

The Net

St. Andrew's Anglican Church

June 11 & 12, 2016

Summer @ St. Andrew's

"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another — and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

— Hebrews 10:24-25, NIV

School may be out, but the fun and learning is just starting at St. Andrew's! This year we plan to offer *Grow in Faith* classes for all ages from 10:15 to 11 a.m. on Sundays.

Young Saints Combined Class

In the summer, we combine pre-school aged kids through approximately 6th grade in one class into a VBS-type class, with music, a Bible lesson and other activities. Karen Brust will be our main teacher, with others helping throughout

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Pictured on the steps of the Delaware County Courthouse, where they gathered a week ago Saturday to pray for our church, city, county, state, nation and the world, are, from left, Fr. Wil Verhoff, Ann Schnapp, Marty Scott, Donna Gough, and Jim Worthington. Also joining them was Frank Scott. Prayer "in the public square" is an initiative of Archbishop Foley Beach, who has called for Anglican churches to gather publicly for the purpose of seeking God's continued blessing upon our nation. Donna reports that it was a truly blessed time.

2016 Capital Campaign more than halfway to goal

Pledges to our 2016 Capital Campaign, "Living Water from the Fountain of Faith," stand at \$232,602, with 44 pledges turned in as of this past Friday. This means that while we've heard from fewer than half of pledging families, we're already more than halfway to our goal of \$400,000!

Most of the monies raised through this three-year campaign will be earmarked for salary and benefits for a Youth and Family Life Minister. Achieving our campaign goal will allow us to call a person to this ministry sometime in 2017, with their salary assured for the next seven years.

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It's not too late to attend "Class 101: Discover St. Andrew's," our member orientation class, from 2 to 5 p.m. this Sunday at the Parish House. Just let Fr. Ron or Judy know today that you'll be there!

Living Water
FROM THE
Fountain
OF Faith

From the Senior Warden

Fr. Ron has faithfully served God in this parish for nearly 23 years.

Few people are aware that his annual "Letter of Agreement" includes a provision for two weeks sabbatical for every service year with a maximum three-month period. Fr. Ron's only sabbatical occurred in 1999. Yes, 1999.

In a spring meeting with Fr. Ron, I acknowledged that the parish had not been able to honor this provision, which deeply concerned me and thanked him for his generosity. Even though providing a full sabbatical was not realistic, I suggested "thinking outside the box."

This resulted in my proposal to add two weeks contiguous to this year's scheduled summer vacation time as

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The Daily Lectionary

Week of the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 6) · June 12-18

Sunday, June 12 — A.M.: Psalm 93, 96; P.M.: Psalm 34; Numbers 6:22-27; Acts 13:1-12; Luke 12:41-48

Monday, June 13 — A.M.: Psalm 80; P.M.: Psalm 77, [79]; Numbers 9:15-23, 10:29-36; Romans 1:1-15; Matthew 17:14-21

Tuesday, June 14 — A.M.: Psalm 78:1-39; P.M.: Psalm 78:40-72; Numbers 11:1-23; Romans 1:16-25; Matthew 17:22-27

Wednesday, June 15 — A.M.: Psalm 119:97-120; P.M.: Psalm 81, 82; Numbers 11:24-33 (34-35); Romans 1:28-2:11; Matthew 18:1-9

Thursday, June 16 — A.M.: Psalm [83] or 34; P.M.: Psalm 85, 86; Number 12:1-16; Romans 2:12-24; Matt. 18:10-20

Friday, June 17 — A.M.: Psalm 88; P.M.: Psalm 91, 92; Numbers 13:1-3, 21-30; Romans 2:25-3:8; Matthew 18:21-35

Saturday, June 18 — A.M.: Psalm 87, 90; P.M.: Psalm 136; Numbers 13:31-14:25; Romans 3:9-20; Matthew 19:1-12

Next Sunday, June 19 — A.M.: Psalm 66, 67; P.M.: Psalm 19, 46; Numbers 14:26-45; Acts 15:1-12; Luke 12:49-56

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Next Sunday's Lectionary · June 19 (Pentecost 5, Proper 7 Year C)

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:1-4, (5-7), 8-15a

Psalm 42 (BCP 643)

Second Reading: Galatians 3:23-29

Gospel: Luke 8:26-39

Prayers for the Church

Following the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, please pray for Archbishop Nicholas Okoh and the archbishops, bishops, priests, deacons, religious, and laity of The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).

