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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, 2 June Holy Eucharist Rite I

This Week & Weekend at St Andrew's

Wednesday, 22 May Holy Eucharist for the Wednesday in Easter V at 6.00 p.m.

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

Thursday, 23 May

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. suspended until after Labor Day

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

Friday, 24 May Prayer & Meditation at 5.30 p.m.

Saturday, 25 May Choir Rehearsal at 9.30 a.m. (Nave)

Sunday, 26 May
Holy Eucharist at 8.30 a.m.
Choir Rehearsal at 9.30 a.m. (Nave)
Holy Eucharist at 10.30 a.m.
Coffee & ... at 11.30 a.m. (Parish House)

Tuesday, 28 May
Parish Office open 10.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.
Strong Women, Stong Bones at 10.00 a.m.
suspended until after Labor Day

Wednesday, 29 May Holy Eucharist for the Eve of the Ascension at 6.00 p.m.

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

From George Potts, Our Webmaster

Dear Friends and Members of St. Andrew's Parish,

As most of you know, our new parish website can be found

at 8.30 a.m.
Book Discussion
at 9.30 a.m.
(Library)

Monday, 3 June St Andrew's Crafters 4.00 - 6.00 p.m. (Parish House)

Saturday, 8 June Memorial Service for Jim Perkins at 3.00 p.m.

Sunday, 9 June
The Day of Pentecost
If possible, please plan to
pray the Lord's Prayer in a
language that you know
other than English.
M&O Commision Meeting
at Noon (Library)

Sunday, 16 June Bible Study at 9.30 a.m. (Library)

Saturday, 22 June NW Region Convocation (Trinity Conference Center, West Cornwall)

Sunday, 23 June Vestry Meeting at Noon (Library)

Sunday, 30 June Setting-Up of the Tag Sale at Noon

Monday, 1 July Donations to the Tag Sale begin to be received.

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,

at www.standrewskentct.org. It contains a great deal of information regarding St Andrew's!

In an effort to make sure the new site is both straightforward and responsive to the Parish's needs, we want to make sure that the most important information you may need there is available quickly & easily.

In the next 10 days you will receive an email with a link to a very brief online survey -- along with instructions regarding how to submit your responses. The 10 questions will take no more than 2 to 3 minutes to complete, and your answers will be used as the basis for future website improvements.

Please note that you will not need to share any personal information in order to complete the survey; all of your responses will be received and tabulated anonymously.

We would greatly appreciate it if you could complete the survey's questions as soon as possible. Once the results are reviewed, we will let you know of the changes we have made in a future edition of *The E-pistle*.

Respectfully,

George Potts

From the Rector

Dear Friends,

For several summers now, we have had two plots in the Kent Community Gardens at Kent Center School where we have raised vegetables and flowers for distribution through the Kent Food Bank. We have the two plots again, and I want to invite those of you who enjoy gardening to offer a bit of time each week to tending them.

One of the delights of the summertime is the locally-raised produce --tomatoes, cucumbers, radishes, lettuce, etc.-- that is so readily available if not in our own backyards then at the Kent Land Trust farm stand or at any number of other nearby farm stands. Our neighbors who rely heavily on the Food Bank for their groceries do not necessarily have the land or the time to raise their own vegetables, and the donations of fresh produce are truly welcome to them, a change of pace from frozen peas, canned carrots

And it was Jane Kates who, years ago, said that we should grow some flowers, too, and it has turned out that these fly out the doors of the Food Bank because they are a lovely grace for the homes of those who are struggling to make ends meet

If you like to garden, if you have a bit more free time in the summer than at other times in the year, if you can help you can help your very near neighbors in this way, please do let me know. People to tend to the watering, the weeding, the

Rector

Thomas W. Holcombe, Organist & Director of Choirs

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

Heather Scofield, Parish Administrator

Joan I. Cassel Financial Secretary

Bill McLaren, Sexton

Randy Osolin, Verger harvesting in the plots are very much needed.

