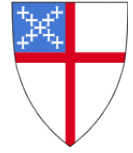


St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Parish Chimes



An Ancient Faith for a Modern World

May 2021



From the Rector

Dear Friends,

Although Easter Sunday is now behind us, we are still in the season of Easter and will be for the rest of the month of May. As we begin Holy Communion every week I say what is called the proper preface. This preface changes with every season. But in the season of Easter I say the following: "But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life."

This is a remarkable prayer. We say that of all the things for which we praise God, and of course, there are many, the chief thing is for the glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ. Typically we thank God for our daily food. We thank God for health and his help throughout our days. We thank and praise God for our family and friends. We thank and praise God for our homes, our jobs, and our community. But do we really thank God for the resurrection of Jesus Christ? I mean outside of church? In fact, it is the chief thing for which we praise God we really ought to be thanking him and praising Him for it even outside of church.

I think one reason we typically do not praise and thank God for the resurrection is that we simply take it for granted. It is a historical fact. It is something with which we had nothing to do, and it seems that it has nothing to do with us now. And I suppose in a sense that is right. We had nothing to do with the resurrection any more than we had anything to do with our own physical birth. But in the same way we ought not to take our own lives for granted but we ought to be thankful for our creation; in that same way we need to remember what God did for us in and through the resurrection of Jesus Christ and be thankful.

It is through the resurrection that we have peace with God—we have been reconciled with God; our sins are no longer between God and us. (Jesus is the true Paschal Lamb who died for our sins.) We also have been made into new people, a new creation through Jesus Christ and his resurrection. We have this new life now which is an eternal life again through his resurrection. Do you see where this leads? Everything about our Christian life is dependent upon the resurrection of Jesus Christ. THAT is why we are chiefly bound, obligated, to praise God for the resurrection.

This is one of the main reasons that during this season we say, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Because it is this season we especially remember and thank God for glorious resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

This month we start again the Episcopal Traditions classes. These classes have two purposes. The first is to give people who are interested in becoming members of St. Andrew's an overview of who we are. The second purpose is to provide a refresher course to those who are already members but would be interested in learning perhaps more of the why we do things and from where we have come. In this brief 4 week, 30 minute course we cover what beliefs are the most important, what we believe about the sacraments, church history, low church, high church, broad church, church behavior, Christian symbols, sacred time and even more. It is, as you can see, an information packed class. If you would like to become a member, or if you would be interested in learning more about your church, you are welcome to join us; we will be meeting the first 4 Sundays of May at noon in the narthex chapel.

Warmly in
Christ,

Fr. Lance+

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Sr. Warden's Remarks



Mike Ludwell, Sr. Warden

“As for me, I will always have hope; I will praise you more and more.”
- Psalm 71:14

That which we all hoped for appears to be becoming close to being realized. The COVID vaccination rate for Hernando County continues to increase. Accordingly, the church vestry has decided to reopen certain ministries on a limited basis. The thrift shop has reopened three days a week. Also, the food pantry and Bells are starting to meet again. If all continues going well the men's group intends to regroup and start meeting again in June. Now is the time to remain patient and continue to hope the trend will continue. It truly is a time to praise God.

Buildings & Grounds



Hal Smith

Spring is here and the grounds and the church looks fabulous. As you can see, the Memorial Garden is finished. Many thanks go out to Craig and Glee Gates, Debbie Smith, and Steve Smith for their hard work over the last six months. It is truly one of a kind and one of the most beautiful in the area and our community. Steve is doing a wonderful job keeping the grounds and exterior clean and beautiful. Our church is truly one of the most prominent church campuses in the area. The interior of our church is also one of the most prominent in the area thanks to Vi Smith, who is in charge of the cleaning of our church interior and we all get to enjoy it. We as a congregation are proud that our church stands out in our community and all of us should go out of our way to invite community members to partake in all the services that we provide.

Ministry News

Altar Guild



Glee Gates, Director
Patti Werner, Assistant Director

A special thank you to the Altar Guild members who spent countless hours performing their duties, adding extra schedules and attending Holy Week services. We are blessed by the dedication, commitment and team-

work of this ministry and the volunteers who assisted the Altar Guild in so many ways.

Our Easter seasons have brought us together as a church family in worship, reflection and spiritual growth. Our White Alleluia frontal has adorned the Altar and the Paschal Candle has been up front next to the Altar. The Paschal candle is the first candle, to be lit from the new fire that we did at the Easter Vigil. It represents the resurrection of Jesus and is lit first at every service in Easter season.

