



St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Parish Chimes

An Ancient Faith for a Modern World

SEPTEMBER 2023

From the Rector



Dear Friends,

This is the time of year that students and teachers return to the classrooms so that students will one day be able to function well in our society, so that they will be able to have jobs to support themselves and their families and to become responsible citizens of our country. As Christians we are all still students. This life that we are now living is rather like a school and we are supposed to be learning how to live so that we are fit for God's heavenly kingdom. It is important to learn those principles that God has spoken to us through His Holy Word. It is important for us to learn how to put those lessons into our day to day lives. And to aid us to learn and apply the principles and lessons in God's Word St. Andrew's will be offering some classes.

Adult Formation classes will begin again on September 2nd after the 4 pm service and then on September 3rd at 9:15 between the 8 and 10:30 services. The first class will be the rector's forum and you are invited to bring your questions on the Scriptures, the liturgy, or church history. Then in the following weeks we will begin a series on developing one's relationship with the Lord. After all, we talk about having a relationship with the Lord but how exactly can someone do this? How does one have a relationship with someone they cannot see, cannot touch, and cannot physically hear? Good questions, right? Although you might not have known it, Christians can learn to hear the Lord's voice, we can learn to discern what He is doing around us and we

can learn to sense His presence. And that is what this series will be teaching us to be able to do.

We will also resume the Adult Bible study classes beginning September 13th at 3:00. (Those who are not able to attend will be able to Zoom the class as it meets or watch it later.) The new series will be 'Seeing Jesus in Old Testament.' We will start with Genesis and work our way through the subsequent books seeing how Jesus was actually present and sometimes pre-figured from the very earliest times. Seeing Jesus throughout the Old Testament helps us to understand how God has been working to bring humanity back into relationship with him ever since we rebelled back in the Garden of Eden.

Connie Mehr will also begin the Thursday Women's Bible study again. As always the class will be stimulating with lots of good conversation.

The Men's Group will also resume with their emphasis on men's issues and service. Their first meeting will take place on September 15th at IHOP at 9 am. As in the past there will be good coffee, good conversation, and a good and safe place to share what is going on in your life.

So there will be a number of great opportunities to learn and grow. We will continue to have different social events for us as a church family to get together and enjoy each other's company. I am looking forward to seeing you our church services and at one or more of our classes.

Warmly in Christ,

Fr. Lance

Senior Warden

Craig Gates

It is hard to believe that September is here already. Time does pass quickly. Summer months at St. Andrew's have gone well with only a few minor obstacles to overcome. Even the storms and lightning have left us alone for the first time in several years.

September brings the re-start of our many ministries, including Bible Study and Adult formation. We can all look forward to continuing our faith journeys while sharing in these ongoing programs.

September is also a time when we call everyone to become involved in serving our church and each other. Each and every one of us has unique gifts from God that can be used in doing His work here at St. Andrew's. Making telephone calls, visiting the home bound, landscaping, church cleaning, men's and woman's groups are just a few of the ministries that need you. Giving just a few hours each month can make a huge difference to our church. I urge you to volunteer. Many hands and skills help us do God's work. Please see Fr. Lance or any vestry member with questions you may have.

Peter 4:10

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."

Please remember to let no visitor go unnoticed or unwelcomed. I look forward to seeing you in church.

Altar Guild,

Glee Gates, Director

Welcome to the September Chimes!

Each year, we have an appreciation celebration for all our volunteers. We hear their names and read what they do and it's all printed in the little booklet provided. Do you remember who does

what after you've filed the booklet away? Every so often I explain the duties of the Altar Guild but do you know who the Altar Guild members are and what they really do? You will see us cleaning up after communion or setting up for the next service but this is just a little of what we do. You may see us serving in other capacities too, unrelated to Altar Guild like volunteering in the Thrift Store or counting money on Monday mornings in the office. Here are our current members and the service they attend. Please remember to thank these and all our volunteers not just on that one day in January but throughout the whole year.

Glee Gates, Director-4:00PM service

Patti Werner, Co-director-10:30AM service

Kathy Ludwell-10:30AM service

Bonnie Staveski-4:00PM service

Susan Fiegel-Rapp-4:00PM service

David Sock-8:00AM service

Janie Fritz-4:00PM service

Tami Hoefler-4:00PM service

If you are interested in getting more information about this ministry, or are ready to serve in the Altar Guild or any of our ministries, please contact the office or Patti or Glee (both in the church directory).

