



St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Spring Hill, FL

Proclaiming Christ in the heart of Spring Hill since 1971



PARISH



CHIMES

December 2012



Sr. Warden's Remarks

Betty Jo McCann, Sr. Warden

"All things come of thee, O Lord" is the first line of the Stewardship letter I received this week. Although the letter goes on to discuss giving of our time, talents, and resources; I could not get these first few words out of my mind.

The repairs on Krysher Hall and painting of our sanctuary, office and Krysher Hall should be completed by the time you read this. A true gift. Fr. Fred Scharf being available and offering more than just being the celebrant at a busy time to St. Andrew's is a true gift. Don't forget to sign up for the *Advent Traditions* at 9:30 am on Sunday mornings.

We have much to do in regards to filling the position of a priest for St. Andrew's. There is both an immediate need – a priest in charge – and a long term need – a rector. So where are we?

Priest in Charge – Canon Durning gave the vestry some excellent candidates. All have been interviewed and we are awaiting responses. "All things come of thee, O Lord," no doubt the right person will emerge. By the time you read this, we may have an announcement.

Rector – The mid-committee of 5 parishioners met with our consultant to analyze the survey results and all 159 comments. They did an excellent job and were able to discern qualifications we feel we are looking for in a rector:

1. Be compassionate with the ability to articulate their call and leadership skills.
2. Be an administrator with a presence in both the church and community
3. Demonstrate integrity and place high standards on principles and honesty.
4. Develop relationships with members of the parish.
5. Be effective, enthusiastic, and devout leader and is knowledgeable in biblical studies.
6. Identify with all parishioners and utilize effective people skills.

7. Organize the development of the church's future growth.

8. Facilitate, guide and assist parishioners with opposing points of view to reach agreement.

9. Manage conflict and achieve a positive, workable solution.

10. Maximize the contribution of all members of the parish, i.e., retired priests, deacons, lay ministers, parish members, etc.

11. Exhibits the ability to attract young families and support youth activities.

12. Utilize modern trends and apply them to St. Andrew's.

13. Demonstrate financial awareness and ability to address the financial problems of St. Andrew's that are in need of immediate attention:

- a. budget implications and strategy regarding income and expenses
- b. long range plans for care of an aging facility (i.e., roofing, air conditioners, etc.)
- c. preschool expenses which add to the financial concerns of the parish.
- d. staffing and services.

Does such a person even exist? "All things come of thee, O Lord."

The next step is to capture the mission and goals of St. Andrew's, the demographics of this area, and complete the paperwork defined by the diocese before an 'official' search committee can be formed and work with the diocese. A meeting of the vestry and mid-committee members will be held with the consultant.

Contact the Rev. Fred Scharf

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This step should be completed before mid-December. Yes we are working hard.

"All things come of thee,
O Lord."



The Tool Kit

Harry Calderbank, Jr. Warden

Report for November 2012

Chimes: Repairs to the chimes system are incomplete at this time. Search for a competent repair facility continues.

Painting: The painting of the church, office and Krysher Hall is underway. This project was delayed due to the illness of our selected contractor. Power washing of all appropriate areas has been completed in preparation for the painting and, given good weather, the project should be completed in time for the bishop's visit next month.

Krysher Hall/Thrift Shop: Both of these projects were delayed due to the contractor's illness referenced above. They are back on schedule and should be completed shortly.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The annual Christmas Party will be Tuesday December 11, at Susan Villnow's house at noon and therefore we will not have our regular Library and Book Club meeting. All members of the Library, Book Club and Preschool/VPK readers are invited. Please everyone planning to attend RSVP, Susan by phone or e-mail: 352-797-3515 or villnowt@bellsouth.net.

Our next regular meeting is Jan. 8th, 2013. The book club will review *Heaven is for Real*, given by Susan Villnow, all those interested please make plans to attend. Library Meeting – 12:30 Book Club – 1:45

—Deb Wilks

ALTAR GUILD

Thanks to all of you for all your hard work. I have had a wonderful 6 months with all of you. Merry Christmas to each and every one. — Gail Niedurny

BIBLE STUDY

There will be no Bible Study at 2 pm on Mondays in December. We will start anew in January.

