



# NETWORK

The Parish Newsletter of  
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

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*From the Rector's Desk*



## WHAT'S IN A NAME?

I love baptisms. Baptisms overwhelm the senses: the touch of the water and oil, the smell of newly lighted candles, the sound of communal voices crying out “We will!”, the taste of the Eucharistic feast shared with the newest members of the family. Baptisms also offer more quiet, less noticed moments. One of my favorite moments is found in these quiet moments. After we have guided the candidate through the baptismal covenant and renewed our own; after the water has been poured and set apart; after the hearing of the narrative of salvation, the presider (priest) makes a very simple request of the godparents or sponsors of the candidate for baptism: “Name this child.” While this request has been reduced to a rubrical suggestion in the current prayer book, it was prominent in previous versions and essential at all times to the liturgy. While the primary intention of this request is directed to infants, I apply it to any and all seeking the waters of baptism: name this child. Name this child before God; name this child before the congregation; name this child for the sake of the person whom we will baptize. Name this child.

The new secular year begins with the sacred feast of The Holy Name of our Lord Jesus Christ (January 1). While this feast has had many different names throughout the ages, a principle focus of this feast is always the naming of Jesus. In accordance with Jewish law and tradition, all male children having achieved the age of 8 days were presented before the Lord, circumcised, and named. In accordance with this, Mary and Joseph present Jesus in the Temple and give to him the name at which every knee shall bow in heaven, on earth, and

under the earth (Philippians 2:11-12). From that moment, the world has a name for the Incarnate Word of God: Jesus – the Second Person of the Trinity.

Throughout the gospels, we hear that name countless times. Spoken by the lame, the blind, the terrified, the condemned, the name of Jesus becomes a name on which we can cast our deepest fears, our darkest moments, and our brightest joys. When we call on the name of Jesus we know that our calls are not in vain; we know that we are heard; and we hope that our will aligns or will be aligned with the will of God through Christ.

When we emerge from the waters of baptism and “take” our name, we are joining that long, long list of the faithful throughout the ages who realized the importance for them to be able to call on the name of Jesus as Lord and Savior. Likewise, we take our name so that others can call upon for assistance and that others may call upon so that we may rejoice with them. We take a name that represents the life and mission of Christ as we add Christian to our identity. While we each have our own individual name and identity, we share the identity and name of Christ.

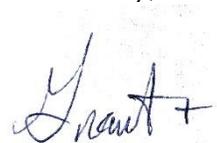
There is another level of significance to a name and that level of significance is found in direct interaction with Jesus. As Mary Magdalene stood outside the tomb of the crucified Christ and wept, she thought all was lost. In her grief, she could not see the reality beyond her present reality – Jesus was dead. Even after engaging in conversation at the tomb with someone seeking to assure her that all would be well, she failed to see Jesus. It wasn't until Jesus called her name “Mary!” that she realized the joy of the resurrected life and beheld Jesus, alive – raised from the dead. Her sorrow faded and unimaginable joy appeared.

Think now on another tomb – the tomb of Lazarus. Lazarus had been dead four days. His family weeps – understandably. His community weeps – understandably. Jesus weeps – understandably, Lazarus was his dear friend. Yet, in the midst of this sorrow, Jesus knows that his purpose is greater than even death. Jesus, standing before the entrance to Lazarus' tomb, commands: “Lazarus, come forth!”. And forth comes Lazarus. Still bound in the shrouds of death, life returns.

When we gather on January 1 to celebrate the naming of Jesus, we are celebrating in part our intimate connection with the most blessed of names. We recognize that our God is not a distant God, but a God that dwelt among us and dwells among us. We recognize as well, that we all have a role in that name as well. Connected with Christ in baptism, our name is forever associated with that love and grace and mercy and justice of Christ. Others call our name, and our response reflects Christ to that person.

So what's in a name . . . nothing less than the love of God by which Christ is shown to the world.

Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Grant" with a stylized flourish at the end.

# WORSHIP NEWS

## Let's Celebrate Christmas

Join us as we celebrate Christmas with a festive coffee hour at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, January 2. Look for more information in our weekly "Worth Noting" emails.

