

Parish Chimes

An Ancient Faith for a Modern World

September 2022

From the Rector

Dear Friends,

We have made it through the Florida summer! In September the weather should become a little cooler. And here at St. Andrew's September is usually a time when we start up all those programs that went idle during the summer. Unfortunately we are still dealing with Covid so we will be trying to balance starting up programs along with applying safe practices. We will be moving the taped off areas in church to the side aisles. At this point, it seems that most of our people do feel pretty safe with having had their vaccines and booster shots (or having already had Covid.) We will keep the masks available and keep the taped off areas for those who feel vulnerable. We will keep using the small intinction chalices during Holy Communion but also we will go back to the altar rail and offer to sip from the chalice for those who desire it.

Our first celebration of this new program year is a church spaghetti dinner! It will be on Wednesday, September 14th at 5:30 in Krysher Hall. I will be showing pictures of my Sabbatical and describing some of the highlights of what we did and where we went. Diane and I had a enjoyable and restful trip. I hope you will be able to join us for the dinner and pictures.

But wait there's more! Our Healing services will resume again starting September 7th at 10 am on Wednesdays. I am asking to meet with OSL members the weekend of September 10 and 11 after each service in order to restart that ministry. Adult formation classes have resumed. These classes are held Saturdays at 5 pm after the Saturday services and run for 45 minutes. There is also a class on Sunday morning at 9:15 that runs until 10 am. These classes are topical in nature covering Christian history, liturgy, and various Bible topics. We will also restart our Adult Bible study. The class will begin again September 21st and continue on Wednesdays. We will meet at 3 pm in the chapel. Our first

study will be on Paul's epistle to the Colossians. Jody is planning for the choir to resume soon too, so those who enjoy singing; keep your voices ready! The Ladies Bible study will resume on September 15th as well. And the men's group will continue with their every other Friday meetings at 9 am.

The Back-pack ministry is already packing food for the elementary school children at Deltona Elementary. The food pantry is continuing to supply food for our pre-school families. The thrift store is open and providing a much needed service for our community. And of course the Altar Guild, the Pastoral Ministry, the Greeters and Ushers, the Readers, the LEMs, the computer and camera operators are still serving every week.

So what about you? Are you planning to get involved somewhere, somehow in the classes and ministries of St. Andrew's? I hope you are because it is important for you to be involved. You see, Scripture teaches us that we all need to grow spiritually, that is, to act more like Jesus and to think more like Him. It is important to learn, and certainly that is foundational, but, it is also very important to serve as well. It is as if one wants to become a chess player. It is important to learn the rules of chess and to learn some game strategy but to really become a chess player one must actually go play chess with someone. And the same is true for us as Christians. We do need to learn about our faith. What did Jesus teach us? What is it that we truly believe? But then we need to get out and actually practice our faith and our faith is all about serving others.

So I encourage you this year to join one of the Bible studies to learn more about our faith and then find some place to serve.

Warmly in Christ, Fr. Lance



Sabbatical Summary

Craig Gates
Matthew 18:20



"When believers get together God is with them."

The last three months at St. Andrew's have been filled with wonderful happenings and blessings that show God has indeed been with us. We are so thankful and blessed that Fr. Fred led us in worship and inspired us with his words and presence. In addition, the sabbatical committee, church ministries and many volunteers stepped up to make sure the church ran successfully in Fr. Lance's absence. He and Diane have returned safely to us rested, renewed and ready to kick off our fall schedule. May God continue to bless us with His presence to guide us in all that we do.

Senior Warden Comments

 $Hal\ Smith$

I learned something in our Men's Group Bible Study that I would like to share with all of you. Take time during your busy day to pray and ask God to help and guide you. However, take some time for peace and quiet to listen to him. Remember, as it says in Psalm 46, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."

It is great to have Diane and Father Lance back to leads us. Thank you to Father Fred and Vera for their leadership during that time. The Sabbatical team did a great job in leading us as well. To the Staff of Lisa, Connie, Steve and Debbie - Thank You. May God Bless All of you and this Church.

