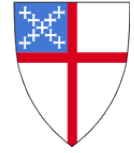


St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Parish Chimes



An Ancient Faith for a Modern World

November 2017



From the Rector

Dear Friends,

It is said that when one is busy time seems to go faster. I think that is true and right now around our church time is flying! We have been in our Stewardship month and we are ready to move into November. In the first week we have the service for the Faithfully Departed, Thursday morning in the Memorial Garden and on Saturday our Canterbury Festival. On November 12th we have our Veterans' Day luncheon when we celebrate and honor our veterans. November 19th, we have a baptism of Eric Kepner. Thanksgiving Day, November 23rd, our Rite One service is at 10:00 am. Then on November 26th, Bishop Smith will be here and we have two more baptisms, James Mullen and Chance Harris, along with a number of receptions and confirmations; it will be glorious! And in the midst of all that we will be having our regular ministries; the Bible studies and youth group, the Thrift Store, Back-packs and Food Pantry, the Adult Formation, Choir, and Altar Guild. So November will be an exciting month in the life of our church!

November is also a time for us to consciously choose to be thankful. We have one day in the year when we are to stop and remember God's blessings to us. I find this story about Martin Rinkart inspiring. Rinkart was a minister in the little town of Eilenburg in Germany some 350 years ago. He was the son of a poor coppersmith, but somehow, he managed to work his way to an education. Finally, in the year 1617, he was offered the post of minister in his hometown parish. A year later, what has come to be known as the Thirty-Years-War broke out. His town, Eilenburg, was caught right in the middle. In 1637,

the massive plague that swept across the continent hit Eilenburg. People died at the rate of fifty a day and the man called upon to bury most of them was Martin Rinkart. In one year alone, Pastor Rinkart conducted funerals for 4,500 people, including his own wife. His labors finally came to an end about 11 years later, just one year after the conclusion of the war. His ministry spanned 32 years, all but the first and the last overwhelmed by the great conflict that engulfed his town. These were tough circumstances in which to be thankful. But read the words he wrote: "Now thank we all our God, with hearts and hands and voices, Who wondrous things hath done, In whom the world rejoices...[So] keep us in His grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all ills, in this world and the next. "

Even when he was waist deep in destruction, Pastor Rinkart was able to lift his sights to a higher plane. He kept his mind on God's love when the world was filled with hate. He kept his mind on God's promises of heaven when the earth was a living hell. Sometimes it might not be easy to be thankful. Yet, it is only through trusting in our God and being thankful that we will be able to find joy and peace in our lives. So let each of us make the time to be thankful to God, no matter whatever circumstances we find ourselves.

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The Deacon's Bench

Deacon Ludwig Wallner
THE VERGER



Verger – what a strange term. Who or what is a verger? “A New Dictionary for Episcopalians” defines *verger* as “a volunteer usually in English parishes who is concerned with the care of the building. This kind of verger carries a wand or staff of office, called the *verge*. This person may have a ceremonial part in the conduct of worship.”

According to Wikipedia, a Verger (or *Virger*, so called for the staff of office) is “usually a lay person who assists the clergy in the ordering of religious services and especially in the marshalling of processions particularly in Anglican and Episcopalian Churches.”

Vergers are vested in robes which are different from the clericals worn by the clergy during a religious service. The verger wears a black from neck to ankle robe called a “Cassock”. This is covered by a long sleeveless vestlike grey in color (black may also be used) and usually trimmed in black velvet, vestment called a “Chimere”.

Attached to the Chimere is a brightly colored patch which is the seal of the Episcopal Church Guild of Vergers and the Chimere is fastened by a pewter Morse Gown Closure.

Here at St. Andrew's our Verger, David Hamilton, leads the procession and recession during the 10:30 Sunday Service. David may carry the processional cross (if no acolyte is available), leads the gospel procession and acts as the Master of Ceremony during the service. David also assists in the preparation of special worship services such as the Easter Great Vigil.