Anglican missions to Nigeria, in western Africa, began in 1842 and the first native-born convert, Samuel Crowther, was consecrated bishop in 1864. Following rapid growth, The Church of Nigeria separated from the Church of the Province of West Africa in 1979. The Church is still the fastest growing and the largest in attendance in the Anglican Communion, with over 18 million members in a population of 140 million. As an illustration of the growth, the Diocese on the Niger, one of the 161 dioceses, reported confirming 4,289 people last year alone.

Recently, government forces have had some successes against the violent terrorist group Boko Haram (literally "Western Education is Forbidden"). For decades, Boko Haram has been responsible for many murders, church and school bombings, and kidnappings of school girls and young women who are then forced into sexual slavery or marriages. Most of the 200-plus girls, almost all Christians, kidnapped in 2014 from a residential secondary school are still missing.

Please pray especially for all those affected by the depredations of Boko Haram and other terrorist groups and for the continued spread of the Gospel.

Following the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, please pray for parishes in formation in the Fort Wayne, Indiana, area: Heartland, All Souls Mission, Church of Reconciliation, Cornerstone Mission, Hope College Mission, St. George's Mission, St. James Mission, St. Luke's Mission, Sanctus Mission, and Veritas Mission.

Following the Parish Cycle of Prayer, please pray for John and Chin Osmond; Karen Osmond; the Women's Small Group; and our Young Saints teachers. Please also pray for engineers. Lord, please inspire them in designing and building, to be diligent to details, so that these projects will be safe and useful for the purposes intended.

Encouragement for your prayer time with God

Sometimes receiving the Holy Spirit's ministry is as simple as "opening up" inside; let the Holy Spirit in. "When [Jesus] had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.' " (*John 20:22*) "And He has filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of craftsmanship." (*Exodus 35:31*) — *From the St. Andrew's Prayer Ministries Team*

Mark your calendars! The Brats Bash is coming!

This year's Dave Cook Memorial Brats Bash, sponsored by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, is scheduled for Tuesday evening, August 23. It's never too early to mark those calendars!

More details will be published in "The Net" as we get closer. For right now, please make a note and hold this date for all men and boys of the parish.

Additional information can be obtained by calling Ed Summers on 614-371-1649, or talking to any member of the Brotherhood.

Capital Campaign

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If you've not yet had a chance to look through the campaign brochure, please take some time to do so, and prayerfully consider what God may be calling you to pledge to this campaign. The booklet provides insight from many of our youth, who talk about what St. Andrew's means to them, how they're already contributing to the life of our parish, and what they yearn for in a youth ministry that will help them grow closer in relationship with Jesus, and in fellowship with other Christians. It also outlines some of the challenges facing our young people today, and how the Church can help them navigate those challenges.

Monies raised will be allocated as follows:

- \$348,000 to cover salary and benefits for seven years for a Youth & Family Life Minister
- \$30,000 for a furnace replacement fund
- \$12,000 for two 80" LED TV screens
- \$10,000 for contingencies

Additional copies of the campaign booklet and pledge cards are available in the Narthex. If you wish to turn in your pledge card today, you may fold it, place it in one of the envelopes provided in the back pocket of the chair in front of you, and place it in the offering basket.

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

Summer at St. Andrew's

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the summer. The focus through most of the summer will be on the "I AM" statements of Christ. We encourage middle school students to volunteer to help out or attend our youth class. Our Youth Saints will meet in Room 102 off the Gathering Area.

We also still need a volunteer to lead the lesson on Sunday, July 10 and August 7. If you can serve on either of these dates, please contact Tally Whitehead at 614-578-7897 or twhitehead@standrewspolaris.org.

Student-led Youth Bible Study

Gwyneth Nelson will be leading the youth bible study during the summer. Gwyneth, who just finished her freshman year at Marietta College, plans to focus on relevant bible passages that apply to our youth and young adults in today's culture. Donuts will be provided and college and high school students are invited to join in, as well as mature middle-school students hungry to study and discuss God's word. They will meet in the Choir Room, but if the weather is nice, they may venture outside.