Jr. Warden's Report

Hal Smith



The Buildings and grounds are looking great. Thanks go out to Steve, Craig and Steve Bolchazy for their hard work during a very hot summer. Our Memorial Gardens is one of the most beautiful areas of reflection and prayer in the Spring Hill Community, thanks to Debbie, Steve and Craig.

Altar Guild

Glee Gates



Altar guilds are groups

of men and women organized in ways who are called to serve God by preparing and tending the places where his people worship. Altar work is a thank offering of time and talents, a ministry of love undertaken in the name of Christ. The Altar Guild is the priest's partner in making the actual worship service run smoothly. Altar duties require a willingness to give....to God and His church

The Altar Guild is a ministry, a calling. Quietly, devotedly, reverently, reliably the members prepare the sanctuary for all services as we worship the Risen Christ. When asked, the answer should be "Here I am" (Isaiah 6:8)

This ministry does not require a great deal of your time, just devotion and faithfulness to our Lord and Savior for whom we prepare the sacraments each week.

We invite you to join us in this ministry. Please contact:

Glee Gates Patti Werner



Congregational Administrator

Glee Gates

We are often asked to help when we don't want to expend the time or the energy or just don't feel like making the effort. But what does the Bible say about serving (helping)?

In James we read that "Faith without works is dead". In 1 Peter, we read "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace."

We are not only asked to serve, but God expects us to serve. Serving is helping and every ministry here at St. Andrew's is in need. It is no one's "job" to greet each week and serve as ushers. It is no one's "job" to read God's word from the Old and New Testaments each week. It is no one's "job" to assist with the intinction chalices during communion. These are everyone's "jobs" and they are currently being done by those of you who have come forward to serve our God, our church and one another and we thank you all so much!

Do you notice the same people doing the same things week after week? This is not a special club that only a few can join! EVERYONE is blessed with special talents and gifts to share. We have lost many of our faithful volunteers due to poor health, age, disabilities and death. It is up to each of us to step forward and fulfill the needs of our church.

This is an appeal to each of you. If you are unsure what ministry is right for you, pray for direction and guidance. If you are hesitant about what to do or who to contact, call the office and you will be directed to someone who can answer your questions. Below are the congregational administrators who schedule each service. They can assist with questions about ushering, reading, operating the service screens and serving

the intinction chalices. Please consider volunteering and giving of yourself, your time and your talents to the glory of God.

4:00 pm & all special services— Glee Gates

8:00 am—Sharon Dunham 10:30 am—Patti Werner

Men's Group Craig Gates



St. Andrew's Men's Group continues to meet the 2nd & 4th Fridays of each month at 9:00 am in the chapel. We would like to extend a personal invitation to all men to attend our meetings. We enjoy fellowship, fun, learning and growth through sharing and understanding God's word.

Please see Fr. Lance, Craig Gates or Hal Smith if you have further questions.



Music Notes

Jody Bowes, Director of Music

Choir rehearsals have been delayed due to the increase in COVID illnesses but we hope to resume before the end of September. Please check your weekly church announcements for the date.

It will be such a blessing to have our singers together again and to prepare music to share at our 10:30 am services. Please consider joining us on Thursdays at 6 pm if you like to sing.

Pastoral Care

Janet Crisfield

The Pastoral Care Ministry is dedicated to bringing the presence of Christ to parishioners that are unable to come to regular services either on a temporary or on-going basis. This follows the tradition of the earliest Christians bringing bread and wine from services to those unable to come.

Many of our members are licensed Lay Eucharistic visitors and bring communion. Some of our members also belong to the Order of Saint Luke and are also able to anoint for healing. That being said, it is not necessary to be or do either.

We provide visits to the homebound, hospitalized, those in rehab or extended care facilities. In 2017, 901 visits were made. We meet bi-monthly during the regular church year. Training and screening is required of anyone wishing to join this rewarding and important ministry. If you are interested in learning more please call Janet Crisfield at 352-796-9389 or Father Lance at the church 352-683-2010.