Sr. Warden's Remarks

Craig Gates, Sr. Warden

Dear Friends in Christ,

It does not seem possible that November is here already. Time really does move quickly. This month will again be a busy one. November 4th will be the culmination of months of planning as we enjoy our Canterbury Festival. There will be many vendors returning from previous years, arts & crafts as well as activities and a variety of food and drinks for sale. All proceeds will benefit the out reach programs that St. Andrew's supports.

As we celebrate Veterans Day on November 11th, we invite all veterans to attend and re-

ceive our thanks and gratitude for all they have given and to remember all those who gave their lives for our freedom.

November also brings the beginning of the Holiday Season. This is a wonderful time to visit with friends and family and to reflect on God's blessings to all of us and our church. May God's Peace be present in you this busy month.

We are looking forward to Bishop Smith's visit on Sunday November 26th. The Bishop will be with us for our baptisms and confirmations and having him here is a blessing we all share. I hope you will plan on attending this special service.

Please remember to warmly welcome guests, invite them to coffee hour or adult formation and extend an invitation to join us again!

Craig Gates
Sr. Warden

Jr. Warden's Remarks

Hal Smith, Jr. Warden

As you can see we have a lot of activity in and around our Church and campus. We have just completed our Fall Clean Up. Thank you to all who participated. Our Sacristy construction has begun and much work has been accomplished in the last few weeks. We will begin reconstruction on the Choir room and library before the end of October. Again, thank you to all who participated in our Fall Clean Up. A special thank you to Chris Robertson for all that she does in taking care of Memorial Garden and thank you to Carolyn and Ludwig Wallner for a great lunch.

As we begin to enjoy cooler weather and get ready for the Holidays, let's remember all the families and Churches less fortunate than us and thank God for what we have and what we have been through. God bless you and God bless our Church.

Diocesan Convention

Friends in Christ,

The 49th annual convention of the Diocese of Southwest Florida was attended by Fr. Lance and his wife, Diane, Glee Gates and her husband Craig, Sr. Warden, Clay Lindsay and Hal Smith, Jr. Warden. The theme of the convention was “Work, Pray & Give”. Throughout the entire session, this

common theme was illustrated how each of us has a bounden duty, an obligation, to worship our Lord, pray to our Lord, work for our Lord and give to our Lord. Following morning worship the first day, we each attended various workshops focused on ministries from developing courageous leaders and creating spiritually vital congregations to bridging the ages in our congregations. The afternoon plenary session was presented by Catherine Meeks, Ph.D. who spoke on dismantling racism. Her message was that racism works against our baptismal call to love others and we must strive to heal this chronic illness in our communities. The day culminated in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist led by Bishop Dabney Smith. The enormity of the auditorium, the procession of clergy and laity led by the cross made the entire worship experience awe inspiring.

On day two, after morning worship, the Diocesan business meeting was held. Bishop Dabney Smith addressed the assembly followed by reports from various areas of the Diocese including budget and finance. Voting then took place to fill vacancies of clergy and laity on committees working within the Diocese. The convention business meeting adjourned with the announcement of the 50th annual convention in 2018 and closing prayers.

Submitted by Glee Gates



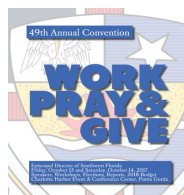
Ministry News

Altar Guild

Glee Gates,
Coordinator



At last! Our Sacristy is well underway and should be completed and ready by the time Bishop Smith comes in November. It has been an inconvenience for many who depend on supplies and vestments usually stored in the Sacristy as well as people being crowded and displaced by our altar linens, albs and everything else we



“farmed” out in *their* areas. Thank you all for working together, maintaining your patience and above all loving your neighbor as we all “overlapped” into each other’s spaces. We look forward to moving in to our newly remodeled space and we will finally discover what we did with everything when we moved out in August! Thank God for His blessings on our church family.

