

The Net

St. Andrew's Anglican Church

June 23, 2013

Beautifying the grounds

Several parish families spent time on a recent Saturday sprucing up the grounds at the church. Clockwise, from left, **Susan Sommerville** and grandchildren work in the memorial garden on the north side of the church; **Gary Sommerville** works at the Parish House; and, from left, Gary, **Dave Patton** and **Dan Brill** spread mulch at the Parish House. Also lending a hand were **Meg Patton**, **Christine Brill** and **Jack Christopher**. We thank them very "mulch!" (And thanks to one of Gary and Susan's grandsons for the pun idea!)



Gardening photos courtesy of Christine Brill

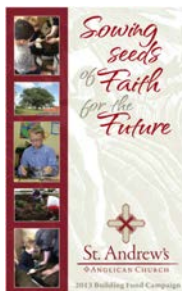


Pledges to building fund at \$325,000

With 84 pledges to the "Sowing Seeds of Faith for the Future" building fund campaign turned in as of this past Friday, the parish has raised \$325,089. This is just over 80 percent toward our goal of \$400,000, from about 66 percent of our parish families. Forty four (44) pledges remain outstanding.

If you have not yet turned in your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible, as the three-year pledge period begins July 1.

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2013 Graduates

Our 2013 high school graduates were honored during church on June 9. At left, **Fr. Ron Baird** blesses **Jordan Torio**, center, daughter of **Gino and Stace Torio**, and **Allie Gales**, daughter of **Scott and Pokey Gales**; and above, Fr. Ron presents a gift on behalf of the parish to **Michaela Giese**, daughter of **Patrick and Kelle Giese**.

Play ball!

Clipper ticket available for pickup June 30, July 7

For those of you who requested tickets to attend the Clippers game on July 9, those tickets will be available for you to pick up between all church services of June 30 and July 7. If you are not going to be in church those dates, please call **Ed Summers** at 614-371-1649 to make arrangements to get your tickets.

There has been a change in pricing. With a group our size (28!), we were not able to get group seating for everyone in the reserved section, so we elected to go with bleacher seating so we could all sit together. Hopefully, that is not an inconvenience. The ticket prices are lower than what we originally advertised. Adult tickets are \$6 and youth/seniors are \$3.

Play ball!!!

Call goes for July 'Net' articles

Summer is upon us, and with it vacations for parish staff, as well as lay ministry leaders. We want to let you know now that to accommodate vacation schedules, there will be one edition of "The Net" in July, which will be distributed on Sunday, July 7.

If your ministry or group has events or activities that need to be publicized in July, or for the first week of August, please contact **Judy Baird** at jbaird@standrewspolaris.org or 740-548-5112, ext. 3 **no later than Wednesday, July 3.**

The Daily Lectionary

Week of the Fifth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 7) • June 23-29

Sunday, June 23 — A.M.: Psalm 66, 67; P.M.: Psalm 19, 46; 1 Samuel 4:12-22; James 1:1-18; Matthew 19:23-30 **Eve of St. John the Baptist** — Psalm 103; Ecclesiasticus 48:1-11; Luke 1:5-23

Monday, June 24 — A.M.: Psalm 89:1-18; P.M.: Psalm 89:19-52; 1 Samuel 5:1-12; Acts 5:12-26; Luke 21:29-36 **Nativity of St. John the Baptist** — A.M.: Psalm 82 & 98, Malachi 3:1-5, John 3:22-30; P.M.: Psalm 80, Malachi 4:1-6, Matthew 11:2-19

Tuesday, June 25 — A.M.: Psalm 97, 99, [100]; P.M.: Psalm 94, [95]; 1 Samuel 6:1-16; Acts 5:27-42; Luke 21:37-22:13

Wednesday, June 26 — A.M.: Psalm 101, 109:1-4(5-19)20-30; P.M.: Psalm 119:121-144; 1 Samuel 7:2-17; Acts 6:1-15; Luke 22:14-23

Thursday, June 27 — A.M.: Psalm 105:1-22; P.M.: Psalm 105:23-45; 1 Samuel 8:1-22; Acts 6:15-7:16; Luke 22:24-30

Friday, June 28 — A.M.: Psalm 102; P.M.: Psalm 107:1-32; 1 Samuel 9:1-14; Acts 7:17-29; Luke 22:31-38

