



NETWORK

The Parish Newsletter of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

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Like dust under our beds . . . a new day awaits

A mother tells her son to go and clean his room. While not the first desire of his to clean his room, he does not put his whole heart into the task. As a delaying tactic, he finds himself lying on the floor looking under his bed. With ever-widening eyes he jumps up and rushes to find his mom.

"Mom", he exclaims! "Do you remember the story we heard the other day in Sunday School about how God created Adam and Eve? Do you? Do you??"

"Yes," mom calmly, and somewhat cautiously responds.

"Do you remember how God took a bunch of dirt and dust and pulled it all together in one place?" he continues.

"Yes," again mom responds with even more caution.

"I just looked under my bed, and I think God's doing it again!"

I've always loved this story since the first time I heard it. For one, it is so relatable, right? Two, it's so encouraging – while God wasn't creating a new race of humans under the boy's bed, the theological conclusion rings true none-the-less: God does work to make all things new!

This year February, which is often the case, is a month of significant transition in our spiritual life. February begins by continuing to ride the joyous wave set in motion by Christmas and rolls along in the days and weeks following Epiphany. Then, with a great crash, that wave comes head-on with Ash Wednesday and yields to the great season of Lent.

Lent often makes a bad first impression – due primarily to past experiences people may have had with a tradition that focused more on the “miserable sinner” aspect and less on the “beloved child of God who has been redeemed” aspect of Lent. While we are wise to never lose the penitential aspect of Lent, and the need that we all have of repentance, we are wise to also note the renewing nature of Lent.

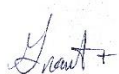
Lent extends a hearty invitation to allow God to make in and with us something new. Yes, Lent begins with ashes and the assurance that we all die, yet Easter takes up where Lent leaves us with the assurance that our dust is not left as just dust, but is resurrected into something new (everlasting, eternal) through the love of Christ. And until that great “Getting up morning”, we can make ourselves a little less dusty and a little more new (or re-newed) each day as we seek to know Christ more fully in our lives.

I challenge you to make Lent this year an opportunity for some “new-ness” in your lives. Find ways to breath some new life into your Spirituality. Challenge yourself to experience something new in the life of the church. Be willing to step out of your comfort zone in helping others who are in need. Give yourself the great gift of deep self-examination that leads to acknowledge areas in your life that need addressing and then consider that Christ is already addressing those areas and inviting you to change.

“*God’s doing it again!*” Yes, God is – just as God does every day, every year: showing us the great love that God has for each of us, and inviting us to embrace that love and proclaim that love to others.

I invite you to the observance of a Holy Lent . . . (when the time comes). Until then, continue in the joy of remembering Christ’s manifestation to all creation.

Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Y. Hunt" with a small cross-like symbol at the end.

“Come and See”. Go and Be.

WORSHIP NEWS

FEBRUARY'S SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE

We will gather February 18, at 5:00 p.m. Looking for a more contemplative worship experience? This service is for you. Utilizing contemplative music from communities such as Taize, this makes use of the breadth of liturgies that our church uses. Remember, we gather the third Saturday of each month at 5:00 p.m.

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

Our Monday evening online bible study continues in February. We gather at 7:00 p.m. via zoom for study and conversation. The Sessions in February will focus on “Themes of Lent”. The last session will be Monday, February 20. Links and more information available in the weekly email updates.

ASH WEDNESDAY – THE BEGINNING OF HOLY LENT

Lent begins on February 22 this year. We will observe Ash Wednesday with two worship opportunities – both including the imposition of ashes – 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

RITE OF RECONCILIATION

More commonly called “Confession”, the Rite of Reconciliation is intended for those who desire to offer a confession as part of their Lenten discipline. While confessions may be offered at any time, Lent is an appropriate season for many to make use of this act. Fr. Grant is available on Thursday in Lent (and other times as well) to hear confession. Please speak with Fr. Grant ahead of time to schedule a time.

LENT 2023

We have a full range of offerings this Lent. A full guide to Lent 2023 will be available the week of February 6. (Lent begins Feb 22). Plans are underway to offer a variety of studies and worship opportunities to help you in with your Lenten disciplines. Stay tuned.



Worship Schedule

Sunday, February 5

5 Epiphany

8:30 a.m. Rite I

9:30 a.m. Coffee Hour

10:30 a.m. Rite II

Saturday, February 18

5:00 p.m. Worship

Sunday, February 12

6 Epiphany

8:30 a.m. Rite I

10:30 a.m. Rite II

Sunday, February 19

7 Epiphany

8:30 a.m. Rite I

10:30 a.m. Rite II

4:00 p.m. Choral Evensong

Sunday, February 26

1 Lent

8:30 a.m. Rite I

10:30 a.m. Rite II

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 February



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| February 5 | Isaiah 58:1-9a,(19b-12) | Psalm 112:1-9 (10) | 1 Corinthians 2:1-12,(13-16) | Matthew 5:13-20 |
| February 12 | Deuteronomy 30:15-20 | Psalm 119:1-8 | 1 Corinthians 3:1-9 | Matthew 5:21-37 |
| February 19 | Exodus 24:12-18 | Psalm 2 or 99 | 2 Peter 1:16-21 | Mathew 17:1-9 |
| February 26 | Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7 | Psalm 32 | Romans 5:12-19 | Mathew 4:1-11 |

