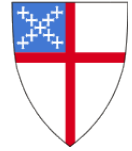


St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Parish Chimes



An Ancient Faith for a Modern World

December 2016



From the Rector

Dear Friends,

It has been a great November! Actually, it has been a great year! God has been so good to us here at St. Andrew's, hasn't He? That isn't to say that this year has not had its share of grief as well, yet God has been with us and continues to strengthen and guide us.

Last year at this time we were hoping to get started on the narthex project. And now, look! We have a beautiful addition to our church. It is used weekly for meetings and Bible studies and classes. I have heard only good things about the décor in the bathrooms and narthex hallway!

We are continuing to make improvements in our church. The pew seats will be replaced sometime in January (probably) but maybe not until February. The pews themselves are beautiful oak, but the seats are particle board covered with foam and fabric. The particle board is now over 40 years old and some of our pews seats are cracking. We have placed braces under the seats but those braces are simply temporary fixes until the seats themselves can be replaced with new plywood, foam and fabric. The plan was to carpet the entire church when we had the pews unfastened. However, I was told at this year's diocesan convention that carpeting a church was a bad idea because it muffles the sound too much! Since we are a liturgical church, our worship service is one that depends upon the congregation's responses and if the responses are muffled then it discourages worship. Well, we can't have that! The vestry decided to con-

tinue the flooring that is currently in the narthex into the church. It is more expensive than the carpet. At this point there have been three people who have volunteered to contribute towards the extra expense of the flooring. If you would like to contribute to this as well, that would be great.

We are now in the season of Advent. This is a penitential season so our church colors are blue. On November 27th and December 4th we are looking forward to the return of our Lord Jesus. Since his return will signal the end of the world, we want to be ready for his return and are reviewing our lives to make sure we are. We are also hoping and praying that God will stir the hearts of those in the world around us to turn to him before it is too late. On December 11th we have Rose Sunday when we begin to look forward to the celebration of our Lord's first coming to his people. Our attitudes change from introspection and penitence to joy and celebration. This is the emotion with which we enter the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services. Christ has come and Christ will return! This is the joy and expectation of all of us who are followers of our Lord Jesus!

May each of us have a meaningful and blessed Advent season!

Warmly in Christ,

Fr. Lance+

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Sr. Warden's Remarks

Loa Jackson



Hello everyone, here comes December. Once again we are entering into Advent Season. It's my favorite time of year. It is so busy, but at the same time such a joyful time. The office here at St. Andrew's is humming with activity. With extra services and activities, there is always room for an additional helping hand. Check with the office if you could spare some time to help out.

Before I go further, I want to extend a great big "Thank You" to Debbie Smith and her Canterbury Festival crew. It was her second festival and another success story. It takes months of planning to make it come off looking smooth, and Debbie did just that. Thank you Debbie!

This time of year is when people are very busy. But a helping hand to someone needing help, or a child's smile when they find that someone cares is a wonderful gift to us. By giving we receive the greater gift.... the gift of Joy. We can have Joy all year round.

May the joy of giving and God's Blessing be with you as we remember the meaning of this season.

See you in Church!

The Tool Kit

Norman Neill, Jr. Warden



Another month has past and the weather is much cooler. We had a very successful fall clean up and a great Canterbury Fair. We have removed the dead trees I wrote about in the past. For all those concerned about the tree removal we are planning on planting some type of decorative trees in their place.

We have a lot to do and are getting there slowly and steadily. We still need help in the Thrift Shop. All are welcome to give whatever time you might have.

I wish to thank all those who came to the "Fall Cleanup". You made it a great success. We'd like to plan a "Spring Cleanup." We could use everyone's help to make St. Andrew's campus the most beautiful church grounds in Spring Hill.

If you would like to adopt an area to maintain please contact me at (631)774-1594 or call the church office.

Altar Guild

Gail Niedurny, Coordinator



My early Christmas Gift. Yes, I have received a gift from God for Christmas. After almost three months I have a light at the end of my tunnel. I call it a tunnel because I never thought I would be doing some things again. Because of all of you praying for us, bringing food to nourish us, cards to make me feel loved, visits, phone calls, emails, I know I could give you more reasons, but just know that we appreciated everything you all did. Without our church, I know we would never be writing this letter. Thank you, Altar Guild for just doing everything while I was away. You are a very special love in my life. Hopefully I will be back soon to work beside each of you again.