YOUTH UPDATE

We've been working on our Christmas Pageant ("The Not-So-Silent Night") and on some special music that we'll be doing with St. Andrew's choir on December 2 and at our January Annual Meeting. Our Wednesday night group continues to grow (average attendance is 25 to 30). We're looking for more ways to serve Christ in 2013!

MUSIC NOTES

Our Sanctuary Choir continues to work on several challenging and beautiful choral pieces, and has enjoyed working with the youth group on music for our Dec. 2 Confirmation/Baptism/Reaffirmation service, and at the Annual Meeting.

Our Praise Music Team is also working on lots of great Contemporary music. While frustrated at not being able to celebrate a totally Contemporary Eucharist at this

time, we continue to grow together in our love of Jesus and in our experiences of becoming prayerful worship leaders in the Episcopal Church.

UNIQUE PERSONALITIES FROM THE BIBLE

(Just to get you started — please add your own)

Are you like?

NOAH

- Set on high waters and hoping God will land us in the right place
- Willing to build, trusting that God has a plan for all our hard work.

JONAH

- Sent to do something he didn't want to do for people he didn't really like!
- Saved after a really long time in a really bad place!

DAVID

- Wanting what someone else has and using power and position to get it
- Taking gigantic challenges even from a position of apparent weakness

LOT'S WIFE

- Looking back, wishing for the past

JACOB

- Wanting a blessing so badly we're willing to trick our brother to get it
- Wrestling with God and never letting go until we have God's blessing
- Finally willing to face the consequences of our actions

MARY

- Saying yes to God without knowing how it will work out
- Allowing a "sword to pierce our heart" for the sake of God's kingdom and love of Jesus

ABRAHAM AND SARAH

- Willing to leave our familiar territory in search of what is better; following a dream and a calling wherever it leads
- Laughing at some of God's more extravagant promises, not always believing

PETER

- Blurting out what is in our heart and picking up the pieces later
- Not too sure the Gospel is for "outsiders"

PAUL

- On fire for Jesus, impatient and demanding
- Sometimes radically inclusive, other times not

ELIZABETH

- Discerning what is going on inside of others and rejoicing in their good fortune

RICH YOUNG RULER

- Wanting to follow Jesus, but unwilling to make the requested sacrifices

MARY MAGDALENE

- Forgiven much, loving much, always following Jesus

MATTHEW

- Changing your whole life to be a disciple
- Making amends for wrong actions

ANDREW

- Introducing others to Jesus
- Willing to serve and not be front and center

BRIGHTS FOR CHRISTMAS

A little boy was asked in Sunday school what he was going to give his sister for Christmas. "I don't know," he said. "What did you give her last year?" the teacher asked. "Chicken pox," he replied.

An uncle gave his three-year-old niece a dollar bill just before Christmas. She threw it down. "I want a debit card," she said. "What would you do with a debit card?" he asked. The little girl made a swiping motion.

—Charles Garrett, Fort Gaines, GA

DECEMBER NOTES

Eucharist Prayer B will be said at all services per Fr. Fred's request.

Dec. 2nd Bishop Howe will be the Celebrant and give the sermon as well as Confirmation and Baptism. Reception following the service.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Host/Hostess at 10:30 am Dec 23 & 30

Ushers needed Christmas Eve & Day

Call office or tell Betty Jo McCann



St. Andrew's VPK, Preschool and Child Care News

Geri Anderson, Director



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CHRISTIAN FORMATION & EDUCATION

Christian formation & education is a life-long process and is offered in the Anglican tradition of seeking the truth from diverse viewpoints, even as our relationship with God through Jesus never wavers. Different viewpoints may be represented at different times.

FAITH JOURNEY GROUP

The Faith Journey Group is no longer meeting. If the meetings resume you will be notified in this space. Call Sarah Madsen at 352-796-0868 for more information.

GRIEF SHARE

Your Journey from Mourning to Joy:

"Surviving the Holidays" will be held on **Sunday, December 9** after the 10:30 am church service in the library in Krysher Hall. Kleenex and smiles provided.

