

Our Website is Updated! Click the link below.

## From The Wardens

In case you are wondering, the vestry has been moving ahead with the rector search. After the parish meeting in early June, the vestry worked on completing the materials needed for posting the position with the diocese. Last week we met with the Bishop and Amber Page Gehr for a final review of those materials. We expect a posting sometime next week, which we plan to report in next week's epistle.

In the meantime, we have worked with George Potts to ready our own website for posting the rector position. Not only has George prepared a page to go live when the diocese posts the position, but he has updated and enhanced the website for immediate viewing. Please do visit **www.standrewskentct.org** and see the changes. Thank you George!

God of love, in this time of change, we pray for our parish family, that we may be genuine in our self-reflection, tireless in our commitment, patient in our discernment, loving in our communion, open in our search, imaginative about our future, and daring in our faith. As we enter into this new era, we are comforted and strengthened by your presence and abounding love. We thank you for the gifts, talents, and skills with which you have blessed us. We thank you for the experiences that have brought us to this moment. Be with us as we move forward, rejoicing with you and supporting one another. All this we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# It's Almost Here! Donations to the Tag Sale Are Now Welcome



The Tag Sale itself takes place August 4, 5 and 6, but preparations go on all of July.

- Please bring your donations to the Parish Hall. Leave them on the left hand side of the hall on the "office" end.
  - Remember that donations should be clean and in good working order. If you wouldn't buy it, we cannot sell it.
  - Volunteers will be in the Parish Hall Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10am-2pm. We'll be happy to help you unload.
  - If possible, please bring your donations in boxes, and let us know if you have a set of, for example, china, that is in more than one box. We cannot take computers.
  - Please call Bob McDowell to arrange for large items to be picked up at your house. His number is 860-488-1635. We cannot pick up upholstered furniture or mattresses.
- Help is always needed to price, arrange, and re-arrange donations. Please call Marel Rogers (860-364-0635) to find out how you can participate. You'll meet some great people and have a lot of fun!

## Volunteers Needed: The St. Andrew's Community Garden



"The community garden will be coming alive after Memorial Day. Tomatoes, green beans, cucumbers, peppers and herbs will be planted. All are invited to help! Waterers and weeders are always welcomed. Thank you for your participation." --**Jake Fricker**, stalwart gardener for St. Andrew's Community Garden

Again this year, the produce will be donated to the food banks in Kent and Sharon. Call Jake at (860) 364-9890 if you can lend a hand.

## This Week at St Andrew's

#### Sunday, 09 July :: 8:30 am Holy Eucharist: *The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

Sunday, 09 July :: 10:30 am Holy Eucharist: *The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost* (with music) (*in-person and live-streamed*)

Sunday, 09 July :: 10:30 am Church School

Sunday, 09 July :: 11:30 am Iced Tea & Cookies

Monday, 10 July :: 8:00 pm LGBTQ+ A.A. meeting

Wednesday, 12 July :: 6:00 pm Midweek Holy Eucharist

Thursday, 13 July:: 7:00 pm A.A. meeting

Thursday, 13 July:: 7:00 pm Al-Anon meeting (Old Vestry Room) Friday, 14 July:: 5:30 pm Vestry & Staff Potluck

## Mark Your Calendars for These Events...

August 4, 5, 6 The Tag Sale!

## Gas Cards Needed for Kent Social Services

Our town Social Worker, Samantha Hasenflue, asked whether St. Andrew's members might like to purchase prepaid gas cards at the Mobil station, which she would give to needy Kent residents who have to drive to medical appointments outside of Kent. Some people are really feeling the impact of rising food and fuel costs, and an extended drive to seek medical care puts strain on already tight budgets.

If you would like to help in this way, please place the gas card in an envelope, labelled "Kent Social Services" and put it in the offering plate. Thank you!



## 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 new 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 after Pentecost** *Year A*

Genesis 24:34-38,42-49,58-67 Psalm 45:11-18 Romans 7:15-25a Matthew 11:16-19,25-30



## 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)



## Parish Staff

**Susan Guse** Organist & Director of Choirs

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