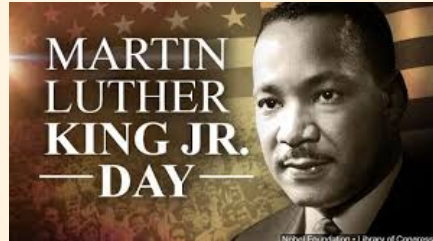




This week at St. Andrew's

Thursday, January 12, 2023

Welcome to St. Andrew's Weekly E-mail Newsletter. In an effort to keep the congregation better informed we will be sending out this newsletter on Thursdays to cover events happening at the church through the following Wednesday. We hope you find it useful.



The Mission of St. Andrew's Parish is to worship God, grow in discipleship, and share Christ's love.
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 2018

January 15, 2023

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman

Organist: Sean Fleming

Choir Director: Linda Blanchard

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite II

Altar Guild: Ruth Piper

Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor: Ann Kash

Lector: Seth Stewart

Usher: Kelley Kash

Vestry Announcer: Seth Stewart

The worship booklet for the 8:00am Sunday service is available by clicking [here](#).

10:00am Holy Eucharist Rite II

Altar Guild: Maryanne Ward

Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor: Lili Pugh

Lectors: Alex Pugh & David Blanchard

Ushers: Cindy Freese & Jennifer Meade

Livestream Operator: Fred Kraeuter

Vestry Announcer: Lili Pugh

The worship booklet for the 10:00am Sunday service is available by clicking [here](#). This service is also livestreamed to St. Andrew's Facebook page where it can be viewed live or recorded.

You can get to our Facebook page by clicking [here](#)

You can get to our YouTube channel by clicking [here](#)

You can get to our Website by clicking [here](#)

Readings for Sunday, January 15 can be found on the Lectionary Page website.

If you would like to access the website, please [click here](#)

Once you are at lectionarypage.net, you may choose **NEW Resource:** [RCL Daily Readings](#). If you scroll

Note about the music for January 15:

In celebration of the life and witness of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., we will sing several of Dr. King's favorite hymns at both services on January 15.

From a sermon by Dr. King delivered at Mount Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church, Chicago, Illinois, on 27 August 1967:

"Centuries ago Jeremiah raised a question, 'Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there?' He raised it because he saw the good people suffering so often and the evil people prospering. Centuries later our slave foreparents came along. And they too saw the injustices of life, and had nothing to look forward to morning after morning but the rawhide whip of the overseer, long rows of cotton in the sizzling heat. But they did an amazing thing. They looked back across the centuries and they took Jeremiah's question mark and straightened it into an exclamation point. And they could sing, 'There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole. There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.'"

Dr. King often requested that the hymn "Precious Lord, take my hand" be sung at services at which he was preacher, and Mahalia Jackson sang it at his 1968 funeral.

And a quote from Dr. King's speech entitled "Remaining Awake Through a Great Revolution" which was delivered at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. on 31 March 1968:

"We must face the sad fact that at eleven o'clock on Sunday morning when we stand to sing 'In Christ there is no East or West,' we stand in the most segregated hour of America." -Sean Fleming



St. Andrew's Annual Parish Meeting Sunday, March 5

ANNUAL MEETING

9:00am, followed by the Annual Meeting in the undercroft.

St. Andrew's Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Sunday, March 5 (snow date March 12). There will be a single service at

Please note: Annual reports should be sent to the office email: stasnew@tidewater.net and should be received no later than Wednesday, February 22, 2023

Intergenerational Sunday at St. Andrew's

We all enjoyed the group of enthusiastic kids who helped us celebrate last Sunday. Charlie and Madeline Rohman helped with ushering while Theresa and Sylvia Cooke, along with Caitlyn Young, led the procession. Caitlyn is the granddaughter of Dan and Karen Belknap. We are trying to have intergenerational Sunday at least once a month when we encourage our youth to actively participate in worship.



Leading the procession



Asperging the congregation with holy water after renewal of our baptismal vows

An update on Marc and Ralph Zoorob from Heidi Shott

Dear St. Andrew's friends (and Bishop Brown),

Happy New Year!

Just a quick update on where things stand with the Zoorob boys.