Your church altar guild is a special loving, caring group of people. If you would like to feel this special feeling of serving God and your church, come by one Saturday morning, and see what we do for God, St. Andrew's and our congregation. We would welcome your visit and to show you what the Altar Guild really does.

Bereavement Ministry

Barbara Ingram, Coordinator

Our Bereavement Ministry provides comfort to members of our parish who have suffered the loss of a loved one. This ministry puts together a reception for those who fall into this category.

For those who would like a reception after the funeral, please call the church office at (352)683-2010. God Bless.

Coffee Hour

Barbara Ingram, Coordinator



Please sign up for coffee hour and show every one your hospitality. Ask others to help; it only takes a group of three to make it happen.

Please remember our usual snacks, cheese & crackers, fruits etc. and a dish of nuts. Oh! Remember our diabetics.

Please sign up on the yellow pad on the refreshment table. Please call the office (352)683-2010 if you have any questions.

Daughters of the King

Vera Scharf and Carolyn Wallner, Chapter Co-Presidents



The Daughters of the King meet on the second Saturday of each month. Our December meeting will be on the 10th at 10 am in the Library. We welcome all women to join us for prayer and renewal and to get to know one another better. We are planning a special inspirational day on February 25, with Fr. Roy Allison from St. Mark's in Tampa as our speaker. We will be inviting other Daughters in the Diocese from surrounding churches to join us on this day. More information will be forthcoming. We are also planning to make "baskets" of small gifts to present to the shut-ins of St. Andrew's some time after Christmas. For more information, please contact Vera Scharf at 727-863-2119 or Carolyn Wallner at 727-869-1964.

Grief Share

Jean Caamaño, Facilitator

We are continuing the Bible study on how we can honor grief and understand acceptance. We follow the five stages of grief and we share our experiences and hope. Please join us on Mondays at 9 am in the library.

You may reach me at any time, cell (352)201-2336 or home (352)666-7193.

HeartLine

Hank McInturff, Coordinator
(352)597-4642

If you are in need of a ride to go grocery shopping or to a doctor appointment please contact Hank.

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Karen's Kit 'n Kaboodle Thrift Shop

Rick Kovacs, Manager

Dick Ammen, Assistant Manager

The Thrift Shop is now open 6-days a week. Mon. - Fri. 10 am - 4 pm and Sat. 10 am - 2 pm. The 2nd Tuesday of the month is a clothing bag sale. Any clothing item and one pair of shoes (except boutique) you can get into a bag is only \$5. We accept all household items, jewelry, linens, and toys. The "Boutique" area has upscale clothing and shoes. If you can spare three hours a week we always need new volunteers. Please call Rich at (813) 732-8388 or the Thrift Shop at (352) 686-1114.

Library News

*Joanne Lillpopp and Nancy Koehle,
Library Coordinators*

Friends of the Witt Library: We meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 12:30 p.m. October through April. The next meeting is December 13, 2016. We all look forward to this special meeting where we are warmly hosted, deliciously fed and 'watered' by Susan Villnow at her home that is filled with an abundance of Christmas happiness. Please join us. Susan says, "The more the merrier!"

BOOK OF THE MONTH

Our library is fortunate to have 5 Special Editions of C.S. LEWIS' most famous books. Want to know the titles of these 5 famous books? Come to the library and look for them on the shelf under the 'Book of the Month' sign. You are encouraged to borrow one to read at your leisure at home.

And while you are in the library discover all the other interesting reading material available.

Your library is open Sundays before and after worship and during the week. If the door is locked during the week please go to the office for the key.

Book Club: Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month around 1:45 p.m. October through April. **Our next meeting is December 13, at Susan Villnow's home.** We will be discussing the wonderful poem by Clement Clarke Moore, "The Night Before Christmas".

We are working on refocusing our book club from where someone does a review of a book to a meeting where we all read a book and then have a group discussion on the contents and author. Anyone interested in helping us with this simple challenge or would like to be join our fun group please come to our December 13th meeting at Susan's.

Music Notes

Jody Bowes, Minister of Music

Your Christmas and Sanctuary Choirs have been rehearsing these many weeks in preparation for our music at this year's services on Christmas Eve and the following weekend at our annual Festival of Christmas Lessons & Carols. We look forward to worshiping with you and sharing the joy of Jesus' birth!

Please join in the caroling fun on Saturday, December 10th. We will meet in Krysher Hall at 5:30 pm and head out around 6 pm to bring some holiday cheer to those who can't easily get out and about. Bring a small flashlight if you have one.

