. 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 prepare for Easter; how do we prepare for our coming immortality? We are preparing in two ways aren't we? One is to exercise self-discipline like fasting from chocolate or wine or something nice that we like to do. We do this to develop control over our physical bodies. The other preparation is spiritual. We are trying to refocus our hearts on our heavenly home. We do this by making time to meditate, pray, and read God's word. People are encouraged to pick up new spiritual disciplines. We also have Lenten devotionals for you in the narthex to help.

So how can we say, "Have a blessed Lent?" We mean that during this time of Lent, may you develop a greater awareness of our coming immortality and see afresh the glory of Christ's mighty resurrection and victory over Death. 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



"O Captain! My Captain! Our fearful trip is done, The ship has weather'd every rack, the prize we sought is won." -Walt Whitman

Most elementary students read the poem of Mr. Whitman. It was an allegory about Abraham Lincoln.

However, without much imagination it could also refer to the pandemic we have faced for the last year. There is good news! While the positivity rate is somewhat high, the vaccination rate is constantly growing. After a rather long and positive vestry/retreat meeting, it was decided that we should start to reinstate some ministries on a gradual basis. Your vestry members are very aware that providing outreach is important for our congregation. So, here is a short list of our future plans. * Thrift shop - tentative reopening date is March 29 * Food Pantry - a target population has been identified from the VPK program housed on church property. We will be asking the congregation to start donating again. * Altar Guild - while having to maintain safe distancing, the altar guild is functioning effectively. * Ushers/Greeters - this ministry is functioning well, but we can always use more members. * Back-Pack ministry - this ministry is driven by the school district's calendar. It provides food for children over the weekend. * Men's and Single Women's ministry - plans are being developed to begin meeting again.

As you can see, things are beginning to get back to normal, although we still have to be patient. But, we are on our way to returning to God's work without endangering ourselves and the recipients of the ministries.

Treasurer's Tidbits

Connie Mehr



A reminder that if you need your 2020 annual giving statement, please call or email the church office to request that yours be mailed to you.

Another reminder: If you are attending services online from home and are not donating to the church, we ask that you consider doing so. It is easy to do from home—just hit the "Donate" button at the top of the St. Andrew's Webpage and follow the prompts.

Buildings & Grounds

Hal Smith



As spring and Easter season approaches, Steve and the grounds committee have the campus looking outstanding. We have just finished replacing the roofs on the Sanctuary, Krysher Hall, the walk-way and the office and they look great. We are now in the processes of scheduling the replacement of the roof for the Thrift Shop in early March prior to their reopening. Steve has done a great job of painting, keeping trees trimmed and making sure our campus grounds stand out in the community. Again, thanks to Craig, Glee and Debbie for the outstanding work they have accomplished in Memorial Gardens. Our beautiful Gardens are ready for the final touches and completion. As you can see, we have put curbing around the statues and plant life and it looks great. Beginning in March, we will replant the sod, put mulch around the plants and rock around the statue. Next week, the engraver will begin the polishing of the eternal garden markers in Memorial Gardens and the cross outside of Krysher Hall. We are looking forward to having the Church and its grounds ready for all the community to enjoy during Easter.

Ministry News

Altar Guild



Glee Gates, Director
Patti Werner, Assistant Director

Welcome to the March Chimes and the season of Lent. It is a somber time of the liturgical year. The church is not adorned with flowers and all the crosses are covered. In addition, the liturgical color of purple that is used is symbolic of repentance and self-reflection. Your Altar Guild continues to provide all preparations with reverence and love as we move forward through Lent, Holy Week and Easter. It's likely we will have celebrated Easter by the time the April Chimes comes out so we wish you a joyous and blessed Easter season.

The Belles of St. Andrew's

Patti Werner



The Belles will now be able to meet again, with masks and distancing. We'll kick off the year with a get together at Krysher Hall on Thursday March 11th at 10:30 am for a game of Bingo. Bring your lunch and beverage. It would be fun if each lady donates an

item to be used as a Bingo prize. Please bring ideas of events so we can plan for get togethers for the rest of the year. Call me to let me know if you plan to attend. 352-799-6104

Calling All Crafters!!!

