

The Net

St. Andrew's Anglican Church

January 5, 2014



Our beautifully renovated Sanctuary, above during Communion at the 7:30 p.m. service, was aglow on Christmas Eve with candlelight, music and praise to God, who in the gift of a child gave us the greatest gift imaginable! A huge thank-you to all who enriched our holiday worship — our contemporary worship band, under the leadership of Matt Spanos; the St. Andrew's Choir, under the direction of Tom James; Laurie Darke, pianist and organist; our Altar Guild, under the leadership of Directress Wini Cloran, and Flower and Memorials Chair Ellie Schramm; our Drama Ministry, under the direction of Mother Nanci James; Dan Brill and his crew of workers; and all who came out to help put the sanctuary back in order after the construction. See the back page for more pictures of our Christmas celebrations.

'Voices of Christmas' wonderful celebration of nativity of Christ

Mother Nanci James, director of last week's presentation of "The Twelve Voices of Christmas," expresses her appreciation to the congregation for being a part of this year's presentation of "The 12 Voices of Christmas!"

This year we give a special thanks to **Laurie Darke** for composing all the music and compiling one half of our orchestra, **Rich Landsberg** being the other half. And a fine half that was, being decked out in tuxedo! He certainly raised our standard this year!

Thank you to all the cast:

- **Mike Schroeder**, who was a frightful Herod. He took time after the performance to meet with the little

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Free showing of 'Fireproof' Friday, Jan. 10

The St. Andrew's Marriage Enrichment and Support Group will host a free showing of "Fireproof: The Movie" on Friday, Jan. 10, at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary. All couples are welcome to come and enjoy the movie, which has already made an impact on the marriages of a number of couples here at St. Andrew's. A brief discussion of the movie will follow, and each couple attended will receive a take-home study guide.



Popcorn and refreshments will be provided. A sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex today.

"Fireproof" touched the hearts and impacted the marriages of millions of moviegoers when it was released in 2008. Churches across the country have since shown the movie to help strengthen marriages in their congregations and to reach

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Outreach Committee meeting postponed to next Sunday

The St. Andrew's Outreach Committee has rescheduled its meeting, originally set for this afternoon, for next Sunday, Jan. 12, at 1 p.m. at the Parish House.

St. Andrew's is looking for people to join the Committees for Outreach. Current members of the local outreach team are **Frank Scott**, **Ginny Ribbens**, **Judy Baird** and **Marty Scott**. International outreach team members are **Jim** and **Jackie Menke**, **Candy Hawkins**, and Frank and Marty.

Anyone with a heart for serving others is welcome to attend and join one or both of the teams. Bring a sack lunch and come learn more!

For more info, please contact Marty at 614-284-0182 or msscott@standrewspolaris.org.

Brotherhood thanks parish for blessing families this Christmas

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew would like to extend their thank you and appreciation to the congregation for your generous donations to help our families who needed assistance over the Christmas season. They were able to collect \$800, which **Fr. Ron** and **Tally Whitehead** passed along to several families in need.

Thanks again for your compassion, and for lending a helping hand!

The Daily Lectionary

Week of The Second Sunday in Christmas · January 5-11

Sunday, January 5 — A.M.: Psalm 66, 67; P.M.: Psalm 145; Wisdom 7:3-14; Col. 3:12-17; John 6:41-47 **Eve of Epiphany** — P.M.: Psalm 29, 98; Isaiah 66: 18-23; Romans 15:7-13

Monday, January 6, Feast of The Epiphany — A.M.: Psalm 46, 97 ; P.M.: Psalm 96, 100; Isaiah 49:1-7; Revelation 21:22-27; Matthew 12:14-21

Tuesday, January 7 — A.M.: Psalm 103; P.M.: Psalm 114, 115; Deuteronomy 8:1-3; Colossians 1:1-14; John 6:30-33,48-51

Wednesday, January 8 — A.M.: Psalm 117, 118; P.M.: Psalm 112, 113; Exodus 17:1-7; Colossians 1:15-23; John 7:37-52

Thursday, January 9 — A.M.: Psalm 121, 122, 123; P.M.: Psalm 131, 132; Isaiah 45:14-19; Colossians 1:24-2:7; John 8:12-19

Friday, January 10 — A.M.: Psalm 138, 139:1-17(18-23); P.M.: Psalm 147; Jeremiah 23:1-8; Colossians 2:8-23; John 10:7-17

