

The Net

St. Andrew's Anglican Church

October 20, 2013

The beauty & bounty of God's Harvest



We could not have asked for a more perfect fall day for our third annual Harvest Festival & Sale last Saturday, as we celebrated the bounty of God's harvest! The hayride and pumpkin patch were undoubtedly the favorite activities among children and youth. Above, a child selects a pumpkin from among dozens scattered at the back of the church property; inset, from left, Barbara Girard, Ginny Ribbens, Lesley DeBella and George Girard get ready to welcome the community to St. Andrew's. See inside for more photos of the festivities.

It's a celebration!

*Please join us next Friday, Oct. 25
as we celebrate Fr. Ron Baird's
20th Anniversary as our Rector!*

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*Informal Open House • 6:30 - 9 p.m.
with Program from 7:15 to 7:30*

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*Westerville Recreation Center
350 N. Cleveland Ave., Westerville*

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*Continuous Slide Show featuring two decades of ministry
Finger Foods & Cakes*

We hope to see you and your family — children & youth, too — there!

Kitchen Ministry seeks food donations for Fr. Ron's celebration

As preparations for the informal open house in celebration of Fr. Ron's 20th anniversary as our rector come down to the final week, the Kitchen Ministry is issuing an appeal for help with food donations. There is sign-up sheet in the Gathering Area for volunteers needed to provide food items for the celebration. Please contact **Kathy Seitz**, 614-638 5066, or see **Meg Patton** or **Marty Scott**, if you have any questions.

Transportation available for celebration

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew will provide free transportation to anyone who needs it, both to and from Fr. Ron's 20th Anniversary Open House next Friday. Simply call **Ruth Eller** at the church office, 740-548-5112, by Oct. 21, and provide her with your name, the number of people needing transportation, and the best telephone number to reach you at. Someone from the Brotherhood will contact you to arrange all the details.

Vestry candidate profiles available today

Four people have stepped forward to run for Vestry for in the upcoming election. They are **Dan Brill, Mike Christy, Donna Gough, and Jon Wallace.**

Candidate profiles are available in the Narthex today, and on the Member Connection of our website. The parish will be electing four Vestry members, each to serve a three-year term, during the announcement period at the Sunday morning worship services on Nov. 3.

Volunteers, goodies sought for Election Day hospitality

The Daughters of the Holy Cross will once again sponsor a hospitality table to welcome voters who cast their ballots on Election Day, Tuesday Nov. 5.

This is a great way to get to know members of our community, and for them to get to know St. Andrew's. Volunteers are needed to serve as hosts and hostesses in two-hour increments to throughout the day, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The Daughters would also appreciate donations of lot of cookies, energy bars, crackers and left-over Halloween Candy! They need juice boxes for toddlers, who often come to the polls with their parents. We will also serve coffee, tea and hot cocoa.

Please call **Bonnie Freeman**, at 614-885-8003 and leave her a message as to when you can spend some time at our hospitality table.

All Saints memorials for 'The Net,' prayers welcomed

Sunday, Nov. 3, is the traditional observance of All Saint's Day in the Church, when Christians remember those who have died in the past year. We will once again be remembering parishioners who have died since last All Saints Day. In addition, if you have a loved one who has died since November 2012, we invite you to submit their name to be read in church and included in "The Net" that day, too.

To submit a name for inclusion in the All Saints roll, please contact **Judy Baird** at jbaird@standrewspolaris.org or 740-548-5112, ext. 3 with the name and date of death of the person you would like to remember no later than Wednesday, Oct. 30.

2013 Harvest Festival

Eric Whitehead
✠ Matt Spanos



George Girard
✠ Julie Baldwin



John Osmond ✠
daughter Karen



Grill master Eric Emery
✠ Dave and Carol Warner



St. Andrew's youth helping
children on the hayride



Austin and Carla St...





Orientation to St. Andrew's Oct. 27

The next session of Class 101: Orientation to St. Andrew's will be Sunday, Oct. 28 from 2 to 5 p.m. in the Parish House Conference Room. Class 101 is an introduction to St. Andrew's, and covers the benefits of belonging to our parish, our purpose, mission and beliefs. The class is taught by **Fr. Ron Baird**, our rector.

