

This week at St. Andrew's

Thursday, March 21, 2024

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



Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 24, 2024

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite I

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman

<u>Preacher</u>: The Rev. Ben Cooke Altar Guild: Marianne Pinkham

<u>Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor</u>: Martha Elliott Lectors: Seth Stewart & Marianne Pinkham

Passion Gospel Readers: Jim Swan, Andrew Donaldson, Ben Cooke, Laura Blanchard, Seth Stewart,

Ruth Piper, Brett Donham, Martha Elliott, The Congregation

<u>Usher</u>: Marianne Pinkham Vestry Announcer: Ruth Piper

The worship booklet for the 8am Sunday service is available by clickinghere.

10:00am Holy Eucharist Rite II

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman

<u>Preacher</u>: The Rev. Ben Cooke <u>Organist</u>: Sean Fleming

<u>Choir Director</u>: Linda Blanchard <u>Altar Guild</u>: Sarah Houghton

<u>Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor</u>: Rob Flory <u>Lectors</u>: Ann Creamer & Jennifer Meade

<u>Passion Gospel Readers</u>: Martha Dodge, Sean Fleming, Fred Kraeuter, Bill Judd, Jeanne Titherington,

Ann Creamer, David Blanchard, and Martha Elliott, The Congregation.

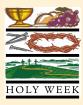
Ushers: Kelley & Ann Kash

<u>Livestream Operator</u>: Fred Kraeuter <u>Vestry Announcer</u>: Laurie Gray

The worship booklet for the 10am Sunday service is available by clickinghere.

The 10am service will also be livestreamed to St. Andrew's Facebook page where it can be viewed live or from a recording.

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Thursday, March 28- MAUNDY THURSDAY

Holy Eucharist with Stripping of the Altar - 7:00 pm (This service will be livestreamed)

Friday, March 29 - GOOD FRIDAY

Liturgy at 12:00 noon

Sunday, March 31 - EASTER DAY

Holy Eucharist Rite I - 8:00am

Holy Eucharist Rite II - 10:00am (This service will be livestreamed)

Good Friday Offering

The history of the Good Friday Offering reaches back to 1922 when, in the aftermath of World War I, The Episcopal Church sought to create new relationships with and among the Christians of the Middle East. From these initial efforts which focused on a combination of relief work and the improvement of ecumenical and Anglican relations, the Good Friday Offering was created.

Through the years many Episcopalians have found the Good Friday Offering to be an effective way to express their support for the ministries of the three dioceses of the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East. Pastoral care, education and health care continue to be primary ministries through which the reconciling spirit of the Christian faith serves all in need. Participation in this ministry is welcome. The generous donations of Episcopalians help the Christian presence in the Land of the Holy One to be a vital and effective force for peace and understanding among all of God's children.

For 102 years, Episcopalians have generously shared their love, compassion, and financial gifts to support the ministry of the Anglican Communion Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East. These gifts have made an astounding difference in the lives of many people in the homeland of Jesus and beyond.

This year, St. Andrew's vestry has approved that all loose offerings on Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday will be given to the Episcopal Church in support of Christians in the Middle East.

Easter Flowers

This year Easter Sunday is March 31. If you would like to make an Easter flower donation in thanksgiving for or memory of a loved one, envelopes can be found on the backs of the pews. Please fill out the outside, include your donation (cash or check) and place in the offertory plate. You may also bring or mail them to the office. Please contact the church office (563-3533) with any questions.



Please note: The deadline is Monday, March 25 to have your flower dedications included in the

Easter bulletins.

Altar Flowers throughout the year

If you are interested in having altar flowers given on a Sunday in memory or thanksgiving for someone in your life, please contact Sally Pearce.



Outreach conversation

Sunday, April 7th 11:30am in the Library

In this season of Easter, we are sent out into the world to share the love of Christ with others through our words, actions and whole life, often called outreach. After the 10am service on April 7th, we will be holding a gathering for anyone interested in envisioning what outreach might look like at St Andrew's in the future and maybe being part of a reformed outreach committee to make that happen. Anyone is welcome to just come with your thoughts and questions at that time - Ben Cooke

Spring Cleaning at St. Andrew's

We have been doing some spring closet cleaning at the church and have come across items that we are giving away to any who would like them. They include postcards, note pads, note cards, trivets, church decals and pins. They have been sitting in a closet for many years and are now displayed on the table in the atrium. Please feel free to take as many as you would like. If you would like to leave a donation to outreach, please place it in the red box on the table in the atrium.

Holy Women, Holy Men Cuthbert

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 Cuthbert. Please click **here** to learn more about him.

Weekday Worship

Compline: Monday-Friday 8:30 PM

Zoom Meeting

Wednesday Healing Service: Wednesdays at 10:00am

<u>Meetings</u>

Benedictine Group: 11:15 AM Wednesday

Zoom Meeting

Knitting Group: 2-4pm Fridays

All welcome: knitters, non-knitters and everything in between. Meeting in the Undercroft unless otherwise announced.

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, Nathan Hargreaves, Phil Bartley, Stephen Gorrill, Val Gorrill, Ellen B., Allie, Anne Rossideas, Bruce Rinker, Felicia McAllister, Tom Sullivan, Todd, Donald Johnson Olderson, Tom Belanger, Dick, Catherine Fleming, Tyler & Christine, Bruce & Julie, Cynthia Troxel, Jane Ferris, Janice Roman, Bob Gault, Beth, Shelby Owen, Peter Blanchard, Dennis C., Robin Fre, Allison Rose, Hilda Ives, Drew Haven, Emily Goodspeed.

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Rector: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman Curate: The Rev. Ben Cooke Senior Warden: Sara Sandberg - Junior Warden: Kelley Kash Clerk: Terry Marsh - Treasurer: Mark Freese Organist: Sean Fleming - Choir Director: Linda Blanchard Parish Administrator: Ann Kash Ministers: All Members of the Parish

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