Sunday School

Miss Susan, Miss Colleen & Miss Jeanie



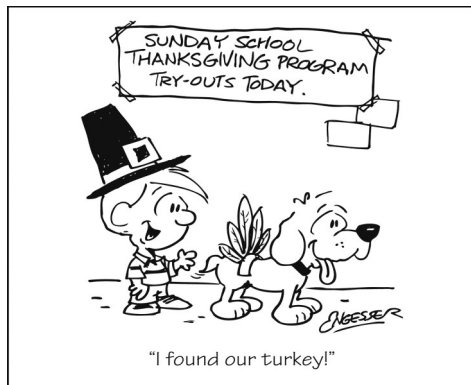
We discussed danger and defined the courage of the people who—trained or otherwise—rushed into danger to assist and aid people.

*Riddles can be fun and make you think.

Jesus stumped the chief priests and elders with a riddle: “Did the baptism of John come from Heaven or from men? Where did the authority come from?” The could not answer; their response was, “We don’t know.”

Thomas Edison, the famous inventor, gave a young boy a second chance to carry the light bulb up the stairs after he had dropped the first one and it broke. One of my favorite quotes is from Edison, “When you have exhausted all possibilities, remember this: you haven’t.” God also gives us many, many chances to try things to improve our lives. He also forgives us for the mistakes that we all make. God knows when we make excuses.

*What is a shark’s favorite sandwich?
Peanut butter & Jellyfish!



“I found our turkey!”

Pastoral Care Ministry

Janet Crisfield, Facilitator

The Pastoral Care Team brings the presence of Christ to the homebound, hospitalized and those who are in Rehab and extended care facilities. We also bring communion to those parishioners who are temporarily unable to attend church as they are recuperating from

an illness. Holy Communion and Anointing for Healing are offered. If you do not feel called to administer Holy Communion and/or Anointing, a caring visit and prayer are considered an important part of this ministry.

One of our members is Robert Meissner. Robert has been a member of St. Andrews for two years. As well as being a member of the Pastoral Team he serves on the altar, is a member of the Altar Guild, is a member of the Order of St. Luke and attends Bible study. Bob says he enjoys bringing the Eucharist to people in the hospital and health care facilities. He has done this for about 15 years and we benefit from his long experience. Bob says he feels a special empathy for those in Rehab and long term care. He feels especially called to care for those that are in a care facility for the duration of their lives and especially those who have infrequent or no family contact.

The next meeting is Wednesday, November 29, 2017 at noon Krysher Hall. Training and screening is required. If you feel called to this ministry please call Janet Crisfield 796-9389 or Fr. Lance in the office.

Calling All Green Thumbs!

Six years ago I became aware that volunteers were needed to keep the garden areas located in our Memorial Garden weeded and pruned. The group of folks that took care of this chore were either no longer able to garden or no longer attended. The result was the Memorial Garden, which should be a tranquil place for people to visit their loved ones had fallen into a state of disrepair. Since I really enjoy gardening, I began working in the garden. This November we will be relocating to New Mexico, and I am hoping that I can encourage some of you to adopt this as your volunteer ministry.

The beauty of gardening is you do it on your time and schedule. A monthly visit is generally sufficient to keep up with pruning and weeding. I like to come early in the mornings while it is still cooler. With few exceptions, all the flowers growing in the garden are perennials, and the church provides trash bags, nugget bark, plant food, and weed killer as you need it. Just let the junior warden know your needs a few days before you plan to work. I have always brought my own yard tools, to make sure I had what I needed.

Many of the plantings are either cuttings

donated from member’s gardens, or plants brought for a loved one and left by a memorial stone that are no longer surviving in their pot. I have also bought fillers when they are on sale. We have a very large campus, and like this garden there are many other areas really need volunteers to adopt them. My prayer is that several people will take interest in the opportunity to work on own schedule and enjoy the sights and sounds of birds and critters and a little dirt.