Your Music Ministry is also looking forward to our Epiphany and Birthday Celebration on January 8th, where we also celebrate our Clergy Anniversaries and give thanks for St. Andrew's many ministries. It's always a joy to put this event together as it reminds us how blessed we truly are.

Thanks to everyone who continues to support our music - it's such an important part of our worship, and the fellowship we share when we sing is so very special.

Order of St. Luke

Susan Bruno, Convener

Nancy Cotter, Secretary

The Order of St. Luke is a group of church members that meet on the third Sunday of the month at 12:30 pm in the library of Krysher Hall. We invite any who are interested in the healing power of God to attend our next meeting on December 18th. Become more deeply focused in your faith at this hallowed season and grateful for all of God's bless-

ings. Learn how to bring your Christian foundation to a higher level. Come to our meeting and share in our camaradery or contact Susan Bruno at (352) 686-4602 in the interim. We would like to announce Nancy Skinner as the Convener as of January 1, 2017.

Pastoral Care Ministry

Janet Crisfield, Facilitator

The members of the Pastoral Care Team bring the presence of Christ to the homebound, hospitalized, and those in rehab or extended care facilities. Holy Communion and Anointing for Healing are offered.

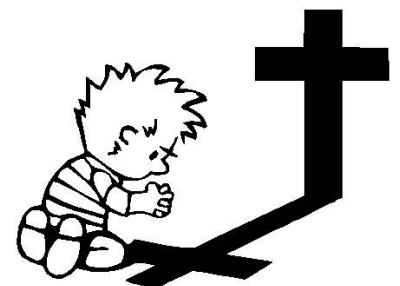
Visits may include bringing altar flowers, bulletins, newsletters, cards, small gifts, prayer and a short friendly visit. We meet bi-monthly during the church year. The next meeting is January 25th at noon in the library.

Training and screening are required. Call Janet Crisfield at 352-796-9389 or Fr. Lance in the church office. If you need or know of a parishioner that could benefit from this ministry please call the office.

Sunday School

Miss Susan, Miss Colleen & Miss Jeanie

It is not always easy to relate to the lessons in the Bible to our daily lives. We, however, persevere every Sunday. Recently, we discussed boasting, bragging, jokes and riddles, being out on a limb, being afraid and fortune cookies. The children eagerly share their stories which delight our hearts.



December 2016



EVENT KEY

AF = Adult Formation	HE = Holy Eucharist
BP = Back Packs	JrI = Junior Inquirers
DOK = Daughters of the King	OSL = Order of St. Luke
FOL = Friends of the Library	SS = Sunday School
GB&B = Guys, Bibles & Bfst	YI = Youth Inquirers
GS = Grief Share	YM = Youth Ministry

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
⇒ 9 am Saturdays: GB&B = meets at <i>Panera Bread</i> on SR50 (Cortez Blvd.)				1 9:30 am Backpacks 6 pm Choir	2 Office Closed	3 9 am GB&B * 4 pm HE II 5 pm AF (SC)
4 8 am HE II 9:15 am AF (L) 9:45 am JrI (KH) 10:15 am SS (KH) 10:30 am HE II 12 pm DOK Meeting	5 9 am Grief Share	6	7 9:15 am Preschool Reading (L) 10 am HE II and Healing Prayers 1:30 & 6 pm Bible Study (SC) 6 pm Youth Group	8 9:30 am Backpacks 6 pm Choir	9 Office Closed	10 9 am GB&B * 1 pm Christmas Choir Rehearsal 4 pm HE II 5 pm AF (SC) 6 pm Christmas Caroling (KH)
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18 8 am HE II 9:15 am AF (L) 9:45 am JrI (KH) 10:15 am SS 10:30 am HE II- Christmas Pageant 12:30 pm OSL (L) 12:30 pm Vestry Mtg (SC)	19 9 am Grief Share	20	21 9:15 am Preschool Reading (L) 10 am HE II and Healing Prayers 6 pm Youth Group	22 6 pm Choir (final rehearsal for Christmas Eve)	23 Office Closed	24 Christmas Eve 9 am GB&B * 5:30 pm Caroling/Service with St. Nick's 10:30 pm Caroling/Service
25 Christmas Day 9:15 am AF (L) 9:45 am JrI (KH) 10:00 am HE II	26 Office Closed	27 6:15 pm Vestry Meeting	28 9:15 am Preschool Reading (L) 10 am HE II and Healing Prayers 12 pm Pastoral Care Mtg.	29 6 pm Choir	30 Office Closed	31 9 am GB&B * 4 pm HE II with Festival of Lessons & Carols 5 pm AF (SC)