Saturday, June 29 — A.M.: Psalm 107:33-43, 108:1-6(7-13); P.M.: Psalm 33; 1 Samuel 9:15-10:1; Acts 7:30-43; Luke 22:39-51 **St. Peter & St. Paul** — A.M.: Psalm 66, Ezekiel 2:1-7, Acts 11:1-18; P.M.: Psalm 97 & 138, Isaiah 49:1-6, Galatians 2:1-9

Next Sunday, June 30 — A.M.: Psalm 118; P.M.: Psalm 145; 1 Samuel 10:1-16; Romans 4:13-25; Matthew 21:23-32

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Next Sunday's Lessons

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 8 (Year C) • June 30

Collect: BCP 178 (8 a.m.); BCP 230 (9:30 & 11 a.m.)

Preface of the Lord's Day: BCP 344; (8 a.m.); BCP 377 (9:30 & 11 a.m.)

First Reading: 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

Psalm 16 (BCP 599)

Second Reading: Galatians 5:1, 13-25

Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

Have a prayer request? You may email it to prayerchain@standrewspolaris.org, or call **Jacque Wallace** at 740-369-3963.

Red Cross Blood Drive August 8



St. Andrew's will host a visit from the American Red Cross

Bloodmobile *The gift of life!* on Thursday, August 8, from

1 to 7 p.m. Online registration will be open soon; in the meantime, you may lock in your preferred time to give on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex, beginning today.

There is almost always a critical need for blood in the summer months. If you are healthy and able, won't you come give "the gift of life" on August 8?

Encouragement for your prayer time with God

Prayer is an invitation to know Father God better and to know ourselves better because He made us. Prayer is about relationship, growing friendship, partnership, and creating with God. Our communication with Him can be done while walking, driving, doing the dishes, or shopping. It can be done in silence because it's spirit to spirit: your spirit conversing with His spirit. — *From prayercentral.net/devotionals/a-word-for-today*

"Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture." (Psalm 100:3)

— *From the St. Andrew's Prayer Ministries Team*

Prayers for the Church

Following the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, please pray for **Bishop Solomon Amusan** and the clergy and people of the **Diocese of Oke-Ogun**, Nigeria. Nigeria remains the largest church in the Anglican Communion in terms of active members, with some 18 million and continued rapid growth. Bishop Amusan has led the Oke-Ogun Diocese since its inception as a missionary diocese on March 11, 2007. Please pray especially for the continued success of the missionary efforts.

Following the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, please pray today for **Fr. David Kulcher**, **Fr. Patrick Self**, and for the people of **New Wine Anglican Church**, Flint, Michigan.

Following the Parish Cycle of Prayer, please pray for **Kevin** and **Jenny Marinov**, **Shirley Maxie** and **John McGuirl**; for the **Living Stones Small Group**; and for the **Common Ground Free Store**.

Common Ground needs your unused hotel toiletries!

Do you have a summer vacation trip planned? Perhaps business travel during the year? If so, please bring back those unused hotel bottles of shampoo, conditioner, lotion and soap. Clients at the Common Ground Free Store in Delaware appreciate these basic toiletries, which we so often take for granted.

Just place your items in the small white plastic container marked "toiletries" in the Narthex. They will be taken to and made available at Common Ground's "check out" counter.

Thanks to **Senior Warden Robin Field** for organizing this project to benefit the Free Store!

St. Andrew's to serve at Free Store Saturday, July 20

Mark your calendars for Saturday, July 20, and plan to become a part of St. Andrew's Common Ground Free Store ministry team! St. Andrew's will serve at the Free Store that day from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., and we would love to have you join us. Watch for details about how you can serve, or contact **GINNY RIBBANS**, 614-330-5304 or vribbans@sbcglobal.net, or **Marty Scott**, 614-284-0182 or msscott@standrewspolaris.org.

The Free Store — whose mission statement is "Welcoming the Community to Share in God's Love and Gifts" — provides free clothing, household goods, books, toys and more to all in need, regardless of their situation. There are no income requirements or guidelines to meet. The store's philosophy is that everyone is on "common ground."

