

The Net

St. Andrew's Anglican Church

Sunday, August 30, 2015

A new service schedule *and* Rally Day

Fall brings opportunities for enhanced discipleship, fellowship

Beginning the first weekend in September, we'll be introducing a Saturday evening service, and moving to two Sunday morning services, with a return to a dedicated time in between for discipleship for all ages, and a greater focus on fellowship.

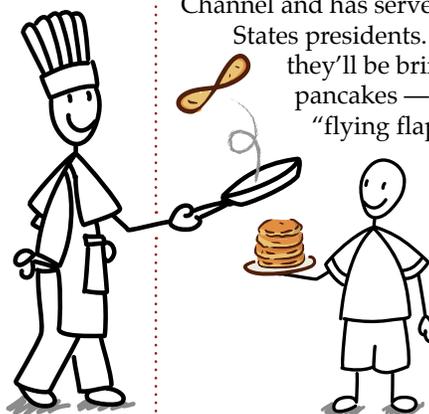
This change, which we first announced earlier this summer, comes after much prayer and discernment, several years of discussion parish-wide, in small groups and one-on-one, and two member surveys. While the surveys alone did not reveal a clear consensus as to service times, there was general agreement surrounding the need for:

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The Church Year: Recovering the Rhythm of Life

Fr. Ron Baird will lead the first of our adult forums with a six-week look at "The Church Year: Recovering the Rhythm of Life." The discussion will focus on how adopting the pattern of the Church year can help restore balance to your life.

Grab a cup of coffee or tea and a snack from the Gathering Area, and join us at 10:15 on Sunday morning in the Sanctuary, beginning Sept. 20!



Flying flapjacks!

We're excited to announce that world-renowned Chris Cakes of Ohio will join us for Rally Day on Sunday, Sept. 13!

Chris Cakes, which formerly held the Guinness World Record for "Fastest Flipper," has been featured on the Food Channel and has served four United States presidents.

On Rally Day they'll be bringing their tasty pancakes — also known as "flying flapjacks" — to

St. Andrew's. And yes, they really toss them on your plate!

Please join us from 10 to 11 a.m. on Rally Day

for breakfast — and the Chris Cakes pancake-palooza!

Rally Day will kick off our fall schedule, including our Young Saints' return to Godly Play for the coming school year, as well as our all-new adult forum. Similar to last year, Rally Day will focus on discipleship for children, youth and adults, as well as ministry.

We'll once again be highlighting the various groups and ministries in the church, and you'll have an opportunity to meet many of our ministry team leaders, who will be on hand to answer any questions you may have. This will be a wonderful opportunity to learn about where and how you can plug in to grow your faith, and serve God in our parish and in our community, as well as connect with others in your church family.

We hope you'll join us on Rally Day, Sept. 13, for a morning of worship, fellowship, food and fun!

Note: Sunday School starts the week following Rally Day, on Sept. 20. There will be no classes on Labor Day weekend.

Scenes from SALT

See back for more



Inside: Lunch on the Lawn today ... Class 101 postponed ... Teacher Dinner this coming Thursday ... Nominations for Bishop, and more!

The Daily Lectionary

Week of the 14th Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 17), Aug. 23-Sept. 5

Sunday, August 30 — A.M.: Psalm 148, 149, 150; P.M.: Psalm 114, 115; 1 Kings 8:22-30(31-40); 1 Tim. 4:7b-16; John 8:47-59

Monday, August 31 — A.M.: Psalm 25; P.M.: Psalm 9, 15; 2 Chronicles 6:32-7:7; James 2:1-13; Mark 14:53-65

Tuesday, Sept. 1 — A.M.: Psalm 26, 28; P.M.: Psalm 36, 39; 1 Kings 8:65-9:9; James 2:14-26; Mark 14:66-72

Wednesday, Sept. 2 — A.M.: Psalm 38; P.M.: Psalm 119:25-48; 1 Kings 9:24-10:13; James 3:1-12; Mark 15:1-11