If you need or know of a fellow parishioner that could benefit from this ministry please call the church at 3520-683-2010.



Blessing of the Animals will be Sunday, Oct 2nd at 2:30. Please bring your pets in cages or on leashes.



Bereavement

Debbie Smith

I am in need of a few folks to help with receptions after funerals. Fortunately this doesn't happen often but I need assistance in set up and clean up. Please email me if you are willing to serve as needed.

mgr.standrews@gmail.com

Welcome Back Dinner

Debbie Smith

We are planning a "welcome back" dinner for Fr. Lance and Diane on Wednesday, September 14th at 5:30 in Krysher Hall. This will be a spaghetti dinner and we will have a signup sheet in the Narthex. The congregation is asked to bring dessert or salad. The dinner will be followed by a presentation by Fr. Lance on his sabbatical trip. We hope everyone can join us to celebrate their safe return.



Did you miss all of the fun? We held our first SOCK HOP on July 23 in Krysher Hall. Great music from the 50's and 60's was presented by our very own DJ, Steve Smith with hotdogs and goodies served by the entertainment committee. Activities included line dancing, door prizes, an air guitar contest and a tribute to Fr. Fred with the singing of "Seven little girls sittin' in the backseat, hugging and a kissing with Fred". We have a wonderful timehopefully you can join us for our next social event on Wednesday, Sept 14 for spaghetti night. Sign up in the Narthex.













Lectionary September 2022

<u>4- Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost</u> Proper 18

Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Psalm 1 Philemon 1-21 Luke 14:25-33

11 - Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 19

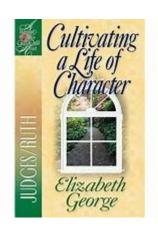
Exodus 32:7-14 Psalm 51:1-11 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-10

18 - Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 20

Amos 8:4-7 Psalm 113 1 Timothy 2:1-7 Luke 16:1-13

25 - Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 21

Amos 6:1a,4-7 Psalm 146 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Luke 16:19-31



New Women's Bible Study Starting!

The next women's bible study will begin on **Thursday, September 15 at 10:00** am in the Krysher Hall. We will study the books of Ruth and Judges using Elizabeth George's book titled "Cultivating a Life of Character". There is a sign up sheet in the narthex. If you plan to attend, please sign up no later than September 5 so that books can be ordered. For more information, please contact Connie Mehr.

St. Andrew's Yard Sale



Do you have items that you no longer want or need (remember you cant take it with you) but have nowhere to hold a yard sale?

Father Lance has agreed to open the Thrift Shop parking lot for those of us who want to have a yard sale. It is scheduled for **Friday October 21, 9:00 - 2:00**. There is no cost to set up a table, but you are required to donate at least 10% of your earnings to the church.

In case of rain, the yard sale will be held in Krysher Hall.

If you want to participate, please contact **Connie Mehr (352-593-4789)** to get more information and logistics on the yard sale.

This event has already been advertised, so I hope we can have a lot of members participate!

June 2022

Transfers in: 0
Weddings: 0
Transfers out: 0
Baptisms: 0
Anointing: 0
Deaths: 2
Sherri Haun
Virginia Bradley

Funerals: 2

Sherri Haun 06/11/22

Virginia Bradley 06/25/2022

June Attendance					
Week Ending Sat./Sun	Sat. 4 pm	Sun 8 am	Sun 10:3 0 am	Total	
04-05	50	24	79	153	
11-12	45	22	60	127	
18-19	46	26	73	145	
25-26	25	24	61	110	
TOTAL	166	96	273	815	
AVERAGE	42	28	65		





July 2022

Transfers in: 0 Weddings: 0 Transfers out: 0 Baptisms: 0 Anointing: 0 Deaths: 2 Mike Ludwell James Wood