In Class 101 you will learn about:

- Our Purpose: Why we exist as a church
- Our Mission: How and where we fulfill our purpose
- Our Faith: What we believe and what God has done for us through his son, Jesus Christ
- Our Commitment: Who God calls us to be and what he calls us to do

You may register by contacting **Judy Baird**, 740-548-5112, ext. 3 or jbaird@standrewspolaris.org, or online at www.standrewspolaris.org. Child care will be provided for those families who need it, but we do ask that you let us know when you register so that we can make the necessary arrangements.

Who should attend Class 101?

Anyone who is interested in joining St. Andrew's, or just wants to know more about our mission and ministry!

I'm already Episcopalian/Anglican. Do I still need to take Class 101?

If you want to join St. Andrew's, yes! Class 101: Discover St. Andrew's is our formal method of incorporation into the parish. We think it's important to know a little bit about who we are before you join our parish family. This class focuses more on our mission and ministry of St. Andrew's than it does on the Episcopal or Anglican faith tradition.

I've been attending St. Andrew's for awhile. Do I need to take the class?

We welcome your presence with us in worship and other activities, regardless of whether you've made a formal commitment to membership. We believe, however, that there are some important reasons to make a commitment to a local church community, and this class will help you decide if that is something you'd like to do. Making a formal commitment to membership also makes you eligible to vote in parish elections and serve in positions of parish leadership.

Although you will be invited to join St. Andrew's at the close of the class, you are under no obligation to do so. You may join at any time simply by signing and returning the Membership Covenant that is in the Participant's Manual that you will receive.

The class is also required for those who wish to have their child baptized at St. Andrew's.

Watch for stewardship materials in the mail next week

Please watch your mailbox this coming week for stewardship materials for the 2014 General Fund pledge campaign. We ask that you take time to read through the stewardship brochure, which outlines ministry goals and the 2014 operating budget, and prayerfully consider what God is calling you to give toward his work in this place in the coming year.

Stewardship Sunday, when we will lift our pledges up to God during the Offertory at all three services, is Nov. 3. If you have questions after reading the brochure, or want more information, please call the Parish Office at 740-548-5112.

Bishop to visit for confirmation Sunday, Nov. 17

It is appropriate that all baptized Christians make a mature profession of faith in Jesus Christ. If you are an adult or mature youth who has not yet been confirmed, we invite you to receive this Sacrament when **the Rt. Rev. Roger Ames**, bishop of the Anglican Diocese of the Great Lakes, makes his annual visit on Sunday, Nov. 17.

In addition, if you have joined St. Andrew's in the past year and would like to renew your baptismal vows before the Bishop, we invite you to do so.

If you desire to be confirmed, or wish to renew your baptismal vows, please contact the parish office at 740-548-5112, or **Fr. Ron Baird** at rbaird@standrewspolaris.org.

'Slow Down Before Gearing Up' prayer service on Nov. 16 set prayerful tone for holiday celebrations

The "Slow Down Before Gearing Up" Prayer Service will be at St. Andrew's, Saturday, Nov. 16, in the early evening. This will be a time for preparation to "be still and know" God's love for us, and for us to worship him in anticipation of Thanksgiving, Advent and Christmas celebrations. Encourage all of your family and friends to come too!

Watch "The Net" and our website for the exact time of the Nov. 16 prayer service.

October card classes in time for Christmas greetings



St. Andrew's parishioner **Linda Smith** will lead a two-day Christmas card class, with participants making 12 cards (four each of three designs), for a cost of \$25. These classes will be Thursday, October 24 from 7 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 26 from 10 a.m. to Noon at the Parish House.

Please R.S.V.P. to Linda by Monday, Oct. 21 if you wish to participate in these classes.