Located at 193 E. Central Ave., Delaware, the store's summer hours are Tuesdays from 6 to 9 p.m.; Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Thursdays from 6 to 9 p.m.; and Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. In addition to providing clients with a free shopping experience, the store serves a hot meal to shoppers. Donations are accepted during store hours, and volunteers are needed most every day. For more information, log on to www.commongroundfreestore.org or call 740-369-FREE (740-369-3733).

Stewardship Notes

Gifts of Appreciated Securities: Stocks, Bonds & Mutual Funds

By the St. Andrew's Planned Giving Committee
(Liddy Schmitz, Pat Carpenter, Mike Christy and Rich Landsberg)

A gift of appreciated securities held for more than one year may provide significant benefits to you in making a gift, such as:

- Entitling you to a charitable income tax deduction for the fair market value of the gifted securities as of the date of gift.
- Eliminating capital gains tax that would ordinarily become due if you had sold the appreciated securities on the open market and donated the proceeds from the sale to charity.
- Claiming your charitable deduction against up to 30% of your adjusted gross income. Any unused deductions can be carried forward over the next five years.
- Providing a way to help you to achieve your long-term financial objective of reducing your income and estate taxes.

If you have securities that have declined in value over the years and are interested in donating them to charity, you may find it more advantageous to sell the securities first and contribute the proceeds to charity as opposed to donating the securities outright. This strategy should allow you to claim a deduction for both the loss from the sale of the securities as well as the charitable gift.

If you are considering donating stock that is subject to a cash merger or tender offer, it's important for you to note that you will be subject to tax on the capital gain even though the shares were transferred to us before the tender offer became effective.

Gifts of appreciated securities usually take one of three forms:

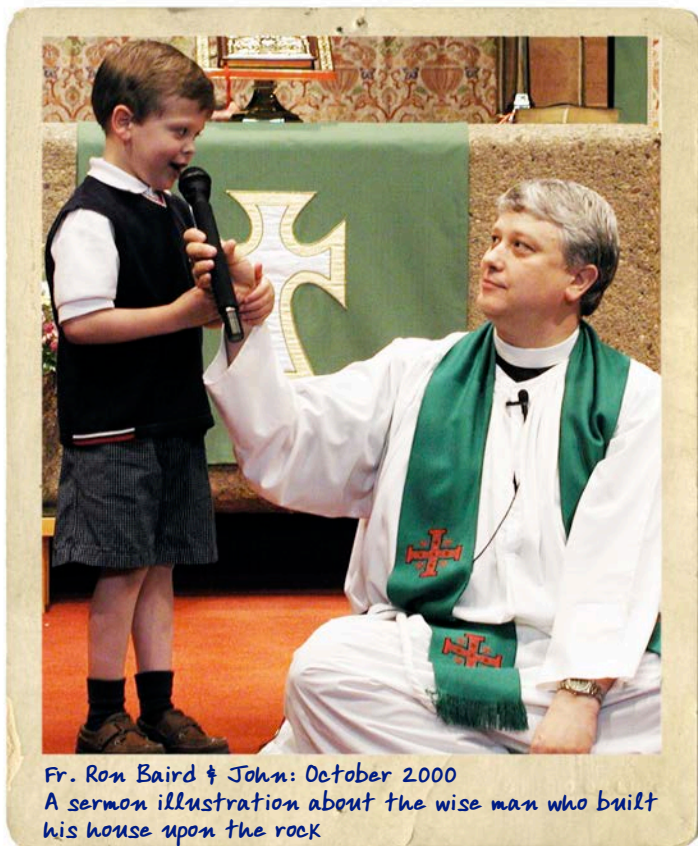
- **Common and preferred stock** traded on a public exchange are the most common type of securities contributed to charity. Publicly traded stock is considered a capital asset as defined in the Internal Revenue Code. As such, stock that meets the minimum holding period requirement of one year qualifies as long-term capital gain property and can, thereby, be deducted for charitable income tax deduction purposes at its fair market value.
- Like stocks, **mutual funds** are treated as capital assets for charitable contribution purposes and, if appreciated in value, make attractive charitable gift candidates. The fair market value of a share in an open-end investment company ("mutual fund") is the public redemption price of a share. If there is no public redemption price quoted by the company for the applicable valuation date (e.g., the valuation date falls on a weekend or holiday), the fair market value of the mutual fund share is the last public redemption price quoted by the company for the first day preceding the applicable valuation date for which there is a quotation.
- Debt instruments such as **U.S. Treasury obligations, mortgage-backed securities, municipal obligations, and corporate obligations** that, if sold by the donor, would produce capital gain may be suitable candidates for charitable giving. There are two types of debt instruments, however, that produce reduced income tax benefits when contributed to charity or that may not be suitable for contribution at all. Those two bond classes are Zero Coupon Bonds and U.S. Savings Bonds.

