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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 Sundays

-Wednesday-

Holy Eucharist 6.00 p.m.

-Friday-

Prayer & Meditation 5.30 p.m.

Holy Days as announced.

Calendar

Friday, 13 September Farewell Gathering at the

This Week & Weekend at St Andrew's

Wednesday, 11 September
Holy Eucharist for the Feast of the Holy Cross
at 6.00 p.m.

A.A. for Women at 7.00 p.m.

Thursday, 12 September

A.A. at 7.30 a.m. (Parish House)

Parish Office Open 10.00 a.m. - Noon
Al. Anon. at 7.00 p.m. (Vestry Room)

Friday, 13 September
Prayer & Meditation at 5.30 p.m.
Farewell Gathering at 7.00 p.m.
(Kent Community House)

Saturday, 14 September Choir Rehearsal at 9.30 a.m. (Choir Room)

> Sunday, 15 September Pentecost XIV Proper 19

Holy Eucharist at 8.30 a.m.

Morning Prayer & Holy Eucharist at 10.30 a.m.

Iced Tea & Cookies at 11.30 a.m. (Parish House)

Tuesday, 17 September Parish Office Open 10.00 - Noon

Wednesday, 18 September Holy Eucharist for the Feast of St Matthew at 6.00 p.m.

A.A. for Women at 7.00 p.m.

From the Rector

Dear Friends,

For several years now, members of the Town Crew have, week by week stopped by each of the three church buildings in town and picked up the donations gathered there for the Kent Food Bank. Community House at 7.00 p.m.

Sunday, 15 September In Thanksgiving for Fr Steve Klots at 10.30 a.m

Vestry Meeting at Noon (Library)

Sunday, 22 September

Dylan Mello, the new Missioner of the NW Region, will preach at 10.30 a.m. Farewell Coffee at 11.30 a.m. (Great Room)

Sunday, 13 October
Canon Tolzmann
will preside, preach,
and make a
presentation about the
time of transition
between rectors.

Saturday - Sunday 26 - 27 October Diocesan Convention Connecticut Convention Center (Hartford)

Twelve Step Groups

Wednesdays

7:00 p.m. A.A. for Women (moved to First Church until 7 August)

Thursdays

A.A. at 7.30 a.m.
(Great Room)
Al-Anon. at 7.00 p.m.
(Vestry Room)

Parish Staff

The Revd Roger B. White, Rector

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 Leah Pullaro, the Director of Social Services in Kent, has just let each of the congregations know that this can no longer happen and that we will now be responsible for bringing our donations to the Kent Food Bank (on the lower level of the Community House). The drop-offs can occur on Thursday morning at 10.00 and on Friday mornings, 9.00 - 9.30. In addition, we will need to inspect the donations in order to ascertain that the containers have not been opened and that the 'Best by' date is not in the past.

And so we need to find a volunteer (or several!) to step up and offer to check the donations gathered in the basket in the narthex (on the window sill just opposite the stairs to the bell tower) and then deliver them to the Community House. Please call or stop by the Parish Office and let Heather know if you can help.

Leah's note provides an occasion to remind ourselves that the basket for donations of food *is* in the narthex, and that it needs to be used! An easy and thoughtful way to help those who do rely on the Food Bank --in particular as the colder weather approaches-- is to bring a can, or several cans, of soup with you to church. Or a jar of peanut butter Or a couple of boxes of tea bags Etc., etc., etc.

All of the food banks in Litchfield County are well-used by the many who need the help, and the one in Kent is no exception. The hungry are very much in our midst, and keeping Food Bank well-supplied is a graceful thing to do

Faithfully, Roger

Giving thanks for the ministry amongst us of the Reverend Steve Klots

Just under three and one-half years ago, the sacristy of St Michael's Chapel at South Kent School was all but destroyed by a fire that started accidentally. A member of the faculty, walking past the building at midnight, smelled the smoke and sounded the alarm, and the KVFD arrived promptly with backup from Gaylordville. The entire chapel could have gone up in flames, but for the efforts of our local firefighters.

