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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

Friday, 30 November

This Week & Weekend at St Andrew's

Wednesday, 28 November

**Holy Eucharist for the Feast of St Andrew (transf.)
at 6.00 p.m.**

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

Thursday, 29 November

A.A. at 7.30 a.m. (Parish House)
Parish Office open 10.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.
Al. Anon. at 7.00 p.m. (Vestry Room)

Friday, 30 November

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE, 4.00 - 6.00 p.m.
Prayer & Meditation at 5.30 p.m.

Saturday, 1 December

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE, 10.00 a.m. - 6.00 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal at 9.30 a.m. (Choir Room)

Sunday, 2 December

Holy Eucharist (Rite I) at 8.30 a.m.

Book Discussion at 9.30 a.m. (Library)
Choir Rehearsal at 9.30 (Nave)

Holy Eucharist at 10.30 a.m.

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE, Noon - 5.00 p.m.

Tuesday, 4 December

Parish Office open 10.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.
Strong Women, Strong Bones at 10.00 a.m.

Wednesday, 5 December

**Holy Eucharist for the Feast of St Nicholas
at 6.00 p.m.**

A.A. for Women at 7.00 p.m. (Great Room)

CHRISTMAS TREES

Selling hours for the

Christmas Tree Sale
4.00 - 6.00 p.m.

Saturday, 1 December
Christmas Tree Sale
10.00 - 6.00 p.m.

Sunday, 2 December
Rite I at 8.30 a.m.
Christmas Tree Sale
Noon - 5.00 p.m.

Friday, 7 December
Christmas Tree Sale
4.00 - 6.00 p.m.
Annual
Messiah Sing-In
at 7.30 p.m.

Saturday, 8 December
Christmas Tree Sale
10.00 - 6.00 p.m.

Sunday, 9 December
Sr Mary Lanning
preaching at both
morning liturgies
Vestry Meeting at Noon
(Library)
Christmas Tree Sale
Noon - 5.00 p.m.

Friday, 14 December
Christmas Tree Sale
4.00 - 6.00 p.m.
Prayer & Meditation
at 5.30 p.m.

Saturday, 15 December
Pancakes with Santa
8.30 - 10.30 a.m.
(Great Room)
Christmas Tree Sale
10.00 - 6.00 p.m.
Kent Singers Rehearsal
1.00 - 5.00 p.m. (Nave)

Sunday, 16 December
Healing Service
at 8.30 a.m.
Christmas Tree Sale
Noon - 5.00 p.m.
Kent Singers in Concert
at 3.00 p.m. (Nave)

Thursday, 20
December
Ordination to the
Priesthood of the
Reverend Brett
Figlewski
at 6.00 p.m.
(Trinity Church,
Milton)

Monday, 24 December
Christmas Eve
Liturgies

Christmas Trees

Fridays 4.00 - 6.00 p.m.
Saturdays 10.00 a.m. - 6.00 p.m.
Sundays Noon - 5.00 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to staff the sale,
and Christopher Rehkow would be glad to
hear from you (917.544.1763)!

From the Rector

Dear Friends,

Over last week, we received another \$181.00 from the Christmas Bazaar, bringing the total amount raised for distribution through the Mission & Outreach Commission to \$6,778.17 --a generous sum indeed! Again, many thanks to the numerous elves who worked so hard to create such a festive and engaging event! The monies raised will touch many lives, and this is a lovely opening for the season that is arriving

For, this coming Sunday, 2 December, is Advent Sunday, and so the colors in the chancel will change from the Green that we have been seeing since last Springtime to Blue. A New Year will begin, and we will once more be hearing the stories of the prophesies, the birth, the ministry, Passion, and Resurrection -- the Blue first, then White, Green, Violet, Scarlet, White, and finally Green again, come late Springtime-- and so we will have next week the invitation ourselves to begin again, to begin to consider how we think, speak, live

Sr Mary Lanning will be here for her annual Advent visit on 9 December, and the loose offering on that morning will be given to her work through *Yes! Solutions* amongst the homeless and the poor throughout New York City. We will be inviting each of you to make a special Christmas Offering to the work of St Andrew's Parish, and also to make Christmas Flower Memorials for the faithful departed for the Christmas liturgies.

I want also to remind each of us of the large basket on the south window sill in the narthex, just as we enter the church building on Sundays. It is for donations to the Kent Food Bank, which provides important help to a great many people in need in our immediate neighborhood --far more help to far more people than we can imagine If each household in St Andrew's Parish could weekly, even monthly, bring a can of soup, a box of pasta, a jar of pasta sauce, a box of tea bags ... the Kent Food Bank would still need more, would have much to distribute The colder weather has arrived, and the needs for foods to heat up surround us: please donate as you are able ...!

And, because the Social Services of the Town are now stretched

at 6.00 & 10.00 p.m.

Tuesday, 25 December
Holy Eucharist
at 11.00 a.m.

Wednesday, 26
December
Holy Eucharist
at 6.00 p.m.
suspended for this
week

Sunday, 6 January
Music in the Nave
at 4.00 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

more than ever, if there were a volunteer, volunteers, to bring the groceries in the basket up to the Food Bank (at the lower rear level of the Community House) on Fridays between 8.30 - 9.30 a.m., please do let me know! Advent is, finally, a time to remember to remember how we have been blessed, how we can bless

Faithfully,
Roger+

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 Last Sunday

*Please click on the link below in order
to hear or read
the Rector's homily on Sunday, 25 November*

[HOMILY](#) for 25 November

The Lectons this Week

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

2 December

Year C

Jeremiah 33.14-16

Psalms 25.1-9

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
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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!

The Book Discussion Group

... will next meet on Sunday, 2 December, at 9.30 a.m. in the Library in order to discuss Chapter 8 ('Charms, Pardons, & Promises') and Chapter 9 ('Last Things') 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 DISCUSSION with Bishop Laura Ahrens every 3rd Tuesday at 11.00 a.m. with lunch to follow at 12.30 p.m. \$10 donation appreciated ALL WELCOME!!

*On FRIDAY, 7 December, & Tuesday, 18 December
the book under discussion will be Barbara Brown Taylor's*

Learning to Walk in the Dark.

FAMILY ADVENT DAY

**Advent wreath & candle-making, &c.,
ending with worship and supper**

Sunday, 2 December, 2.00 - 6.00 p.m.

\$50 per family of 4+

WINTER REST & RENEWAL

***Making space in your life and
soul to receive the gift of Jesus***

Thursday - Sunday, 6-9 December

Registration & costs available on the website for the Camp.

**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

**The Annual
Messiah Sing-In
with the Sherman Chamber Ensemble
on Friday,
7 December, at 7.30 p.m.
\$20 at the doors
(students admitted without charge)**

***You may purchase your tickets
in advance, by credit card, at
<https://MITNKENTCT.EVENTBRITE.COM>***

THE SHERMAN CHAMBER ENSEMBLE
ANNUAL BAROQUE CONCERT

6 January 2019
4.00 p.m.

Pawling Concert Series

Friday, 30 November
8.00 p.m.
The Gardiner Theater, Trinity-Pawling
School

'Visions of Mozart'
Jeremy Denk,
Benjamin Beilman, & Stefan Jackiw
explore the music of composers who
influenced Mozart and those whom
Mozart influenced

This will be the first performance of this program,
which will be repeated in Carnegie Hall soon
thereafter.

\$30/\$15 students

Series subscription at www.pawlingconcertseries.org