This is open to anyone who acknowledges that holidays can be a time of stress and sadness when you have lost someone.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Last week we discussed the worth of a widow's mite citing that the size of the gift isn't the crucial element. This seems pretty important as the holidays descend upon us. All are welcome! We discuss Biblical stories and weave them into what is happening in our respective lives.



ORDER OF ST. LUKE

Our newly forming chapter of the *Order of St. Luke at St. Andrew's* has begun this season's meetings on the first Sunday of the month at 12:30 in the Library.

Anyone interested in healing and an opportunity to become closer to God and your fellow Christian worshipper is invited to attend. We are studying all aspects of Christian healing. Full members of the Order are authorized to perform healing services through intercessory prayer, unction and the laying-on of hands.

Fr. Fred, who is the Chaplain of the Hudson Chapter, has agreed to be the Chaplain for our group as well.

The most important change to take place was that Fr. Fred wants the local full members of the Order to begin anointing for healing at each service following communion. We will begin this ministry at once.

For more information contact Nancy Cotter at 325-688-2803;
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LOCATION KEY:

C = Church
 CH = Coulton Hall
 KH = Krysher Hall
 L = Library
 TS = Karen's Kit 'n Kaboodle Thrift Shop
 PS = PreSchool in Friendship Hall



EVENT KEY

AE=Adult Education GS=Grief Share
 BP=Back Packs HC=Holy Communion
 CC=Children's Chapel OS�=Order of St. Luke
 CG=Cursillo Group SAB=School Advisory Board
 DOK=Daughters of the King SS=Sunday School
 FJG=Faith Journey Group YI=Youth Inquiry
 FOL=Friends of the Library YMM=Youth Music Ministry

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 4pm HC
2 Advent 1 One service 9:30 ADVENT TRADITIONS 10:00 YI 10:15 SS 10:30 HC Bishop Howe's visit Confirmation/Baptism/Reaffirm. 12:30pm Order of St. Luke	3 1pm Thrift Shop Board Mtg. (K)	4	5 10am HC & Healing Srv 11am Children's Chapel 6pm Youth Group	6 4:30pm BackPacks 6:15pm Choir Rehearsal	7 OFFICE CLOSED	8 4pm HC
9 Advent 2 8am HC 9:30 ADVENT TRADITIONS 10:00 YI 10:15 SS 10:30 HC -St Nicholas' visit 12pm Grieving Thru Holidays 3pm Atria w/Christmas Pageant	10	11 THRIFT SHOP BAG SALE	12 10am HC & Healing Srv 11am Children's Chapel 6pm Youth Group	13 4:30pm BackPacks 6:15pm Choir Rehearsal	14 OFFICE CLOSED	15 4pm HC
16 Advent 3 8am HC 9:30 ADVENT TRADITIONS 10:00 YI 10:15 NO SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30 HC - Pageant	17	18 12:30 STAFF MTG (L) 6PM VESTRY (L)	19 10am HC & Healing Srv 11am Children's Chapel 6pm Youth Group	20 4:30pm BackPacks 6:15pm Choir Holiday Dinner Fr. Mike's 54th Anniversary	21 OFFICE CLOSED VPK closed through 1/7/13 Child Care reopens Wed., 1/2/13	22 4pm HC
23 Advent 4 8am HC 9:30 ADVENT TRADITIONS 10:00 YI 10:15 SS 10:30 HC	24 Christmas Eve Office Closed 5:30pm HC 10:30pm HC 	25 Christmas Day HC Rite I, 10 am 	26 St. Stephen, Deacon & Martyr	27 6:15pm Choir Rehearsal	28 Holy Innocents OFFICE CLOSED	29 4pm HC w/ Lessons & Carols
30 1st Sun. after Christmas 8am HC w/Lessons & Carols 10:30 HC w/Lessons & Carols No Sunday School	31	1 January 2013 Office Closed			PEACE & BLESSINGS in the NEW YEAR!	