Pastoral Care

Janet Crisfield

Welcome to a "new" church year. Many if not all of us are looking forward to more fellowship, learning and growing as well as getting to reacquaint with those we missed over the summer and getting to know new members. For all this we are blessed. However, we have many parishioners who will not be able to join us in the Christian growth and company of others. Please continue to pray for them and consider in prayer including them in our church life.

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. There is always giving the gift of your bringing prayer and the presence of Christ to them.

We provide visits to the home-bound, hospitalized, those in rehab or extended care facilities. 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

Remember we do not know when you are in the hospital or home bound. You or someone on your behalf must call the office. We have no other way of knowing your needs. If you need or know of a fellow parishioner that could benefit from this ministry please call the church at 352 683-2010.



BINGO

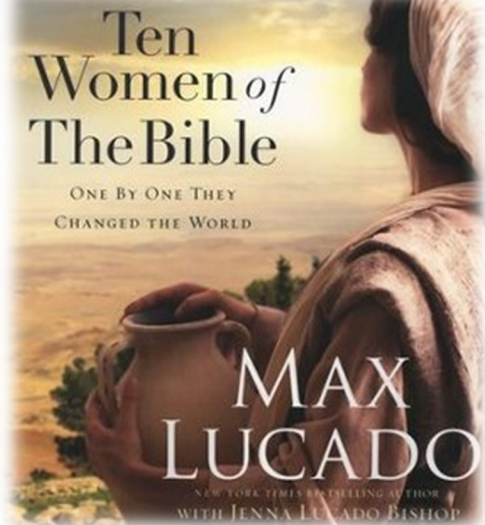
Bingo on Saturday September 23, 2023 from 1pm to 3:30pm in Krysher Hall. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Sign-up sheets will be in the Narthex on September 9-10 and September 16-17. If you have any questions, please contact Patti Werner.



Men's Group Breakfast

September 15 at 9 am at

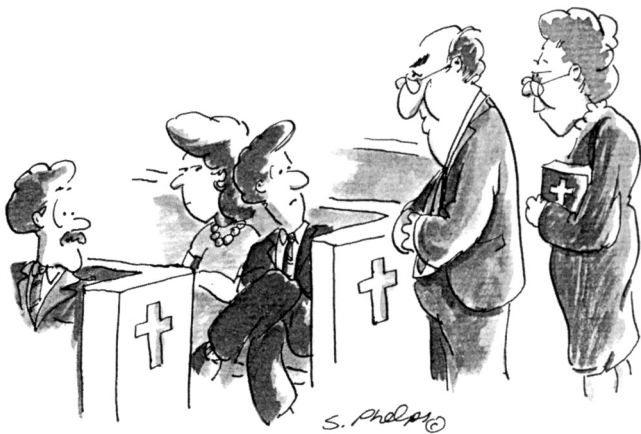
IHOP on US Hwy 19



The **Women's Bible Study** will resume on **Thursday, September 14 at 10 am** in Krysher Hall.

For this study we will use the book *"Ten Women of the Bible"* by Max Lucado. In this book, Lucado tells the stories of 10 pivotal biblical women, including Sarah, Rahab, Abigail, Esther, Sapphira, Mary Magdalene, and others. Each session features insights and study questions that explore their lives - and help you apply the lessons to yours.

Sign up sheet will be in the narthex.



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The whole church watched with nervous anticipation as the visitors sat where the Martins have sat for 42 years.

Movie Night has been rescheduled!!

SPENCER TRACY • SIDNEY POITIER • KATHARINE HEPBURN

GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER



September 19 at 6 pm

Join us for the popcorn, the movie and great discussion afterward.

Baseball with the Bishop!



Several parishioners from St. Andrew's attended the Tampa Bay Rays baseball game on Friday, August 25th. The Rays took on the New York Yankees. It was a great turnout from the Diocese. The Rays lost (6 - 2) but it was still a fun event and everyone had a great time!

SEPTEMBER LECTIONARY

PENTECOST 14

Exodus 3:1-15
Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c
Romans 12:9-21
Matthew 16:21-28

PENTECOST 15

Exodus 12:1-14
Psalm 149
Romans 13:8-14
Matthew 18:15-20

PENTECOST 16

Exodus 14:19-31
Psalm 114
Romans 14:1-12
Matthew 18:21-35

PENTECOST 17

Exodus 16:2-15
Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45
Philippians 1:21-30
Matthew 20:1-16



Coffee hour help needed: We need someone willing to set-up and then clean-up for the coffee hour for after the 10:30 service. The church provides the coffee and would pay for the cookies or snacks, but we need someone to set up the area, prepare the coffee, pick-up the cookies or snacks and then clean-up afterward. If you would be willing to do this or you and a couple of others would be willing to team up and do this, please let Fr. Lance know. Until we have one or more volunteers we will be unable to continue with the coffee hour after the 10:30 service.

