



NETWORK

The Parish Newsletter of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

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February 2022



PRESENT AND ACCOUNTED FOR

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

- Romans 12:1

On February 2, the Church commemorates “The Presentation of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Temple”. In past eras, this was the official conclusion of the Christmas season, and in some places, nativity scenes are still kept out until this feast (*unless you take my advice and find a way to keep your nativity scene out all year long – just like the cross*). On this day, we remember when Mary and Joseph presented Jesus at the Temple in keeping with Jewish custom of the time. During the presentation of Jesus, Simeon, a wise and devout man, recognized Jesus as “the salvation” he, and the world, had long awaited. Like Simeon, Anna, a prophet, sings praises to God for our redemption drawing near at the birth of Jesus. A lot happens on this day, and it all began because Mary and Joseph and Jesus went to the Temple. In our context, it all happened because people went to church seeking to draw closer to God and take their rightful role in the life, traditions, rituals, and sacraments of the community. In other words, they were “present and accounted for.”

The challenges of the past two years have presented both beneficial and detrimental opportunities. One of the most beneficial opportunities that we received was making our worship services virtually accessible. This has allowed us to stay connected when conditions were not favorable to gather physically in community.

A potentially detrimental opportunity – that is universal in nature and not specific to our context – is the deepening “isolation” that people are seeking after and/or falling in to. This isolation is communal isolation and spiritual isolation – just to note two. The heart of the Christian faith is to be gathered in community. In so doing, we are strengthened in ways we cannot imagine. Sure, one may intimately connect with God, at all times and in all places – isolated or in community. However, it is nearly impossible to live fully into the life of Christ separate from others and not engaging in communal worship and communal interaction. While Jesus certainly sets solid examples of careful boundaries and intentional, private connection with God, these examples serve to strengthen individuals’ abilities to take their rightful place in the community. When Jesus fed, he fed the multitudes. When Jesus healed, he healed in communal settings. When Jesus raised the dead, he did so in the presence of others. In short, Jesus calls us into community, to live as a community, to worship as a community, to care and love for others as a community. This community, as St. Paul, is strengthened when ALL the members of the community come together and take their rightful place in the Body of Christ. To put it another way, the community thrives when all are “represented and accounted for”.

The only certainty that is emerging from the pandemic is that we have been given wonderful opportunities to engage in our ancient faith in relevant ways for our time. We have to embrace the gift of virtual connection, for example; however, we cannot cease to gather, as often as possible, as the physical body of Christ – seeing each other with a vision not clouded by a screen; working with each other as safely as possible to let the world see the Body of Christ alive and well and active; supporting one another as we worship lifting our joyous hearts (and our broken hearts) to God and in the presence of our brothers and sisters who walk with us, struggle with us, fall with us, and are raised with us by Christ.

As we continue our pilgrimage in the year 2022, find ways to present yourselves as faithful witnesses of Christ. Find ways to use the new gifts that we have received and find ways to rekindle the traditions of gathering, worshipping, and serving as the body of Christ that has served us well for centuries – applying all that is good from our past and letting go all that needs to be let go.

I wish you all a blessed Season after Epiphany and look to walking the way of Lent with you.

Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Grant", followed by a small cross symbol.

WORSHIP NEWS

Midweek (daytime) Bible Study

We meet on Wednesday at 8:45 a.m. in the Great Hall. Topics for February follow:

February 2 - Simeon and Anna (Luke 2:22-40)

February 9 - Gospel, Epistles, Apocalypses - Oh my!

February 16 - Gospel, Epistles, Apocalypses - Oh my! (continued)

February 23 - St. Matthias

Topics in the Faith: An Evening Formation Opportunity

We will meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 6:30 p.m. for conversation around a variety of faith and worship topics. This is an “online” study offering. Links will be sent in the weekly email updates sent on Monday.

Here’s the schedule for February:

February 2 - Rituals Jesus Observed

February 16 - Ordinary Time - what is that?