## Midweek Bible Study Returns

Our midweek Bible study returns Wednesday, January, 19, at 8:45 a.m. *We'll try this new time for several weeks and see how it works.* The plan is for this to be a "topical" approach. Topics to be explored will be published ahead of time. Here's the schedule for January:

January 19 - What's the Bible, anyway?

January 26 - Glimpses of Peter and Paul

## Topics in the Faith: An Evening Formation Opportunity

Beginning in January, our bi-weekly evening formation opportunities return. We will meet the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. for conversation around a variety of faith and worship topics. Here's the schedule for January:

January 5 - The Epiphany

January 19 - Holy Days 101

## Happy "Noon Year"

Want to celebrate the New Year, but not stay up until midnight? This is the perfect gathering for our children (of all ages). We will gather at Springettsbury Park at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, December 31. We'll countdown to Noon and celebrate Happy Noon Year. Simple snacks will be provided. If the weather doesn't cooperate, we'll gather in the Great Hall.

*Springettsbury Park 1501 Mt. Zion Rd. York, PA 17402*

## The Feast of the Holy Name of our Lord Jesus Christ New Year's Day 2022

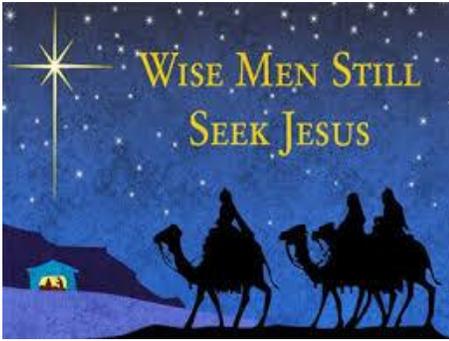
We will gather for worship on Saturday, January 1, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. There's no better way to start a new year than in worship.

## The Feast of the Epiphany

Join us on Thursday, January 6, 2022,

for a festive celebration of the Feast of the Epiphany and a Twelfth Night "party".

Our worship begins at 6:30 p.m. followed by a Twelfth Night "party" in the Great Hall.



## Worship Schedule

### *Saturday, January 1*

*New Year's Day*

10:00 a.m. Worship

### *Sunday, January 2nd*

*2 Christmas*

8:30 a.m. Rite I

10:30 a.m. Rite II

### *Thursday, January 6*

*Feast of Epiphany*

7:00 p.m.

### *Sunday, January 9th*

*1 Epiphany*

8:30 a.m. Rite I

9:30 a.m. Adult Formation

10:30 a.m. Rite II

### *Saturday, January 15th*

5:00 p.m. Worship

### *Sunday, January 16<sup>th</sup>*

*2 Epiphany*

8:30 a.m. Rite I

9:30 a.m. Adult Formation

10:30 a.m. Rite II

### *Sunday, January 23rd*

*3 Epiphany*

8:30 a.m. Rite I

10:00 a.m. Family Service

10:30 a.m. Rite II

### *Sunday January 30th*

*4 Epiphany*

8:30 a.m. Rite I

9:30 a.m. Annual Meeting

10:30 a.m. Rite II



## ADULT FORMATION IN JANUARY

Our monthly Adult Formation continues on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 9:45 a.m. In January we will focus on St. Peter and St. Paul. In January, we find “the Week of Christian Unity” that begins with the Feast of the Confession of St. Peter the Apostle (January 18) and concludes with The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle (January 25). We’ll spend out time discussing these two pillars of the church and explore aspects of Christian Unity.

January 16 – St. Peter

January 23 – St. Paul



## *Scripture Readings for January*



January 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jeremiah 31:7-14	Psalm 84:1-8	Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a	Luke 2:41-52
January 9 <sup>th</sup>	Isaiah 43:1-7	Psalm 29	Acts 8:14-17	Luke 3:15-18, 21-22
January 16 <sup>th</sup>	Isaiah 62:1-5	Psalm 36:5-10	1 Corinthians 12:1-11	John 2:1-11
January 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Nehemiah 8:1-3,5-6,8-10	Psalm 19	1 Corinthians 12:13-31a	Luke 4:12-21
January 30 <sup>th</sup>	Jeremiah 1:4-10	Psalm 71:1-6	1 Corinthians 13:1-13	Luke 4:21-30

