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The Parish Newsletter of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

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STIMULATING GROWTH AT ST. ANDREW'S

Dear Friends,

We live a world where organizations, institutions, and even families use coded language. For example, TEC stands for, The Episcopal Church; the Diocese of CPA, is the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania. Sometimes we use short-forms in our writings, for example, HC is Holy Communion. Some of my favorites are: v.g., is very good, v.i., is very important, n.g., is no good and UGH means UGH!

The scriptures are full of "coded" language. For example, ancient Jews did not say the name of God because it was too sacred. In writing, according to different periods of history, God was styled as El, Elohim, and YHWH which was short for Yahweh. This is not a complete list. In most Hebrew writing, vowels were not used. Readers (who always read out loud, even when alone) would intrinsically add vowel sounds. The name YHWH did not have vowels until the name became read. Eventually arbitrarily the vowels "a" and "e" were added. Many scholars suggest that the YHWH constant sounds replicate the sound of breathing in and out! Thus, God is the first to breath. And God "breathed across the surface of the waters..." The famous passage of the prophet Elijah where we read that he heard God in "the still small voice", or "sudden sound of silence" is better translated as "the faint sound of breathing!" In another passage, Jesus is described as God's "melek" King, or "malak", God's messenger. We can clearly consider that Jesus was "the witness to the message."

In the gospels, there is a word that is used a great deal. Yet it is not a word we easily use in the Episcopal Church or St. Andrew's. This is the word – disciple. For example, we are bold to say, "I am a member of St. Andrew's", yet how often do we say, "I am a disciple of Jesus Christ." This is an interesting observation. I am certain if we were to contemplate these two images we would have two very diverse notions. What does it mean to be a member of St. Andrew's? And what does it mean to be a disciple of Christ? When people think of themselves as a disciple I think they often feel more called to evangelize and share the good news of the resurrected Jesus. When people consider themselves as a disciple, I think they have a greater sense of being involved and with a greater investment.

Thus, how can we at St. Andrew's assist people to feel called to evangelism, to become more involved and we a deeper sense of investment? This is a challenge.

For centuries, people who did not attend church were often stigmatized by society. Today, we live the opposite social environment where church members may feel socially awkward. In part, this is fed by many church scandals and conflicts over issues of sexuality, be it pedophilia, or gay ordinations or unions. In part, the secular, consumer, narcissistic social constructs do not make it cool to belong to a church. Furthermore, in an age where people are yearning to discover spirituality, many churches still champion offering religion. Ironically, "that old time religion," which is very sexist, linear – God, Jesus, husband and obedient wife is flourishing.

For these and many other factors, many denominations and churches are floundering in today's society. About twenty years ago our diocese consisted of 80 churches. We now have 65. There were many full-time clergy. Today we have about 25. One church with much endowment income has three of these clerics. In the last five years, about five of our full-time parishes went part-time. So how can we with our awesome church (that does much ministry beyond that which is expected for our size) respond? How can we move to being better disciples?

Clearly, in an age of apathy, much church shopping and hopping, secularism, consumerism, narcissism, and much competition for people (541 churches in York county!), how do we develop and enhance discipleship?

In part, we have developed a Growth Committee, as an offshoot of Vestry, to develop ideas where we can focus our talents. For example, we have a high number of children and youth that belays our size. We should capitalize on this. The question is – "How?" Indeed, we have many questions as we endeavor to seek ways to grow St. Andrew's. We have many questions as we seek to give glory to God! Indeed, the focus of worship is to praise God. That is its principal goal. But alas, today we often forget this and see worship as only appealing to us and if it makes us happy! Perhaps we should consider our worship to be like a great gift J.S. Bach gave to the church. I am not talking about all his great compositions. I am talking about when he felt satisfied with a piece of music, he wrote, at the bottom of the page – SDG - "Soli Deo Gloria (To the Glory of God Alone).

