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Blessing of the Animals This Past Sunday  
(courtesy of *The Republican-American*)

## From Chris Rehow, Senior Warden

Dear Parishioners,

I hope that you are all enjoying the Fall Season. In years past I have never really appreciated Fall because I knew what would follow.. the dreaded Winter. As I am a Spring-Summer type person Fall was always just something to get through.

But in recent years I've started to actually enjoy the Fall. Maybe I'm just learning to appreciate each and every day for what it is rather than just looking forward.

Ever since I was accepted into the Episcopal Church in 1978 each Fall season was also the season of Stewardship. Most of the time it would kick off in late October with the aim of getting members to return their pledges by All Saints Day.

This year is no different. The Stewardship Committee has gotten off to an early start. By now you have probably received a letter in the mail with a pledge card. This year we are looking to increase both the number of pledges and the amount of each pledge. To that end, the Vestry has this year made a commitment that each and every Vestry member will pledge and pledge early.

While St. Andrews is in very good shape financially, we have spent a lot of money in the past few years upgrading and maintaining our wonderful buildings. While a lot has been done, there is much that remains to do. The capital (long-term) projects are usually funded through the Capital Fund, and this year we had a wonderful result with the Summer Tag Sale to help

replenish the Capital Fund, assuming the Vestry so allocates these funds. So that is great news!

The operations of the parish are largely funded through the pledges and donations we receive each week. We are just beginning to start next year's budget and before we can actually determine what we can spend it is very helpful to know what we can expect to receive in pledges. And that is why it is so important to make your pledge early.

Your pledge is extremely important to the continuing spiritual life here at St. Andrews. Please return your pledge card as soon as you can and please consider increasing the amount of your pledge as well.

Thank you.

Chris

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This week, I would also like to make a couple 'asks' of you, if I may:

- **Greeters needed** Warm welcome and ready hospitality are fundamental ingredients of our communal worship, and our greeters are essential in this effort. *We need more folks to volunteer to serve as greeters, at both Sunday services.* If you can do this one Sunday a month, please let KC know in the parish office.
- **Catching up your 2021 pledge** As autumn settles upon Kent and we enter the final quarter of the year, it's time to make sure your pledge giving is up-to-date. With travel and other enjoyable distractions, some of us fall behind during the summer. *Please review your records and make sure this year's pledge is current.* If you need to know how much you've given thus far this year, please be in touch with our treasurer Steve Morocco.
- **Names for the Music Commission** As the Music Commission prepares to launch its search for our next organist and music director, they want as deep a list of potential candidates as possible. *If you know a church musician who is (or may be) looking for a new position ... or whom we should otherwise be sure to consider ... please let Lynn Perry know.* Lynn is chairing the Commission.

Many thanks,  
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## Weekly Calendar

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Friday, 08 October	Prayer & Meditation ( <i>Nave</i> )	5:30 pm
Saturday, 09 October	Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)	9:30 am

Saturday, 09 October	Music Commission Meeting <i>(Great Room)</i>	10:45 am
Saturday, 09 October	Officers Meeting <i>(Great Room)</i>	12:00 pm
Saturday, 09 October	Music in the Nave: <i>A Cabaret with Steve Katz (Parish House)</i>	5:00 pm
Sunday, 10 October	Holy Eucharist: Pentecost 20 <i>(in person only)</i>	8:30 am
Sunday, 10 October	Holy Eucharist: Pentecost 20 <i>(with music) (in person and live-streamed)</i>	10:30 am
Sunday, 10 October	Coffee Hour <i>(Great Room)</i>	11:35 am
Wednesday, 13 October	Racial Reconciliation Study Group <i>(Great Room)</i>	4:00 pm
Wednesday, 13 October	Mid-week Holy Eucharist <i>(in person and live-streamed)</i>	6:00 pm
Wednesday, 13 October	A.A. for Women <i>(Zoom meeting; email us for info)</i>	7:00 pm
Thursday, 14 October	A.A. meeting <i>(Parish House)</i>	7:30 am
Thursday, 14 October	Al-Anon <i>(Old Vestry Room)</i>	7:00 pm