Thursday, Sept. 3 — A.M.: Psalm 37:1-18; P.M.: Psalm 37:19-42; 1 Kings 11:1-13; James 3:13-4:12; Mark 15:12-21

Friday, Sept. 4 — A.M.: Psalm 31; P.M.: Psalm 35; 1 Kings 11:26-43; James 4:13-5:6; Mark 15:22-32

Saturday, Sept. 5 — A.M.: Psalm 30, 32; P.M.: Psalm 42, 43; 1 Kings 12:1-20; James 5:7-12, 19-20; Mark 15:33-39

Next Sunday, Sept. 6 — A.M.: Psalm 63:1-8(9-11), 98; P.M.: Psalm 103; 1 Kings 12:21-33; Acts 4:18-31; John 10:31-42

Next Sunday's Lectionary · September 6; Proper 18 (Year B)

Collect: BCP 233

Psalm 146 (BCP 803)

Gospel: Mark 7:24-37

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a

Second Reading: James 2:1-10 (11-13), 14-17

Encouragement for your prayer time with God

If we don't stay in contact with the Living Water, we end up in the dirty water. "Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water.'" (*John 4:10*) "Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb." (*Revelation 22:1*) — **St. Andrew's Prayer Ministries**

Prayers for the Church

Following the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, please pray for **Bishop Paul Masaba** and for the priests, deacons, religious, and laity of the **Diocese of Sebei, Uganda**. The first Ugandan clergy were ordained in 1893, just 16 years after Anglican worship in the area began. The Church there has been very liberally watered by the blood of martyrs, from 1885 to the present. In 1980, the Province of the Church of Uganda was formed by the division of the Province of Uganda, Rwanda, and Burundi and has doubled from 17 dioceses then to 34 now.

The Diocese of Sebei covers the flanks of, and the plains surrounding, Mount Elgon, an extinct volcano rising to 14,177 feet. The people in the area traditionally raise cattle and also rely on subsistence farming, with some living in urban centers. Fifty percent of the population are reportedly Anglican, although some retain traditional spiritual beliefs along with Christian faith. Please pray especially for the bishop, consecrated on April 12, 2015; for St. Paul's School for Girls and the recently opened dormitories there (some of the students previously walked 2-3 hours to school each way); for the consolidation of faith; and for outreach to youth.

Following the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, please pray for **Mother Susan Zakamarko**, and for the people of **St. Barnabas**, Ontario, Canada.

Following the Parish Cycle of Prayer, please pray for the **Bob, Alex and Kathy Seyerle; Reed and Lorrie Slevin; the Sunday Morning Apostles; and the Daughters of the Holy Cross**. Please also pray for those in medical fields: May they remember all the people they treat are creations and children of the living God.

Prayer teams available on Sundays for intercessory prayer

Prayer teams are available to pray with you during Holy Communion at the 9:30 and 11 a.m. worship services. At 9:30 a.m. they are stationed to the left of the altar near the band equipment; at 11 a.m. they are stationed to the right of the altar, near the piano and organ. You may seek prayer for personal cares and concerns, concerns for others or offer thanksgivings for God's blessings. The prayer team will also offer the sacrament of Holy Unction — the anointing with oil, laying on of hands and prayers for healing — upon request. All prayers are confidential.

Young Saints teacher dinner Thursday, Sept. 3

Young Saints teachers, classroom helpers, and nursery care providers are invited to a dinner at the church on Thursday, Sept. 3, from 6 to 8 p.m.

The evening will be both a celebration of ministry, and a time to share information about the coming year.

Please come for as little or as long as you can. Children and spouses are welcome for dinner.

Please R.S.V.P. to **Tally Whitehead** at etwhitehead@yahoo.com, or by text at 614-578-7897, by Sept. 2.

Diocese seeks names for Bishop candidates

The Anglican Diocese of the Great Lakes is inviting baptized members of parishes in our diocese to submit names for consideration as a candidate for selection as our next diocesan Bishop. Information on the process is available at the Information Desk in the Narthex today, and is available online at www.adglsynod.com.