The Feast of the Presentation of our Lord Jesus Christ

We will gather for worship on Wednesday, February 2, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. for worship and commemoration of this major feast in the life of the Church.

Adult Faith Formation on Sundays

We continue gathering on the 2nd and 3rd Sundays of the month at 9:30 a.m. (new time) for faith formation. Topics for February follow.

February 13 - Lesser known “saints”

February 20 - Special liturgies we encounter in Lent.





Worship Schedule

Sunday, February 6th

5 Epiphany

8:30 a.m. Rite I

10:30 a.m. Rite II

Sunday, February 13th

6 Epiphany

8:30 a.m. Rite I

9:30 a.m. Adult Formation

10:30 a.m. Rite II

Saturday, February 19th

5:00 p.m. Worship

Sunday, February 20th

7 Epiphany

8:30 a.m. Rite I

9:30 a.m. Adult Formation

10:30 a.m. Rite II

Sunday, February 27th

Last Epiphany

8:30 a.m. Rite I

10:00 a.m. Family Service

10:30 a.m. Rite II

4:00 p.m. Evensong





Scripture Readings for February



February 6th	Isaiah 6:1-8 (9-13)	Psalm 138	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	Luke 5:1-11
February 13 th	Jeremiah 17:5-10	Psalm 1	1 Corinthians 15:12-20	Luke 6:17-26
February 20 th	Genesis 45:3-11, 15	Psalm 37:1-12, 41-42	1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50	Luke 6:27-38
February 27 th	Exodus 34:29-35	Psalm 99	2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2	Luke 9:28-36 (37-43a)

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.

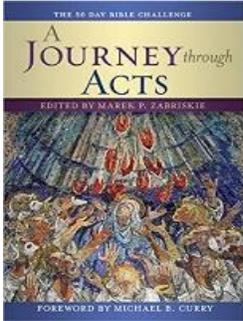
717-843-3868 – secretary@standrews.org

Wednesday Worship 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

SERVICE OF CHORAL EVENSONG

All are invited to a service of Choral Evensong at St. Andrew's Church on Sunday February 27th at 4:00pm. This very beautiful and prayerful service is guaranteed to bring a sense of peace which is something we all need in these trying times. The music will be provided by the Adult Choir and the St. Andrew's Choristers.

The Bible Journey Study Group



Will be meeting on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 7:00 pm currently via Zoom. I have listed the readings below.

February 9

Day 6	Acts 3:1-26
Day 7	Acts 4:1-22
Day 8	Acts 4:23-31
Day 9	Acts 4:32-37
Day 10	Acts 5:1-11

February 23

Day 11	Acts 5:12-26
Day 12	Acts 5:27-42
Day 13	Acts 6:1-7
Day 14	Acts 6:8-15
Day 15	Acts 7:1-60

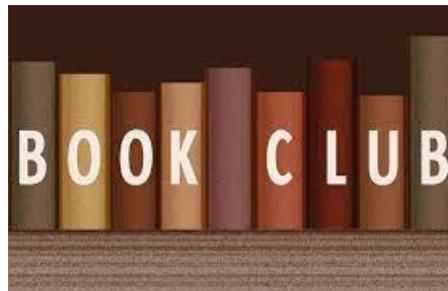
Fellowship



50 SHADES OF GRACE

The purely social fellowship group for all women meets 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday February 1st for dinner in the tent outside Red Robin at the Galleria Mall. This fresh air venue does have a heater for comfort and we will likely have the place to ourselves. Red Robin servers are wearing masks.

RSVP to Lynne Kearnan if you plan to attend. Join us for some female fellowship.