ATTENTION

Fr. Lance loaned someone in the church a 3 DVD set on the exodus of the Jews out of Egypt called **Patterns of Evidence**. He would like it returned. Thank you.

TREASURER'S REPORT

as of July 31, 2023

Connie Mehr, Treasurer

	This Month	Year to Date	2023 Budget
Revenues			
Core Church	30,072.13	254,153.14	364,626.00
Thrift Shop	3,060.76	26,724.53	35,250.00
Total Revenues	33,132.89	280,877.67	399,876.00
Expenses			
Core Church	32,907.50	214,432.15	377,352.00
Thrift Shop	1,734.30	13,129.83	22,524.00
Total Expenses	34,641.80	227,561.98	399,876.00
Net Gain/Loss			
Core Church	(2,835.37)	39,720.99	(12,726.00)
Thrift Shop	1,326.46	13,594.70	12,726.00
Total	(1,508.91)	53,315.69	-
Investments			
SSGA	104,787.83		
Alliance Bernstein	26,997.74		
Commonwealth	29,259.16		
Total	161,044.73		
Bank Accounts			
		Bank of America	
		Unrestricted	61,078.61
		Restricted	415,118.62
		Discretionary	380.58
Total		Total	476,577.81



**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MEMBERS
SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES
AT HOME & OVERSEAS:**

**Julian Barry
Jason Hobson
Joseph Edmonds
Bradley Meissner,
Michael Perry, USMC**

Please call the office with updates to this list.

SOCK HOP

On August 19, St. Andrew's held a "Sock Hop" dinner and dance. Parishioners enjoyed a potluck dinner, music and a performance by a special guest - Elvis!





BIRTHDAYS

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| 01 Jean Lopuch
Dorothy Perkins
Mike Ruth | 17 Georgia Ruth
Marina Sebastian |
| 02 Robert Sievers | 19 Lois Burger
Jack Evans |
| 03 Phillip Porter | 20 Tim Audette |
| 04 Zelma Blair
Leslie Nabil | 21 Joyce Turner
22 John Wimpenney |
| 05 Norma Clifton | 23 Richard Davidson |
| 09 Leeroy Clark | 25 Marie Brunot
Clayton Lindsey |
| 10 Maureen Follansbee
Linda Mather | Minnie Yoerg |
| 12 Courtney Traudt | 26 Dick Ammen
Dave Perry |
| 13 Norma Pinks | 27 Tyrone Ricks
Lauretta Pilcher |
| 14 Father Fred Scharf | |
| 15 Joe Frederick-Lee
Janet Macurda | |
| 17 Eileen Reike | |



ANNIVERSARIES

- 19 Craig and Winnifred Visser
- 21 Joe and Sue Monday
- 25 Mark and Michelle Traudt

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Sunday Services
8 am Service (no music)
10:30 am Service (music)

Saturday Services
4 pm Service

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

Diocese Website
www.episcopalswfl.org

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AUGUST 2023 ATTENDANCE

Week Ending Sat./Sun	Wed	Sat	Sat ONLINE	Sun 8 am	Sun 10:30 am	Sun ONLINE	Total
5/6	9	47	14	28	68	33	199
12/13	5	50	11	29	74	62	231
19/20	10	44	8	32	70	22	186
26/27	10	44	12	34	36	77	213
TOTAL	34	185	45	123	248	194	
AVERAGE	9	46	11	30	62	48	

AUGUST 2023

- Transfers in: 0
- Weddings: 0
- Transfers out: 0
- Baptisms: 0
- Anointing: 44
- Deaths: 1
Jerry Niedurny 08/30/2023
- Funerals: 2
Constance Lou Corley 08/25/23
Cynthia Anne Corley Lee 08/25/23

September

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 8 am Holy Eucharist II 9:15 Adult Formation 10:30 am Holy Eucharist II	4 10 am - 2 pm Thrift Shop	5 10 am - 2 pm Thrift Shop	6 10 am Healing Service 10 am - 2pm Thrift Shop	7 9 am Backpacks 10 am - 2pm Thrift Shop 6 pm Sanctuary Choir	1 OFFICE CLOSED	2 10am - 2pm Thrift Shop 4 pm Holy Eucharist II 5:15 pm Adult Formation
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