Parishioners are also asked to pray the following prayer at 1 p.m. every day between now and the Extraordinary Synod in Akron Oct. 1-3. During the Synod, delegates will select three candidates from among those nominated. Those names will be then be submitted to the House of Bishops of the Anglican Church in North America, which will elect our next Bishop.

Almighty God, Our Heavenly Father, we humbly ask for the grace of discernment as our ADGL Standing Committee engages in the task of shepherding our diocese through the process of discerning candidates for the next Bishop.

We lift our retiring Bishop Roger Ames up to you, thanking you for his faithful stewardship as the founding Bishop of our Diocese. Continue to bless him and Gretsie in these days of transition.

May you grace us in the ADGL with the wisdom to discern and embrace the next Bishop that you have planned for the ADGL. We pray this in the name of Jesus our Savior and Lord who is one with you and the Holy Spirit now and forever, Amen.

Harvest Festival Planning meeting July 31

The Harvest Festival Planning Team will meet Monday, July 31, at 7 p.m. at the Parish House. Plan to join us as we prepare to welcome our community to St. Andrew's for our largest outreach event of the year on Saturday, Oct. 24!

Harvest Festival Raffle announced

We will once again have a raffle in conjunction with the Harvest Festival, and this year there are even more ways to win!

The top prize will be a \$500 Visa Gift Card; second place will be a \$150 Kroger Gift Card; third place will be \$50 Bath and Body Gift Card; and fourth place will be a \$50 Max and Erma's Gift Card.

Tickets are \$5 each, or \$20 for a book of five. A maximum of 300 tickets will be sold. The drawing will be held at the close of the Festival on Oct. 24, and a person does not have to be present to win.

Tickets will be available the next Sunday. Watch "The Net" and our website for further details!

Volunteers needed for children's games

In addition to the always popular hayride and pumpkin patch, we're planning a variety of games and activities for this year's Harvest Festival. A sign-up sheet for volunteers is available now at the Information Desk. Please take a moment to look it over and see where you might be able to serve on the day of the festival. For more information, or to volunteer, please contact **Rachel Cherubini**, 740-971-7741 or cherubinirachel@yahoo.com.



Vendors sought for 2015 Harvest Festival

We're bringing back the popular Vendor's Market to this year's Harvest Festival, and there has already been considerable interest among local vendors. If you, or anyone you know, is interested in participating, now is the time to reserve your space, as the fee for a 10' x 10' space goes up from \$25 to \$35 on Sept. 1.



Fold-over cards with all the details vendors need to request an

information packet are available in the Narthex. If you frequent area Farmer's Markets or plan to attend any festivals in the coming weeks, please help us spread the word by taking a handful of cards to pass out to your favorite vendors or crafters.

If you have any questions, please contact **Linda Smith** at 740-417-4702 or festival@standrewspolaris.org.

New service times

Continued from the front

- all of our children, who now attend Sunday school at two separate times, to attend class together;
- greater fellowship opportunities between services;
- more time for parishioners and clergy to interact on Sunday mornings; and
- reduced "traffic noise" in the Narthex during the last service of the morning.

Fr. Ron and the Vestry believe the new worship service schedule addresses all of these needs.

Children's & Youth Ministry

Our children will benefit specifically by a more consistent class structure, which will allow teachers to plan for a 45-minute class period, including gathering time and closing prayer, which sometimes gets cut short under the current schedule.

In addition, all of our children — who now attend Sunday school at two separate times — will have an opportunity to explore the Bible, and learn about the liturgy of the Church, together with others their age, which

will serve to strengthen the bonds of friendship among them.

For children in preschool through 3rd Grade, we'll offer a Children's Chapel during the Liturgy of the Word at the 9 a.m. service, beginning after the Gospel is read.