Thus, as we seek to grow and enliven ourselves as disciples, we should begin by giving glory to God and then to listen to the 'faint sound of God' breathing within in!

I am pleased that the new canon for congregational development and mission, Rev. Canon Dan Morrow, will attend our next Vestry meeting spending time helping us steer towards Jesus so we may be good messengers like him.

As always,
David +

Worship News



Sunday, May 7

4 Easter / UTO Offering

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist I / Family Service / Children's Holy Communion

Sunday, May 14

5 Easter

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Sunday, May 21

6 Easter / Recognition Sunday / Rogation Sunday Blue Jean Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II



Sunday, May 28

7 Easter

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Wednesdays — 10:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist

1st Wednesday of each month includes Laying on of Hands Healing Service



Easter Day at St. Andrew's

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Scripture Readings for May



May 07	Acts 2:42-47	Psalm 23	1 Peter 2:19-25	John 10:1-10
May 14	Acts 7:55-60	Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16	1 Peter 2:2-10	John 14:1-14
May 21	Acts 17:22-31	Psalm 66:7-18	1 Peter 3:13-22	John 14:15-21
May 28	Acts 1:6-14	Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36	1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11	John 17:17:1-11

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ARE NOW PRINTED IN THE BULLETIN

**If there is someone you would like to include in the Prayers of Intercession,
please call or email the Parish Office by 12 noon the Wednesday before.**

Their name will remain on the list for three weeks.

843-3868 – secretary@standrews.org

MUSIC HISTORY LESSON #2: The Best of Both Worlds

No, this isn't about the much-praised 2-part Star Trek: The Next Generation episode. But it is about what was taking place in the early days of the Anglican Church, musically speaking, of course.

Times, They Were A-Changin'

As many of you know, it was during the reign of King Edward VI that the first Book of Common Prayer was used in the Anglican Church. The date of that book was 1549. The king, like his father, Henry VIII, took great interest in religious matters and was really responsible for the Anglican Church taking on a distinctly different feel in many ways. The chief architect of these reforms was Thomas Cranmer who was responsible for writing much of the Prayer Book. Unfortunately for King Edward VI, he became ill and died in 1553 at the age of 15. What transpired next is very complicated but surely a very interesting chapter in English history. In short, Edward's half-sister, Mary took over and she reversed course and re-aligned the church in England with Rome. When Elizabeth I became Queen, she reversed course yet again – away from Rome once and for all.

What Does All This Have to Do With Music?

Well, as one might expect in times like those described above, composers of music for the church didn't know what to do. Should they compose anthems and motets in Latin? Should they compose in English?

Of the composers who were active during this time, one of the earliest was Thomas Tallis. Little is known of his early life – we don't even know when exactly he was born – only that it was sometime around 1505. He composed and performed for Henry VIII, Edward VI, Mary and Elizabeth I. Now you can see the problem a composer like Tallis faced with all the changing loyalties within religious life. Although he was always aligned with the Roman Catholic Church, Tallis was very successful in avoiding the religious controversies that swirled around him. When it was required of him, he composed anthems in English as easily and expertly as he did for those in Latin. His most famous anthem is *If Ye Love Me* and is often sung by choirs today.

Tallis was teacher to another of the early Anglican Church's great composers: William Byrd. Like Tallis, Byrd always considered himself a loyal Roman Catholic. Later, in 1575, Queen Elizabeth I granted to both Tallis and Byrd a 21-year monopoly on the composing of polyphonic music for the church and for the court.

Tallis died in 1585 and Byrd, of course, continued to compose and perform until his death in 1623. For various political reasons, being an openly-practicing Roman Catholic in England became – shall we say – not the wisest thing to do. This meant that Byrd sometimes took part in secret services. It is now thought that his famous mass settings (in 3, 4 and 5 voices) were written and sung in those Latin services conducted in secret. Of course, that didn't stop him from also composing for the Anglican Church as well. Such anthems like *Sing Joyfully*, are still very much loved and sung by choirs today.