January 2017

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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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LOCATION KEY

L = Library	TS = Thrift Shop
C = Church	SC = Side Chapel/Class Room in Narthex
CH = Coulton Hall	
KH = Krysher Hall	

December Lectionary

DECEMBER EVENTS

Saturday December 10:

6:00 pm Christmas Caroling (arrive at 5:30 pm and bring a flashlight)

Sunday December 18:

10:30 am Christmas Pageant

Saturday December 24:

5:30 pm Christmas Eve Service with St. Nick
10:30 pm Christmas Eve Service

Sunday December 25:

10 am Christmas Service



Saturday December 31:

4 pm HE II with Festival of Lessons & Carols

JANUARY EVENTS

Sunday January 1, 2017:

8 & 10:30 am HE II with Festival of Christmas Lessons & Carols

Sunday January 8, 2017:

Annual Parish Birthday Party with celebration of our Clergy
Anniversaries & all Ministries

Saturday, January 21, 2017:

Life Line Screening

Sunday, January 29, 2017:

Annual Meeting following the 9:30 Service

December 4

Advent 2

Isaiah 11:1-10

Romans 15:4-13

Matthew 3:1-12

Psalms 72:1-7, 18-19

December 11

Advent 3

Isaiah 35:1-10

James 5:7-10

Matthew 11:2-11

Psalms 146:4-9

December 18

Advent 4

Isaiah 7:10-16

Romans 1:1-7

Matthew 1:18-25

Psalms 80:1-7, 16-18

December 24

Eve of the Nativity

December 25

The Nativity of Our Lord

Jesus Christ: Christmas Day

Isaiah 52:7-10

Hebrews 1:1-4, (5-12)

John 1:1-14

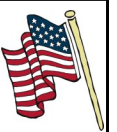
Psalms 98

Angel Tree

The back pack ministry would like your assistance again this year is providing Christmas to the children we serve at Spring Hill Elementary School. These children are from struggling families and our contributions make a difference to them and their parents. Every child deserves to have a Merry Christmas and thanks to your generosity we can make a difference. If you wish to purchase a gift, select an angel and bring the unwrapped gift to the church by December 11. If you wish to donate money, we will shop for you. Gifts should be in the \$5.00 range. We will wrap gifts on Tuesday, December 13, at 10 am. Please bring paper, scissors, tape and ribbon and join the fun. We will be delivering the gifts to the school on Wednesday, December 14. Please call Debbie at the church for more information.



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MEN & WOMEN



SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES AT HOME & OVERSEAS:

Keith Barroncini, Julian Barry, Joseph Beatty, Brian Cain, Martin Clausen, James Cole, Neil Crown, Krista Crosetto, Jason Daniels, Myriah Diaz, Olivia Clair Warren Fedoryk, Daniel Fitch, Shawn Fitch, Howard Gidden, Sean Gilbert, Donald Harris, David & Janelle Harris, Jack Hagy, Dwayne Hamblin, Roger Handy, Andrew Hammatt, Doug Henderson, Michael Jenkins, Joseph Kee, Amy Kelly, Kristina Langley, Skip LaPointe, Courtney Foster McCorvey, Cade Mulrooney, Jacob Poma, Rhett Roy, John Spencer III & Tracy Thomas

Please call the office with updates to this list.

TREASURER'S REPORT

John Follansbee, Treasurer
As of **October 31, 2016**

	This Month	Year to Date	2016 Budget
Revenues			
Core Church	33,670.13	267,865.45	321,550.00
Thrift Shop	4,470.14	54,386.28	58,500.00
Total Revenues	38,140.27	322,251.73	380,050.00
Expenses			
Core Church	28,048.24	294,029.83	358,929.74
Thrift Shop	884.09	13,257.46	16,311.00
Total Expenses	28,932.33	307,287.29	375,240.74
Net Gain/Loss			
Core Church	5,621.89	(26,164.38)	(37,379.74)
Thrift Shop	3,586.05	41,128.82	42,189.00
Total	9,207.94	14,964.44	4,809.26
Investments		Bank Accounts	
SSGA	118,975.17	Sun Trust	
Alliance Bernstein	33,290.54	Unrestricted	6,115.81
		Restricted	133,538.28
		Discretionary	1,562.53
Total	154,265.71	Total	141,216.62
Diocesan Loan			
Balance	80,700.88		

Food Pantry Shopping List

This is our staples list, other items appreciated.