Adult Series

The Adult Forum this feature three sessions. This month, Fr. Will Verhoff is teaching on "The Seven Feasts of God: The Bridge between the Old and New Covenants," based on Leviticus 23.

The feasts are "appointments with God," to celebrate God's past and future encounters with humanity. The class will cover:

- The Feast of Passover — Held annually on the 14th day of the first month of the Jewish calendar to memorialize the night that God saved the Jewish people from slavery and set them free. It correlates to the Eucharist and Good Friday.
- The Feast of Unleavened Bread — Begins with a sacred assembly to last seven days, to revere the gift of unleavened bread used during the Passover.
- The Feast of First Fruits — The first spring feast when the priest waves a sheaf of the first harvest of the season, correlating to Christ as the first fruits of the resurrection.
- The Feast of Pentecost (The Feast of Weeks) — The second spring harvest feast commemorating the giving of the Law to Moses, and foretelling of the arrival of the Holy Spirit.
- The Feast of Trumpets — The proclamation of ingathering; the Lord told Moses "Say to the Israelites: 'On the first day of the seventh month you are to have a day of Sabbath rest, a sacred assembly commemorated with trumpet blasts.'" (*Leviticus 23:24*)
- The Feast of Yom Kippur (The Day of Atonement) — This is the only day of the year that the high priest entered the Temple to seek God's forgiveness of his sins and those of the people of Israel. It correlates to the atonement instituted by Christ Jesus on the cross.
- The Feast of Tabernacles — The greatest harvest of the year when the people build temporary tabernacles or booths for when God lived with his people in the desert, and when he will return to reside with his people during his Millennial reign.

In July, the Rev. Ernie Tracy will teach on "The Psalms — Living and Praying with Jesus." Through his teaching, Ernie invites you to meet our Lord as we pray and live the prayers and songs of the Psalms:

- Discover how he connected the world of everyday life with the eternal plan of God.
- Allow the Psalms to transform you and bring you into the story they tell.
- See our troubled and confusing times as they intersect with God's long view and eternal promises.
- Celebrate God's choice of a special place where he would be present, and discover his promise to be at home with his people.
- Open your ears to the worship offered by all creation, and let God prepare you for your role of praise and service caring for the renewed universe.

We will experience the Psalms, and look for practical ways to make them a significant part of our worship life.

In August, Fr. Ed Steele will teach on "Faith, Reason, and Tradition: Living as a Christian in a post-Christian world."

Each one of us lives out our Christian faith in the midst of an increasingly secular culture. Many of the people we encounter at work, school, or even while shopping, have no background in the Christian faith, or any faith for that matter. Holy Scripture holds little or no authority for such persons, because they have no concept of who God is.

So how do we share our faith with such persons? This study will help us learn how to use faith, reason, and tradition to better share our faith, and the foundations of Christianity with those may have no religious preference or background.

Some of the questions we will be addressing are:

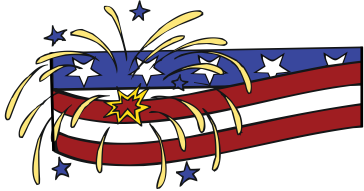
- How can we share the faith with others who have no religious background?
- How do we tell others about faith, if they find faith unreasonable?
- How can we share the Christian faith with someone who only believes in modern science?
- How can we help others see that the Christian tradition is still relevant to today's society and culture?

Come *Grow in Faith* with us this summer!

Renew your Kroger Rewards designation now!

If you're a Kroger shopper, please remember to renew your Kroger Community Rewards designation for St. Andrew's! The renewal period began in May, and if you haven't renewed we're no longer receiving rewards from your purchases. It takes just a few minutes. Simply go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com with your Kroger card number handy, sign in to your account, and enter St. Andrew's number, 80910, or search for us by ZIP Code (43035) and name. Through its Community Rewards program Kroger distributes rebate dollars quarterly to registered nonprofits, such as our church, based upon registered shoppers. You will still earn any in-store discounts or gas points. This charitable donation is a separate extra feature.

Join our 4th of July Bottle Brigade!