So you can see that here were two great geniuses who were able to successively navigate the changing religious and political forces in England to contribute the best of both worlds.

For further information on this fascinating subject, look up Thomas Tallis and William Byrd on YouTube and hear for yourself the beautiful works of these 2 composers!

Children & Youth News



FREE FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT!!
Friday, May 12th – 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

The Christian Education committee is hosting another family movie night in the Great Hall. All are welcome to join us for this evening of fun and fellowship.

Friday, May 12th – 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Unless there's a conflict, there will be a Family Movie Night the second Friday of each month. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Bring a friend! Contact Lee Ann Reardon with questions: leeanrdon@gmail.com or 717-659-3130.

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Attention Graduates!

Sunday, June 4th during our 10:30 a.m. worship, we will recognize our graduates. Whether you are graduating from high school or college, we want to hear from you so that your St. Andrew's family can join in congratulating you. If you are graduating this year, please notify the Parish office by May 21st. Phone: 843-3868 or Email: secretary@standrewsyork.org



. . . God is calling us to find new ways to apply the good news to a new emerging world. Our churches often fail to quench the thirst of a spiritually dehydrated world. Churches with a slow pace of change are no longer adequate in a fast-changing world. Structures designed to coordinate ministry are unable to cause innovation. Ministries that worked in the industrial society no longer meet the spiritual needs of people in an informational society. In an age of computers, we cannot express truth in the language of a chariot age. The time has come for new wineskins. . . .

Easum, W. (1993). *Dancing with Dinosaurs: Ministry in a Hostile and Hurting World*. Nashville: Abingdon. (pp. 12-13)

Adult Education Opportunities

Lectinary Scholars *Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m.* *Godly Play Room*

The Lectinary Scholars began a new video/book series entitled

“Seeking Allah, Finding Jesus”

by Nabeel Qureshi

This eight-week series explores Muslim culture, the most common Muslim objections to Christianity and the core doctrines upon which Islam stands or falls. Providing an intimate window into a loving Muslim home, Qureshi shares how he developed a passion for Islam before discovering, almost against his will, evidence that Jesus rose from the dead and claimed to be God. Qureshi’s inner turmoil will challenge Christians, Muslims, and all those who are interested in the world’s greatest religions.

For further information, please contact Eileen Sullivan at 804-248-7744 or Kathleen O’Malley at 571-228-2534. All are welcome to join us Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. in the Godly Play Room.

Bible & Bagels
taking a break,
We will resume
in the fall.

You don’t know God is all
you need until God is all
you’ve got.

Bishop Audrey is looking for someone from St. Andrew’s to serve on the
Revitalize Refuge Committee.

If you would be interested in this opportunity,
please contact David.

Phone 843-3868 or Email djr6@comcast.net

Fellowship

5-Book Club

St. Andrew's Book Club will meet Sunday, May 21st at 6:30 p.m. to discuss Candice Millard's history of young Winston Churchill and the Boer War "Hero of the Empire". Anyone of any age who reads the book is welcome and the library has multiple copies. Refreshments are provided.

The next book will be selected for September's meeting.

Lynne Kearnan

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*“50 Shades of Grace”
Women’s Social Fellowship
Monday, May 1st*

The women's social fellowship group, “50 Shades of Grace”, meets the first of the month regardless of the day on which it falls.

Monday, May 1st, “50 Shades” will play Bunko (an easy dice game) at 7 p.m. in St. Andrew's Great Hall. \$10

Bring your own beverage and, if desired, snacks to share. All women are welcome.

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Outreach News

UTO – United Thank Offering Sunday, May 7th

Dear Friends at St. Andrew's,

Once again, it's time to give from your heart. UTO has been selected as our Birthday Church for May. We will begin accepting donations Sunday, May 7th.