Mac 'n cheese
Crackers
Spaghetti
Oatmeal
Instant Potatoes
Cereal
Pancake Mix
Pancake Syrup
Shelf milk/dry milk

Cans or jars
Peanut Butter
Jelly
Pasta Sauce
Chicken Noodle soup
Tomato soup
Tuna
Corn
Green beans
Pork 'n beans
Carrots
Canned peaches
Hotdogs
Ravioli/pasta

If you wish to make a monetary contribution, we will shop for you. We do most of our shopping at Save A Lot.

We would like to give canned hams for Christmas. Please help us provide these if you are able.

October Attendance

Week Ending Sat./Sunday	* Other Services	Sat. 4 pm	Sunday 8 am	Sunday 10:30 am	Total
Oct. 1/2		40	41	110	191
Oct. 8/9	12	51	35	139	237
Oct. 15/16		45	35	117	197
Oct. 22/23	105	45	35	125	310
Oct. 29/30		36	32	148	216
TOTAL	117	217	178	639	1151
AVERAGE	59	43	36	128	230

* 10/9 Atria-Evergreen HE II at 3 pm * 10/22 Kenneth Shaw Funeral

OCTOBER

PARISH REGISTER

Transfers in: Robert & Penny Moses

Transfers out: none

Deaths:

Funerals:

Charles Reif 10/7/16
at Florida National Cemetery

Kenneth Shaw 10/22/16

Bulletin Board

Meetings, Event News, etc.

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If you would like more information about our ministries please pick up a copy of the Serving Opportunities brochure or call the church office.



We are updating our email list.

If you would like to be added or continue as a prayer warrior please email Carolyn Wallner at thewallners@hotmail.com.

Canterbury Festival

Thank you to all who participated in our Canterbury Festival. God provided a glorious day for the festival with perfect weather and a great turn out. Thanks to our wonderful team of volunteers and area chairpersons for their time and energy. Each area was profitable again this year.

White Elephant = \$389.90	Baked Goods = \$359.70
Children's Area = \$51.45	Library = \$134.07
Raffle = \$201.00	Jewelry = \$314.25
Collectibles = \$340.00	Food = \$249.22
Silent Auction = \$926.00	Crafts = \$226.05
Thrift Store (Christmas) = \$308.00	

Grief Share

Meets each **Monday at 9 am** in the library.
If you have lost a loved one, please join us.
Facilitator: Jean Caamaño 352-201-2336.

DOK

This month we will meet on
December 4th at noon in the library.

OSL

Meets the 3rd Sunday of each month at
12:30 pm in the library.
This month's meeting is **December 18th**.

Vestry Meeting

Sunday, December 18th at 12:30 pm in the side chapel.

Friends of the Witt Library

The next meeting is **December 13th at 12:30 pm** at Susan Villnow's home. The Book Club meets immediately afterwards.

AARP will be offering free tax preparation at St. Andrew's beginning in February



2 Shirley Coomes
3 Trudy Bailey
4 Diane Casey
4 Danny Fernandez
6 Dave Hamilton
6 Karen Walrath
6 David Lightburn
7 John Follansbee
8 Elaine Cremer

8 Chris Robertson	
8 Bridie Klein	
11 Mark Lillpopp-Strzelczyk	
13 Frank Trama	
13 Joyce Bartholomew	
13 Patrick Tino	
16 Gregory McDougal	23 Margie Burton
18 Carol Drummond	25 Marie Sedlak
18 Lance Wallace	25 Bradley Ogden
19 Doris Lancombe	27 Tommy Collins
19 Zachery Meissner	27 Mary Ann Arnold
20 Marc Brooks	28 Dave Newman
22 Eric Jude	29 Arnold Stephens
23 Shirley Phillips	



1 Rosamond & Maurice Stewart
9 Mervis & Fred Lewis
17 Jillian & Robert Wagner
19 Merope & Robby Noel
19 Carolyn & Ludwig Wallner
20 Marjorie Convery & Jim Rankin
24 Loa & Pete Jackson
26 Joyce & Eddie Lindsay
27 Anita & Michael Cockill
27 Nancy & Billy Everidge
27 Liz & Dave Hamilton
29 Barbara & Calvin Ingram