There was extensive smoke and water damage throughout the building and so the chapel was closed for months and the organ sent out for repair. The contents of the sacristy --where vestments, Communion ware, etc. are stored-- were a complete loss, and in the months that followed, ordained alumni contributed vestments that they no longer used and one of the classes of the alums presented the school with a new set of Communion silver. A year ago April, Bishop Douglas came to South Kent and rededicated the completely and beautifully refurbished chapel, and its wonderfully restored organ, played by

Bill McLaren, Sexton

Randy Osolin, Verger Tom Holcombe, sounded out mighty hymns as a large congregation sang along.

On the night of the fire, the Chaplain of the school, Steve Klots, ministered generously to the community, offering to those stunned spectators who wanted it, Communion from the Reserved Sacrament that the firefighters had rescued from the aumbry near the high altar; and thereafter he kept the regular worship of the school going through months of conducting services in a less-than-ideal space.

Steve lost some personal items in the blaze, and we quickly offered to replace the leather-bound Prayer Book & Hymnal that his sponsoring parish had given him when he was ordained deacon, as well as the tippet --the black scarf worn at Morning Prayer and at Evensong-- that had been decorated with the patches of both his seminary (the Berkeley Divinity School at Yale) and of South Kent School itself.

Replacing the patch of South Kent School turned out to be more difficult than expected, for it had changed a couple of times since Steve first arrived there, almost thirty years ago We kept looking, putting out requests; and, although there were several kind offers, no one was able to produce quite the right version of the patch.

And so finally were are simply going to present Steve with the Prayer Book & Hymnal, and a new tippet with the Berkeley/Yale patch on one end and the current SKS patch on the other. If anyone knows where one of the older ones might be found, please let Steve know and we can have it sewn onto his tippet as well; in the meantime Steve has waited long enough for the things that meant so much to him to have replacements.

We shall be giving the book and tippet to Steve, from all of us, at 10.30 a.m. on Sunday, 15 September. Please plan to attend and give thanks for Steve's wonderful ministry at South Kent School and among us in St Andrew's Parish.

Please Save the Dates!

The Parish are invited to remember our lives together over the past (almost) 34 years as the Rector prepares to retire on 1 October.

We will gather as a parish at the Community House on Friday, 13 September, at 7.00 p.m.

(Please notice the corrected time!)

And please RSVP as soon as you are able!

the Parish House for a special Coffee at 11.30 a.m.

On Sunday, 22 September, we will gather in

with friends from the larger Kent community.

Please help by bringing a plate of finger food --sweet or savory-- to fill out the buffet table!

The Rector's final Sunday here will be on 29 September, the Feast of St Michael & All Angels.

From Lynn Perry

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Please remember that everyone in the parish is invited to gather at the Community House (93 North Main Street) at 7.00 p.m. on Friday, 13 September, in order to mark Roger's retirement as our Rector.

Invitations have gone out and the date is only a month away. RSVP as soon as possible --rogerrsvp@yahoo.com or to Lynn Perry, PO Box 411, Kent 06757-- so that we are able to plan appropriately.

Many thanks, Lynn

The New Missioner for the NW Region of the ECCT

On 22 September, the Sunday when we gather for a special Coffee with friends from the wider Kent Community, Dylan Mello, the new Missioner for the NW Region of the ECCT, will be here to introduce himself and to offer to be of what assistance he can be during the transition.

Dylan is a delightful guy, a Postulant for Holy Orders in the ECCT, and he and his family will by then have moved into the NW Corner. Please plan to welcome him to our midst on that morning, and please plan to introduce him to people you know throughout the town!

'Friends in Service Here'

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

VOLUNTEERS
ARE VERY MUCH NEEDED,
IN PARTICULAR DRIVERS!
The sudden death of Jim Lovelett has left FISH 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.

