

NETWORK

The Parish Newsletter of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

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"BE STILL AND KNOW" - an underutilized gift of Epiphany



By the time we reach The Feast of the Epiphany on January 6, we are ready for a little break. Advent rushes in with its yearly reminder that Christ will return. Christmas has been so coopted by the secular world that we too often find ourselves saying – whether we realize or not; intend not – "sorry, no room at the inn" as we rush about seeking to acknowledge the myriad of demands on our time. We dash in for a carol service, then dash out – sorry, Mary and Joseph, must rush. Good to see you Jesus!

Thus we enter the New Year rushing, rushing, rushing. Epiphany officially marks the end of the 12 Days of Christmas as it starts a new season by first noting the arrival of the Magi to visit Jesus and drop off a few gifts before returning home – albeit by a different road. As their silhouettes glide over the last hill, there's an eerie silence: a noticeable void. Granted, we do

our best to clutter this space as possible, but what if we lived into this space just a little more this year.

The above picture is entitled "The Manger" and was painted by Mike Moyers. I love this image (we actually used this as the cover art of our Christmas bulletins in 2019). For many reasons this is a favorite, but the prime reason is the stillness that it invokes. A favorite question I have on Christmas Day is "I wonder what Mary and Joseph said after everyone had left?". In other words, what did Mary and Joseph – and Jesus – do, think about, consider in the "post-Christmas" stillness.

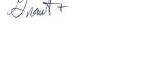
In Matthew's account of the gospel, we know that the magi did not arrive immediately at the manger when Jesus was born. He may have well been two-years old or more when they finally got there. So after the angels departed, Mary and Joseph finally had some quiet time with their newborn. They cuddled up. Shared a loving glance with one another. They rested – contemplating what it would be like to be new parents, what it would be like to travel home to Nazareth, what it would be like now that everything had changed.

As you settle into the rhythm of winter, take time to embrace the stillness. Consider all that you did in the last month circulating around the celebration of Christmas. Where was God in all of this? Where did you see Christ? What would you do differently?

Consider how things have changed now that you have once again heard the message of the angels, joined in the singing of *Silent Night*, saw the devotion of the magi, and now hear the chilling howl of the winter wind.

Be still and know the love that God has for you. Be still and know that the gift of Christ is unconditional love and an unconditional invitation to love. Be still and know. Be still. Be. Know. Amen.

May the peace of Christ fill you in this new year. Faithfully,





"Come and See". Go and Be.

WORSHIP NEWS

JANUARY'S SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE

We will gather January 21, at 5:00 p.m. Looking for a more contemplative worship experience? This may be just what you're looking for. Remember, we gather the third Saturday of each month at 5:00 p.m.

AN EPIPHANY BIBLE STUDY - FROM THE COMFORT OF YOUR HOME!

The nights are long; the weather is biting, so grab a mug of hot cocoa, your favorite blanket, and your electronic device and let's have a bible study! In January, we're going to explore a virtual bible study again. Each Monday evening at 7:00 p.m., beginning on January 9th, we'll gather online – via ZOOM. We'll conclude by 7:45 p.m. The first part of the study will be "Topics in Epiphany" including the visit of the magi and the baptism of Jesus. The second part will be anticipating our journey through Lent so that we have some understanding of where we're going in our Lenten scriptural journey this year. Links will be available in each week's "Worth Noting" email.

THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

Let's celebrate the end of the Christmas Season and the arrival of the Magi on January 6 – The Feast of the Nativity. We'll gather at 6:00 p.m. for worship followed by an Epiphany Party – complete with King Cake. We'll need help with this service – especially help with the Procession of the Magi. Let Fr. Grant know if you would like to take part.

THE WEEK OF CHRISTIAN UNITY - Begins

The Week of Christian Unity begins on Wednesday, January 18, 2023. This year, St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church is offering a service to commemorate our unity. Here's a brief note from St. Joseph's. "On behalf of Saint Joseph Parish, Pastor Steve Fernandes, OFM, Cap, is inviting York Area Churches to join in celebrating the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 18, 2023, at Saint Joseph Church, 2935 Kingston Road, York, PA 17402."

THE WEEK OF CHRISTIAN UNITY - ENDS

We commemorate the conclusion of the Week of Christian Unity at St. Andrew's on Wednesday, January 25, 2023, with a service at 6:00 p.m. There will be no 10:00 a.m. service on this day.



Sunday, January 1

The Holy Name of our Lord Jesus Christ 9:30 a.m. Worship

Sunday, January 8

1 Epiphany: The Baptism of Our Lord 8:30 a.m. Rite I 10:30 a.m. Rite II Worship Schedule

Friday, January 6

The Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ 7:00 p.m. Worship

Celebration of Epiphany following service.