DECEMBER Birthdays & Anniversaries



1 Richard Good	13 Frank Trama
2 Sandra Beach	13 Joyce Bartholomew
3 Trudy Bailey	15 Mathew Almanzar
3 Harry Gowans	16 Gregory McDougal
4 Diane Casey	18 Daphne Wilson
4 Debbie Roberts	19 Joe Thomas
4 Grace King	19 Doris Lacombe
4 Owen King	20 Logan Michael Carella
6 Dave Hamilton	21 Laila Blackwell
6 Karen Walrath	22 Eric Jude
6 David Lightburn	22 Jimmy Cole
7 John Follansbee	23 Shirley Phillips
8 Elaine Cremer	24 Dorothy Foli
8 Joan Jaikes	24 Christine Robbins
8 Christine Robertson	25 Bradley Ogden
8 Bridie Klein	27 Tommy Collins
8 Rebecca Sayre	27 Mary Ann Arnold
11 Carole Coats	28 Leonard Pallas
11 Autumn Anderson	28 Anna Jean Gately
11 Mark Lillpopp-Strzelczyk	29 Arnold Stephens
	30 Gerry Tagliaferro



1 Maurice & Rosamond Stewart
9 Fred & Mervis Lewis
17 Ken & Dorothy Walker
18 John & Mary Lou Stahlman
19 Ludwig & Carolyn Wallner
19 Robby & Merope Noel
20 Jim Rankin & Marjorie Convery
24 Pete & Loa Jackson
26 Eddie & Joyce Lindsay
27 Woody & Mary Taylor
27 Michael & Anita Cockill
27 Dave & Liz Hamilton
29 Calvin & Barbara Ingram

The Parish Register

Deaths James Gildea
Diane Bennett
Richard Creighton

Funerals James Gildea
Diane Bennett

December Events

Dec 2nd - First Advent - Bishop Howe visits for Confirmation, Reception, and Baptism.

Saturday service at 4 pm and **One Sunday Service at 10:30 am.** Small reception follows the 10:30 service.

Dec 9th - Second Advent - St. Nicholas will visit again.
3 pm Pageant at the Atria at Evergreen Woods

Dec 16th - Third Advent - Christmas pageant (Sun. 10:30 am service)

Dec 23rd - Fourth Advent - regular services

Dec 24th - Christmas Eve - 5:30 pm & 10:30 pm: Caroling prior to Holy Eucharist service

Dec 25th - Christmas Morning - Rite I, 9 a.m.

Dec 28/29 - Christmas Lessons & Carols at all 3 services

DECEMBER Lectionary

December 1/2

1st Sunday of Advent

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Psalms 25:1-9

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Luke 21:25-36

December 22/23

4th Sunday of Advent

Micah 5:2-5a

Canticle 15, BCP p. 91

Hebrews 10:5-10

Luke 1:39-55

December 8/9

2nd Sunday of Advent

Malachi 3:1-4

Canticle 16, BCP p. 92

Philippians 1:3-11

Luke 3:1-6

December 24/25

Christmas Eve & Christmas Day

Isaiah 9:2-7

Psalms 96

Titus 2:11-14

Luke 2:1-20

December 15/16

3rd Sunday of Advent

Zephaniah 3:14-20

Canticle 9, BCP p. 86

Philippians 4:4-7

Luke 3:7-18

December 30/31

*1st Sunday after Christmas
Festival of Lessons & Carols*

Psalms 147:13-21

Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

John 1:1-18



*The
Staff and
Students of
St. Andrew's
Preschool wish
All of you a blessed
Christmas and a Happy
And Healthy New Year!*



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Thank you for your continued love and support.

Geri Anderson, Brinda Mendoza, Geraldine Gary

VPK Students: Dakota Ardeno, Tate & Trae Bolin, Giada Chechile, Veronica Cummings, Brianna Costanzo, Nikolas Demos, Brayden DePalma, Roy Fuentes, Lydia Hayes, Nevaeh Holton, Stephen Hyde, Avrilie Laskay, Ashlyn Mullen, Domenic Norcini, Bradley O'Neal, Mason Perreira, Wyatt Probus, Victoria Rivera, Kylie Sullivan, Julian Tuttle, Brooke Witherington.

K3 Preschool Students: Gabriella Barrett, Isabella Costanzo, Caden Fratello, Damien Muniz, Cameron Pfoertner, Emory Strachan, Conner Tuttle.

