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The Twenty-first Sunday After Pentecost

# From the Stewardship Commission

Thank you, early pledgers! You are helping to ease our process of putting together a budget for 2024 with your commitment to St. Andrew's.

We have seen that E-pledging is a great success — and is very easy to do via our website (**standrewskentct.org**). Almost half of pledges received to date have been delivered electronically. E-pledging solves the problem of good intentions when a pledge card is not at hand. Our traditional pledge cards work too, as they have for years — especially if they remain at the top of the to-be-mailed or taken to church on Sunday pile of papers. We will be glad to hear from you either way!

This year, pledging may be done electronically through our website or by traditional pledge card.

(Note that George Potts' email address in the Stewardship letter was incorrect – it is **Gpotts@snet.net**.)

### From the Nominating Committee



It is, once again, the season to think about who would like to serve St. Andrew's by standing for election at our annual meeting in early February. At that meeting, we will elect new vestry members; two delegates to the diocesan annual convention; and two alternates to convention. Vestry members serve three-year terms. The vestry meets monthly, and vestry members are also expected to chair or serve on one commission or head up a project for the parish. Convention delegates represent the parish at the two-day diocesan convention, which usually takes place in Hartford in October.

The Nominating Committee, chaired by Charmian Place, is seeking suggestions for people it may nominate to fill all of these positions. These should be active members of St. Andrew's who attend worship regularly and contribute both time and money to the parish.

The Nominating Committee will consider all suggestions that are submitted, as it forms the slate of candidates for the Annual Meeting. If you'd like to suggest someone—and you may definitely toss your own hat into the ring—please complete a Suggestion Form (available in the Narthex and the parish office; or we can email you one) and give it to Charmian or KC. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Charmian directly.

Halloween in Kent: A Community Tradition



Halloween is a special night in the town of Kent, where children from near and far descend in costumes of all kinds (and some parents do, too). It's a feeling of happiness and childhood merriment as kids parade up to homes and businesses for candy.

Saint Andrews will continue the tradition of handing out candy this year courtesy of vestry members (other parishioners welcome to join) on the steps of the church for a couple of hours. We are gratefully accepting any candy donations that parishioners would like to share. Feel free to drop unopened bags of candy at the Parish Office on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday between 10:00-2:00, outside the Parish Office during Sunday services, or even in the Narthex.

If you've ever wanted to participate or see what all the fun is about during Kent's Halloween night, please feel free to come to the church on Halloween around sundown. You may even spot some people you recognize!

It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year: Christmas Bazaar 2023



Although "Stir up Sunday" is a month away, it is "Gird up your Aprons" time as the Annual Christmas Bazaar will be on November 18th. All of you who bake or preserve for the food section, please start thinking about what you will offer this year, and everyone please look over your treasures—silver, crystal, ornaments and Christmas décor for donations.

The Christmas Bazaar supports St. Andrew's Mission and Outreach programs, so this is our opportunity to support those in need, both near and far.

We are looking forward to working with all of you,

Marel Rogers and Sue Edgerly

# Memorial & Burial Service for Emily McWhinney



There will be a memorial and burial service for Emily McWhinney, longtime devoted parishioner of St. Andrew's, at the Kent School cemetery on Skiff Mountain (just past the Marvelwood School) on Saturday, October 21st at 11 A.M. A lunch will follow at the Fife and Drum. All are welcome.

# Fall Cleanup Day at St. Andrew's Saturday, 28 October



Break out the rakes, brooms and gardening gloves, for it's once again time for Fall Clean-up Day, on **Saturday**, **28 October**, **from 10:00** – **12:00**. Please come join Michael Ward and the Properties Commission for this important—and fun!—morning of cleaning up, sprucing up and polishing up our beautiful campus. There is plenty of work to do, for all levels of ability and interest. **Feel free to show up for an hour or two, or even just for lunch!** 

#### Thank You, Kent School Students!



On 04 October, 9th Grade students from Kent School descended upon our grounds for a day of cleaning up, raking and tidying. They did an outstanding job and we're grateful for the support of our local schools and students.

#### Coffee Hour Has Returned!



Coffee Hour, a chance to catch up with fellow parishioners and welcome new ones, happens weekly after the 10:30 service. Please consider hosting one Sunday, either on your own or ask a friend or parishioner to cohost with you - it's a delicious way to celebrate fellowship and enjoy our parish family!

#### Mark Your Calendars

Friday, 27 October - Saturday, 28 October

Annual ECCT Convention

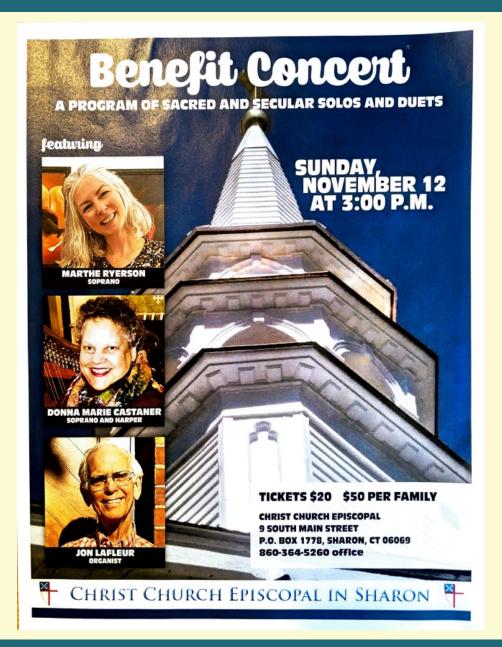
Saturday, 28 October

Fall Clean-up Day

Saturday, 18 November

Annual Christmas Bazaar

# Sacred & Secular Concert, 12 November at Christ Church Episcopal, Sharon



### This Week at St Andrew's

Sunday, 22 October :: 8:30 am

Holy Eucharist: The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, 22 October:: 10:30 am

Holy Eucharist: The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost (with

music) (in-person and live-streamed)

Sunday, 22 October:: 10:30 am

**Church School** 

Monday, 23 October:: 8:00 pm

LGBTQ+ A.A. meeting

Wednesday, 25October :: 6:00 pm

**Midweek Holy Eucharist** 

Wednesday, 25 October :: 7:00 pm

Kent Singers Rehearsal

Thursday, 26 October: 7:00 pm

A.A. meeting

Thursday, 26 October: 7:00 pm Al-Anon meeting (Old Vestry Room)

## 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.

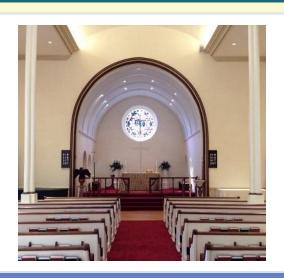
The Kent Food Bank also accepts food donations. They are especially in need of staples such as **beans**, **rice**, **tea**, **coffee**, **sugar**, **nuts**, **hot** & **cold breakfast cereals**, **peanut butter**, **jellies**, **jams and tuna**. Make certain that the 'Best by ...' dates are not past! 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

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> Exodus 33:12-23 Psalm 99 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 Matthew 22:15-22



## 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

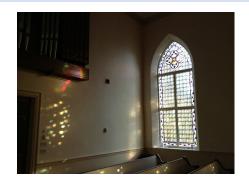
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