Please make checks payable to the **Diocese of Central Pennsylvania – UTO**. Your donations may be placed in the offering plate or send/give them to our UTO Coordinator, Alyce Peiffer, 63 E. Crestlyn Drive, York PA 17402. Boxes and additional offering envelopes are available on the table in the Lounge.

Thank you for the support you have given to the United Thank Offering in the past. You are always so generous.

Lynn Robson

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HAPPY SPRING! TIME FOR SUMMER BAGS!!



As we enter May, it's time to think about summer bags for our first grade neighbors at Phineas Davis School. Every year, we provide bags full of goodies to keep them busy during their summer vacation.

We need small bubbles, little balls and mini frisbees, as well as coloring books, crayons, and games to fill the bags. The multi packs at the Dollar Store work well. There will be samples on the table in the lounge for your reference, as well as a collection bin.

If you would prefer to donate money, Lee Ann and I will do the shopping. We will provide bags for 60-70 children.

Please bring your items to church by May 28th for delivery the beginning of June.

As always, thank you for your generosity and your caring spirit!

Susan Reardon
Outreach Chair

Birthday Church Offering – April
Servants Inc., Red Lion PA

Your gifts totaled \$150.05
Thank you for your generosity!

Birthday Church Offering – May
United Thank Offering

Your gifts will be received Sunday, May 7th.

The purpose of the Birthday Church is to supplement or support various identified ministry needs in the diocese, our community and congregation.

St. Andrew's Men's Club continues to sponsor the **All Pro Dad's Breakfast for Phineas Davis School**. Fifteen youth and their male role model were served in April. The May breakfast will be Thursday, May 4th.

All Pro Dad's Breakfast is a simple idea with a profound impact. This breakfast, served in the Great Hall once each month September through June, is held before school creating an opportunity for children and their male role model to meet with others. During this time, they discuss a wide range of family topics, spend time together, create fun memories, and are equipped with resources to strengthen their relationship. The theme for May's breakfast is "Play."

For more information, or if you are interested in helping with this outreach project, please contact Dan Rooney via email danrooney33@msn.com or phone 817-0530.



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Volunteers Install Smoke Detectors



On Friday, June 16th, members of various fire companies, the Red Cross and VOAD (Volunteer Agency Active in Disasters) workers will install 1,000 (yes, 1,000) smoke detectors in many homes in a York neighborhood. These smoke detectors are free! They come with a 10- year-battery. This is an excellent outreach ministry. If you are interested in helping with this outreach project, watch for the signup sheet in the Lounge in early May. Further information will available soon!

Stars of Hope

Some time ago we were provided with 30 wooden stars. A number of volunteers (ranging around age 4 to 84) painted the stars and made cards. On Easter Sunday, the stars and cards were dedicated.

These stars and cards will be sent to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Goldsboro NC. The town continues to recover from a 4 foot storm surge Hurricane Matthew sent through Goldsboro last year! We took on this mission to give hope to others; to help them know that they continue to be in our thoughts.

Pictures of this effort were shared with Stars of Hope in New York as well as the leadership of the Episcopal Church Relief and Development.

Well done St. Andrew's.



Phineas Davis *Bearcat Den Donations*

Phineas Davis (K-Grade 8) now has a “Bearcat Den”; a room with supplies for students and families in need. To help stock the den, a list of the requested items is available below as well as on the table in the Lounge. If you would like to participate in this outreach project, please place your items in the collection box in the Lounge.