Once again, we're planning to distribute water during the Orange Township Independence Day Parade on Monday, July 4. As usual, we'll need your help labeling the bottles with our logo before the 4th, but we're looking at trying something a little different this year in terms of distribution.

Last year, the Weiser family took several cases of water to distribute at the entrance to their subdivision, and said afterward that they could have used several more cases, and remarked how much people appreciated the cool water on a hot day. We think the idea of spreading out our coverage along the parade route is a great one, and would love to have families whose neighborhoods are along the route (beginning at the Oak Creek Center off Powell Road, moving north on S. Old State, and ending at Olentangy Orange Middle School on Orange Road) take water to pass out to parade spectators near their home. This would allow you to watch the parade closer to home, and avoid the traffic issues we've encountered in the past due to the closing of S. Old State Road early that morning.

If you don't live near the parade route but would like to distribute water near the church as we've done in the past, or if you'd like to take another area along the parade route, we'd welcome that, too!

Water and labels, along with additional information, will be available next Sunday.

2016 Harvest Festival set for Oct. 15; rummage sale drop-off date announced

It's official! The 2016 Harvest Festival will be Saturday, Oct. 15. And after last year, the first time we've not an absolutely beautiful fall day for the Festival, we've set a rain date for the following week, Oct. 22.

The Festival, our 6th annual event, serves a three-fold purpose: To share with the community with the **Good News of the love and grace of Jesus Christ**; to provide an opportunity for our parish family to gather in **fellowship** and in **service to our community**; and to raise funds for **ministries in the church**.

Once again, we'll be having our fall Rummage Sale in conjunction with the Harvest Festival, and Julie Baldwin, coordinator of the sale, has set some "early bird" dates for those of you who've done your spring cleaning and already have items you want to donate. You may bring your donations to the garage behind the Parish House on the following dates:

- Tuesday, June 14, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 15, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Sunday, June 19, Noon to 2 p.m.
- Monday, June 20, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.



Additional drop-off dates will be set in the fall.

We'll be bringing back our Vendor's Market, the popular Hayride and Pumpkin Patch, free food, and more. Watch "The Net" and our website for details as we get a little closer. And if you'd like to get in on planning fun, you're welcome to join us for the next Harvest Festival Planning Team meeting on Thursday, July 7, at 7 p.m. at the Parish House. We'd love to hear your great ideas!

Hey, kids! Look what we have for you!

With Children's Chapel on hiatus through the summer, we have something new in the Busy Basket at the back of the church for our Young Saint to use during the service. The Holy Eucharist flip book features the parts of the Eucharist, from the Processional to the Blessing and Dismissal. The book is based on "The Circle of the Holy Eucharist," a Godly Play story our 1st through 4th Graders heard this past school year. Follow along with the service, and watch for another flip book related to worship next week!



News for the 'Net?' Get your articles in early!

With summer vacations upon us, we're planning one mid-summer edition of "The Net," which will be distributed on Sunday, July 3. If your ministry or group has events or activities that need to be publicized in July, or for early August, please contact Judy Baird at jbaird@standrewspolaris.org or 740-548-5112, ext. 3 no later than Monday, June 20.

Summer calendar items

If your small group or ministry regularly meets at the church but will be taking a break this summer, or meeting on a reduced schedule, please remember to contact the Parish Office at 740-548-5112 or mail@standrewspolaris.org, so that we can adjust the parish calendar accordingly. This will free up meeting space for other activities, as well as make sure our upcoming events in "The Net" and the bulletin are published correctly, as the calendar is where those items are pulled from. Thank you for your cooperation!

From the Senior Warden

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a mini-sabbatical, providing time for rest, renewal, and relaxation. As Senior Warden I presented this as a motion to Vestry members, who gave their unanimous approval.

We are excited that as part of his extended time, Fr. Ron and Judy are planning to visit Germany, a doubly meaningful destination. Bensheim is the home of Fr. Ron's mother's birthplace, and Europe reflects his passion for history.

Fr. Ron will begin his time off Monday, June 20, following our regular monthly Vestry meeting, returning on Monday, August 8.

Please join me in offering Fr. Ron a heart-felt thank-you. On behalf of the parish, may you and your family be blessed during this time.

Robin Field