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Service Schedule

-Sunday-

Holy Eucharist
8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.
Rite I at 8.30, First Sundays;
Healing Service at 8.30,
Third Sunday
In person
for 25 people with masks at
8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.
(Also available live on
YouTube)

-Wednesday-

Evening Prayer
6.00 p.m.
Resumed (25 people with masks)

-Friday-Prayer & Meditation 5.30 p.m.

This Week & Weekend at St Andrew's

Thursday, 2 July

A.A. at 7.30 a.m (Great Room)
Parish Office Open 10.00 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Call or email only

Sunday, 5 July Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

*In person Service for 25 people (with masks)

8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.
*Sign up to attend with Irene Connors
collageconnors@gmail.com
860.592.0030

*Service is also available Live on YouTube and through our website www.standrewskentct.org

Tuesday, 7 July

Parish Office Open 10.00 - 2 p.m. Call or email only

Wednesday, 8 July

Evening Prayer at 6.00 p.m.

*In person for 25 people

*Sign up with Irene Connors
collageconnors@gmail.com
860.592.0030

Thursday, 9 July

A.A. at 7.30 a.m (Great Room) Parish Office Open 10.00 a.m. - 2 p.m. *Call or email only*

From the Senior Warden

Suspended

Holy Days as announced.

Twelve Step Groups

Wednesdays

7:00 p.m. A.A. for Women Zoom meeting email for info.

Thursdays

A.A. at 7.30 a.m. (Great Room)
Resumed

Al-Anon. at 7.00 p.m. (Vestry Room) Suspended

Parish Staff

Thomas W. Holcombe, Organist & Director of Choirs

Margie O'Brien, Director of the Children's Choir

Heather Scofield, Parish Administrator

Joan I. Cassel Financial Secretary

> Bill McLaren, Sexton

Randy Osolin, Verger

Hi All,

We had a wonderful visit from Bishop Laura last week. After the service she spent time with the vestry discussing The Episcopal Church in Connecticut and St. Andrew's in particular. She is very excited and supportive about our new Priest in Charge. She will return to ordain Douglas on Saturday, September 12th. We haven't figured out exactly what to do on that day yet. Possibilities include having the ordination at St. Joseph's or maybe renting a large tent. So mark the date. More details to follow later.

Also, we have been having good attendance at the 10:30 AM service and will continue to broadcast it live for the time being (fingers crossed!). Also, starting this week we are going to have the 8:30 AM service as well. The Rev. Lisa Hahneman will be with us for both services so plan on attending if you can.

We are still following the re-opening guidelines outlined by the State of Connecticut. Part of that means that we must keep an advance list of people who would like to attend. If you would like to attend either service please email or call Irene (collageconnors@gmail.com or 860.592.0030) and she will put you on the list.

Have a great holiday weekend.

Christopher Rehkow

From the Junior Warden

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

The Vestry and Properties Commission are happy to announce that the refurbishment of the Rectory is almost complete. The dumpster has been removed and final finish details are almost done. With Douglas and Jim arriving the end of July, we wanted to "show off" the completion and offer members of the parish a chance to see the Rectory before it becomes a home again.

Once again, the Parish owes a debt of gratitude to Wes Wyrick for spearheading the design, drawings and specifications, and supervising construction with the same passion and commitment that he gave to the renovation of the church. We are truly blessed to have him as a talented and generous member of St. Andrew's.

So, this Saturday and Sunday from 12-1:15, both days, we are inviting "tours" every 15 minutes with a maximum of 5 people for each walk about. The house is air-conditioned so social distancing is most important with everyone wearing a mask and keeping a 6' distance

Please email me (<u>cplace@coopermailbox.com</u>) if you would like to join and which day and time you prefer. Needless to say I will not be policing with my stop watch so hopefully everyone will be flexible

and patient with the format.

I look forward to seeing you this weekend,

Charmian Place

On behalf of the

Vestry and Properties Commission

Racial Healing Resources

Racial Healing, Justice, Reconciliation, and Education Resources

A digital library, network of information, and educational resources to help introduce foundational concepts, language, and tools to help encourage and enable congregations to begin opening their hearts and minds about the sin of racism are available.

https://www.episcopalct.org/ecct-events/season-of-racial-healingjustice-and-reconciliation/resources/

PDF list of Resources

https://www.episcopalct.org/Customer-Content/www/CMS/files/BLM_resources_donate_1.pdf

Black Lives Matter Resources & Organizations to Support https://www.episcopalct.org/blm/

ECCT's Racial Justice Resource Coordinator:
Kelli Ray Gibson
kgibson@episcopalct.org

Racial Ministry Network

Racial Justice, Healing, and Reconciliation Ministry Network

This is a network comprised of lay and clergy persons who are passionate about and strive for racial healing, justice, reconciliation and restoring all human beings to each other, the church, and God.

https://www.episcopalct.org/Find-Resources/ministrynetworks/racialhealingjusticereconciliation/

Zoom Bible Study



Northwest Region Zoom Bible Study

Rev. Martha Tucker is leading a NW Region Bible Study on Tuesdays at 4PM! We are looking at the Gospel of John! All are welcome to join!! The zoom link is below.

https://episcopalct.zoom.us/j/786414686

Please contact Dylan Mello with any questions at dmello@episcopalct.org

PraiseMoves!



Looking for a way to stretch, exercise and hear the Word of God? Then try

PraiseMoves!

Now, easy to do right in the comfort of your own home. Mary Perry, Certified PraiseMoves Instructor from St. Paul's Brookfield will be holding Zoom classes

Saturdays at 10:00

Message her at <u>maryperry2@me.com</u> for the link. Come, try it out! Appropriate for all Fitness Levels!

