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Service Schedule

-Sunday-
Holy Eucharist
8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.
Rite I at 8.30, First Sundays;
Healing Service at 8.30,
Third Sundays

-Wednesday-
Holy Eucharist
6.00 p.m.

-Friday-
Prayer & Meditation
5.30 p.m.

Holy Days as announced.

Calendar

Sunday, 27 January

This Week & Weekend at St Andrew's

Wednesday, 23 January

Holy Eucharist for the Conversion of St Paul
(transf.)
at 6.00 p.m.

Kent Singers Rehearsal at 7.00 p.m. (Nave)
A.A. for Women at 7.00 p.m. (Great Room)

Thursday, 24 January

A.A. at 7.30 a.m. (Parish House)

Parish Office open 10.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.

Strong Women, Strong Bones at 10.00 a.m. (Parish House)
Al. Anon. at 7.00 p.m. (Vestry Room)

Friday, 25 January

Prayer & Meditation at 5.30 p.m.

Saturday, 26 January

Choir Rehearsal at 9.30 a.m. (Choir Room)

Memorial Service for Tom Coons at 11.00 a.m.

Sunday, 27 January

Holy Eucharist at 8.30 a.m.

Choir Rehearsal at 9.30 a.m. (Nave)

Holy Eucharist at 10.30 a.m.

ANNUAL MEETING of ST ANDREW'S PARISH
at 11.30 a.m. (Nave)

Lay Preachers Class at 1.00 p.m. (Library)

Tuesday, 29 January

Parish Office open 10.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.

Strong Women, Strong Bones at 10.00 a.m. (Parish House)

Wednesday, 30 January

Holy Eucharist for the Wednesday in Epiphany III
at 6.00 p.m.

Kent Singers Rehearsal at 7.00 p.m. (Nave)
A.A. for Women at 7.00 p.m. (Great Room)

**ANNUAL MEETING
at NOON**

Lay Preachers Class
at 1.00 p.m. (Library)

Sunday, 3 February
Book Discussion
at 9.30 a.m. (Library)

Sunday, 10 February
**Day of Racial Healing,
Justice, &
Reconciliation**

Saturday, 16 February
Regional Vestry Meeting
(Location TBA)

Sunday, 17 February
Music in the Nave
at 4.00 p.m.

Sunday, 24 February
Evensong at
Trinity Church,
Torrington, at 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday, 6 March
ASH WEDNESDAY
Liturgy of the Day
at Noon & 6.00 p.m.

Twelve Step Groups

Wednesdays
7:00 p.m.
A.A. for Women
(Great Room)

Thursdays
A.A. at 7.30 a.m.
(Great Room)
Al-Anon. at 7.00 p.m.
(Vestry Room)

Parish Staff

The Revd Roger B. White,
Rector

Thomas W. Holcombe,
*Organist & Director of
Choirs*

Margie O'Brien,
*Director of the Children's
Choir*

Heather Scofield,
Parish Administrator

Bill McLaren,
Sexton

Randy Osolin,
Verger

ANNUAL MEETING 2019

THE ANNUAL MEETING of ST ANDREW'S PARISH will be on

SUNDAY, 27 JANUARY at 11.30 A.M.

The purpose of the Meeting is to receive reports, to receive the Budget for 2019, to elect Officers and the members of the Vestry Class of 2022, and to transact any other such business as may properly come before the Meeting.

There will be light refreshments in the Parish House at the conclusion of the Meeting.

Snow date: 3 February at the same hour.

From the Rector

Dear Friends,

It was odd, this past Sunday, just to stay home all day: it is not my accustomed routine! And, I had never before cancelled Sunday liturgies: I had always reasoned that my commute is short enough that I can always get to the church building. Some years ago, when the weather forecast was for a powerful hurricane, I did comply with the Governor's decision to close the state and suspended the services, but last weekend the decision was entirely my own, and I worried that the storm might not be as bad as predicted, that people might not read the notice and so show up at an empty building

Indeed, I resolved to be over at the church building at both 8.30 and 10.30 and offer to provide Communion from the Reserved Sacrament if anyone did put in appearance, although I dreaded trying to make my way across a great deal of ice if the storm was as bad as forecast

And so it was reassuring to realise at 6.45 a.m. that J.P. Gifford's was closed and that Main Street was deserted save for an occasional plough truck. I also noticed that the windows of the rectory were splattered with rain drops, which unfortunately meant that, although in town we had not received as much snow as anticipated, the icing over of what had come down had indeed begun. It seemed safe to assume that no one would be venturing out, and so it was time quietly to begin Morning Prayer by myself, at home

But all day the time felt strange, and Monday morning I awakened with a start, thinking for a panicked moment that it was surely Sunday The habitual --what is routine-- is powerful, and sometimes that is a good thing, impelling us just

to do what we normally need to do even if a quiet morning at home seems in the moment to be preferable

Faithfully,
Roger+

Lay Preachers Class

Beginning on the Sunday, 21 January, and running for four Sundays in March, St Andrew's is privileged to be able to host a Lay Preaching Class organised by Eliza Marth, the ECCT Missioner for the Northwest Region. The training will begin to equip members of three congregations --St Andrew's; St John's, New Milford; and Trinity, Lime Rock-- to speak theologically 'from the pulpit' on occasional Sundays.

The meetings will take place on Sunday afternoons, 12.30 - 2.30, and Alexis Dorf, the Reverend Jack Gilpin, and I have helped Eliza to put the program together.

I am delighted to report that Randy DiPentima, Nick and Janet Downes, and David Lindley were pleased to agree to take the classes, and we look forward to hearing from them!