Saturday, January 11 — A.M.: Psalm 148, 150; P.M.: Psalm 91, 92; Isaiah 55:3-9; Colossians 3:1-17; John 14:6-14 **Eve of 1 Epiphany** — P.M.: Psalm 104; Isaiah 61:1-9; Galatians 3:23-29, 4:4-7

Next Sunday, January 12 — A.M.: Psalm 146, 147; P.M.: Psalm 111, 112, 113; Genesis 1:1-2:3; Ephesians 1:3-14; John 1:29-34

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Next Sunday's Lectionary • January 12, First Sunday after The Epiphany, Year A

Collect: BCP 214

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9

Psalm 29 (BCP 620)

Second Reading: Acts 10:34-43

Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

Encouragement for your time with God

What are your spiritual New Year's resolutions?

"For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified." (1 Corinthians 2:2)

"When you make a vow to God, do not delay to fulfill it. He has no pleasure in fools; fulfill your vow." (Ecclesiastes 5:4)

"For who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God." (1 Corinthians 2:11)

— From the St. Andrew's Prayer Ministries Team

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Prayers for the Church

Following the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, please pray today for **Archbishop David Moxon**, primate, and for the archbishops, bishops, clergy, and people of **The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand, and Polynesia**. The first Anglican church service in the area was held on Christmas Day, 1814. The Church is spread over New Zealand, Fiji, Tonga, Samoa, and the Cook Islands. The number of unbelievers has been growing rapidly according to the recent census and the church now numbers under a half million. Please pray especially for mission to the unchurched and those who have lost their faith.

Following the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, please pray this week for **Fr. Brian Wolthius** and for the people of **3Sixty**, Holland, Michigan.

Following the Parish Cycle of Prayer, please pray for **Fr. Ric** and **Val Bowser**; **Dan** and **Christine Brill**; **Rick**, **Kerri**, **Evan** and **Emily Brock**; the **Menke Small Group**; and the **Community Garden Ministry**.

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Have a prayer request? You may email your prayer requests to prayerchain@standrewspolaris.org; call **Jacque Wallace** at 740-369-3963; or fill out the online form on our website, www.standrewspolaris.org, under the "Scripture & Prayer" drop-down menu.

Parish mourns death of Lois Enneking

We are greatly saddened by the death on Saturday, Dec. 21 of St. Andrew's parishioner **Lois Enneking**. The service of Christian Burial was yesterday at St. Andrew's. Burial is today at Tippecanoe Memory Gardens, West Lafayette, Indiana.

Please keep **Joe**, Lois' husband of 50 years; her daughters, **Cindy** and **Susan**; and the rest of the Enneking family in your prayers as they mourn her loss. And pray also for Lois as she enters her new life in the nearer presence of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. May her soul and the souls of all the saints rest in God's peace, and may light perpetual shine upon her.

Prayers sought for Landsberg family

Please keep **Kay Cline Landsberg** and her husband, **Richard**, in your prayers as they mourn the death of Kay's mother, **Thelma Veach**, 92, on Dec. 15. The funeral was Dec. 21 at Grace United Methodist Church, South Webster, Ohio. May Velma's soul and the souls of all the saints rest in God's peace, and may light perpetual shine upon her.

January Birthdays

Patrick Giese
Reed Slevin
Tally Whitehead
John Osmond
Frank Scott
Jenny Marinov
Brenda Spradling
Jack Reeks
Kiera Snead
David Warner
Karolyn Yoakum
Justin Anthony
Trina Anthony
Didi Loseth
Cole Beverick
Ellie Schramm
Baxter Whitehead
Emelie Deslauriers
Alex McKeown
Gino Torio
David Patton
Shirley Maxie
Chris Bryant
Tom Girard
Jordan Torio

January Anniversaries

Tom & Nanci James

Epiphany: Feast of light

The word Epiphany comes from a Greek word that means “revealed.” This feast was first celebrated in the Eastern part of the Mediterranean world as the festival of the Revelation of God in human form. The chief stories in this celebration were the Visitation of the Magi and the Baptism of our Lord. This feast of the Revelation was celebrated on Jan. 6 because under the old Eastern calendar, this coincided with the Winter solstice. Thus, the days stopped becoming shorter and began to have more daylight. Christians in the East adopted the pagan festival and gave it a Christian understanding. The understanding of the true light that has come into the World, Jesus the Christ.