SERVICE OF CHORAL EVENSONG

All are invited to a service of Choral Evensong at St. Andrew's Church on Sunday February 19th at 4:00 p.m. 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



Vestry Highlights
January 17, 2023

- The Vestry said good-bye and thank-you to Alma, Nelson, and Meredith for their time and service to St. Andrew's Church as their 3 year term is now completed.
- There were two actions that required approval. First was the purchase of 2 home communion kits for the Eucharistic Visitor teams and healing oil at the cost of \$500 to be taken from the Memorial Fund. These items were approved. The second action was to approve a maintenance contract for 1 year for service to the Bell. The contract is for \$600. The Vestry approved this action as well.
- The Financial Secretary gave a year end report that we met our budget for 2022. As of 2023 we have 53 pledge units. From these pledges 21 have increased their pledges, 9 new pledge units, and 4 have decreased the rest have remained the same.
- The Treasurer's report also said we met our budget for 2022 and that we only used \$40,000 from the investment account where \$60,00 was budgeted. The new budget will be available at the Annual Meeting.
- The Nominating Committee announced that Frank Youkers and Jennifer Fimiani have both agreed to serve a 3 year term on Vestry. We look forward to their input and service.
- The Jr. Warden (Alma) reported that the Bell is fixed and explained the maintenance contract. She also has received one estimate for a new roof that was broken down into two pieces, one for the sanctuary only and the other for the complete building. This

issue is still being researched and additional estimates will be reviewed. The finance committee will look into ways including Grant Money to pay for this.

- In his Rector's Report, Fr. Grant highlighted some numbers (that will also be presented at the Annual Meeting) of weekly and yearly attendance at church services. Our average weekly attendance (includes all services) is 146. The average Sunday attendance in person is 81, and the average Virtual weekly attendance is 41. As far as new Membership we have had 4 Baptisms, 7 members who have transferred into the parish and 10 active participants for a total of 21 new members.
- Starting in February, four Standing Ministries will be formally established. They are Property Ministry, Finance Ministry (already in progress), Formation Ministry and Outreach Ministry (combined with other groups who do Outreach) With these established it is our hope that additional parish members will become involved.
- The Annual Meeting is set for one service on Sunday 1/29. Along with the St. Andrew's Award that has been given out the last two years and a second award will be included. This is the "Go & Be" Award given to people or groups that make a difference.

The next Vestry Meeting will be held on February 28th at 7PM.

All Vestry minutes can be found on the bulletin board by the Kitchen in the Great Hall.

Fellowship

"50 Shades" The social fellowship for all women, 50 Shades of Grace, always meets the 1st of the month. On Wednesday, February 1st we are meeting for dinner at 6:30 p.m. at The Moonlight Cafe on Carlisle Rd in Dover. RSVP to Lynne Kearnan if you plan to attend. Carpool from St. Andrews church can be arranged.





Theology at the Pub (TAP) is a forum for men to share their faith in an open and casual setting. February TAP is planned for February 4th at the Holy Hound Tap Room from 3-5 PM. The address is 57 West Market St., York PA 17401. Contact Dan Rooney at 717-817-0530 for more information or if interested.

General Fellowship Offerings:

Bezalel Crafting Group



The crafters will be meeting on the 2nd and 16th of February. 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.

Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Free Will offering to Support our All-Pro Dad Program

Tuesday February 21st, 2023

5:00 – 7:00 pm

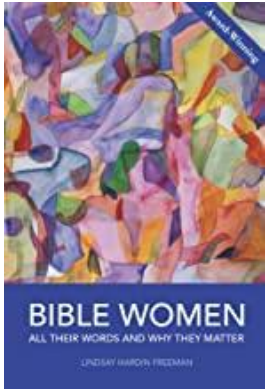


A time for fellowship for our congregation

Includes pancakes, sausage, applesauce, and beverages.

There will be a sign-up sheet in the lobby and a Survey Monkey sent out for you to sign up. We will also need help setting up, serving, and clean up. So, let's all dig in and celebrate Fat Tuesday together before the reflective season of Lent. Contact Alma Rooney if you have any questions or want to help.

Formation:



Bible Journey

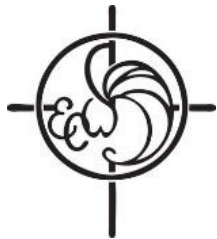
2nd and 4th Tuesdays February 14th and 28th
@7:00pm via Zoom

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!

Feb 7 Readings pages 36-43, Hagar and Lot's older daughter

Feb 28 Readings pages 44-50, Rebekah and Leah

ECW NEWS



ECW

Business Meeting

Saturday February 4, 2023 @ 10:00 am

Thank you to all the ladies who helped take all the Christmas Greens down in January. Many hands made light work.