## Upcoming Events To Note

Saturday, 30 October	Fall Clean-up Day (with lunch)	9:30 am
Sunday, 31 October	All Hallows' Eve: A Liturgy of Saints and Bonfire Reception	7:00 pm
Tuesday, 02 November	Holy Eucharist: All Souls' Day, with a Remembrance of the Departed <i>(reception to follow)</i>	2:00 pm
Sunday, 07 November	Special Presentation on IRAs and Charitable Giving (see details below)	9:30 am and 11:40 am
Thursday, 11 November	Veterans' Day Commemoration and Luncheon	11:00 am



Saturday, 13 November

Parish Potluck and Evening  
of Pops Music to Celebrate  
Tom Holcombe

6:00 pm

Saturday, 20 November

Annual Christmas Bazaar  
Returns!

10:00 am-  
2:00 pm

## St Andrew's Current COVID Status

### THE PARISH IS OPEN.

- Pursuant to CDC guidelines, we are asking *everyone to wear a mask, regardless of vaccination status*, because the level of community transmission in Litchfield County is **Substantial** (or higher)
- There is **congregational singing**, at the 10:30 service only

We will continue to livestream our 10:30 liturgy on Sundays and our mid-week services, as there are parishioners who are choosing not to be in group settings at this time—a decision the parish fully honors and supports.

## TOMORROW: Music in the Nave Returns!



St Andrew's Parish House  
1 North Main St, Kent, CT

Presents

**A Cabaret**  
with Rock Legend

**Steve Katz**

(The Blues Project, Blood Sweat & Tears, Lou Reed)



*Enjoy an Autumn Twilight  
with Wine & Cheese, and Songs & Stories*

**Saturday, October 9th at 5:00 PM**

**Admission \$10 - Under 18 FREE**

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

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Some say life is a cabaret, others say it's blood, sweat and tears. Why not make it both? Enjoy an autumn twilight of wine and cheese while rock legend Steve Katz, founding member of Blood, Sweat & Tears and The Blues Project,

entertains you with songs and stories.

This exciting event is coming Saturday, October 9th, 5:00 pm in the Parish House. Admission is only \$10 and free for those under 18.

You may purchase your tickets at <https://bit.ly/SteveKatzCabaret> or at the door. For more information, call 860-927-3482 or go to [www.standrewskentct.org/mitn.html](http://www.standrewskentct.org/mitn.html).

## Sunday, 23 October: A Meeting to Learn How We Can Assist Local Refugees



Through St John's Parish in Washington, we have been cordially invited to attend a community meeting sponsored by the Washington Council of Congregations and New Milford Refugee Resettlement. These groups are looking into becoming a Community Co-Sponsor of refugees coming into northwest Connecticut with IRIS (Integrated Refugee and Immigrant Services), and we may be able to come alongside them and help out. Ashley Makar, an IRIS Community Co-Sponsor Liaison, will be on-hand for a community-wide conversation on Saturday, October 23rd at 3:00 p.m., in the Judith Black Memorial Garden, to make a presentation and answer questions.

Several members of the parish are interested in attending this session and learning more. If you would like to attend, too, please be in touch with Fr Douglas.

## Do You Know What a "Qualified Charitable Distribution" Is? Maybe You Should!

Beginning at age 72, IRA holders must take a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from their IRAs.

After *both* services on **Sunday, 07 November**, parishioner Paul Orme, a Wealth Management Educator, will lead a discussion on how charitable giving and the RMD are related and can be of benefit to you and save you taxes as well. It may be a convenient way for you to pay your pledge to St Andrew's and to make other charitable donations, as well.

This discussion is for all parishioners—those who are 72 or older (or will be in

a few years) and those are just interested.

You may be thinking: "How does this work?" Come and see. All are welcome!

## A BIG Thank-you to Jake Fricker!



Now that the growing season has ended, a great big THANK YOU to **Jake Fricker** for all of his hard work this spring and summer on the parish's plots in the Community Garden. Jake reports that the string beans, tomatoes, peppers and herbs were plentiful, and the cucumbers did well until critters got to them. This year Jake took our donations to the food banks in both Sharon and Kent, and both were grateful for all the fresh produce. And we are very grateful to *you*, Jake!

## Please Sign up for Coffee Hour



We will be settling into a pattern of less grand but every bit as convivial Coffee Hours every Sunday following the 10:30 Eucharist. (We will move these inside, beginning 10 October.)