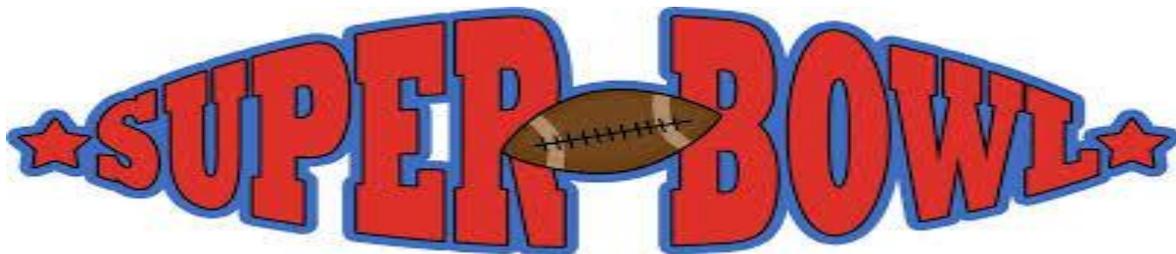
St. Andrew's Book Club next meets Sunday, March 20th at 6:30 p.m. Check the Sunday bulletins or contact Lynne Kearnan for the selected reading.

Lynne Kearnan



February Theology at the Pub

Theology at the Pub is 2/20/2022 from 3-6 pm will be held in the Great Hall at church. Please call or text Dan at 717-817-0530 if you are interested in attending or if you have questions.



SUPERBOWL PARTY

The Men's Club will be running a Superbowl Pool with half of the proceeds to benefit the Phineas Davis All PRO Dads breakfast program that St. Andrew's hosts.

We will be selling blocks for \$5 each Sunday after the church services up until kick off if blocks are unsold. 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 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursdays of each month, Labor Day – Memorial Day.

February Meeting Times

Dates: February 3rd & 17th

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 or the church office know you want the Zoom link by noon on 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 or Alma Rooney – 717-817-0529 (text or call).



Do you know someone who would be comforted by a prayer shawl? Do you knit or crochet and want to join this caring ministry?

[CLICK HERE](#)

Prayer Shawl Ministry

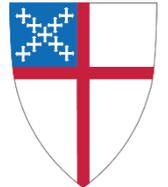
Ministry Moments



The National Episcopal Church Women and its local groups are ministries of the Episcopal Church

Since 1871, the National Episcopal Church Women, ECW, have championed women's rights and the Christian foundation of God and family. They are an affiliate of the [Episcopal Church](#) and celebrate that Episcopalians believe in a loving, liberating, and life-giving God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Their women's ministry and children's programs feed, educate, and provide community grants around the world. They are a volunteer organization that creates a legacy for Episcopal Church Women to lead future generations with stewardship in Christ.



Serving women and girls since 1871

The Purpose of the Episcopal Church Women...

“To empower each other to live the life for which Christ called us by sharing His love through outreach, fellowship and spiritual growth.”

Our Uniqueness is grounded in being Christian women in community with each other.

We meet monthly @ 10:00 a.m. on the First Saturday of each month. For more information contact Alma Rooney.

Current Activities that ECW is doing

Prayer Tree – Rose marie Drusedum

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50 Shades of Grace – Lynne Kearnan

Altar Guild

Prayer Books for new Confirmands

Funeral Receptions – Alma Rooney and Stacy Sipe

Annual Yard Sale – Alma Rooney

Annual Christmas Cookie Sale

Christmas Party

ECW NEWS



St. Andrew's Gives from the Heart

This year the ECW will be asking for donations for the York County ASCPA. The collection bin will be in the lobby from February 1 through February 20th. Items we are requesting are for dogs, cats, and small animals such as hamsters, rabbits, and guinea pigs. Items requested can be purchased at local supermarkets, dollar stores, pet stores (Petco or Pet Smart), Morgan's Paw (local) or online from Chewy.com. If you are not able to do the shopping we will gladly, do it for you.

All items need to be new. Items that they do not want are: *pillows, down comforters, used pet beds, used toys, stuffed animals, or crochet or knit blankets.*

Toys: Kong toys (XL–2XL), Kong jumbler, feather wands/toys, snuffle mats, puzzle feeders

Food for cats and dogs: small bags of treats, canned food, dry food, wet canned kitten food.