Please call Hal Smith (Junior Warden) at the church office, or catch him on Sunday, and he will give you all the information you need to get started.

Green thumb blessings,
Chris Robertson

Blessing of the Animals

Many thanks to all who participated in this special service. About 40 pets received blessings from Fr. Lance. A special thank you goes out to Lois Burger for filling out the keepsake certificates for the owners.



Coffee Hour

November kicks off a new kind of coffee hour. You can, of course, still participate the way we’ve always done it ; we’re just adding another option. It’s been brought to our attention that some would like to participate, but don’t have the time, so starting November, you can now “sponsor” a coffee hour for whatever date you wish. The typical coffee hour costs \$50-60.

We are also establishing a coffee hour crew. We hope to have two or more teams that are responsible for set up and clean up of coffee hour. If you are looking for a way to volunteer, please consider the coffee team. Contact Jackie Ruth at 727-457-9211 or the office if interested.



NOVEMBER 2017

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
			1 9:15 am Preschool Reading (L) 10 am HE II and Healing Prayers 1:30 & 6 pm Bible Study (SC) 6 pm Youth Group (KH)	2 9:00 am Backpacks 11:00 am Service of Remembrance (MG) 6pm Choir	3 Office Closed	4 4 pm HE II 5 pm AF (SC)
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UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER EVENTS

Thursday, November 2

11:00 am Service of Remembrance

Saturday, November 4

9:00 am Canterbury Festival

Sunday, November 12

12:30 pm Veteran's Sunday Potluck Luncheon

Thursday, November 23

10:00 am Thanksgiving Day Service

Sunday, November 26

10:30 am Bishop Dabney Smith to visit

DECEMBER EVENTS

Monday, December 11

Angel Tree Donations Due

Wednesday, December 13

Angel Tree Wrapping Party

Sunday, December 24

8:00 am Christmas Eve Service

5:30 pm Christmas Eve Service (with St. Nicholas)

10:30 pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Monday, December 25

10:00 am Christmas Day Service Rite 1

Sunday, December 31

10:30 am Lessons & Carols



**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, Myriaha Diaz, Olivia Clair, Warren
Fedoryk, Daniel Fitch, Shawn Fitch, Howard Gidden, Sean
Gilbert, Donald Harris, Dwayne Hamblin, Roger Handy,
Andrew Hammatt, Doug Henderson, 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.



November Lectionary

November 5

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Joshua 3:7-17

Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 23:1-12

November 12

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

Psalm 78:1-7

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 23:1-12

November 19

24th Sunday after Pentecost

Judges 4:1-7

Psalm 123

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Matthew 25:14-30

November 26

25th Sunday after Pentecost

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Psalm 100


Ephesians 1:15-23

Matthew 25:31-46

Bible Quiz

Fill in the blank to complete this verse from a psalm of thanksgiving: "Bless the LORD, O my _____, and forget not all his benefits."

A. people B. soul
C. heart D. children



Answer: B (See Psalm 103:2, ESV.)

TREASURER'S REPORT

John Follansbee, Treasurer
As of **September, 2017**

	This Month	Year to Date	2016 Budget
Revenues			
Core Church	19,169.51	247,681.42	330,102.00
Thrift Shop	2,541.92	41,722.51	58,300.00
Total Revenues	21,711.43	289,403.93	388,402.00
Expenses			
Core Church	25,405.19	266,948.19	368,563.67
Thrift Shop	272.19	11,800.76	16,350.42
Total Expenses	25,677.38	278,748.95	384,914.09
Net Gain/Loss			
Core Church	(6,235.68)	(19,266.77)	(38,461.67)
Thrift Shop	2,269.73	29,921.75	41,949.58
Total	(6,992.04)	10,654.98	3,487.91
Investments		Bank Accounts	
SSGA	108,158.33	Sun Trust	
Alliance Bernstein	33,636.42	Unrestricted	(6,855.36)
		Restricted	187,106.17
		Discretionary	1,203.39
Total	141,794.75	Total	181,454.20
Diocesan Loan Balance	75,127.69		

Food Pantry Shopping List

This is our staples list, other items appreciated.