Many hands make light work, and our Hospitality Chair Katherine Almquist is looking for volunteers to help host. As she's sagely reminded us, "Please remember that it NOT A BRUNCH! (Think of Welcome Home Sunday as Super Bowl Sunday or Opening Night.) What we need on a weekly basis is the equivalent of a pick-up game or a table-read. Easy-peasy. Snacks and coffee."

We know that some folks have not been able to sign up because Coffee Hour



has been outside during the summer. We are moving Coffee Hour back inside, beginning Sunday, 10 October. All of the set-up will be on a single floor again.

If you are able to host a week, please be in touch with Katherine at [kt\\_almquist@hotmail.com](mailto:kt_almquist@hotmail.com).

## Parish House Sexton

Bill McLaren, our Parish House Sexton, has resigned. We wish him well after many, many years of service. The Properties Commission has started looking for a new person to clean the Parish House.

## THE MISSIONS WE SUPPORT: Integrated Refugee and Immigrant Services



*Perhaps you would like to know more about the charities and agencies that St Andrew's helps fund? Perhaps you might even want to get involved with one of them? Well, we will be highlighting some of the charities and agencies that our parish supports via the Mission & Outreach Commission. This week, we feature Integrated Refugee and Immigrant Services of Connecticut, a New Haven-based agency whose mission is to help refugees and other displaced people establish new lives, strengthen hope, and contribute to the vitality of Connecticut's communities. Here is more from their website:*

"Refugee families who arrive from overseas come to the U.S. with virtually no material possessions. They have lost homes, friends, family, country, culture, and jobs. Most do not speak any English. They have no income, and many are victims of trauma, with physical or mental health needs. As great as their initial needs are, their potential to enrich our community is even greater.

"Asylum seekers, asylees, and other immigrant families who seek assistance stabilizing their family situation often have many of the same needs as refugees coming from overseas. However, since they are already in the U.S., it is often the case that they have some limited resources or extended support network that can be built upon with the help of IRIS.

"IRIS provides targeted wrap-around services for all clients, using a strength-based assessment model, that offers long-term support for successful integration."

The services IRIS provides include basic needs (shelter and furnishings); case

management (integration into the local community); health and wellness support; employment assistance; additional education; immigration legal services; education and youth services; English-language instruction; and services for undocumented neighbors.

To learn more about IRIS, you can [visit their website](#).

## 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, Leah Pullaro.

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 Thursdays from 9:00 to 12:00 in the back of the Community House on Main Street. You may also place donations in the basket in the church Narthex or in the bin in the breezeway at the rear of the Rectory.

## Lectons for this Week

**The Twentieth Sunday After**



## Pentecost

Year B

Job 23:1-9, 16-17

Psalm 22

Hebrews 4:12-16

Mark 10:17-31



## Past Services and Homilies

Please click on the link below in order to view past services on YouTube and to read homilies from previous Sundays located on our website.

[Homilies and Past Services](#)

## Worship Services

**-Sunday-**

**Holy Eucharist**

8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.

Rite I at 8.30, First Sundays;

Healing Service at 8.30,

Third Sunday

In person

8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.

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



**-Wednesday-**

**Holy Eucharist**

6.00 p.m.

**-Friday-**

**Prayer & Meditation**

5.30 p.m.

**-Holy Days-**

**Holy Eucharist**

6.00 p.m.



## 12 Step Meetings

### Wednesdays

A.A. for Women 7:00 p.m.

*Zoom meeting  
email us for info.*

### Thursdays

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

*resumed*

Al-Anon. at 7.00 p.m.  
(Old Vestry Room)

*resumed*

### Fridays

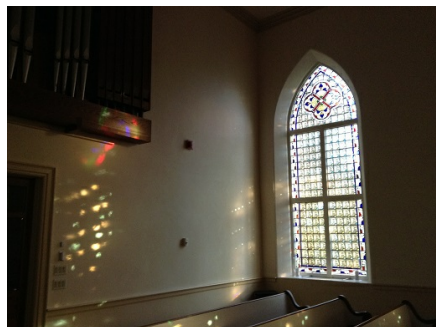
A.A. at 8 p.m.  
(Great Room)

*temporarily until First Church opens  
resumed*



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