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Sunday Services

8 am Service (no music)
9:15 am Adult Formation Class
9:45 Jr. Inquirers
10:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Service (music)

Saturday Services

4 pm Service (no music)
5 pm Adult Formation Class

Wednesday Services

10 am Service
with prayers for healing
11 am to 1 pm Food Pantry open
1:30 and 6 pm Adult Bible Study
6 pm Youth Ministry

Parish Office Hours

Mon.–Thurs. 9 am – 2 pm
(Closed Friday)

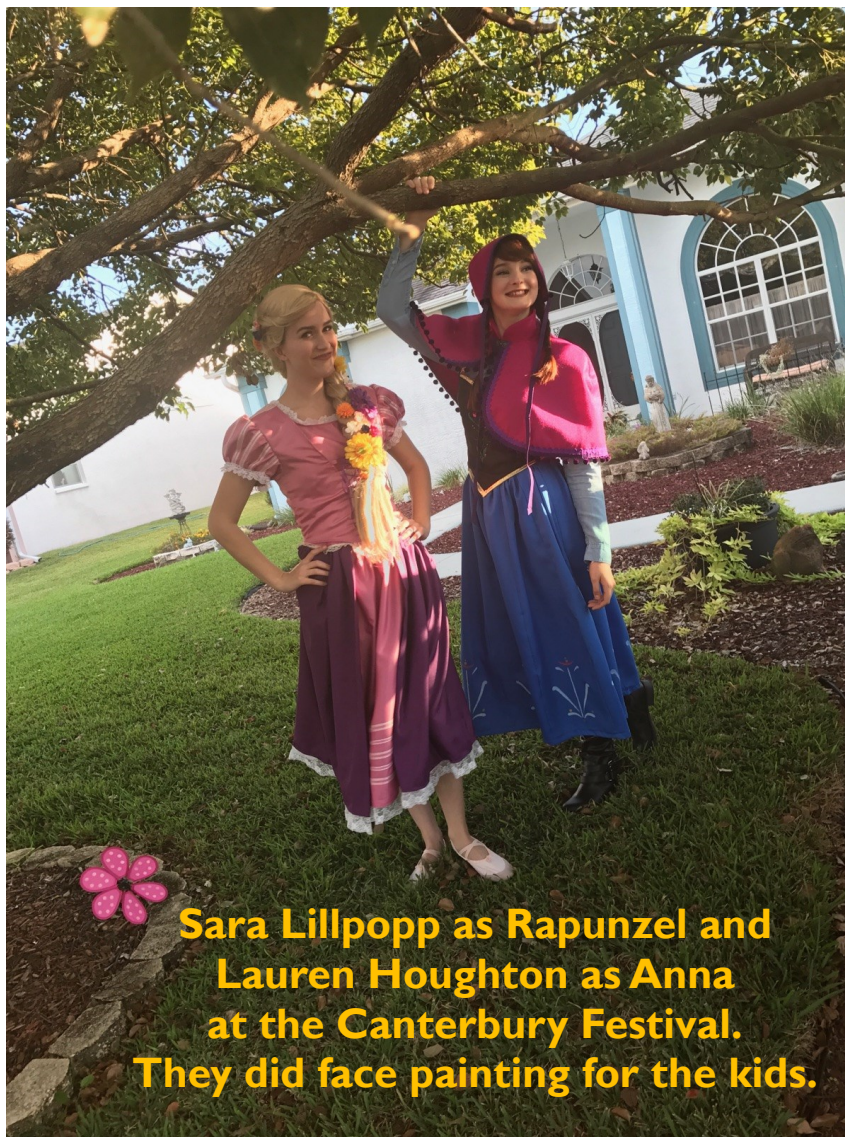
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Life Line Screening

10 minutes can save your life! Do you have high cholesterol? Do you smoke? Do you have a family history of stroke? If yes, you may want to consider being screened for stroke risk. Life Line Screening screens the carotid arteries as up to 75% of all strokes are linked to plaque buildup in the carotid arteries. St. Andrew's is hosting its annual screening on Saturday, January 21, 2017. Call 1-800-324-1851 for more information or to pre-register. All 5 screenings for \$149.00; includes Carotid Artery/Plaque Screening, Heart Rhythm Screening, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening, Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening and Osteoporosis Risk Assessment. Watch for more information in early January.