PERSONAL HYGIENE PRODUCTS

Hand sanitizer
Chap stick
Band-Aids
Dental floss
Baby wipes
Deodorant
Toothpaste
Toothbrushes
Body wash or bar soap
Shampoo / Conditioner
Toilet paper
Washcloths / Body sponges
Feminine hygiene products

CLEANING SUPPLIES

Sponges or dish scrubbers
Dish soap
Fabric softener
Disinfecting wipes
All-purpose cleaner
Laundry detergent

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Pencils or pens
Highlighters
Pencil box / pencil pouch
Glue sticks
Notebooks
Folders or binders
Lunch box
Backpak
Stress balls

CLOTHING

Gloves, Hats, Scarves
Shoelaces
Socks
Coats (kids size 5-14)
New kids underwear (kids size 5-14)
Blue or white polo shirts (kids size 5-14)
Any color polo shirt (adult size S-XL)
Blue or khaki-color pants (kids size 5-14)

RECENT ATTENDANCE

April 2	8:00 a.m. 22	10:30 a.m. 79	Wed.—10 a.m. 9
April 9 / Palm Sunday	8:00 a.m. 32	10:30 a.m. 82	Wed.—10 a.m. 9
April 13 / Maundy Thursday	7:00 p.m. 23		
April 14 / Good Friday	12:00 p.m. 27		
April 16 / Easter Day	8:00 a.m. 46	10:30 a.m. 117	Wed. — 10 a.m. 7
April 23	8:00 a.m. 21	10:30 a.m. 54	Wed. — 10 a.m. 7

Bits & Pieces

Blue Jean Sunday May 21st Following 10:30 a.m. Worship



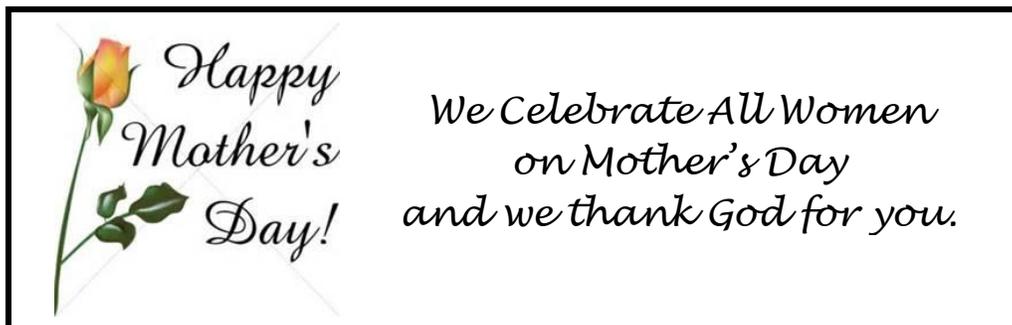
St. Andrew's wants you! Blue Jean Sunday is right around the corner and we are in need of volunteers to keep our church looking beautiful. A signup sheet is located on the table in the Lounge. Mark your calendars now and watch the bulletin for further information. Many hands make light work. If you have any questions, please contact our Junior Warden, Chris Miltsch. Email: jcmiltsch@hotmail.com Phone: 717-747-1200

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Church Keys



In an effort to follow good business practices, we are re-keying the church. At St. Andrew's, we have eight doors that open to the outside. There are three different keys to open these doors. Likewise, we do not know who has keys to what doors. In an effort to correct this matter, the Vestry decided to re-key the doors. These keys will be numbered and stamped "do not duplicate." The Parish Office will keep a list of who has what key. We will continue to have "loaner" keys for those who need occasional entrance to the building.



CHRISTIE'S CHERRY CAKE

At the request of several parish members, Christie's Cherry Cake recipe is printed below.