In the West, a separate feast to celebrate the coming of God in human form was adopted. It was called the Feast of the Incarnation (enfleshment), or what we now call Christmas. Again, this was done because the Western calendar at that time placed the Winter solstice on Dec. 25. Of course, we now find the winter solstice on Dec. 21.

Eventually, the East and West learned of one another’s feasts. It was decided to keep both dates and that both East and West would celebrate both feasts. Both are important to our understanding of the revelation of God in Christ Jesus. In our observation of them we find that Christmas does indeed have 12 days!

In the Eastern Orthodox Church, Epiphany is still the primary festival, while in the Western churches, we place the primary festivities on Christmas.

The Magi story was originally added by the West to its

celebration of Christmas. Thus, still sing songs such as “We Three Kings” as Christmas carols. This story was then adopted by the West as the primary Epiphany story: The revelation of God to the Gentiles.

The three kings bring gifts to the Christ child that befit such a noble birth: Gold as tribute to a mightier King; Frankincense as the offerings of our prayers to one who is God, and myrrh to anoint for burial the one who is to die for us.

These symbols are still used in our sacramental life today. We often use gold in our Eucharistic vessels; we use real frankincense in our Thurible, and we anoint people with oil at baptism as they are buried with Christ in his death. The gifts for our King are still in use in the Church today!

Perhaps, like the three Magi, we too will remember to bear homage to our King, Jesus, the Christ.

We celebrate the festival of the Incarnation/Revelation of God to humans. We celebrate the coming of the promised one of the prophet Isaiah, Emmanuel, God with us. We celebrate the coming into the world of our long hoped for salvation, Jesus, our Savior and our Lord!

— By Fr. Ron Baird



Voices of Christmas

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ones who were scared of the “mean man,” and proved the caliber of his acting by proving he is really a sweet and kind man under it all!

- **Dan Brill**, who was Joseph, and his wife **Christine**, who was Mary. Our St. Andrew’s carpenter portrayed the Galilean carpenter father very realistically. Well done!
- Our three wise men were **Dave Patton**, **Michael Seagrave** and **Steve Darke**. They worked long and hard to bring us beautiful harmonies. We also thank Steve for the throne of Herod.
- **George Girard** was our wonderful narrator.

These principals were backed up by a swinging chorus of **Pat Carpenter** (who also lent us her hand cymbals), **Jan Johnson**, **Caitlyn Kennedy-Christy**, **Gwyneth Nelson** and **Elspeeth Nelson** as harem girls, townspeople and angels; and **Dave Johnson**, **Reed Slevin**, **Randy Smith** and **Austin Stout** as townspeople and angels. Randy donned the big

wings to also present the Angel Gabriel in Joseph’s dream. Caitlyn was the soloist harem girl.

Thank you to those behind the scenes:

- A huge thank you to the **Daughters of the Holy Cross**, who cleaned, laundered and organized our entire costume and prop collection! Big job — **big thanks!**
- **Lesley DeBella** and Gwyneth Nelson, our costume mistresses.
- **Pat Giese** and **Christ Bryant**, our tech people who did a fantastic job making too few microphones work on our largest cast yet!
- **Meg Patton**, our de facto stage manager and all-around “go-to-behind-the-scenes person.”
- **Tiffany Kennedy-Christy**, our chorus coach, who also provided the gifts given by the Kings.

Mother Nanci also thanks the congregation of St. Andrew’s for your

support of this ministry. With your encouragement, she looks forward to future presentations. All suggestions, comments, ideas and feedback are welcome; please contact Mother Nanci directly at 614-895-0144 or njames@standrewspolaris.org.

Thanks for giving!

The Thanksgiving Pumpkin Pie Fundraiser was a very blessed event, not only for raising monies for operating expenses at the Common Ground Free Store, but for providing a lot of people with pumpkin pie for their Thanksgiving dinner! While the Common Ground Free Store may receive grants, these grants may not be used for operating expenses. Operating expenses are acquired through fundraisers and donations from many people like you. Out of all the pies sold, St. Andrew’s purchased 23 percent, and donated 54 percent of those back to shoppers of the Free Store.



Fireproof

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out to their communities. An action-packed love story from the creators of “Facing the Giants,” this heartfelt movie tells the story of a couple on the brink of divorce... until they discover God’s design for their relationship.

Relationships are wonderful gifts given to us by God. As we read in the Bible, the most-intimate relationship is marriage between a husband and a wife. Unfortunately, relationships today are under more cultural and interpersonal pressure and stress than ever before in our history. But it doesn’t have to be that way. The St. Andrew’s Marriage Enrichment and Support Group shares the goal of the producers of “Fireproof” of making a long-term difference for healthy relationships and marriages — starting with yours!