Sunday, January 15

2 Epiphany8:30 a.m. Rite I

10:30 a.m. Rite II

Saturday, January 21

5:00 p.m. Worship

Sunday, January 22

3 Epiphany 8:30 a.m. Rite I 10:30 a.m. Rite II Sunday, January 29

4 Epiphany

9:30 a.m. Joint Service 10:30 a.m. Annual Meeting

Wednesday Worship 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

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.

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Scripture Readings for January



January 1	Numbers 6:22-27	Psalm 8	Galatians 4:4-7	Luke 2:15-21
January 8	Isaiah 42:1-9	Psalm 29	Acts 10:34-43	Matthew 3:13-17
January 15	Isaiah 49:1-7	Psalm 40:1-12	1 Corinthian 1:1-9	John 1:29-42
January 22	Isaiah 9:1-4	Psalm 27:1, 5-13	1 Corinthians 1:10-18	Matthew 4:12-23
January 29	Micah 6:1-8	Psalm 15	1 Corinthians 1:18-31	Matthew 5:1-12



Vestry Highlights December 13, 2022

- Members of the Finance Committee went over the 2023 budget line by line. Questions were asked.
 The \$180,000 budget was approved by the Vestry.
- The Financial Secretary reported we are on target with current pledges. She also stated at this time we have received 50 pledges for 2023. There are 9 new pledges and 20 pledges have increased their amount. She is expecting several additional pledges to come through before the end of the year.
- Treasurers reported that money will be transferred from the Memorial Fund to the Altar Guild line for the purchase of new linens.
- The Nominating Committee has two people who are considering coming on Vestry for the new term. Due to the change in our by-laws, we are reducing the number of members per term to 2. Nelson, Alma, and Meredith will be retiring from Vestry in January.
- Fr. Grant has asked the Finance Committee to consider two things moving into 2023. First, looking at additional ways to increase funds other than pledges and second, take a look at what might need replacing within the church property in the future and how we would pay for it.
- The Jr. Warden (Alma) reported that she is getting roof quotes and that the Bell man will be coming on Friday to hopefully fix the bell.
- Another topic that was brought up for discussion was possibly putting together holiday meals for
 people who don't have anyone to share the holidays with. Additional information and brainstorming
 are needed for this idea.
- During his Rector's Report, Fr. Grant went over the schedule for the Christmas and New Year's services. Also, various events that will be taking place over the next two weeks prior to Christmas such as the parish party, decorating the church, cookies and hot chocolate and Music and Compline. Fr. Grant gave us some stats that we have had live stream for 993 days, 3,715 views of our worship services and 30,000 minutes of viewing time.
- The Annual Meeting is set for January 29th with one service at 9:30 to be followed by a pot luck breakfast and the meeting held in the Great Hall. Along with the St. Andrew's Cross award that has been given out the last two years a new award will be given out with Outreach as its focus.

The next Vestry meeting is January 17th at 7 PM in the Great Hall. All Vestry minutes can be found on the bulletin board in the Great Hall.

Fellowship



St. Andrew's Book Club next meets Sunday, January 22nd at 6:30 p.m. to discuss "The Last Train to London" by Meg Waite Clayton. Like "Beneath a Scarlet Sky", this is a well-researched historical novel based on true events. It covers the rise of Hitler and the kinder transport of children out of Austria in the latter 1930's by a brave Netherlander woman.

Anyone of any age who reads the book can join our one-hour discussion. Refreshments are provided including our signature cookie: toffee walnut snickerdoodles.

"50 Shades" The purely social fellowship group for all women, 50 Shades of Grace, meets for brunch on Sunday, January 1st at 11 a.m. at Cracker Barrel off S. Pauline Dr./S. Queen St. There is a special New Year's Day brunch menu. RSVP to Barb Fleischer if you plan to attend and join us! Start the New Year with your church women friends.

Our group always meets on the first of the month. All women are welcome.



Theology at the Pub (TAP) is a forum for men to share their faith in an open and casual setting. Please join us for the January Theology at the Pub on January 14th from 3-5 pm. The location is TO BE DETERMINED... Feel free to call or text Dan at 717-817-0530 if interested in attending or in learning more about TAP.





Out To Lunch Bunch

Because of the many demands of this busy season the Out to Lunch Bunch will not be getting together for Lunch in January. We will resume our lunches in the coming months. Watch the Network for details or feel free to contact Mary Jane Watt with your questions. Have a very Happy Holiday Season.

General Fellowship Offerings:



Bezalel Crafting Group

The crafters will be meeting on the 5th and 19th of January. We meet on the 1st and 3rd and 5th Thursdays of this month from 11:00 - 12:00. Anyone who likes to craft may join us. We are currently working on many projects. If you have any questions, please contact Alma Rooney.