School Ager Bus Student: Amory Strachan.



Treasurer's Report for Month Ending October 31, 2012

	Month ending 10/31/2012			YTD as of 10/31/12		
	Revenues	Expenses	Net	YTD Rev	YTD Expense	YTD Net
Church	\$ 24,131.74	\$ 45,823.83	\$ (21,692.09)	\$241,240.27	\$261,434.50	\$ (20,194.23)
Thrift Shop	\$ 5,680.51	\$ 2,894.04	\$ 2,786.47	\$ 75,307.29	\$ 14,534.26	\$ 60,773.03
Pre-School	\$ 7,152.01	\$ 12,626.43	\$ (5,474.42)	\$ 66,667.88	\$ 83,376.71	\$ (16,708.83)
Total	\$ 36,964.26	\$ 61,344.30	\$ (24,380.04)	\$383,215.44	\$359,345.47	\$ 23,869.97

Krysher Hall Mortgage
Balance \$ 88,354.38

October was a month high in expenses. Because we are on a cash basis and not an accrual basis for our accounting method, once every six months we experience a month where three payrolls fall within that month. October had three payrolls and the quarterly payment for the liability insurance that was due by November 1, 2012.

The repairs and painting of the buildings have been donated by a generous donor. The revenues and expenses reflect that gift.

The Pre-school also had three payrolls and payment for the liability insurance that is related to the school. The school continues to fall father behind as they search for new ways to increase their income.

The Thrift Shop continues to do well thanks to all our volunteers and generous giving.

ATTENDANCE FOR OCTOBER 2013

	Sat	Sun 8 am	Sun 10:30 am	Total Att
Oct. 6/7	42	18	109	169
Oct. 13/14	41	17	125	183
Oct. 20/21	39	19	141	199
Oct. 27/28	43	20	148	211
Average	41	19	131	190

A whimsical theology of Christmas toys

(Rev. Les Nixon of the Outback Patrol's National Headquarters in Georges Hall, Australia, passed on the following "Theology of Christmas Toys" by an unknown author.)

- **Atheism:** There is no toymaker.
- **Polytheism:** There are many toymakers.
- **Darwinism:** The toys made themselves.
- **Capitalism:** He/she who sells the most toys in a garage sale, wins.
- **Communism:** Everyone gets the same number of toys, and we'll jail you if we catch you selling yours.
- **Presbyterian:** These toys were chosen for you to play with, and these were chosen for me to play with.
- **Methodist:** Those who have the right method of playing with their toys, win.
- **Episcopalian:** We don't care where the toys came from; let's just play with them anyway.
- **Baptist:** We have played with this toy this way for years, and we are not going to change.
- **Seventh-Day Adventist:** He/she who is a vegetarian and plays with their toys on Saturday, wins.
- **Christian Science:** Toys are figments of your imagination.
- **Amish:** People who play with toys that have batteries, lose.
- **Catholic Monasticism:** He/she who denies themselves the most toys, wins.
- **Greek Orthodox:** There is only one toy, and it is in our church. It was our toy first.
- **Catholicism:** No, it was ours first.
- **Televangelism:** Send me \$100 a month and I will tell you how you, too, can have more toys!

From Dec. 2010 Joyful Noiseletter



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Worship & Formation Schedule

Saturday	4:00 pm	Holy Eucharist
Second Sat.	10:30 am	Daughters of the King
Sunday	8:00 am	Holy Eucharist
	10:30 am	Holy Eucharist
First Sun.	10:30 am	Contemporary Worship

Nursery available Sundays 10:30 am—noon

Sunday School 10:15 am

Monday	2:00 pm	Bible Study (<i>Sep—May</i>)
Tuesday	3:00 pm	GriefShare
Second Tues.	12 noon	Friends of Library & Book Club (<i>Oct—May</i>)
Wednesday	10:00 am	Holy Eucharist & Healing
	11:00 am	Children's Chapel
	6:00 pm	Youth Ministry
Thursday	6:15 pm	Choir Rehearsal (<i>Aug—May</i>)

Grief, Divorce and Recovery support is available.
Please call us for our current meeting schedules.