The last week of May the Altar colors will change to green as the color of living things and of God's creation.

As the snowbirds begin to head north for the summer, we wish them a blessed season and a safe return to us in the fall. We missed many of our church family due to the inability to travel and pray as we move forward we all have the freedom to travel once again.

May you continue to stay safe, well and in God's care until next time.



The Belles of St. Andrew's



Patti Werner

Our next get together will be Wednesday, May 12th at 2pm in Krysher Hall for Bingo. Bring an item for the prize table. Please contact me to let me know if you can attend in May.

The Daughters of the King



Vera Scharf

We will be starting a series of classes next month for those who are interested in becoming a Daughter of the King. We will hold an informative meeting first to explain our Order and let you know why it is necessary to take classes before being admitted to the Order. You will have the opportunity to ask questions and better understand the Order.

All women are welcome to join. You do not need any special qualifications, just a wish to grow closer to God and help others do the same.

Even if you have already spoken to one of us about joining please call me @727-863-2119 or my cell 727-457-3630, or call Jeri Mikosz @352-345-0862.

We will give you more details then.

The Craft Group



Patti Werner

Our next meeting will be Wednesday May 26th in Krysher Hall at 1pm. Bring a craft you are working on and socialize. If you would like to learn to paint on a wooden picture frame there will be an instructor and supplies available.



TREASURER'S REPORT

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

	This Month	Year to Date	2021 Budget
Revenues			
Core Church	34,169.04	104,078.82	327,044.00
Thrift Shop			30,150.00
Total Revenues	34,169.04	104,078.82	357,194.00
Expenses			
Core Church	26,893.74	83,453.57	340,170.00
Thrift Shop	1,561.35	4,561.88	17,024.00
Total Expenses	28,455.09	88,015.45	357,194.00
Net Gain/Loss			
Core Church	7,275.30	20,625.325	(13,126.00)
Thrift Shop	(1,561.35)	(4,561.88)	13,126.00
Total	5,713.95	16,063.37	0.00
Investments		Bank Accounts	
SSGA	117,970.25	Sun Trust	
Alliance Bernstein	30,007.17	Unrestricted	42,857.57
		Restricted	154,588.29
		Discretionary	240.51
Total	147,977.42	Total	197,686.37

April 2021

Transfers in: 0
 Transfers out: 2
 Deaths: Lois Smith 4/15/21
 Stanley Bedford 4/18/21
 Funerals: Richard C. Welter 4/16/21
 Baptisms: 0
 Confirmed: 0
 Received: 0
 Weddings: Mary & Alan Trosky 4/10/21



**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.**

April Attendance

Week Ending Sat./Sunday	* Other Services	Sat. 4 pm	Sunday 8 am	Sunday 10:30 am	Total
April 3/4	*147	46	54	119	366
April 10/11	*62	49	30	52	193
April 17/18	*20	52	25	63	160
April 24/25		47	34	74	155
TOTAL	229	194	143	308	874
AVERAGE	77	49	36	77	219

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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



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| 1 Raymond Curtis | 13 Russell Julian | 27 Barbara Warren |
| 1 Craig Meissner | 14 Dawson Lightburn | 28 Lauren Roy |
| 1 Artie Giordano | 17 Ann Lалlos | 28 Roger Roy |
| 1 Arthur Milbuta | 18 Jerrelyn Fortin | 28 Sarah Shaw |
| 1 Sue Monday | 19 Jim Dodge | 29 Pat Johnson |
| 2 Tammi Fernandez | 19 Janie Fritz | 31 Alwyn Dunbar |
| 3 Anne Lee | 21 James Bethoney | |
| 3 Dylan Meissner | 22 Jerry Yoerg | |
| 4 Ileta M. Monahan | 24 Ed Risley | |
| 6 Jane McCarthy | 25 Deb Wilks | |
| 10 Margot Herbert | 26 George Hamblin | |
| 11 Carol Tucker | 26 Fr. Don Lillpopp | |



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| 7 Leslie & John Nabil | 18 Karen & Ed Risley |
| 8 Lucia & Tiberio Cevallos | 23 Michelle & Craig Meissner |
| 8 Russell & Susan Meissner | 23 Fr. Lance & Diane Wallace |
| 12 Jeff & Norma Leavenworth | 24 Carolyn & Irving Melber |
| 13 Margie & Bob Burton | 31 Alwyn & Anthony Dunbar |