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The Fourth Sunday of Easter

From the Wardens

This coming Thursday, May 4, is the National Day of Prayer. Created in 1952 by an act of Congress, the National Day of Prayer is observed each year on the first Thursday of May. We have been informed that there will be an observance in Kent. Please see below for details.

<u>Kent National Day of Prayer Gathering</u> Thursday May 4th from 7:00-7:45pm Kent Veterans Memorial Monument, Maple St Come and join us as we pray for our Country, State, and Town. If there is bad weather, we will meet at the Gazebo on the Town Green.

The "Fighting Episcopalians" Win Top Prize at Kent Chamber of Commerce Game Night!



Game night in Kent, April 11th, was sponsored by the Kent Chamber of Commerce in an effort to create community spirit. Each team of four or five players chose a nonprofit for whom they played and threw \$50 into the kitty. There are over 36 nonprofits here in Kent, and many were represented in a fun evening of trivia and a few physical challenges like hula hooping (Janet Rivkin what is our champion at that). Ellen Corsell, Chamber President, asked **George-Ann Gowan** to form a team so she asked brainiacs and good sports **Marel Rogers, Chris Martin, Janet Rivken**, and **Alexander Coyle** to become the "Fighting Episcopalians". St. Andrew's ended up winning the first prize of \$500 for our mission in Outreach Commission.

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.

This Week at St Andrew's

Sunday, 30 April :: 8:30 am Holy Eucharist: *The Fourth Sunday of Easter*

Sunday, 30 April :: 9:15 am Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, 30 April :: 10:30 am Holy Eucharist: *The Fourth Sunday of Easter* (with music) *(in-person and live-streamed)*

Sunday, 30 April :: 10:30 am Church School Sunday, 30 April:: 11:30 am Coffee Hour

Monday, 01 May :: 8:00 pm LGBTQ+ A.A. meeting

Wednesday, 03 May :: 6:00 pm Midweek Holy Eucharist

Thursday, 04 May :: 7:00 pm A.A. meeting

Thursday, 04 May :: 7:00 pm Al-Anon meeting (Old Vestry Room)

Mark Your Calendars for These Events...

Sunday, 21 May *Bishop Laura Ahrens Visits*

Sunday, 04 June

Gail Lebert, Transition Consultant, Meets with Parish

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 Fourth Sunday of Easter *Year A*

Acts 2:42-47 Psalm 23 1 Peter 2:19-25 John 10:1-10



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.







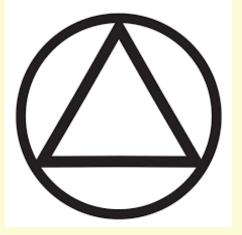
12 Step Meetings

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

KC Compton Parish Administrator

Jane Farnol Church School Leader

Joan I Cassel Financial Secretary

Randy Osolin Verger

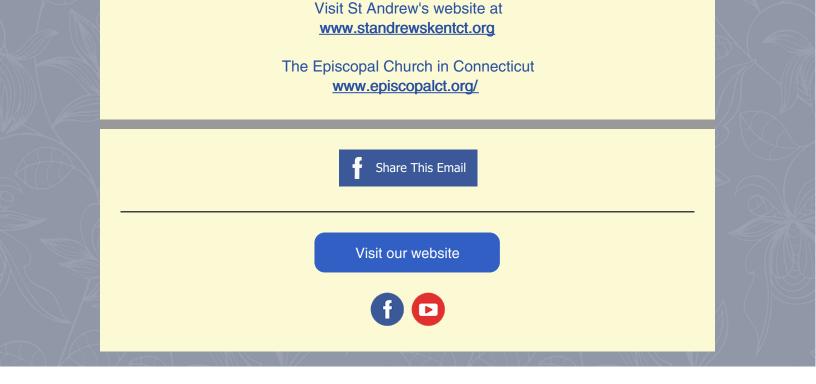
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