ECW Calendar for 2023:

January: Annual Meeting collection of cleaning supplies (1/29)

February: Gives from the Heart Collection (month long)

March: UTO Boxes

March: Souper Sale Fund Raiser (under construction)

July/August: Rummage Sale (depends on neighborhood Yard Sale date)

September: Fun Day 9/10

December: Parish Christmas Party 12/9

December: Cookie Sale 12/17

St. Andrew's Gives from the Heart 2023



We have such a strong connection through the years with the Phineas Davis School. These include the All-Pro Dad's Breakfast, Summer backpacks, collecting school supplies and other opportunities. This year the ECW is asking you to help needy families at the Phineas Davis School by donating items that both the children and their parents need. Our collection will continue through the month of February. Place your items in the bin in the lobby.

Items to be collected:

Hygiene products: toothpaste, toothbrush, dental floss, deodorant, body wash, shampoo & conditioner (hotel or travel size), hair sculpting gel, combs and picks, tampons, maxi & mini pads, Goody elastic hair bands thick tie, hand wipes, chap stick, nail care kits, wash cloth 12"x12", hand and body lotions (hotel or travel size)

Boys/Girls underwear, socks, & pajamas (little girl bras also)

Hats, scarves, mittens, gloves

Additional needs: laundry supplies (pods preferred, dryer sheets)

toilet paper, tissues, trash bags, Ziploc bags ass't sizes

A money donation is always welcomed. If the donation is a check, please mark *ECW Gives from the Heart* on the memo line.

OUT REACH



St. Andrew's Men's Club held All Pro Dad's Breakfast for Phineas Davis School. The Men's Club sponsors a monthly breakfast for students at Phineas Davis Elementary 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.

Phineas Davis All Pro Dad attendance was 69 for January. The theme for the February 9th All Pro Dad Breakfast is "Kindness." Contact Dan Rooney at 717-817-0530 if interested in finding out more information about this ministry.

ANDY'S PANTRY



The Pantry is in need of some food and hygiene items. Food needs include can fruit and soup, pasta, pasta sauce and 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.

BITS & PIECES

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.



SuperBowl Pool

The Men's Club is running a Superbowl Pool with half of the pool proceeds to benefit the Phineas Davis All Pro Dad 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 still unsold.

Feel free to contact Dan Rooney by email at danrooney33@msn.com or by phone/text at 717.817.0530 if you have any questions or if you are interested in supporting this fundraiser.



February Birthdays

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

01 – Reese Bowser
02 – Beverly Opilo
02 – Michela Monticchio
04 – Stacy Sipe
07 – Kerry Heinle***
12 – Jeff Newman
16 – Rosemarie Drusedum
16 – Ryan Welty
18 – Philippa (Pip) Hiden
21 – Christie Bracher
24 – Lance Fimiani
25 – Nancy Whittles
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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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

The Rev. Grant Ambrose
Rector
The Rev. Janet Brown
Deacon
Philip T. D. Cooper
Organist/Choir Master
Lee Ann Reardon
Director of Children & Youth Ministries
Lee Ann Reardon
Nursery Attendant
Gregory Sipe, *Sexton*
Leigh Dalton, *Senior Warden*
Alma Rooney, *Junior Warden*
Eileen Sullivan, *Clerk of Vestry*
Angie Deroche, *Treasurer*
Susan Reardon
Financial Secretary
Sandy Albright
Parish Secretary

Vestry Members

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)

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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.**

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February 2023

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 3rd. Sunday, February 19th. Healing Service | | | 1 10:00 a.m. Worship "50 Shades" | 2 11:00 a.m. Bezalel Crafting 6:00 p.m. Worship | 3 | 4 10:00 a.m. ECW 3:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. TAP |
| 5 5 Epiphany 8:30 a.m. Rite I 9:30 a.m. Coffee Hr. 10:30 a.m. Rite II | 6 7:00 p.m. Epiphany Bible Study | 7 | 8 10:00 a.m. Worship | 9 6:30 a.m. –8:30 a.m. All Pro Dad's | 10 | 11 |
| 12 6 Epiphany 8:30 a.m. Rite I 10:30 a.m. Rite II | 13 Soup Kitchen 7:00 p.m. Epiphany Bible Study | 14 7:00 p.m. Bible Journey | 15 10:00 a.m. Worship Newsletter Deadline | 16 11:00 a.m. Bezalel Crafting | 17 | 18 1:00 –4:00 p.m. Lenton Retreat 5:00 p.m. Worship |
| 19 Last Epiphany 8:30 a.m. Rite I 10:30 a.m. Rite II 4:00 p.m. Choral Evensong | 20 President's Day 7:00 p.m. Epiphany Bible Study Office Closed | 21 Pancake Supper 5:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m. Meeting | 22 Ash Wednesday 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Worship | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| 26 1 Lent 8:30 a.m. Rite I 10:30 Rite II | 27 | 28 7:00 p.m. Bible Journey 7:00 p.m. Vestry | | | | |