It is advised and encouraged that you speak with your trusted legal, tax or financial advisor about any charitable gift including any gift of appreciated securities.

Common Ground Fund-raiser June 25



The Common Ground Free Store will host its Summer Fund-raising Event Tuesday, June 25, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Kinsale Golf and Country Club, 3737 Village Club Drive, Powell, off Sawmill Parkway. There will be heavy hors d'oeuvres and the opportunity to bid on silent auction items. Tickets are \$50 per person and \$75 per couple. Please call 740-369-3733 or 740-417-3403 to make reservations for tickets.



Fr. Ron Baird & John: October 2000
A sermon illustration about the wise man who built his house upon the rock

4th of July parish picnic, parade activities planned



Once again, the Orange Township Independence Day Parade on Thursday, July 4 will pass by St. Andrew's. We'll be distributing water along the parade route, and are planning a potluck after the parade. We

hope you'll join us in serving our community by offering cold water to parade-goers on what is likely to be a hot day, and then for fellowship over food with your parish family!

For the picnic, hot dogs will be provided and those attending are asked to bring a covered dish, and soft drinks or similar beverage for your family. If you have any outdoor games you enjoy, bring those along too!

Sign-up sheets for the picnic, as well as for volunteers, are available today. You may also sign up on the Member Connection of our website at standrewsanglicanchurch.org/connection/index.php/en/4th-of-july-sign-up-form. You may also contact **Judy Baird**, 740-548-5112, ext. 3 or jbaird@standrewspolaris.org to volunteer, sign up, or for further information.

Volunteer opportunities include:

- ★ Wrapping water bottles with St. Andrew's labels in advance of the parade (Water and label materials are available today; please return labeled water next Sunday, June 30.)
- ★ Distributing water along the parade route
- ★ Popping popcorn for parade watchers
- ★ Grilling hot dogs for the picnic
- ★ Setting up and cleaning up

We also need large coolers to ice down water bottles; large wheeled coolers or child wagons for water distribution; and tents and/or cabanas for shade. Please also let us know if you have any of these to loan us for the day.

Pledges

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Extra pledge cards, along with extra copies of the campaign brochure, are available in the Narthex.

This campaign seeks to raise \$400,000 over a three-year period to be allocated as follows:

- \$170,000 to pay off remaining principal and interest on the 2nd Mortgage held by Polaris Assembly of God
- \$80,000 mortgage subsidy to the General Fund
- \$80,000 for parking lot repairs
- \$50,000 for repairs and enhancements to interior of the church building
- \$20,000 for contingencies.

If you have further questions, please see Fr. Ron or a member of the Vestry.

We need your old photographs!

Remember rolls of Kodak film? The anticipation of receiving prints in the mail? Then, you may have what we need!

There will be a slide show during **Fr. Ron's** 20-year Anniversary Celebration on Friday evening, Oct. 25. Photo albums prepared by **Lois Field**, our historian, provide a start. We need pictures of parish life with Fr. Ron, activities, children and groups from October 1993-2000 (before digitals).

Jim Menke has graciously volunteered to begin scanning photos in July. If you have a photo to share, please:

- Include your name on the back so it can be returned
- Date/year
- What it is

Then, give photos to me Senior Warden **Robin Field**, or place them in her mail slot in the Gathering Area.

Thank you for your help!

Youth self-defense class June 29

The St. Andrew's Youth Group will offer a self-defense class Saturday, June 29, from

3 to 5 p.m. at Worthington Martial Arts. Youth will meet at the church at 2:30 p.m. to carpool. After the class, they will head across the street for pizza at Donatos. The cost is \$15 per person, which includes the class and pizza. The event is open to all youth in middle and high school, and any parents who may want to attend.

Please contact Karen at khosmond@gmail.com or 614-975-0878 if you plan to attend. Parents, please also contact Karen if you can chaperone!