Marc loved his first semester in the Honors College at UMO. He worked very hard and earned a 4.0 for the semester and made the Dean's List. He is sharing his CSS profile (not required by UMO) with the International Office and the Financial Aid Office to help make a case for additional aid for 2023-2024. He is also applying to be an RA which would knock \$11K off of his bill for next year. He has been invited to be a paid tutor next semester as well.

While it would be great for him to stay somewhere he's happy and thriving, there are still considerable financial challenges. He recognizes that transferring - whether the school has an engineering program or not - is a way to solve the tuition problem. He will apply as a transfer student for next fall to a number of schools in the coming weeks. His 4.0 will be a great help to him.

As for Ralph, he has been accepted at UMO (\$15K scholarship) and USM (\$11K scholarship.) He was rejected from Colby. The ray of good news is that Sewanee, where he's applied Early Action, requested a second interview with him. That happens at 4:30 p.m. today, so say a little prayer around that time. He has prepared well.

As you might recall, each year Sewanee offers ten international students a full ride for four years. Archbishop Hosam Naoum wrote a beautiful letter recommending him for the scholarship, so fingers crossed. Randy Miller, a local Sewanee alum, has been a staunch advocate of Ralph's admission since we introduced him to Ralph in November. Sewanee releases its Early Action decisions in the next week or so.

Archdeacon Imad and Hind Zoorob will arrive in late May for Ralph's graduation on June 2 and stay for a week or ten days. I'll be in touch with their dates as soon as they're set in case St. Andrew's wants to welcome them or engage with them in some way.

*All for now. Thanks so much for your support of these fine boys!
Heidi*

Pledge Envelopes for 2023

Pledge Envelopes are available in the atrium for those who have pledged and requested them. If you do not see your name and would like to have envelopes for 2023, please contact the office at 563-3533.



Snowy Weather

In case of snowy weather, please check your email or the church phone message (563-3533) for any service changes due to the weather.

Coffee Hours this Sunday

This Sunday, there will be coffee hours in the undercroft after each of the services hosted by Ham and Mary Martin after the 8am service and by Lili and Alex Pugh after the 10am service. Please come for coffee, goodies and fellowship

Ecumenical Food Pantry Note:

We have learned that the Ecumenical Food Pantry is no longer accepting donations of food and supplies. Thank you for your past donations but we are unable to collect items for them anymore. We continue to forward check and cash donations designated for the food pantry.

Holy Women, Holy Men William Laud Archbishop of Canterbury

On almost every day of the year, the Episcopal Church honors faithful followers of Jesus who went before us. Every Wednesday at St. Andrew's during our Healing Eucharist, we remember one of more of these Holy Men and Women. We take time to remember these people for three important reasons. First, they deserve to be remembered. The people chosen for our calendar are remembered because they were particularly remarkable followers of Jesus. The second reason we remember them is because in remembering we are connected to Christians throughout time. And last but not least, we remember them because in remembering we can learn how to be better followers of Jesus in our day and time.

This week we remember William Laud. Please click [here](#) to learn more about him.

Weekday Worship

Compline: Monday-Friday 9 PM
Zoom Meeting ID:

Wednesday Healing Service: Wednesdays at 10:00am

Meetings

Benedictine Group: 11:15 AM Wednesday
Zoom Meeting ID:

Knitting Group: 2-4pm Fridays
All welcome: knitters, non-knitters and everything in between
Zoom Meeting ID:

Intercessory Prayer List

"The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words." (Romans 8:26)

We pray for those who are ill or with special needs:

Rob & Irma Hargreaves, Alan Hargreaves, Phil Bartley, Amanda Smith, Stephen Gorrill, Val Gorrill, Bob Gorrill, Ellen B., Allie, Anne Rossideas, Bruce Rinker, Felicia McAllister, Tom Sullivan, Todd, Donald Johnson Olderson, Tom Belanger, Dick, Catherine Fleming, Alex Place, Mark Place, Donna Badgley, Tyler, Bruce & Julie, Cynthia Troxel, Jane Ferris, Maureen McNiff, Geoff & Rachel Titherington, Sam Young, Brad & Tina Reynolds, Victoria, Robin Schneider, Matthew Schneider, Lorrie Buchanan, Jane Gear, Janice & Paul Roman, Bob Gault, David Harris, Katrina Wozich, Peter Blanchard, John Banta, The Sikora Family, Eileen, Tim Badgley

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