Fr. Ron encourages you to make both worship and Sunday school a priority for your family. Children's Chapel differs from Sunday school in that it provides children a place to worship God in a way that is meaningful to them, while Sunday school is where they learn the stories of the Old and New Testament, about the sacraments of the Church, and the story of Salvation. Both are vital to our children's spiritual growth and development.

Youth will also meet in between services, which hopefully will be more convenient for families with children of different ages, many of whom now attend Sunday school at different hours.

Adult Discipleship

Having a time between services on Sunday mornings will expand our

opportunities for adult discipleship. We'll offer a variety of studies throughout the course of the year, which will be both clergy-and lay-led. Fr. Ron will lead the first study on "The Church Year: Recovering the Rhythm of Life."

Fellowship

The new service schedule allows people to "meet in the middle," and gather in fellowship in a less-hurried atmosphere.

Worship

Our new schedule will look like this:

- Saturday, 5 p.m., Traditional liturgy and Holy Communion, with organ
- Sunday, 9 a.m., Traditional liturgy and Holy Communion, with organ and choir
- Sunday, 10:15- 11 a.m., Discipleship for all ages and fellowship time
- Sunday, 11:15 a.m., Contemporary worship with Holy Communion

Log on to the Member Connection of our website, standrewspolaris.org, for a message from **Fr. Ron Baird** with further details. Please contact **Judy Baird** at jbaire@standrewspolaris.org if you need a login and password.

Class 101 postponed

Class 101: Discover St. Andrew's, originally scheduled for today, has been postponed. Please watch "The Net" and our website for a new date later in the fall.

Lunch on the Lawn today

Please join us today from 12 Noon to 2 p.m. under the trees at the Parish House for "Lunch on the Lawn." Bring a bag lunch for you and your family and come enjoy an informal afternoon of fellowship with your church family.

As an alternative to a sack lunch, some families prefer to order food to be delivered. If you would like to take that route, please let **Tally Whitehead** know by contacting her at twhitehead@standrewspolaris.org for help arranging take-out food. Beverages will be provided by the church.

The swing set area is open this summer for kids to play on, but feel free to bring any lawn games you have as well as lawn chairs and/or blankets to spread on the ground.

September Birthdays

Chinaza Anosike
Jack Christopher
Joe Enneking
Sarah Vanderhoff
Sue Thomas
Roy Renshaw
Joey Girard
Nikki Snead
Emily Fieger
Bill Lucas
Bob Beverick
Julie Baldwin
Pat Carpenter
Carol Warner
Ryan Bobay
Hannah Vanderhoff
Laurie Gillig

September Anniversaries

Nancy & Roy Renshaw
Pat & Liddy Schmitz
Randy & Linda Smith
Aaron & Monique Thomas
Austin & Carla Stout
David & Meg Patton
David & Carol Warner
Kara & Steve Atkinson
Judy & Chuck Carlos
Chris & Cherie Bryant
David & Amber Zak
Laurie & Jeffrey Gillig
Shawn & Nikki Snead



Carlo Cherubini
& Dan Field



Robin Field & Rachel Cherubini



Fr. Ron Baird & Eric Whitehead



Jan Zacharias &
Karen Brust



Mary Alice & Dick Busick

Mike Weaver, an ordained Lutheran pastor, and professional improviser, led St. Andrew's ministry leaders and teachers through a series of exercises during last Saturday's SALT Conference designed to help them embrace the reality, necessity and joy of change. Change is necessary, he said, to keep the story of God's work in the world — and here at St. Andrew's — moving forward as we grow more and more into the full stature of Christ. And while change is always inevitable, and sometimes uncomfortable, we can take heart that one thing never changes: *Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.* — *Hebrews 13:8*

On the front

Clockwise, from top, Randy Smith, Jacquie Wallace and Patti Cooper share a laugh during one of the improv exercises; Pastor Mike Weaver, our guest speaker for SALT 2015, introduces a storytelling exercise with Eric Whitehead; and Lori Cornett shares a story with Jo Edda Habeker.