All couples at St. Andrew’s are welcome at the group’s regular meetings at 7 p.m. on the third Friday of every month in the Gathering Area.

Clockwise, from left, Mike Schroeder as Herod, with members of the chorus, from left, including three of our youth, and Pat Carpenter and Jan Johnson; Dan Brill as Joseph, with the littlest angel in the background; the wise men, from left, Michael Seagrave, Dave Patton, and Steve Darke; Randy Smith as the angel who speaks to Joseph; Christmas Eve acolytes; choir members Dave Patton, one of our youth, and Meg Patton; and band members Matt Spanos, and Dan and Christine Brill. Watch the website and next week’s Net for more pictures of our celebration of Christmas!

The Second Sunday in Christmas

January 5, 2014

The Order for Worship may be found in the printed prayer booklet for Holy Communion from the new "Text for Common Prayer," approved this fall by the College of Bishops of the Anglican Church in North America. The service music, hymns and Scripture lessons follow.

Scripture Lessons

Old Testament Lesson • Jeremiah 31:7-14
Psalm 84:1-8 • BCP 707
New Testament Lesson • Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a
The Gospel • Matthew 2:1-12
Offertory & Doxology • Renewal Hymnal 77

Holy Eucharist • 8 a.m.

Processional • Hymnal 128, vs. 1-2
The Gloria • Hymnal S204
Sermon • Mother Nanci James
Sanctus • Hymnal S114
Fraction Anthem • Agnus Dei, Hymnal S158
Recessional • Hymnal 124, vs. 1-2

Holy Eucharist • 9:30 a.m.

Processional • Hymnal 128
The Gloria • Hymnal S280
Gradual Hymn • Hymnal 117, vs. 1-3; vs. 4-5
Choir Cantata • *Do You Hear What I Hear? Listening to the Spirit of Christmas*, by Mark Brymer and Susan Naylor Callaway
Choir Anthem • *Mary Did You Know?*;
words and music by Mark Lowry and Buddy Green;
setting by Douglas E. Wagner
Sanctus • Hymnal S129
Fraction Anthem • *Behold the Lamb* (Words on screens)
Communion Music • Hymnal 324 & 336
Recessional • Hymnal 124

Holy Eucharist • 11 a.m.

Worship Music • *Holy and Anointed One; We Fall Down; and He Is Coming*
New Testament Lesson • Romans 1:1-7
The Gospel • Matthew 1:18-25
Sermon • Mother Nanci James
Offertory • *Welcome to Our World*
Sanctus • *Sanctus* (Spanos Setting)
Communion Music • *After All (Holy)*
Dismissal • *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

Today's loose offering goes to the Parish Discretionary Fund to help those in need in our midst.

Christmas Cantata

Presented by the St. Andrew's Choir

Do You Hear What I Hear?

Listening to the Spirit of Christmas

By Mark Brymer and Susan Naylor Callaway

What were the sounds of the first Christmas? What are the sounds of Christmas today? "Do You Hear What I Hear? Listening to the Spirit of Christmas," blends fresh arrangements of traditional carols and new songs with a compelling narrative.

Come to the stable...come and worship the newborn King... and listen to the songs of Bethlehem.

- I. Do You Hear What I Hear?
- II. And the Prophets Spoke: O Come, O Come Immanuel / He Will Come!
- III. And Mary Listened: Nothing Is Impossible
Soloists: Gwyn & Elspeth Nelson
- IV. They Heard From the Heavens: Angels from the Realms of Glory / Sing Gloria
- V. Sounds From a Lowly Manger: Away in a Manger / The Friendly Beasts
- VI. O, Come, All Ye Faithful: Good Christian Men Rejoice / O Come, Little Children / O Come, All Ye Faithful
- VII. The Message Heard 'Round the World: The First Noel / March of the Three Kings
- VIII. Joy to the World: Joy to the World / Do You Hear What I Hear?

Choir Director • Tom James

Pianist • Laurie Darke

Narrator • George Girard

Note to electronic givers

Parishioners who are using e-giving should be sure to change their pledge in January to "General Fund 2014." You can re-select that option on the e-giving website by clicking on the "Online Giving" link on the home page of our web site, www.standrewspolaris.org.