Funerals: 1

Laurie Eylward 07/30/22

July Attendance				
Week Ending Sat./Sun	Sat. 4 pm	Sun 8 am	Sun 10:3 0 am	Total
02-03	32	21	73	126
9-10	46	26	62	134
16-17	40	18	60	118
23-24	41	24	71	136
30-31	50	26	67	143
TOTAL	209	115	333	657
AVERAGE	42	23	67	

August 2022

 $\begin{array}{c} {\rm Transfers~in:}~0 \\ {\rm Weddings:}~0 \end{array}$

Transfers out: 0 Baptisms: 0

Anointing: 0

Deaths: 1 Tom Foster

Funerals: 3

Irma Rosa-Nieves 08/06/22 Joanne Lillpopp 08/20/22 Mike Ludwell 08/27/22

August Attendance				
Week Ending Sat./Sun	Sat. 4 pm	Sun 8 am	Sun 10:3 0 am	Total
06/07	50	24	65	139
13/14	58	28	63	112
20/21	34	26	62	122
27/28	43	27	61	131
TOTAL	184	105	251	689
AVERAGE	46	26	63	



TREASURER'S REPORT May - July, 2022 Connie Mehr, Treasurer

	May-July	Year to Date	2022 Budget	
Revenues				
Core Church	71,760.96	183,509.40	352,447.00	
Thrift Shop	6,701.31	19,300.89	35,150.00	
Total Revenues	78,462.27	202,810.29	387,597.00	
Expenses				
Core Church	99,330.43	215,289.85	372,085.00	
Thrift Shop	2,565.74	4,384.73	15,512.00	
Total Expenses	101,896.17	219,674.58	387,597.00	
Net Gain/Loss				
Core Church	(27,569.47)	(31,780.45)	(19,638.00)	
Thrift Shop	4,135.57	14,916.16	19,638.00	
Total	(23,433.90)	(16,864.29)		
Investments		Bank Accounts		
SSGA Alliance Bernstein	98,341.11 26,889.13	Truist Bank of America	253.96	
	·	Unrestricted	21,071.88	
		Restricted	118,280.45	
		Discretionary	697.58	
Total	125,230.24	Total	140,303.87	



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Sunday Services

8 am Service (no music) 9:15 am Adult Formation 10:30 am Service (music)

Saturday Services

4 pm Service 5 pm Adult Formation (Zoom option)

Parish Office Hours

Mon, Tues, and Thurs. 9 am – 12 pm (Closed Friday)

Diocese Website

www.episcopalswfl.org

The Parish Chimes Editors

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September 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
LOCATION C = Church KH=Krysho TS= Thrift	er Hall			9 am Backpacks	2 Office Closed	3 4 pm HE II 10am - 2pm 5 pm Adult Formation
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September Birthdays

- 01 Jean Lopuch 01 Dorothy Perkins 01 Mike Ruth 02 Robert Sievers 03 Phillip Porter 04 Zelma Blair 04 Leslie Nabil 05 Norma Clifton 09 Leeroy Clark 09 Andrew Robinson
- 10 Maureen Follansbee
- 12 Courtney Traudt
- 13 Norma Pinks

- 14 Father Fred Scharf
- 15 Joe Frederick-Lee
- 15 Janet Macurda
- 15 George Rice
- 17 Eileen Fried
- 17 Georgia Ruth
- 17 Marina Sebastian
- 19 Lois Burger
- 20 Tim Audette
- 21 Linda Hadley
- 21 Evelyn James
- 21 Joyce Turner
- 22 Jerry Nierdurny

- 22 John Wimpenney
- 23 Richard Davidson
- 25 Marie Brunot
- 25 Gary Edwards
- 25 Clayton Lindsey
- 25 Minnie Yoerg
- 26 Dick Ammen
- 26 Dave Perry
- 27 Tyrone Ricks
- 27 Lauretta Pilcher



September **Anniversaries**

- 18 Howard and Kifi Benson
- 19 Craig and Winnifred Visser
- 21 Joe and Sue Monday
- 25 Mark and Michelle Traudt