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Our St. Andrew's Tree Looks Beautiful!

From the Stewardship Commission: Stewardship Season Wrap-up

In October you received a letter from the Stewardship Commission asking you to think of matching your pledges of last year. You did that – and more! This year has been a trifecta of generosity by the wonderful people of St. Andrew's in terms of time and talent throughout the year and finally in terms of generosity of pledging. As we reach the official end of Stewardship season (but never the end of welcoming new pledges!), we hope that you will thank each other for how our parish has thrived at a challenging time. When we welcome a new

priest, we will offer up a healthy parish in every way.

TONIGHT:
Music in the Nave Presents
The Annual Messiah Sing-In!



St Andrew's Parish
1 N Main St, Kent, CT
Presents

Our Annual Sing-In!
HANDEL'S MESSIAH
Sherman Chamber Ensemble
James Sinclair - Conductor



Friday, Dec 8 at 8 PM

\$20 - Students *FREE*

Tickets at <https://bit.ly/messiah12> or at the door

www.standrewskentct.org/mitn.html ~ 860-927-3486



Christmas Memorial Flower Donations



Christmas is a time to celebrate, but also to remember loved ones and cherish memories made with them. If you would like to make a donation for Christmas flowers and to have your loved one mentioned in the Christmas Eve bulletin, please pick up an Altar Flower Memorial envelope in the narthex, available this weekend. You can mail it or drop it at the office.

The Christmas Tree Sale is Back: Trees Continue to be on Sale This Weekend!



After a hiatus last year due to a tree shortage, St. Andrew's has managed to successfully procure 200 Christmas trees for this year's sale.

We are looking for volunteers to help with tree sales, continuing through mid-December (or until all trees are sold).

Sign-up sheets are located in the narthex of the church and are ready for your name!

This Weekend: Kent Singers at St. Andrew's: A Rose in Winter



THE KENT SINGERS

James Knox Sutterfield, Music Director



a rose in winter

Saturday , Dec. 9, 3pm

Sunday, Dec. 10, 3pm

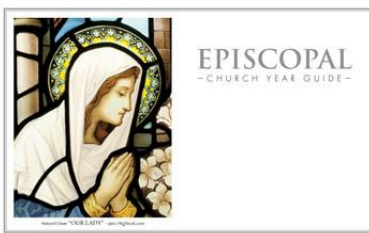
St. Andrew's Church | Kent CT

Tickets: \$20 @ kentsingers.org or at the door

with the support of the Connecticut Department of Economic
and Community Development, Office of the Arts



2024 Calendars Available!



JANUARY 2024						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Epiphany The Three Kings Matthew 2:1-12 John 1:6-9 The Feast of the Epiphany Matthew 2:1-12	1 The First Sunday after the Epiphany Matthew 2:13-23	2 The Second Sunday after the Epiphany Matthew 2:23-28	3 The Third Sunday after the Epiphany Matthew 2:28-35	4 The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany Matthew 2:35-46	5 The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany Matthew 2:46-52	6 The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany Matthew 2:52-59
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2024 Episcopal Calendars are available in the Narthex and in the Parish Office. Please feel free to take one home.

Clothing Donations for the Cathedral Soup Kitchen



On the fourth Sunday of each month, **Steve Klots** takes a group of South Kent School students to Church Street Eats, the Sunday soup kitchen at Christ Church Cathedral in Hartford. As part of that, he and his crew distribute clothing, and he reports that, with winter approaching, there is a desperate need for men's coats (but not dress coats), blankets, gloves, sweatshirts, sweatpants, and pants. (Some women's clothing is welcome, but about 90% of the guests at Church Street Eats are men.) He would greatly appreciate the support of the parish in this. He will leave a collection box in the narthex of the church, and he will stop by at least every couple of

weeks to collect any donations. Feel free to contact him at klotss@southkentschool.org if you have any questions.