Ministry reports due Jan. 26

It's that time of year! If you are a leader of a ministry or group, or an officer of the church, your ministry reports for inclusion in the 2013 Annual Report are due by Sunday, Jan. 26. The 2013 Annual Report will be made available to the parish on Feb. 16 in preparation for the Annual Meeting on Feb. 23. Details will follow.

A form with a suggested outline for your report will e-mailed to ministry leaders with e-mail access this week. A hard copy of the form is also available in the Narthex today.

For information, please contact **Judy Baird** at jbaird@standrewspolaris.org or 740-548-5112, ext. 3.

Welcome visitors!

We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us today, and hope you find our services meaningful and our fellowship warm and friendly. Please join us between services for coffee in the Gathering Area. We also have a welcome gift for you in thanksgiving for your visit with us. If you didn't receive a welcome bag before the service, please see one of the greeters or ushers after church and they'll be happy to give you one.

If this is your first visit with us, please do not feel obligated to participate financially in the offering today. Your presence in God's house and at his altar is your gift to him and to us! We would, however, like to know of your presence with us, and ask that you fill out Information Card on the back of this sheet and place it in the offering plate when it comes by.

Name(s): _____

Date: _____ Service (circle one): 8 a.m. 9:30 11 a.m.

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

E-Mail: _____

Name(s) and ages of other people in your immediate family (optional, for name tags & Sunday School purposes):

How did you learn about St. Andrew's?

- Phone book Newspaper Ad Web site
- Drove by Friend: _____
- Other: _____

I am/we are a:

- 1st-time guest One-time visitor Returning visitor
- Regular attender Member

If you are a visitor, please tell us about your experience this morning:

I/we are interested in programs for:

- Children Youth Adults Other: _____

I/we would like more information about:

- Baptism Marriage Membership

Comments, questions, concerns or prayer requests: _____

This Week

TODAY • JANUARY 5

Godly Play for toddlers - 5th Graders, 9:30 a.m., Rooms 101, 102, 106 & 107; 11 a.m., Room 102.

High School youth class, 11 a.m., Parish House Conference Room.

Middle School youth class, 11 a.m., Choir Room (today only).

Adult Bible Study Small Groups, 9:30 a.m., Parish House Conference Room; 11 a.m., Parish House Chapel.

Sunday Morning Apostles Small Group,

11 a.m., Room 202, Parish House.

Local Mission Offering: Paper plates, cups, and bowls; plastic silverware.

TUESDAY • JANUARY 7

Shaw Ministry, 7 p.m., Parish House Conference Room.

Middle School Youth Group, 7-8 p.m., at the church.

High School Youth Group, 8-9 p.m., at the church.

WEDNESDAY • JANUARY 8

The Lord's Ladies Small Group, 7 p.m., Parish House Conference Room.

Contemporary Worship Team Rehearsal, 7 p.m., Sanctuary.

THURSDAY • JANUARY 9

Bell Choir Rehearsal, 6:15 p.m., Sanctuary.

Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary.

FRIDAY • JANUARY 10

Fireproof: The Movie, 7 p.m., Sanctuary and Gathering Area. See details in "The Net" today.

SATURDAY • JANUARY 11

Cub Scout Pinewood Derby, 8 a.m., Sanctuary and Gathering Area.

Greeting Card Class, 1 p.m., Parish House Conference Room.

Contact Linda Smith, 740-417-4702, for details.

Coming Up

NEXT SUNDAY • JANUARY 12

Local Mission Offering: Lemonade mix, coffee, sugar, trash bags, hot dogs and buns (please place the hot dogs in the refrigerator at church).

Outreach Organizational Meeting, 1 p.m. Parish House Conference Room. Anyone with a heart for serving others in Christ's name are welcome!

Worship Attendance

SUNDAY • DECEMBER 29, 2013

8 a.m.	24	Total.....	192
9:30 a.m.	128	Average YTD.....	200
11 a.m.	40	Unctions.....	5

Winter weather cancellation procedures



With winter upon us, please remember to check our website before heading out for events and activities at the church if weather conditions are deteriorating, if roads are in poor driving condition or if there are snow emergencies in Delaware or Franklin counties. (Please note that all events and activities at the church are cancelled if there is a Level 3 snow emergency in Delaware County and/or Orange Township.) If a cancellation affects a majority of the congregation, we will also send a parish-wide e-mail. Church service cancellations will also be posted on local TV stations.

Please pray for the safety of all those who have to travel on the roads and highways in poor weather conditions.