A Prayer for Change

This prayer has been used several times since this summer at Eucharist and several of you have asked that we reprint it again. It was developed by The Women's Prayer Circle of St John's Church in North Guilford, as a reflection on the state of the world and how to bring God's love. Their hope is, as more people and churches use and share it, the prayer will create an energy that will be a force for loving change.

A Prayer for Change

*Loving God,
You have made the whole of human life in your image;
each one of us shaped in love.
Your goodness is ever-present within us all.
But, there is so much evil and pain in our world,
it comes at us from every direction.
Teach us how to rediscover Your love within us,
to use that love as a force for good.
help us to turn our hearts toward the world in hope,
Praying for each other, regarding each other as treasure.
Join us all together in prayer, that we might be the light which
darkness can never overcome;
through Jesus Christ we pray.
Amen.*

The Homily from Christmas Eve

*Please click on the link below in order
to hear*

The Lections this Week & Next

**THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE
EPIPHANY
27 January 2019**

Epiphany III, Year C
Nehemiah 8.1-3, 5-6, 8-10
Psalm 19
I Corinthians 12.12-31a
Luke 4.14-21

The Annual Reports for 2017

The Reports presented at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, 21 January, are available in hardcopy form in the narthex or in the Parish Office, and may be view online by clicking on

**[Annual Report 2017](#)
[Treasurers Report 2017\(2\)\(3\)](#)**

Emendations to the Parish Email & Telephone Directory 2018

*Carol Hoffman Matzke's telephone number has changed to
206.295.4128*

*Bob McDowell's email address is rnmcd30@yahoo.com
{r n m c d}*

Charlie Milligan's email address is chasmil@gmail.com

*Charmian Place & Ken Cooper have closed P.O. Box 72 in
South Kent and are receiving mail at their new street address,
47 Upper Kent Hollow Road in Kent.
Their telephone number is now 860.592.0003.*

*Georgianne Kent's new email address is
georgiannekent@gmail.com*

*George & Elissa Potts have a new home telephone number:
860.592.0013*

Needed by The Kent Food Bank

This month, The Kent Food Bank is especially in need of
***coffee, tea, sugar, nuts,
hot & cold breakfast cereals, canned soups,
and dish washing liquids and laundry detergents***
*Please remember that the Food Bank accepts
pet foods as well!*

*Donations may be dropped off in the basket in the
narthex, to the left of the doors. And please: do try to
make certain that the 'Best by ...' dates are not past!*

Announcements

The Book Discussion Group

... will next meet on Sunday, 3 February, at 9.30 a.m. in the Library in order to discuss Chapter 11 ('The Attack on Traditional Religion: The Break with Rome to the Act of Six Articles') in Eamonn Duffy's remarkable study of the Pre-Reformation Church in England, *The Stripping of the Altars: Traditional Religion in England, 1400 - 1580*. All are welcome!

A request from those who count the collection monies:

The counters ask us to help them by tagging our cheques so that they are certain as to how to receive them: as Pledge, as donations to the Capital Fund, donations to the Discretionary or Mission & Outreach Funds, etc.

Please remember that the loose offering on the first Sundays of the month

... is given to the Parish Discretionary Fund for those in any kind of need.

The Quality Thrift Shop

... at The First Congregational Church is very much an effort of the whole of our community to provide affordable clothing and household necessities to those who need them. Members of St Andrew's Parish and of Sacred Heart Church help out there, and more help is urgently needed! Whatever hours you can give will be appreciated, and so please call 860.927.3287 if you are able to assist!

At nearby Camp Washington

190 Kenyon Road, Lakeside campwashington.org
860.567.9623

**SECOND SUNDAYS
at Camp Washington**

at 4.30 p.m.

Guest clergy will offer a short program, followed by worship and then a simple meal, at Camp Washington on the second Sunday of the month. Those interested are asked to make reservations at 860.567.9623.

Further information is available at campwashington.org

**BISHOP'S BOOK STUDY
with Bishop Laura Ahrens
every 3rd Tuesday at 11.00 a.m.
with lunch to follow at 12.30 p.m**

\$10 donation registration

ALL WELCOME!!

***On 15 January, the book under discussion will be
Leadership, by Doris Kearns Goodwin.***

**A Request from *FISH*
'Friends in Service Here'**

FISH provides rides for those needing to keep local medical appointments, local hair appointments, and to do local grocery shopping, and

***VOLUNTEERS
ARE VERY MUCH NEEDED,
IN PARTICULAR DRIVERS!***

***Please call Edith Altvater
(860.248.0316)
if you can help!***

Music in the Nave

**Sunday, 17 February
4.00 p.m.**

Margarita Nuller, piano

Adam Grabois, 'cello

in

A Recital to Benefit Bethania Kids

music of Franck, Glazunov,

Miaskovsky, & Debussy

Reception in the Parish House to follow.

\$15 at the doors

Bethania Kids is a Lutheran charity in South India that houses, feeds, and educates abandoned, unwanted and impoverished children.

The Mission & Outreach Commission of the parish have been assisting them for several years.

Pawling Concert Series

Friday, 26 April

8.00 p.m.

Hubbard Court in the Smith Field House

Trinity-Pawling School

700 Route 22, Pawling, New York

Davina & The Vagabonds

in

A Coffee House-Style Concert

of New Orleans charm, Memphis soul, tender

*Gospel moments, and Kurt Weill-like
theatricality*

\$30/\$15 students

www.pawlingconcertseries.org