Patti Werner



A brand new crafting group for St. Andrew's parishioners and friends since many of us enjoy crafting and creating. Let's get together and do that craft together. It is always fun to share our talents and learn from each other while we meet new friends. Whatever you are working on; crochet, knit, hand sewing, embroidery, drawing, coloring, jewelry or any number of other portable crafts, let's do them together. We'll start off meeting at Krysher Hall on Thursday March 25th at 10:30 am to noon. Bring your beverage. We will need to wear our masks and observe distancing. Call me to let me know if you plan to attend or have questions. 352-799-6104.

Lifeline Screening



Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings on **Saturday, March 6th at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church**. Four screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke.

Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests + Osteoporosis screening for \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). The screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount please call 1-888-653-6450 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitypartners or text CIRCLE to 797979.

Being proactive about your health by knowing your risks helps you and your doctor address problems early.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Connie Mehr, Treasurer
As of **January 31, 2021**

	This Month	Year to Date	2020 Budget
Revenues			
Core Church	35,502.41	35,502.41	320,044.00
Thrift Shop			30,150.00
Total Revenues	35,502.41	35,502.41	350,194.00
Expenses			
Core Church	28,344.73	28,344.73	333,044.00
Thrift Shop	1,491.42	1,491.42	17,150.00
Total Expenses	29,936.15	29,936.15	350,194.00
Net Gain/Loss			
Core Church	7,157.68	7,157.68	(13,000.00)
Thrift Shop	(1,491.42)	(1,491.42)	13,000.00
Total	5,666.26	5,666.26	
Investments		Bank Accounts	
SSGA	113,402.91	Sun Trust	
Alliance Bernstein	30,922.38	Unrestricted	12,664.60
		Restricted	35,380.87
		Discretionary	240.51
Total	144,325.29	Total	48,285.98

February 2021

Transfers in: 0

Transfers out: 0

Deaths: Ron Fedoryk 2/21/21

Funerals: Donald J. Burleson, Sr. 2/9/21

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.**

February Attendance

Week Ending Sat./Sunday	* Other Services	Sat. 4 pm	Sunday 8 am	Sunday 10:30 am	Total
February 6/7		43	28	43	114
February 13/14		44	28	47	119
February 20/21	*60	41	30	52	183
February 27/28		56	35	66	157
TOTAL	*60	184	121	208	573
AVERAGE		46	31	52	144



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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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MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1 Pat Culverhouse
2 Ron Parks
3 Betty Lou Baird
4 Susan Fiegel-Rapp
4 Rebecca Whilby
5 Sherri Haun
7 George Cotter
7 Lorraine Eylward
7 Nancy Skinner
10 Mark Traudt
12 Marion McClelland
12 Caroline Meissner

16 Hank McInturff
17 Cliff Dubiel
17 Jackie McCabe
17 Norman Neill
18 Sarah Lillpopp
18 James Skinner
19 David Ward
20 Justin Lightburn
21 Beverly McDougal
21 Charlie DeCosa
22 Linda Comey
23 Doris Derer

24 Fred Julian
24 Lillian Lambert-Mulholland
27 Susan Villnow
29 Audrey Mack
30 Ron Grant
30 Margaret Hanel
30 Philip Seminerio
31 Tiberio Cevallos
31 Fred Kull
31 Gail Niedurny



Doris Derer

Celebrates 100th Birthday

One hundred years ago on March 23, 1921 our fellow parishioner Doris Derer was born in England where she lived with her parents and was blessed with many siblings, cousins and aunts and uncles nearby. She experienced living through the Great Depression and the horrors of the bombings during WWII. In 1945 she married an American serviceman, Joseph Derer. She came to America in 1945 and lived in New Jersey near other British war brides while Joe completed his service in the South Pacific. They remained in New Jersey and raised a son and a daughter. Doris worked as a librarian at a university.

Doris and Joe relocated to Spring Hill in the early 80's. Initially Doris was not that pleased seeing herself as a "city girl". At that time Spring Hill was very much the country. For example, County Line Road was still dirt and Mariner did not go all the way down to County Line. Nonetheless, Doris adjusted and became active in Community Theatre, belly dancing, jazzercise and ballroom dancing.

After Joe died in 2009 Doris began to attend St. Andrew's and was active in the Altar Guild. Currently Doris resides at Brookdale Senior Living here in Spring Hill.

She enjoys Bingo and socializing there, as well as visits, cards and calls from the Pastoral Care Team and other friends from St. Andrew's. We thank God for blessing Doris with a long and full life as well as enabling us to be a part of it.

- Janet Crisfield



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