Sunday January 8, 2023
After the 10:30 Service
This is the Sunday that we take down the greens from the church. Please join us in this annual task. Many hands make light work!

Epiphany Celebration

Friday January 6th

Join us with the congregations of All Saints' Hanover as well as a Lutheran Church in MD that is connected with All Saints' in celebrating the Feast of Epiphany with Kings Cake and light refreshments following the evening service.

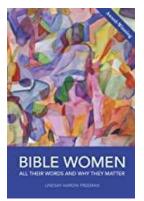


FORMATION:

Bible Journey

2nd and 4th Tuesdays January 10th and 24th @7:00pm via Zoom

We will be beginning a new book on our continued journey to increase our understanding of our journey. Below is the information about the book, it is available on Amazon. Any one is welcome to join us!



Bible Women: All Their Words and Why They Matter

by Lindsay Hardin Freeman

Paperback

\$22.00

Kindle

\$9.99

ECW NEWS



Church Women of St. Andrew's ECW

Business Meeting Saturday January 7, 2023 @ 10:00 am



ECW Christmas Cookie Fund Raiser

Thank you to everyone who made cookies for this annual event. I would also like to thank all of those who purchased and ate the wonderful cookies.



The ECW says on January 29th: "Let's Clean-up at the Annual Meeting!"

This year the ECW is asking you to bring a donation of a cleaning product to the annual meeting. Place it in the shopping cart in the lobby.

Items to include are:

Sponges/scrubbies SOS/Brillo pads

Dish detergent paper towels

Kitchen/Bathroom spray cleaner window cleaner

Liquid cleaner (Mr. Clean/Pine Sol) Comet/Ajax cleanser

Laundry detergent dryer sheets

Bath soap/ Hand soap furniture polish

ECW Is Planning Ahead

This February, for "St. Andrew's Gives from the Heart" project, we will be collecting items for needy families at the Phineas Davis School. A sampling of these items are personal hygiene items, children's socks and underwear, laundry soap and dryer sheets just to name a few. A complete list will be available in the February newsletter and by the collection bin.



OUT REACH



St. Andrew's Men's Club held All Pro Dad's Breakfast for Phineas Davis School. We had a great All Pro Dad Breakfast on December 8th with 60 in attendance. We had several teachers, and the School Resource Officers join us as well! There is great energy and enthusiasm this year, so please join us for the next breakfast on 01/12/23 at 7:30am. Setup time for helpers is 6:30am.

Please call or text Dan at 717-817-0530 if interested in finding out more about this ministry.

Birthday Church Offering - October -November York County Food Bank

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.

ANDY'S PANTRY



The Pantry is in need of some food and hygiene items. Food needs include canned tuna, fruit and soup, pasta, pasta sauce. Hamburg/Tuna Helper. Nonfood items include toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, laundry detergent, fabric softener, shampoo, conditioner, razors, and toothbrushes. Thank you

to all who have donated and to those who can help restock for the Winter months. If you would rather make a monetary donation the shopping can be done for you. Checks should be marked "Andy's Pantry". Thank you.

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REMINDER



Annual Reports

Our Parish Annual Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 29th. It's been an unusual year and still lots of things happening. It's time to start thinking about getting your reports ready. All Committee Chairs and Groups, such as Christian Education, Altar Guild, Outreach, Youth, etc., are asked to submit their reports to the Parish Office no later than **Tuesday**, **January 17th**. This is a major project so please help by submitting your reports by the requested due date, it will be greatly appreciated! *Sandy*

COFFEE HOUR GIFT CARD SALES



Just a reminder that Food Gift cards are available the first Sunday during our Fellowship gathering in the Great Hall or any weekday between 9:00 - 2:00 Mon - Fri, in the church office. The cards are for

both Weis and Giant Supermarkets in denominations of \$25, \$50, \$100. We take both cash and checks.



January Birthdays

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

- 06 Deanna Garrett
- 06 Susan Reardon
- 11 Michael Arcieri
- 14 Renee Jefferies
- 15 Don Carmelite
- 17 Michael Massaquoi
- 18 Ann Myers
- 20 Angela Deroche
- 20 David Garrett
- 25 Lynne Kearnan
- 27 Philip Heinle
- 27 Jeremy Heinle
- 31 Rosalie Youkers



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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.

January Anniversaries

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



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

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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.diocesecpa.org

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.

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Sandy Albright

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Nelson Leiphart (2023)
Alma Rooney (2023)
Meredith Williams (2023)
David Dunkel (2024)
Barbara Fleischer (2024)
Michael Massquoi (2024)
John Opilo (2025)
Harry Snell (2025)
Eileen Sullivan (2025)