

The Net

St. Andrew's Anglican Church

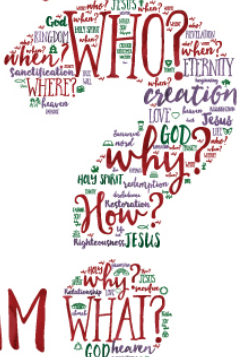
February 20 & 21, 2016

Ultimate Questions

The meaning of life, & the universe & everything

LENTEN STUDY PROGRAM

With Soup & Salad Supper
Tuesdays in Lent 6:15-8 p.m.
through March 15



Jack Reeks and Larry Cooper, who normally attend the 5 p.m. Saturday service, enjoy pancakes at the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on Feb. 9. Many thanks to the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, our hosts for the evening, and to the Kitchen Saints for all of their help! See next week's edition of "The Net" for more pancake pics.



Women's Bible study to begin March 1

The Tuesday morning Women's Bible Study Group, which was postponed this past week because of inclement weather, will begin a new video series this coming Tuesday, March 1. They will meet on the first and third Tuesdays of the month, from 9:30 to 11 a.m., at the Parish House. Feel free to come to any or all of the sessions, and you're welcome to bring a friend.

The women will be studying and discussing *Wonderstruck: Awaken to the nearness of God*, a seven-week session by *Please turn to inside*

Annual Meeting Sunday, Feb. 28

The Annual Parish Meeting will be Sunday, Feb. 28, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Sanctuary. This meeting will be an opportunity to hear from Fr. Ron Baird and members of the Vestry about the state of the parish in 2015, and look ahead to what's planned for 2016. It's also an opportunity to ask any questions you may have about the 2015 Annual Report, which is available in your mail slot today.

Please mark Feb. 28 on your calendar, and plan to come out to hear what God is doing in our midst! Child care will be available.

Come learn more about St. Andrew's Sunday!

"Class 101: Discover St. Andrew's" will be offered Sunday, Feb. 21, from 2 to 5 p.m. in the Parish House Conference Room. Class 101, which is led by Fr. Ron Baird, is an introduction to St. Andrew's, and covers the benefits of belonging to our parish, our purpose, mission and beliefs.

This class is for anyone who is interested in joining St. Andrew's, or just wants to know more about our mission and ministry! 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 after the class. The class is also required for couples who wish to be married at St. Andrew's, and parents who wish to have their child baptized here.

If you'd like to attend but haven't yet signed up, simply let Fr. Ron or Judy Baird know at church today that you'll be there.

The Daily Lectionary

Week of the Second Sunday in Lent • Feb. 21-27

Sunday, Feb. 21 — A.M.: Psalm 24, 29; P.M.: Psalm 8, 84; Genesis 41:14-45; Romans 6:3-14; John 5:19-24

Monday, Feb. 22 — A.M.: Psalm 56, 57, [58]; P.M.: Psalm 64, 65; Genesis 41:46-57; 1 Corinthians 4:8-20(21); Mark 3:7-19a

Tuesday, Feb. 23 — A.M.: Psalm 61, 62; P.M.: Psalm 68:1-20(21-23)24-36; Genesis 42:1-17; 1 Corinthians 5:1-8; Mark 3:19b-35

Wednesday, Feb. 24 — A.M.: Psalm 72; P.M.: Psalm 119:73-96; Genesis 42:18-28; 1 Corinthians 5:9-6:8; Mark 4:1-20 **Feast of St. Matthias** — A.M.: Psalm 80, 1 Samuel 16:1-13, 1 John 2:18-25; P.M.: Psalm 33, 1 Samuel 12:1-5, Acts 20:17-35

Thursday, Feb. 25 — A.M.: Psalm [70], 71; P.M.: Psalm 74; Genesis 42:29-38; 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; Mark 4:21-34

Friday, Feb. 26 — A.M.: Psalm 95* & 69:1-23 (24-30) 31-38; P.M. Psalm 73; Genesis 43:1-15; 1 Corinthians 7:1-9; Mark 4:35-41