The Homily from Pentecost IX

Please click on the link below in order to hear or read

David Lindley's Homily for 8 September

HOMILY for 8 September

The Lections this Week

The Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost 15 September 2019

Proper 19, Year C
Exodus 32.7-14
Psalm 51.1-11
I Timothy 1.12-17
Luke 15.1-10

The flowers on this morning are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Bill Armstrong and Roy Whitney Ellegard.

Refreshments after the 10.30 a.m. Liturgy

From 30 June through 15 September, we will once again be having iced tea and cookies after the 10.30 liturgy, and donations of cookies will be gratefully received. Please leave them on the pass-through into the kitchen!

St Andrew's Crafters

With the Annual Christmas Bazaar fewer than six months away, the St Andrew's Crafters will next meet on

Monday, 9 September in the Parish House

and will continue to meet on the First Monday of the month through November.

Needed by The Kent Food Bank

This month, The Kent Food Bank is especially in need of coffee, tea, sugar, nuts, hot & cold breakfast cereals, canned soups, canned or bottled fruit juices.

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

Also: the Bank is interested its selections

for personal care including supplies for adult incontinence, soaps, toothpastes, feminine products, etc.

Donations may be dropped off in the basket in the narthex, to the left of the doors. And please: do try to make certain that the 'Best by ...' dates are not past!

The Annual Reports for 2018

The Reports presented at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, 21 January, are available in hardcopy form in the narthex or in the Parish Office, and may be view online by clicking on

Annual Report 2018

Announcements

A request from those who count the collection monies:

The counters ask us to help them by tagging our cheques so that they are certain as to how to receive them: as Pledge, as donations to the Capital Fund, donations to the Discretionary or Mission & Outreach Funds, etc.

Please remember that the loose offering on the first Sundays of the month

... is given to the Parish Discretionary Fund for those in any kind of need.

The Quality Thrift Shop

... at The First Congregational Church is very much an effort of the whole of our community to provide affordable clothing and household necessities to those who need them. Members of St Andrew's Parish and of Sacred Heart Church help out there, and more help is urgently needed! Whatever hours you can give will be appreciated, and so please call 860.927.3287 if you are able to assist!



The ten bells of St. Joseph's Chapel at Kent School are hung for change ringing, a form of bell ringing first popularized in England during the 17th century. Ringers memorize striking patterns and practice putting them together into compositions.

- · Guild practices are held the second and fourth Sundays of the month,1 from 3-5 pm.
- · Guild members also regularly travel to towers throughout the Northeast,2 and occasionally overseas.3
- · All levels of experience and ability are welcome! New ringers can join any regular practice.
- · Contact Matthew Austin, Tower Captain, with any questions: austinm@kent-school.edu.



Thanksgiving and Christmas occasionally intervene.

At nearby Camp Washington campwashington.org

190 Kenyon Road, Lakeside 860.567.9623

SECOND SUNDAYS at Camp Washington

at 4.30 p.m.

Guest clergy will offer a short program, followed by worship and then a simple meal, at Camp Washington on the second Sunday of the month. Those interested are asked to make reservations at 860.567.9623. and a \$10 donation for the meal is welcomed. Further information is available at campwashington.org

The Pawling Concert Series

Tapestry

a Boston-based women's vocal ensemble, performing 'Starry Night'

² There are "48 towers in North America, 14 on the Northeast corridor.
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³ There are "5000 towers in England: in recent years guild members have rung towers in Amersham, Birmingham, Exeter, London, Oxford, Radley, Shiplake, and Worcester, among other locations.

Medieval compositions and medieval texts set to modern compositions

Friday, 11 October 7.00 p.m.

in All Saints' Chapel Trinity-Pawling School 700 Route 22 in Pawling, New York

WINDSYNC

in a multi-media performance
'A Trip to the Moon'

using visuals from the 1902 silent film and contemporary film footage from NASA

Friday, 22 November 7.00 p.m.

in the Gardiner Theater Trinity-Pawling School 700 Route 22 in Pawling, New York