Items for small animals: timothy hay, alfalfa, timothy hay-based pellets for rabbits, willow balls, mats, or toys, Guinea pig food.

Veterinary Care items: distilled water, sandwich size Ziploc bags (zipper close only), rubbing alcohol (70% or higher), peepads, dog waste disposal bags, linens (towels, sheets, & blankets)

Cleaning Supplies: hand soap, dish soap, bleach, disinfectant wipes/or spray, paper towels, liquid laundry detergent, dryer sheets, 13 gal trash bags, Qt. size zipper top baggies. Thank you in advance for your generosity and kindness for our furry friends.



Women of St. Andrew's
Next Meeting February 5th @ 10:00 am in the Great Hall

OUTREACH NEWS



St. Andrew's Men's Club held **All Pro Dad's Breakfast for Phineas Davis School** on Thursday January 13th. There were 23 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 **February 10th at 7:45am**. Our Topic will be: "Optimism." 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 or phone 817-0530.

*Birthday Church Offering – December
Rector's Discretionary Fund*

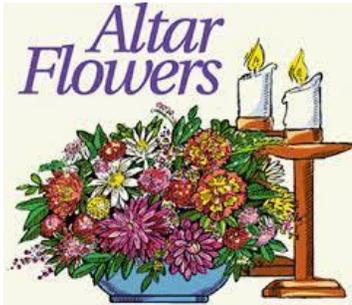
Thank you for your generosity!

The purpose of the Birthday Church is to supplement or support various identified ministry needs in the diocese, our community and congregation.



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.

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!

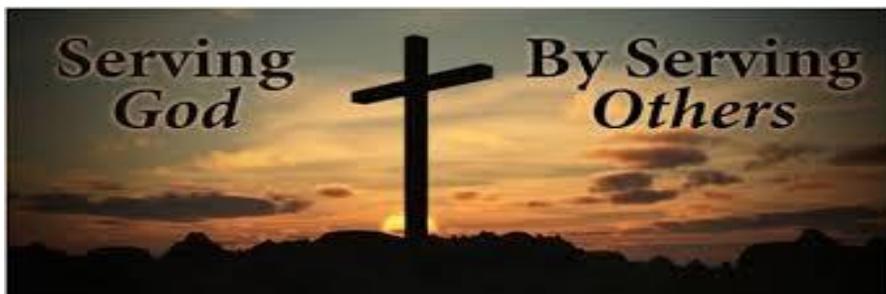
It doesn't take much to serve our Lord, in the simplest ways.
With the New Year, how about considering the following:

Usher, 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.



**Reminder that the Parish Office will be closed Monday, February 21st
in honor of Presidents Day.**

February Birthdays

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

- 01 – Reese Bowser
- 02 – Beverly Opilo
- 04 – Stacy Sipe
- 07 – Kerry Heinle
- 12 – Jeff Newman
- 16 – Rosemarie Drusedum
- 16 – Ryan Welty
- 18 – Philippa Hidden
- 21 – Christie Bracher
- 24 – Lance Fimiani
- 27 – Emma Welty
- 28 – Angela Lutz



February Anniversaries

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

- 14 – Michael & Jill Fritz
- 17- Stephen & Lauren Vanaman



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A newsletter by and for the St. Andrew's community

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**The Rt. Rev. Audrey C. Scanlan
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Diocesan Mission Statement

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

**Diocesan Web Site
www.diocesepa.org**

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Vestry Members

Leigh Dalton (2022)
Debbie Donoghue (2022)
Linda Woodside (2022)
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Alma Rooney (2023)
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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

**February 15th for March
March 15th for April
newsletter**

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

**In Remembrance of
Charlotte Reinert
05-19-1945 – 12-22-2021**

