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Sponsor a Handbell!

# From Margie O'Brien and the Music Commission

The Handbells of St. Andrew's are ringing again!

Have you heard them ringing? Our three octave set of handbells have been getting more use these days. They were rung at Easter for the prelude and four ringers accompanied the choir on one of the Easter anthems. They have also been used to intone the psalms sung at the 10:30 service. Some of you long time parishioners may remember that Marty Holcombe had used them with the Junior Choir some years ago. We are happy that some new members of the parish have taken an interest in bell ringing which adds to our already strong music program at St. Andrew's.

The bells were transferred from Harlem Valley State Hospital, Wingdale NY to St. Andrew's Parish through the Chaplain at the hospital, the Rev. Dr. Leroy Summerfield, when the hospital closed in the early 1990's. Father Summerfield, his wife Joan and their three children were active members of St. Andrew's. He served as supply priest on several occasions. He was also a member of the choir as we were expanding the male section of the groups. *{Information supplied by John Barton}* 

Typically, handbells are sent back to the factory for refurbishment every 5 or 10 years. Our bells, the oldest of which were manufactured between 1962-1964, are long overdue for refurbishment and their ringing mechanism is outdated. These bells have lost their luster and tone quality and will need to be refurbished. One of the bells is entirely broken and needs to be replaced. The refurbishment of the bells can take place over a period of months and the expected cost is \$165 per bell. We are looking to our parishioners to take part in our bell refurbishment campaign by sponsoring a bell.

If you have enjoyed hearing the bells rung during our services recently, and would to like to hear them sound even better <u>after</u> they have been refurbished, please consider sponsoring a bell for \$165. Our first sponsor, Michael Ward, is sending his check today. Please join him in this bell-a-thon.

Send your donation for this wonderful project to St. Andrew's Parish, PO Box 309, Kent, CT 06757 and write "handbell" in the memo portion of your check.

# Camp Washington: Growing Hope, Forging Peace



A CALL TO CHANGE AND ACTION - FOR GOD'S PEOPLE WEARY OF GUN VIOLENCE

#### JOIN US FOR A DAY OF TESTIMONY, REFLECTION, EXPERIENCE, AND ACTION!

We will gather around the forges as we transform guns into gardening tools and art. Offering songs of praise and prayer, and hearing words shared by victims and survivors of gun violence. Shane Claiborne- our keynote speaker will offer words of change and a call to action. We will work on art projects and gather in thoughtful conversations around mental health, safe gun storage and suicide prevention. We will offer our hurts, hopes and dreams to God in song and worship, and end our day with a picnic lunch.

THIS DAY IS OPEN TO ALL GOD'S PEOPLE, OF ALL BELIEFS AND AGES.

#### REGISTER NOW AT CAMPWASHINGTON.ORG OR CALL 860.567.9623 FOR MORE DETAILS

#### SHANE CLAIBORNE, KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Shane Claiborne is a prominent speaker, activist, and author. Shane worked with Mother Teresa in Calcutta, and founded The Simple Way in Philadelphia. Grace fuels his passion. He was recently awarded The King Center's Beloved Community Social Justice Award.

His book, Beating Guns, acts as a guide for how we can be part of the solution towards ending gun violence. Inspired by the prophetic image of beating swords into plows, Beating Guns offers a clarion call to change our hearts regarding one of the most significant moral issues of our time. His newest book, Rethinking Life was released February 2023.



## A New Parish Directory is Now Available!



A newly updated Parish Directory is now available! With new parishioners and

many changes since the last directory was published, it's a fresh format in a smaller-sized booklet.

A few directories will be available to take home after Sunday's services. If you would like a copy, please stop by the parish office or contact KC (**office.sa.kent@gmail.com**) if you would like a directory mailed to you.

# Clothing for Springtime Needed: Cathedral Clothing Drive



Four South Kent School boys on Sunday, January 28, with a happy Hartford resident at cathedral soup kitchen and clothing boutique. Photo courtesy of Steve Klots

#### **Cathedral Clothing Drive - UPDATE**

From Steve Klots: With South Kent School back in session this weekend, I am resuming the clothing drive in support of the Church Street Eats soup kitchen at our cathedral in Hartford. With warmer weather coming, I will now also be taking over casual shirts, t-shirts, pants, sweatshirts, sweatpants, new socks, and shoes. Larger sizes (L, XL, and 2X) are particularly needed. Keep in mind that 90% of the guests at the soup kitchen are men. Please reach out to me at **klotss@southkentschool.org** if you have any questions. Many thanks!

## Mark Your Calendars

July 01 :: The Pod for the Tag Sale Arrives!

August 02 - 04 :: The Annual Tag Sale

#### This Week at St Andrew's

Sunday, 05 May:: 8:30 am Holy Eucharist: *The Sixth Sunday of Easter* (spoken)

Sunday, 05 May:: 10:30 am Holy Eucharist: *The Sixth Sunday of Easter* (with music) (*inperson and live-streamed*)

Monday, o6 May :: 8:00 pm LGBTQ+ A.A. meeting

Wednesday, 08 May:: 6:00 pm Midweek Worship Service

Wednesday, 08 May :: 7:00 pm A.A. for Women (NEW)

Thursday, 09 May :: 7:00 pm A.A. Meeting

Thursday, 09 May :: 7:00 pm Al-Anon Meeting

# Help Support the Kent Food Bank



Please help our parish family continue to support of the Kent Food Bank by sending a check in any amount to:

Kent Community Fund

#### P O Box 262 Kent, CT 06757 *memo:* Food Bank

These funds will be used to purchase vouchers for local families in need, under the direction of Kent's Social Services Director, Samantha Hasenflue. In addition, it is useful for the Director to have IGA gift cards to give to families who are in need. Please consider purchasing a card, for \$25 or \$50, and taking it to Samantha's office in Town Hall, or placing it in the offering plate, marked for the food bank.

The Kent Food Bank also accepts food donations. They are especially in need of staples such as **beans**, **rice**, **tea**, **coffee**, **sugar**, **nuts**, **hot & cold breakfast cereals**, **peanut butter**, **jellies**, **jams and tuna**. Make certain that the 'Best by ...' dates are not past! Please remember that the Food Bank accepts pet foods as well!

You may drop off food items on Fridays from 10:00 am - 12:00 noon in the back of the Community House on Main Street.

### Lections for this Week

#### **The Sixth Sunday of Easter** *Year B*

Acts 10:44-48 Psalm 98 1 John 5:1-6 John 15:9-17



#### Worship Services

-Sunday-Holy Eucharist 8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.

In person (10.30 a.m. available live stream on YouTube)

> -Wednesday-Holy Eucharist



6.00 p.m.





# 12 Step Meetings

**Mondays** LGBTQ+ A.A. (Parish House)

#### Wednesdays (NEW)

A.A. for Women (Parish House)

#### Thursdays

Al-Anon. at 7.00 p.m. (Old Vestry Room) A.A. at 7:00 pm (Parish House)



### Parish Staff

**Susan Guse** Organist & Director of Choirs

> **Ron Marasco, Ph.D.** Director of Education

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