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

#### **ARE NOW PRINTED IN THE BULLETIN**

**If there is someone you would like to include in the Prayers of Intercession, please call or email the Parish Office by 12 noon on Wednesday.**

**Their name will remain on the list for three weeks.**

**717-843-3868 – [secretary@standrews.org](mailto:secretary@standrews.org)**

## Wednesday Worship 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist



**It's just about that time. Sunday, January 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.**

All ministries, please have your information to the office by Friday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, as Father Grant, would like to have the hard copy ready for handing out on Sunday, January 16<sup>th</sup>. If you wish to have your information placed in the report, please have it to the church office by 2:00 p.m. Friday, January 7<sup>th</sup>. Your help is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

### VESTRY NOMINATIONS

The nomination period for our 2022 vestry elections is open. The nominations committee will receive names for consideration until January 9, 2022. We will elect three new members to the vestry to serve a three-year term. Ideal candidates for vestry are individuals who are committed to furthering the Gospel of Jesus Christ by faithful worship, giving of their time, talent, and treasure, and willing to attend the monthly vestry meetings and be involved as much as possible in the full life of the parish.

You may nominate yourself for consideration or you may nominate another person; however, if you wish to nominate another person, please speak with that person in advance and make sure he or she is willing to serve if elected.

More information may be found in the Welcome Area.

#### Important Dates

**January 9** - Nomination Period Closes

**January 16** - Slate of candidates to the Clerk of the Vestry for filing with the vestry.

**January 23** - Slate of Vestry Nominees publicly announced

**January 30** - Vestry elections at the Annual Meeting (9:30 a.m.)

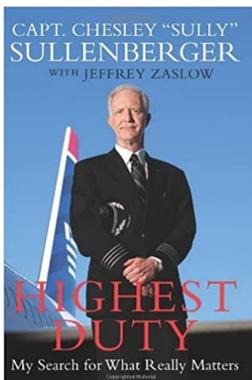
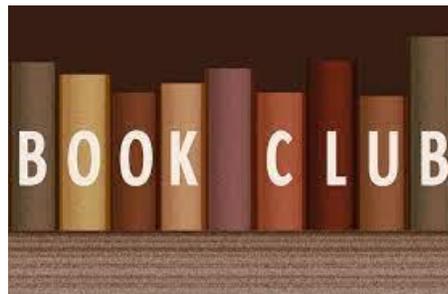
# Fellowship

## 50 SHADES OF GRACE



The social fellowship group for all women, 50 Shades of Grace, will meet New Year's Day, January 1st, at 11 a.m. at Dianne Newman's house. Dianne decorates lavishly for the holidays and her house is the essence of Christmas. She will make crepes for us. Bring a sweet or savory filling for crepes to share and join us.

I will bring Mimosa fixings and Diana Beasley is bound to bring her Bloody Mary mix. We will start the New Year off right! Contact Lynne Kearnan to arrange a designated driver or to carpool from church.



St. Andrew's Book Club next meets Sunday, January 23rd at 6:30 p.m. to discuss "Highest Duty", Captain Chesley Sullenberger's account of the 2009 Miracle on the Hudson plane crash - no one dies in this book! This "feel good" book provides the back story and is a quick read. 315 pages. Anyone of any age who reads the book can join our one-hour discussion. Our signature cookie, toffee walnut snickerdoodles, are provided.



### January Theology at the Pub

Theology at the Pub is 1/08/22 from 3-5 pm Location to be determined. Please call or text Dan at 717-817-0530 if you are interested in attending or if you have questions.



### *Bezalel Crafting Ministry*

The Bezalel Crafting Ministry (BCM) meets the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month, Labor Day – Memorial Day.

#### January Meeting Times

**Dates: January 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Time: 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

**Location: Parish Hall/Zoom**

**All are welcome, no matter what skill level or craft!**

#### ATTENTION:

We continue to offer hybrid meetings with both Zoom and in-person opportunities. Please let Martha know you want the Zoom link by the Wednesday before the group is set to gather.

Meetings are held in the Parish Hall so we have plenty of space for everyone to attend in-person. As with Sunday morning services, our group will continue to follow current CDC guidelines for in-person participants. We will keep you posted if anything changes. Hope to see you at the church or on Zoom!