Kent Community Nursery School Presents Pancakes With Santa

KENT COMMUNITY
NURSERY SCHOOL
**PANCAKES
WITH
SANTA**

Enjoy Pancakes and take photos with Santa

**SATURDAY
DECEMBER 16**
AT KCNS
8:00 AM TO 11:00 AM

\$5 per person
\$25 max per family

TICKET INCLUDES: DELICIOUS BREAKFAST, MEET AND GREET WITH SANTA, CRAFT TABLE & DOOR PRIZES
ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT KCNS

Located at
ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH PARISH HALL
6 BRIDGE STREET, KENT CT

Mark Your Calendars

Friday, 08 December

Music in the Nave Presents: The Messiah Sing-In

Saturday, 09-Sunday, 10 December :: 3:00 pm

Kent Singers Present: A Rose in Winter

Friday, 08 - Sunday, 10 December

Christmas Tree Sale

Sunday, 17 December

Blue Christmas Service with First Congregational Church

Held at St. Andrew's

This Week at St Andrew's

Sunday, 10 December :: 8:30 am

Morning Prayer: *The First Sunday of Advent*

Sunday, 10 December:: 10:30 am

Morning Prayer: *The First Sunday of Advent* (with music) (*in-person and live-streamed*)

Sunday, 10 December:: 10:30 am

Church School

Sunday, 10 December:: 3:00 pm

Kent Singers: *A Rose in Winter*

Monday, 11 December:: 8:00 pm

LGBTQ+ A.A. meeting

Wednesday, 13 December :: 6:00 pm

Midweek Holy Eucharist

Thursday, 14 December: 7:00 pm

A.A. meeting

Thursday, 14 December: 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 Second Sunday of Advent *Year B*

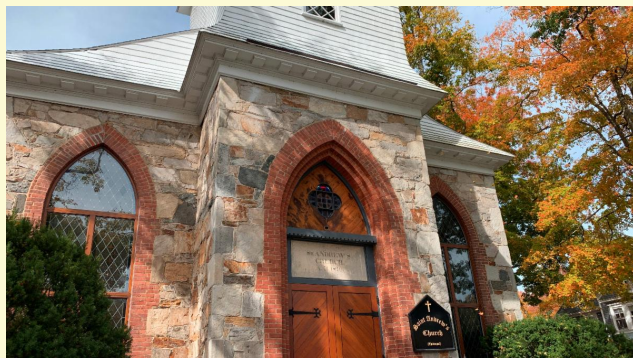
Isaiah 40:1-11
Psalm 85:1-2,8-13
2 Peter 3:8-15a
Mark 1:1-8



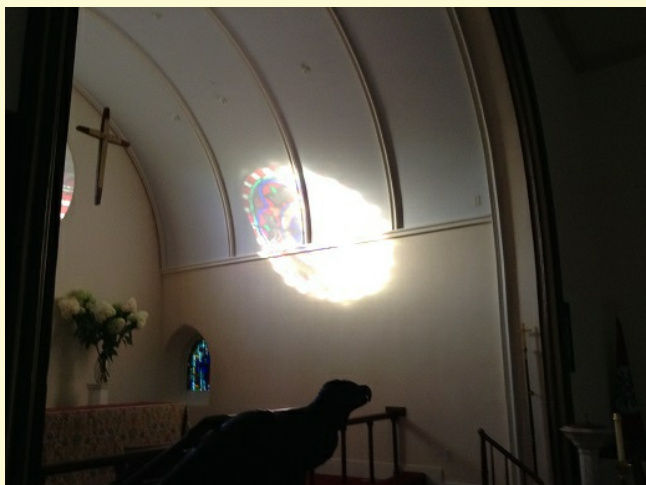
Worship Services

**-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)

Thursdays

Al-Anon. at 7.00 p.m.

(Old Vestry Room)

A.A. at 7:00 pm

(Parish House)



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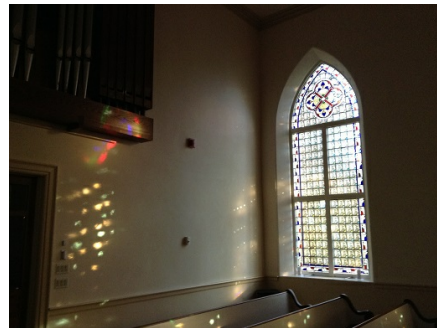
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