And please remember that on the Day of Pentecost, 9 June, we are hopeful that people will come to church wearing something red --reminscent of the flames of the Spirit which descended up the first apostles on that day-- and also come prepared to pray the Lord's Prayer in a language other than English. When the Spirit descended, those first apostles found themselves able to speak in languages other than their own, to proclaim to entire world the Good News, the Gospel of Jesus Christ. It is always moving to hear a wonderful clamor of English, Spanish, Tamil, etc., etc., addressing the Most High in prayer

Faithfully, Roger+

The Santiago Family

Although there are undoubtedly some donations still to come in, thanks to the generosities of a great many people, we were last week able to send the Santiago family a cheque in the amount of \$3300.00. And thus far this week another \$110 has arrived. It would be a great deal of help if we could send along a supplemental cheque at the end of the month; so, if you have been planning to make a donation, please send it in as soon as you are able ...!

As many of you are aware, Tino Santiago, formerly a waiter at The Fife 'n Drum Restaurant and most recently the sous chef at Kingsley's Tavern, has been arrested and is in jail pending an appeal. Tino and his wife, Norma, have three children, and Norma may need to sell their house in South Kent and move to more affordable quarters: without Tino's income they are struggling financially.

A number of people who have known Tino and Norma for years have asked how they may help, and the Rector invites those concerned to make donations to the parish Discretionary Fund which shall then be passed on to Norma. Cheques should be made out to St Andrew's Parish and tagged 'Santiago Fund'. They may be put in the collection plate or may be mailed in to Post Office Box 309, Kent 06757.

In addition Tino's and Norma's son Jason has serious medical issues and has been hospitalized in New Britian, and Leslie Levy is looking for drivers who are willing to drive Norma to visit Jason. It takes 90 minutes to two hours to make the trip, and those who can help are invited to be in touch with Leslie at leslielillienlevy@me.com

Faithfully, Roger+

'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!
The sudden death of Jim Lovelett has
left FISH very short-handed

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

SUMMER CAMP at CAMP WASHINGTON

The summer camping season is not all that far away, and Camp Washington has published their calendar for 2019.

Children's Camp (ages 7 - 12) will be from 30 June - 7 July & from 4 - 16 August. The one-week camp costs \$575 and the two-week camp \$1300.

Mini Camps (ages 5 - 10) will be from 14 - 16 July & from 17 - 19 July for \$275. There will be a Mini Day Camp from 15 - 19 July for \$300.

Please visit the Camp's website for more information and to register: www.campwashington.org or call 860.567.9623.

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 Easter V

Please click on the link below in order to hear or read the Rector's Homily for 19 May HOMILY for 1 May

The Lections this Week

Easter VI
Rogation Sunday
26 May 2019
Year C

Acts 16.9-15 Psalm 67 Revelation 21.10, 22 - 22.5 John 14.23-29

The flowers on this morning are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Isabel & Robert Colmore, Robert Colmore, Jr.

Volunteers for Coffee & ... after the 10.30 liturgy

Those who have signed up to provide light refreshments for Coffee & ... in the next few weeks are

26 May Barbara Psarakis

2 June The Tag Sale Leadership

9 June ???

16 June ???
23 June ???

From 30 June through Labor Day, we will once again be having iced tea and cookies after the 10.30 liturgy, and donations of cookies will be gratefully received. Please leave them on the passthrough into the kitchen!

The Annual Reports for 2018

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 2018

St Andrew's Crafters

With the Annual Christmas Bazaar fewer than six months away, the St Andrew's Crafters will next meet on

Monday, 3 June in the Parish House

and will continue to meet on the First Monday of the month through November.

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, canned or bottled fruit juices.

Please remember that the Food Bank accepts pet foods as well!

Also: the Bank is interested its selections for personal care including supplies for adult incontinence, soaps, toothpastes, feminine products, etc.

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 June, at 9.30 a.m. in the Library in order to discuss Chapter 17 ('The Reign of Elizabeth') & the Epilogue 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!

BEAUTY & BOUNTY; Farm to Table Squared Art April 27-June 2

34 Local Artists including Heather Scofield

All artwork is 10"x 10"

The Loft Gallery (above the Smithy)

10 Main St.

New Preston, CT

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. and a \$10 donation for the meal is welcomed. Further information is available at campwashington.org

On 9 June the Reverend Marilyn Anderson will present 'Whose Afraid of the Big, Bad Wolf'

Both in the Bible and in Western cultures the wolf most usually appears as a threatening, rapacious, and calculating creature, the shadow of the angelic. We will look at how we have within ourselves both the wolf and the angel, and will look at Christian legends that present the wolf as a redeemed predator.



Music in the Nave

THE SHERMAN CHAMBER ENSEMBLE

Summer Concert Series

Fridays
9 August & 30 August
8.00 p.m.