For more information, questions or ideas to share, please contact Martha Ambrose – [MarthaARose@gmail.com](mailto:MarthaARose@gmail.com) or Alma Rooney – 717-817-0529 (text or call).

## Ministry Moments



# Men's Club

St. Andrew's Men's Club

The Men's Club is an informal group that has evolved over the past several years. Our initial focus has been on work activities around the church. We are open to looking at opportunities in the areas of outreach, fellowship, and spirituality. The Men's Club are currently involved with the All-Pro Dad's Breakfast, Theology at the Pub (TAP) and a variety of fundraising activities such as assisting with the Pancake Supper. All men of the parish are welcomed.

### Theology at the Pub (TAP)

Members of the Men's Club started a new fellowship opportunity in March of 2018. Theology at the Pub (TAP) is a forum for men to share their faith in an open and casual setting. A group of 4 to 8 of us meet one Saturday a month at different local Pubs throughout York. We have excellent discussions guided by a different theme and enjoy challenging each other as we explore our faith and how it impacts our everyday lives. Information can be found in the monthly newsletter for date and location. For additional information contact Dan Rooney.

### Phineas Davis All Pro Dad Breakfast

The Men's Club has sponsored a monthly breakfast for the past 9 years typically the first Thursday for students at Phineas Davis K-8 School using the "All-Pro Dad's" (APD) program. During this time, we discuss a wide range of family topics and offer resources to help improve family communication and to strengthen their relationship. The monthly attendance has typically ranged from 12-47, which includes students and adults. The monthly breakfast is served in the Great Hall before school starts and creates an opportunity for children and their role model(s) to meet and share with other families. We have had excellent participation from the families that have attended, and we really enjoy this ministry.



Our next ECW meeting will be held on Saturday, January 8th at 10:00 a.m.



## ECW Cookie Sale

Thank you to all the Episcopal Church Women who participated in the ECW Christmas Cookie Sale by baking delicious cookies to share with our congregation. And thank you to everyone who purchased cookies. This fundraiser contributed \$450 to our kitchen remodel fund.

## Can you help?



## Yes we can!

The ECW will be collecting canned goods (flip top preferred) at our Annual Meeting on January 30<sup>th</sup>. This is to supplement the food items we have in Andy's Pantry. Items we can use are: canned tuna or chicken, fruits (some w/o sugar), vegetables, and soups. No beans please.

Oops, forgot your can? We accept a donation to do the shopping for you! Thank you in advance for your generosity.



**Vestry Highlights**  
**December 14, 2021**  
**Meeting**

- The 2022 parish budget was presented by Harry Snell, a member of the finance committee for the Vestry's approval. Harry reviewed the new budget line by line and answered questions along the way. The budget is pretty straight forward. It totals \$262,600. A slight increase from the 2021 budget. He noted that there was a 14% increase in pledge money this year. As of December, there have been 42 pledge units received including 3 new pledge units. It is anticipated that more will follow. The Vestry approved the 2022 budget and it will be presented at the Annual Meeting. Fr. Grant thanked the finance committee for their efforts and hard work in putting this budget together.
- **Financial Secretary** reported that the pledge income for November was \$16,509. That we are above budget for November
- **Treasurer** reported that the budget is on target.
- **Committee reports** included: ECW minutes were attached. It was noted that the cookie sale made a profit of \$500. There was no Communications Committee meeting this month. It will be scheduled in January. Outreach reported that the 20 Bell Shelter bells were mostly gone after the early service. Next year Susan will increase it to 25. Also, the bin that has been set out for additional items is also full. Susan and Deb will sort out the gifts this week while waiting for the pickup. Fr. Grant mentioned that on Thursday 12/16 there will be a reception (coffee and desserts) for local police and first responders.
- In his **Rector's Report** Fr. Grant highlighted upcoming events for December and January. On Saturday 12/18 there will be a campfire (fire pit) hot chocolate and caroling; Sunday 12/19 will have Hanging of the Greens after the 10:30 service; Christmas Eve services are 4 PM, 7 PM, and 10 PM with Christmas Day at 8:30 AM. In January there will be a New Year's Day service at 10 AM. On January 6<sup>th</sup> (Epiphany) a Twelfth Night party will be held for the children. Our Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday January 30<sup>th</sup>. Fr. Grant will begin both morning and evening Bible studies beginning in January.
- There was a discussion on what we might need to do if the covid restrictions are tightened again.

