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Ash Wednesday is Next Week on February 14th Service at 6:00 pm

From Ned Reade, Senior Warden

At the Annual Meeting last weekend, the parish thanked departing members of the Vestry Class of 2023: Anne Everett, Katherine Almquist, and Kent Freeman for their time and service to St. Andrew's. We also welcomed the new Vestry Class of Kris Phelps, Marty Johnson, and Wes Wyrick and know that they will become a conduit for bringing forth insights to the vestry. We also saluted the extraordinary work and dedication of our Senior Warden Randy DiPentima who led us through the sudden departure of our priest-in-charge and moved with dispatch to begin the search process for a full-time rector. The challenges were daunting because she oversaw not only the running and governance of the parish through the vestry, but also assumed the daily pastoral work of leading the parish in worship, tasks that a priest would normally take charge of. No one could have been better suited for this herculean task than Randy who skillfully managed uncertainty and charted a path of resilience and problem-solving. Best of all, she has agreed to help with the transition to the leadership with two new wardens. The baton hand-off will be smooth!

The season of Lent is upon us with Ash Wednesday on February 14. The time of preparation and self-examination is here both practically and spiritually. Marel Rogers has jumped into the role of Junior Warden with confidence and energy based on her past experiences on the vestry. Her understanding and leadership

in so many areas of parish life is invaluable.

I am ready to lead the parish through its continued search process and ensure that the spiritual life of this parish remains vibrant. Though I have been a parishioner at St. Andrew's for close to 40 years and served as its junior and then senior warden in the 1990's, I drew my strength from the committed, talented and selfless members of this church family that we see week to week in church and others supporting behind the scenes.

As we look ahead to Lent and the coming Eastertide, I am reminded of this verse from Isaiah 40:31: "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall work, and not faint."

Let us rejoice in the Lord!

Ned Reade Senior Warden

A New Parish Directory is Now Available!



Special Note: Requests for mailed directories will be sent out in the coming week!

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.

This Weekend,
Music in the Nave Presents:
The Story of Babar



Clothing Donations for the Cathedral Soup Kitchen



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

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.

Mark Your Calendars

Wednesday, 14 February
Ash Wednesday

This Week at St Andrew's

Sunday, 11 February :: 8:30 am

Morning Prayer: The Last Sunday after the Epiphany (spoken)

Sunday, 11 February:: 10:30 am

Morning Prayer: The Last Sunday after the Epiphany (with

music) (in-person and live-streamed)

Sunday, 11 February:: 10:30 am

Church school

Sunday, 11 February:: 3:00 pm

Music in the Nave Presents: The Story of Babar, A Classical Children's

Concert

Monday, 12 February:: 8:00 pm

LGBTQ+ A.A. meeting

Wednesday, 14 February :: 6:00 pm Holy Eucharist: Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, 14 February:: 7:00 pm

Kent Singers Rehearsal

Thursday, 15 February: 7:00 pm

A.A. meeting

Thursday, 15 February: 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 Last Sunday after the Epiphany

Year B

2 Kings 2:1-12 Psalm 50:1-6 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 Mark 9:2-9



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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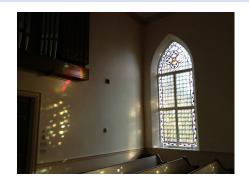
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