Second Sunday at Camp Washington

Second Sunday July 12th at 4:30 pm

As we begin to safely gather, we invite you back to Camp Washington!

Join us at the **Outdoor Chapel** for Evening Prayer officiated by the Rev. Carrie Combs, Provisional Priest-In-Charge at Trinity Collinsville.

In the beauty of our outdoor sanctuary we will read Evening Prayer and offer a time for reflection and Thanksgiving.

Following Evening Prayer we will move to the front lawn for a simple al fresco supper.

A **donation of \$10.00** is appreciated to cover the cost of the meal.

In case of inclement weather, the rain date will be July 19th

In this time of COVID-19 there are some very important guidelines we must follow:

- You must register prior to the event. Space is limited.
- NO walk-ins will be allowed.
- Seating will be assigned.
- You must wear a mask and practice social distancing.
- You will be directed where to park upon arrival.
- If you are not feeling well, or have been around someone who isn't well, we ask that you stay home.
- If you are in an at risk population, we encourage you to make healthy choices for you and the community.

PLEASE REGISTER HERE

The Kent Food Bank

Please help the parish continue our support of the Kent Food Bank by sending a check in any amount to:

P.O. Box 262 Kent, CT 06757

*Remember to put Food Bank in the memo of your check.

These funds will be used to purchase vouchers for local families in need, under the direction of our town's Social Services Director, Leah Pullaro.

The Kent Food Bank is also taking food donations during this difficult time.

The Kent Food Bank is
especially in need of:
Staples such as beans, rice, tea,
coffee, sugar, nuts,
hot & cold breakfast cereals,
peanut butter, jellies, jams and tuna

Please remember that the Food Bank accepts pet foods as well!

Make certain that the 'Best by ...' dates are not past!

You may drop off food items on Thursdays from 9.00 to Noon in the back of the Community House on Main Street. Please DO NOT come into the Food Bank, but leave outside the door.

ECCT COVID-19 Resources

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The Episcopal Church in Connecticut has put together many resources for us to utilize. There are financial resources for parishes, self-care information, and livestream information as well. Please see

HERE

or the link below to explore current news, events, and

offerings.

https://www.episcopalct.org/covid-19-coronavirusupdates/

Share with ECCT

share your COVID-19 experience

SHARE A REFLECTION ON HOW YOU ARE DOING IN THIS TIME OF CORONAVIRUS AND PHYSICAL DISTANCING.

WHERE HAVE YOU SEEN GOD?
WHAT ARE YOU LEARNING?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO CARE FOR YOURSELF?

email your reflection to storytelling@episcopalct.org



We invite folks from all across the Episcopal Church in Connecticut to share a reflection on your COVID-19 experience with us. We are putting together a blog series with reflections from you, to share how folks are experiencing and living into this new normal

Where have you seen God during this time?

What are you learning?

What are you doing to care for yourself?

We invite you to submit a reflection, no more than 600 words, along with a photo. The photo can be of you or something that goes with your reflection.

Please email your reflections to **storytelling@episcopalct.org**

Adding to the Prayer List

During the transition time, Heather Scofield, our Administrator, will be maintaining the parish Prayer List. Please call her and ask her to add names to the list,

that you would like the prayers offered.

And please remember to let her know when she may remove the name(s).

Except for the names we know to keep on the Prayer List on a long term basis, we will remove names after 3 months and ask that you resubmit if the names should remain.

You may also write to Heather at st.andrew. kent @snet.net

Please be sure to provide her with a telephone number so that she may be able to ask if she has any questions.

We remember the faithful departed during the week after their deaths, and on those Sundays when you ask for their names to be included.

Coffee in the Commons Podcast



COFFEE HOUR AT THE COMMONS

is a podcast where faith meets daily life over a cup of coffee and casual conversations. Modeled off of the eighth sacrament of the Church, the Coffee Hour, your hosts Alli and Jasree, sometimes joined by guests, will engage in a variety of topics. All conversations center around hearing the stories of how people live out their faith in their lives.

Listen to the latest episode below!

http://www.coffeehour.org/

The Annual Reports for 2019

The Reports presented at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, 26 January 2020, are available in hardcopy form in the narthex or in the Parish Office, and may be view online by clicking on

Annual Report 2019

A Request from *FISH* 'Friends in Service Here'

FISH provides rides for those needing to keep local medical appointments, and

VOLUNTEERS
ARE VERY MUCH NEEDED,
IN PARTICULAR DRIVERS!
FISH is very short-handed

Please call Edith Altvater (new number: 860.539.9957) if you can help!

A Prayer for Change

This prayer has been used several times since this summer at Eucharist and several of you have asked that we reprint it again. It was developed by The Women's Prayer Circle of St John's Church in North Guilford, as a reflection on the state of the world and how to bring God's love. Their hope is, as more people and churches use and share it, the prayer will create an energy that will be a force for loving change.

A Prayer for Change

Loving God,
You have made the whole of human life in your image;
each one of us shaped in love.
Your goodness is ever-present within us all.
But, there is so much evil and pain in our world,
it comes at us from every direction.
Teach us how to rediscover Your love within us,
to use that love as a force for good.
help us to turn our hearts toward the world in hope,
Praying for each other, regarding each other as treasure.
Join us all together in prayer, that we might be the light which
darkness can never overcome;
through Jesus Christ we pray.

Amen.

Homily

Please click on the link below in order to hear or read the Homilies located on our website.

click on **Homily**

The Lections this Week

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost Year A

Zechariah 9.9-12; Psalm 145.8-15; Romans 7.15-25a; Matthew 11.16-19,25-30