**Complete vestry minutes can be found on the bulletin board in the Great Hall near the kitchen.**

## OUTREACH NEWS



*St. Andrew's Men's Club* held **All Pro Dad's Breakfast for Phineas Davis School** on Thursday December 9th. there were 54 students in attendance.

All Pro Dad's Breakfast is a simple idea with a profound impact. This breakfast, served in the Great Hall once each month September through June, is held before school creating an opportunity for children and their male role model to meet with others. During this time, they discuss a wide range of family topics, spend time together, create fun memories, and are equipped with resources to strengthen their relationship.

Our next breakfast will be on **January 13th at 7:45am**. Please call or text Dan if you are interested in helping or if you have questions. For more information, contact Dan Rooney via email [danrooney33@msn.com](mailto:danrooney33@msn.com) or phone 817-0530.

### BELL FAMILY SHELTER CHRISTMAS PROJECT

Thank you for your continued generosity during the Bell Shelter Outreach Project. Our St. Andrew's family provided gifts for 20 individuals, as well as many blankets, socks, underwear and PJ's. These essential items are always needed, especially because families come and go at the shelter. Ideally, they are able to find permanent housing within 30 days, but we have made Christmas brighter and more blessed while they were housed there temporarily. Once again, the true Christmas spirit moved us to show compassion for those in a difficult situation.

The recipients and the staff at Bell Shelter very much appreciated our gifts. Thank you all and Have a Blessed and Joyous Christmas!

Sincerely,

Susan Reardon, Outreach Chair



## FINANCIAL NEWS

### A NOTE FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Happy New Year! As we begin another year of stewardship, I would like to share a few items that might be helpful and informative.

My job includes receiving and recording pledges, inputting all donations into our church software, and working closely with the Treasurer to record all income accurately. I present monthly reports to the Vestry, and occasional updates to the Finance Committee. I also provide donation statements twice a year to inform donors of their status, and for tax purposes.

I have noticed a few things over the past year, and I would like to provide a bit of clarification. First, as we have said before, please don't feel that your pledge is binding; we understand if you need to modify or cancel your commitment for any reason, and we will adjust our budget if that happens. However, if you do pledge, even a tentative amount, we start the year with a much better idea of our income position as we develop the annual budget. Thank you for pledging if you can!

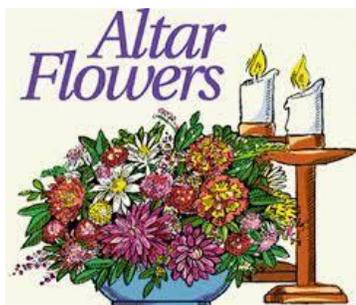
Once you submit a pledge card, I check to see if you'd like envelopes, and I put them in the lobby with your name on them. Please try to pick them up or have someone bring them to you, so we only need to mail a few boxes. If your card does not indicate that you want envelopes, I am still happy to provide them if you ask me! I do notice what you have checked on your card, however, emailing information regarding your giving is not possible at this time, due to email restrictions in the software. That is why you will still receive a printed statement. If you use envelopes, and you wish to make pledge contributions for multiple weeks, one envelope is sufficient, as is ONE CHECK. You may save your checks this way! It is easier for us, however, if you write different checks for different types of donations (e.g., flowers, pledge, discretionary) and mark the memo section of your check. The reason is that when we count all monies, we prefer to designate each check to a specific category, and the software is also designed that way. Please include a signature and date on your check, and be sure that your number amount matches your written amount. These small "double-checks" really help! If you donate cash, please include a note if you wish to receive credit, or if it's intended for a specific cause.

Donation statements will be mailed by January 31<sup>st</sup>. As always, if you have any questions about anything related to donations, please feel free to call or email me @ [susan.p.reardon@gmail.com](mailto:susan.p.reardon@gmail.com). Budget questions are best addressed to Harry Snell, Chair of the Finance Committee.

Thank you for entrusting me with this responsibility for St. Andrew's Church.

In His Service,  
Susan Reardon  
717-495-0178

## BITS & PIECES



### IT'S A NEW YEAR! SPONSORS ARE NEEDED FOR FLOWERS, BULLETINS & AUMBRY LIGHT

Opportunities are once again beginning for a new year!