Saturday, Feb. 27 — A.M.: Psalm 75, 76; P.M.: Psalm 23, 27; Genesis 43:16-34; 1 Corinthians 7:10-24; Mark 5:1-20

Next Sunday, Feb. 28 — A.M.: Psalm 93, 96; P.M.: Psalm 34; Genesis 44:1-17; Romans 8:1-10; John 5:25-29

* For the invitatory

Next Sunday's Lectionary • Feb. 28; The Third Sunday in Lent (Year C)

First Reading: Exodus 3:1-15

Psalm 63:1-8 (BCP 670)

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Gospel: Luke 13:1-9

Prayers for the Church

Following the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, please pray for Archbishop Sturdie Downs and for the bishops, priests, deacons, religious, and laity of La Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America (The Anglican Church of Central America). Anglican worship in the area began in 1740. The Church was initially focused on immigrants from England and the English-speaking West Indies and concerted evangelism to the indigenous people of the area did not begin until the 1950's. The Anglican Church of Central America became an autonomous part of the Anglican Communion in 1998 and includes some 35,000 members in five dioceses in Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Panama. All the dioceses except Costa Rica had been part of The Episcopal Church.

In December 2015, the United Nations High Commission on Refugees warned of a "looming refugee crisis" coming from Central America as people flee widespread violence and oppression in their homelands. In the first nine months of 2015, it was estimated that 4,200 Guatemalans and 4,000 Salvadorans were murdered/assassinated and hundreds of thousands displaced in each country. The violence is coming mostly from well-organized and increasingly more brutal gangs. The estimated numbers of gang members in El Salvador and Guatemala alone (84,000) are more than double the members of the Church in the Province and there are an estimated 116,000 in neighboring Honduras. Recalling what God did with twelve apostles, please pray especially for the Church outreach to refugees and gang members.

Following the ACNA Cycle of Prayer, please pray for Bishop Clark Lowenfield and for the people of the Diocese of Western Gulf Coast.

Following the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, please pray for Fr. Joseph Mlaker, Deacon Samuel De Makuach and for the people of Christ the King and Christ the King Mission Church, DeWitt, Michigan.

Following the Parish Cycle of Prayer, please pray for Emelie Deslauriers; Eric, Wendy, Benjamin and Christian Emery; Joe Enneking; the Sunday Morning Apostles Small Group, and the Fellowship Ministries. Fay Morning Apostles Small Group, and the Fellowship Ministries. Please also pray for those whose work puts them in danger; God, please be their fortress and their shield.

Chili Cook-off set for before Annual Meeting

It is time for the annual St. Andrew's Youth Group Chili Cook-off! This year's event will be held on Sunday, Feb. 28, at 2 p.m., right before the Annual Parish Meeting.

If you are planning on attending or entering a chili into the contest, please sign up on the sign-up sheets that are on the Youth Group bulletin board in the Gathering Area. You may also sign up online at standrewspolaris.org.

There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place and Fan Favorite, as well as a prize for the most unusual recipe.

Hope to see you all on the 28th!

Wednesday prayer time a good Lenten observance

The Prayer Service day this month will be Wednesday, Feb. 24, at 12 Noon in the Sanctuary. Spending more time with God in prayer is a good Lenten discipline. Won't you consider coming?

"I will give them a heart to know me, that I am the Lord. They will be my people, and I will be their God, for they will return to me with all their heart." — Jeremiah 24:7

Women

Continued from the front

Margaret Feinberg. This study provides practical steps, challenging questions, intimate stories, and Biblical insights for anyone who wants to live astounded by God and walk in the fullness of all he offers.

For those interested in doing the daily devotional studies that accompany the series, the *Wonderstruck* booklet is available at LifeWay bookstores, but not required. For more information or questions, feel free to contact Tally Whitehead at 614-578-7897.

Encouragement for your prayer time with God

Think of Lent as a spiritual "boot camp." Follow God's directions. "Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice." (Ephesians 4:31) "Nevertheless, the righteous will hold to their ways, and those with clean hands will grow stronger." (Job 17:9) "You armed me with strength for battle; you humbled my adversaries before me." (Psalm 18:39) — From the St. Andrew's Prayer Ministries Team.