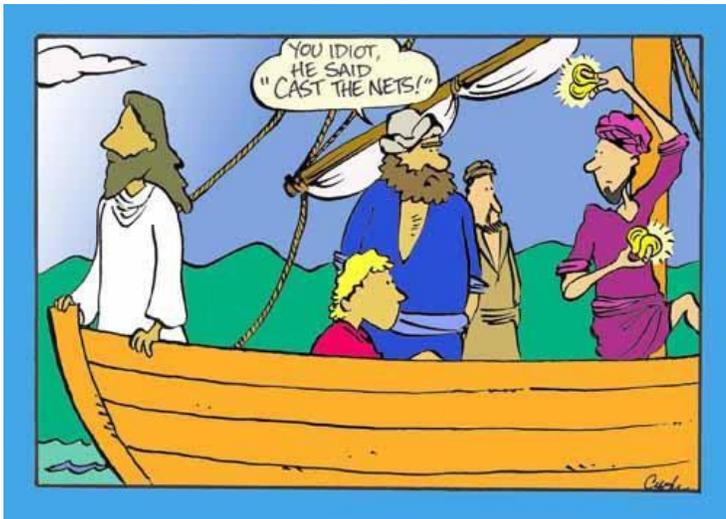
CHERRY CAKE

3 eggs	4 oz orange juice
1 1/2 cup sugar	1 tsp vanilla
3/4 cup cooking oil	3 cup flour
3 tsp baking powder	1 can cherry pie filling
1/4 cup sugar with 3/4 tsp cinnamon	

Mix together eggs, sugar, oil, orange juice and vanilla in large bowl. Add flour and baking powder. Put half of batter in greased/sprayed 13x9 inch, 2 in. deep baking dish. Spread on cherry filling and sprinkle with half of the sugar/cinnamon mix. Pour other half of batter on top and sprinkle with remaining sugar/cinnamon mix. Bake at 350 for 15 minutes then lower to 325 for 30-40 minutes more.



Should you have any changes in your address, email or phone numbers, please call the parish office (843-3868) or email Paula at secretary@standrewsyork.org. We like to have our records as accurate as possible!



Parish Directory Updates

Telephone Updates

Gerry & Beth Davis
Home Phone: 717-819-3333

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Ralph Dixon Sr.
Cell Phone: 717-472-6251

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Address Update

John & Mary Jean Wampler
Winter Address (Oct 15 – May 15):
478 Tequesta Drive #106
Tequesta FL 33469-2551

Email Update

Lauren Vanaman
vstuffpa@gmail.com

May Birthdays

If your birthday is not listed, please call the parish office.

01 - Michael Fritz
02 - Alexander Clark
03 - Stephen Vanaman
04 - Lawrence Troutman
04 - Joseph Duffy
04 - Dave Dunkel
05 - Mary Jean Wampler
06 - Adam Watson
08 - Priscilla McCaw-Jack
09 - Cali Snell
10 - John Robson
11 - Stephen Francis
12 - Jarod Tallarico
15 - William Reardon, Jr.
16 - Hugh Miller
19 - Charlotte Reinert
19 - Frank Youkers
20 - Linda Woodside
21 - Sandra Mann
21 - Louise Manzella
24 - Jacob Peterson
25 - Michael Beamesderfer
28 - Rylen May McLarney
28 - Hannah Potts
29 - Jim Richard
29 - Lois Wilshere
31 - Gabrielle Jeanmenne

May Anniversaries

If your anniversary is not listed, please call the parish office.

06 - Steve & Holly Weinrich
08 - Mary Jo & Sean Potts
10 - Robert & Virginia Sprengle
10 - Andy & Marbie Tarburton
11 - Bill & Susan Reardon
16 - Jon & Elizabeth Noel
28 - Kathleen & J. Davis Raborn
31 - John & Mary Jean Wampler

**The Rt. Rev. Audrey C. Scanlan
Bishop
Diocese of Central Pennsylvania**

Diocesan Mission Statement
We are partners in Christ with the love
of God on our lips
and in our lives.

**Diocesan Web Site
www.diocesepa.org**

NOTICE: Bulletin Deadline
Each week is Wednesday – 12 noon

Deadlines for the NET X WORK

May 15th for June newsletter
June 15th for July newsletter

Please mark your calendars
and be respectful of these deadlines.

St. Andrew's Mission Statement

*It is our purpose to serve Christ and
his people through
faithful worship, study, ministry, and
mission,
so as to reflect God's love for all.*

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A newsletter by and for the
St. Andrew's community

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