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The Second Sunday of Easter

### From the Wardens

With the help of many, St. Andrew's celebrated a most blessed Easter. Our Holy Week services began with Fr. David McIntosh celebrating the Wednesday Eucharist, as he has so generously been doing for more than two months. It is a simple midweek service for reflection, prayer and worship. The Rev. Steve Klots led us in the most moving Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services which were both enhanced by the beautiful Lenten music chosen and performed by our music director Susan Guse. On Easter Day, Steve was our celebrant at both services, with music at both services. We are most grateful to him for his words and leadership in making our worship together in this most holy time particularly inspiring.

At 10:30, not only did trumpeter Herman Compton join Susan in creating glorious music throughout the service, including a wonderful postlude, but the Church school, led by Jane Farnol and Ron Marasco, and accompanied by the talented George Potts on the guitar, concluded the service with a joyful and well performed song that included the congregation.

Thanks to all contributed a dish to our Fabulous Easter Fete and special thanks to Elissa and George Potts for their generous donation of 15 dozen eggs (and hard-boiling them!) and to Melissa Schipul for her prep work in the kitchen. An outstanding success!

This Sunday we welcome as our celebrant the Rev. Salin Low at both services. Please do join us at one of the "low" Sunday services.

Next week we will provide an update on the search for a rector. In the meantime, the vestry continues to welcome your comments and suggestions. There is a suggestion box in narthex.

Please do continue to contribute to the Kent food bank, either by leaving your donations in the basket in the narthex or drop them directly with the food bank as detailed below.

# Bishop Laura visits St. Andrew's Next Month



Bishop Laura Ahrens will be joining us to worship on May 21. Please keep in mind that this is not pertaining to our rector search; rather, Bishop Laura would love to spend some time with the people of our parish and see all of the wonderful things St. Andrew's is doing. A special Coffee Hour where people can talk to Bishop Laura and ask questions will follow the 10:30 service.

Sunday, 23 April:

# Eastern Light: A Concert to Welcome Spring!



#### **EASTERN LIGHT**

A Cherry Blossom Celebration Welcome Spring with the sensuous sounds of Japanese Music

Sunday, April 23, 3 PM \$20 St. Andrew's Church 1 N. Main St, Kent, CT 06757

Tickets at Eventbrite:
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\$5 DISCOUNT CODE: SPRING
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Dear friends,

Are you ready to celebrate spring? Of course, you are! And what better way to do it than Japanese style, bathing in delicate music depicting gardens of cherry blossoms? Spend a delightful hour with the renowned Japanese ensemble Eastern Light and you'll put those winter blahs behind you for good.

Come Sunday April 23rd, 3 p.m. to St. Andrew's Parish at 1 N. Main St., Kent, CT 06757. Tickets are \$20 at Eventbrite (<a href="http://bit.ly/easternlite">http://bit.ly/easternlite</a>) and the door. Online orders: enter code SPRING for \$5 off.

To know more, call 860-927-3486, email <u>office.sa.kent@gmail.com</u>, or visit <u>www.standrewskentct.org/mitn.html</u>. We can't wait to see you!

All the best,

Music in the Nave St. Andrew's Parish

## This Week at St Andrew's

Sunday, 16 April :: 8:30 am

Holy Eucharist: The Second Sunday of Easter

Sunday, 16 April :: 9:15 am

Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, 16 April :: 10:30 am

Holy Eucharist: The Second Sunday of Easter (with music) (in-person

and live-streamed)

Sunday, 16 April :: 10:30 am

**Church School** 

Sunday, 16 April:: 11:30 am

Coffee Hour

Monday, 17 April :: 8:00 pm

LGBTQ+ A.A. meeting

Wednesday, 19 April :: 6:00 pm **Midweek Holy Eucharist** 

Thursday, 20 April :: 7:00 pm

A.A. meeting

Thursday, 20 April :: 7:00 pm

Al-Anon meeting (Old Vestry Room)

# Mark Your Calendars for These Events...

**Sunday, 21 May** *Bishop Laura Ahrens Visits* 

### 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!

### St Andrew's Current COVID Status

#### THE PARISH IS OPEN.

We have now resumed all of our usual pre-COVID practices except the sharing of the Common Cup; we distribute the Wine in individual portions.

We will continue to livestream our 10:30 liturgy on Sundays.

# 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'a 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 Easter Year A

> Acts 2:14a,22-32 Psalm 16 1 Peter 1:3-9

John 20:19-31



# 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

Ron Marasco, Ph.D. Director of Education

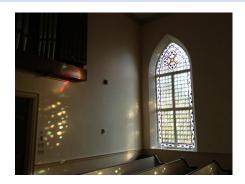
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**Jane Farnol** Church School Leader

**Joan I Cassel** Financial Secretary

Randy Osolin Verger

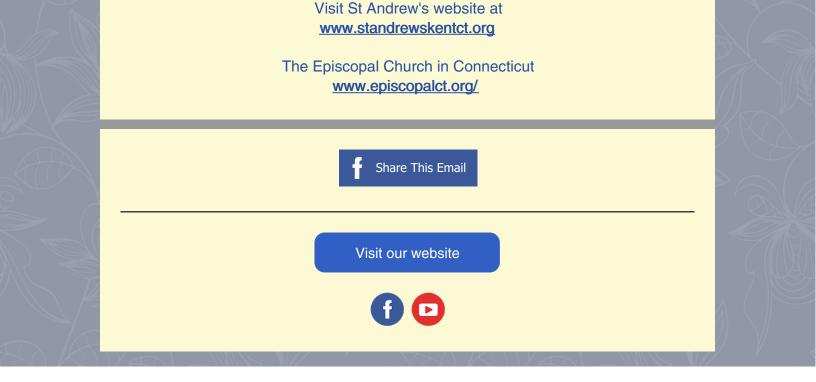
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