Mac 'n cheese
Spaghetti
Cereal
Pancake Mix
Pancake Syrup

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

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

Our Food Pantry will also be collecting canned hams instead of turkeys for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Thanks so much for helping our community families.

Parish Register

October Attendance

Week Ending Sat./Sunday	* Other Services	Sat. 4 pm	Sunday 8 am	Sunday 10:30 am	Total
October 1	35		39	103	177
October 7/8	45	52	37	108	242
October 14/15		43	36	105	184
October 21/22		46	31	125	202
October 28/29		53	42	125	220
TOTAL	80	194	185	566	1025
AVERAGE	40	47	36	110	201

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Transfers in: 1

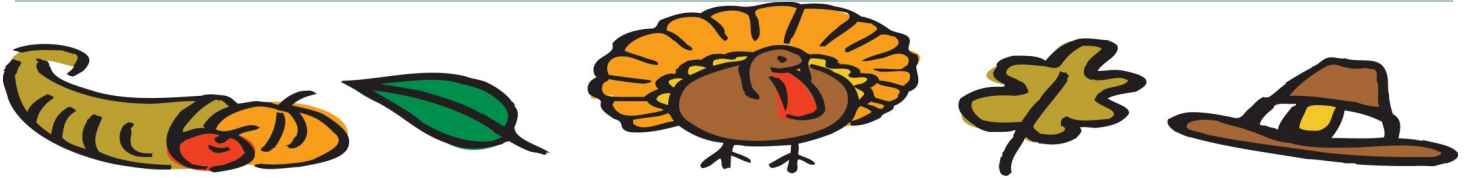
Transfers out: 0

Deaths: 0

Funerals: 10/7/17 Felicity Garner

Weddings: none

Anointings: 77



SO MANY BLESSINGS



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.

Our Backpack Ministry

received a lovely surprise
in one of the backpacks last month
from one of the children they help!

We will also be starting the **Angel Tree program**
at the end of the month.

Just look for the tree in the Narthex!



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- | | |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Thomas Hubbell | 21 Mickey Smith |
| 1 Terence Fulham | 21 Vera Scharf |
| 2 Linda Magee | 24 Pat Trama |
| 3 Maurice Stewart | 24 Karen McGrath |
| 4 Adele Ruggiero | 25 Nancy Koehle |
| 4 Carol Fuller | 25 Pat Spencer |
| 6 Pete Jackson | 26 Marty Monahan |
| 7 Lou Clifton | 27 Rosamund Stewart |
| 10 Annette Blane | |
| 11 Nellie James | |
| 12 Fred Lewis | |
| 13 Trish Gardner | |
| 13 Geddy Emerson | |
| 14 Marjorie Convery | |
| 15 Paul Herold | |
| 15 Harry Calderbank | |
| 15 Michelle Traudt | |
| 16 Charlene Fales | |
| 17 Carolyn Hearn | |
| 17 Brandon Bethoney | |
| 19 Dennis Crisfield | |



NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- | | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| 6 Sharon & Tyrone Ricks | 29 Norma & Lou Clifton |
| 7 Mary & Robert Ward | |
| 8 Nancy & James Skinner | |
| 15 Rev. Elaine and Ray Cole | |
| 20 Carla & Dave Newman | |
| 21 Chris & Joe Kettner | |
| 22 Mary & Terrence Fulham | |
| 25 Paula & Larry Harrelson | |

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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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Canterbury Festival

Saturday, November 4, 2017

9 am to 2 pm

- Arts and Crafts
- Food and Bakery Items
- Jewelry
- Christmas and Holiday Items
- Wellness Services
- White Elephant Sale
- Local Artisans and Crafters
- Themed Gift Baskets Silent Auction
- And much more.....

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