The Daily Lectionary

Week of Pentecost 22 (Proper 24) - October 20-26

Sunday, October 20 — A.M.: Psalm 148, 149, 150; P.M.: Psalm 114, 115; Jeremiah 29:1,4-14; Acts 16:6-15; Luke 10:1-12,17-20

Monday, October 21 — A.M.: Psalm 25; P.M.: Psalm 9, 15; Jeremiah 44:1-14; 1 Corinthians 15:30-41; Matthew 11:16-24

Tuesday, October 22 — A.M.: Psalm 26, 28; P.M.: Psalm 36, 39; Lamentations 1:1-5(6-9)10-12; 1 Corinthians 15:41-50; Matthew 11:25-30

Wednesday, October 23 — A.M.: Psalm 38; P.M.: Psalm 119:25-48; Lamentations 2:8-15; 1 Corinthians 15:51-58; Matthew 12:1-14 **St. James of Jerusalem** — A.M.: Psalm 119:145-168, Jeremiah 11:18-23, Matthew 10:16-22; P.M.: Psalm 122 & 125, Isaiah 65:17-25, Hebrews 12:12-24

Thursday, October 24 — A.M.: Psalm 37:1-18; P.M.: Psalm 37:19-42; Ezra 1:1-11; 1 Corinthians 16:1-9; Matthew 12:15-21

Friday, October 25 — A.M.: Psalm 31; P.M.: Psalm 35; Ezra 3:1-13; 1 Corinthians 16:10-24; Matthew 12:22-32

Saturday, October 26 — A.M.: Psalm 30, 32; P.M.: Psalm 42, 43; Ezra 4:7,11-24; Philemon 1-25; Matthew 12:33-42

Next Sunday, October 27 — A.M.: Psalm 63:1-8(9-11), 98; P.M.: Psalm 103; Haggai 1:1-2:9; Acts 18:24-19:7; Luke 10:25-37

Next Sunday's Lectionary

October 27 (Pentecost 23, Proper 25)

Collect: BCP 183 (8 a.m.); BCP 235 (9:30 & 11 a.m.)

Preface of the Lord's Day: BCP 345; (8 a.m.); BCP 378 (9:30 & 11 a.m.)

First Reading: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

Psalm 84:1-6 (BCP 707)

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

Encouragement for your prayer time with God

Be thankful; whatever is happening, God is here. He knows; He cares.

"Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving." (Colossians 4:2)

"For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 8:38-39)

— From the St. Andrew's Prayer Ministries Team

Prayers for the Church

Following the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, please pray today for **Bishops David Parsons** and **Darren McCartney** and for the clergy and people of the **Diocese of The Arctic, Canada**. The Eucharist was first celebrated in what is now Canada in 1578. The Diocese of the Arctic covers some 1.5 million square miles (one third of Canada) but contains only 55,000 people, some 18,000 of whom are Anglicans.

The diocesan Cathedral of St. Jude, built like an igloo, was destroyed by an arsonist in 2005. Rebuilt and consecrated in June 2012, the cathedral now faces an uncertain future as the construction company has now gone into receivership and the administrators are demanding immediate payment of the remaining \$3 million (which was to have been paid over time as funds were raised, and which the diocese does not now have). The cathedral is home to many outreach ministries. Please pray especially for the cathedral and the gospel ministries and for on-going work with youth.

Following the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, please pray this week for **Deacon Heather Ghormley** and the people of **Tree of Life, South Bend, Indiana**. **Bishop Roger Ames** has asked us all to pray for the upcoming GAFCON meeting in Kenya Oct. 21-26. He and **Gretsie** are going, as well as several other people from the diocese. Kenya has been the site of Muslim violence lately and he is sure that GAFCON is on their radar. Pray for protection, safe travel and, most importantly, for Divine guidance, wisdom and strength in their resolutions/decisions.

Following the Parish Cycle of Prayer, please pray for **Brian, Reneé, Madeleine, Avery, Elizabeth, Isabella, Caroline, and Oliver Sylvester; George and Brenda Spradling; Ted and Daphne Spradling and Madison Martin; Jim and Sue Thomas; and Gino, Stace, Jordan, Madison, Ashlen, Dominic and Rocco Torio**. Please also pray for the **Lord's Ladies** small group; the **Technical Services Ministry**, and for the "Slow Down Before Gearing Up" Prayer Service coming on Nov. 16.

Lose something? Check the Lost and Found box!

The Lost and Found box on top of the mail boxes in the Gathering Area is filling up with items found in and around the church. Please check the box in the next several weeks to see if anything there belongs to you. Items not claimed by Sunday, Nov. 3, will be thrown away or donated.