You may sign up on line or call the Parish Office.

This is a great way to give glory to God, remember a loved one or celebrate a joyous or special occasion. Sign up early to reserve your special date!

The price to be \$50.00 for flowers  
\$5.00 for bulletins or aumbry.

### ARE YOU NERVOUS OR AFRAID? DON'T BE!

It doesn't take much to serve our Lord, in the simplest ways.

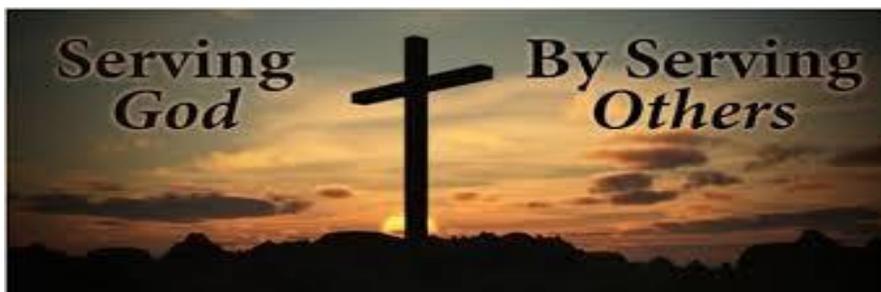
With the New Year, how about considering the following:

**Ushering, Acolyte or Lector.**

There is no judgement, only smiles from above for your willingness to take part in our Lord's service.

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Services available.

Pray about this, then contact Judy Alwine or Martha Ambrose and fill the many slots available for the new year.





We really don't want to think about snow, but winter is upon us! In the event of inclement weather, please turn to WGAL-NEWS 8, WGAL.COM or the church website for up to the minute closings and schedule changes.



**Martin Luther King, Jr. Day** is an American federal holiday marking the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. It is observed the third Monday of January each year, which is around King's birthday January 15<sup>th</sup>. The holiday is similar to holidays set under the Uniform Monday Holiday Act.

Martin Luther King, Jr. was an American Baptist minister and activist who was a leader in the African-American Civil Rights Movement. He is best known for his role in the advancement of civil rights using nonviolent civil disobedience based on his Christian beliefs.

*The Parish Office will be closed  
Monday, January 17<sup>th</sup>  
In observance of  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day*



## January Birthdays

If your birthday is not listed, please call the parish office.

06 – Deanna Garrett  
06 – Susan Reardon  
10 – Eligio Mendez  
11 – Michael Arcieri  
15 – Don Carmelite  
17 – Michael Massaquoi  
18 – Ann Myers  
20 – Angela Deroche  
20 – David Garrett  
25 – Lynne Kearnan  
25 – Jose Mendez  
27 – Philip Heinle  
27 – Jeremy Heinle  
27 – Helen Dixon  
31 – Rosalie Youkers



## January Anniversaries

If your anniversary is not listed, please call the parish office.



**The Rt. Rev. Audrey C. Scanlan  
Bishop  
Diocese of Central Pennsylvania**

### **Diocesan Mission Statement**

We are partners in Christ with the love of God on our lips and in our lives.

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The Rev. Grant Ambrose  
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The Rev. Janet Brown  
*Deacon*

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*Nursery Attendant*

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*Financial Secretary*  
Sandy Albright  
*Parish Secretary*

### **Vestry Members**

Leigh Dalton (2022)  
Debbie Donoghue (2022)  
Linda Woodside (2022)  
Nelson Leiphart (2023)  
Alma Rooney (2023)  
Meredith Williams (2023)  
David Dunkel (2024)  
Barbara Fleischer (2024)  
Michael Massquoi (2024)

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## **St. Andrew's Mission Statement**

*It is our purpose to serve Christ and his people through faithful worship, study, ministry, and mission, so as to reflect God's love for all.*

**NOTICE: Bulletin Deadline**  
Each week is Wednesday – 12 noon

**Deadlines for the NET X WORK**

**January 15th for February  
February 15th for March  
newsletter**

**Please mark your calendars  
and be respectful of these deadlines.**

**In Remembrances of**

**Nancy Young  
08/15/1931 - 11/20/2021**

