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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

Sunday, 20 January

This Week & Weekend at St Andrew's

Wednesday, 16 January

**Holy Eucharist for the Confession of St Peter (transf.)
at 6.00 p.m.**

Kent Singers Rehearsal at 7.00 p.m. (Nave)
A.A. for Women at 7.00 p.m. (Great Room)

Thursday, 17 January

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

Parish Office open 10.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.

Strong Women, Strong Bones at 10.00 a.m. (Parish House)
Al. Anon. at 7.00 p.m. (Vestry Room)

Friday, 18 January

Prayer & Meditation at 5.30 p.m.

Vestry Potluck Supper at 6.30 p.m. (Great Room)

Saturday, 19 January

Choir Rehearsal at 9.30 a.m. (Choir Room)

Sunday, 20 January

Holy Eucharist at 8.30 a.m.

Choir Rehearsal at 9.30 a.m. (Nave)

Holy Eucharist at 10.30 a.m.

**ANNUAL MEETING of ST ANDREW'S PARISH
at 11.30 a.m. (Nave)**

Tuesday, 22 January

Parish Office open 10.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.

Strong Women, Strong Bones at 10.00 a.m. (Parish House)

Wednesday, 23 January

**Holy Eucharist for the Conversion of St Paul
(transf.) at 6.00 p.m.**

Kent Singers Rehearsal at 7.00 p.m. (Nave)
A.A. for Women at 7.00 p.m. (Great Room)

ANNUAL MEETING 2019

**ANNUAL MEETING
at NOON**

Sunday, 27 January
Lay Preachers Class
at 12.30 p.m. (Library)

Sunday, 3 February
Book Discussion
at 9.30 a.m. (Library)

Sunday, 10 February
Vestry Meeting at Noon
Lay Preachers Class
at 12.30 p.m. (Library)

Saturday, 16 February
Regional Vestry Meeting
(Location TBA)

Sunday, 17 February
Music in the Nave
at 4.00 p.m.

Sunday, 24 February
Evensong at
Trinity Church,
Torrington, at 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday, 6 March
ASH WEDNESDAY
Liturgy of the Day
at Noon & 6.00 p.m.

Twelve Step Groups

Wednesdays

7:00 p.m.
A.A. for Women
(Great Room)

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

Bill McLaren,
Sexton

THE ANNUAL MEETING of ST ANDREW'S PARISH

will be on

SUNDAY, 20 JANUARY at 11.30 A.M.

The purpose of the Meeting is to receive reports, to receive the Budget for 2019, to elect Officers and the members of the Vestry Class of 2022, and to transact any other such business as may properly come before the Meeting.

There will be light refreshments in the Parish House at the conclusion of the Meeting.

Snow date: 27 January at the same hour.

From the Rector

Dear Friends,

On Sunday, the Lay Preachers class met for the first time and it was a lively, informative, and inspiring meeting. Among other things we spent time praying with, reflecting on, one of the famous of Jesus' parables, that of The Good Samaritan (Luke 10.29-37).

People were invited to bring a translation of the Bible that is different from the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV) that we use in worship; and, in the discussion that followed, everyone -- everyone!-- remarked on the different ways of describing the Samaritan's reaction when he discovered the beaten and robbed man in the road. They also noticed the differences in the responses to Jesus' question, Who was the [good] neighbor to the victim of the robbery?, and this also was very perceptive.

Translators always need to make decisions about how most closely to approximate the meaning of words and phrases as they render them into other languages, and the Greek word that the NRSV translates as 'he was moved with pity' the RSV translates as 'he had compassion'. *The Good News for Modern Man* suggests that it means 'his heart was filled with pity', and although I am not all that fond of *The Message*, its rendering strikes me as somehow closest to the Greek --'his heart went out to him'. The Greek refers to something gut-wrenching, to an 'aching in one's bowels', and although 'compassion' and 'pity' convey the beauty of the Samaritan's response, they may lack the anguished, visceral nature of how LUke tells us the Samaritan felt.

Similarly, when Jesus asks, Who then was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?, the reply in the NRSV reads 'The one who showed him mercy'; *The Good News for Modern Man* says, 'the one who was kind to him'; wording in The New English Bible is 'the one who showed him kindness'; and the Jerusalem Bible puts it as 'the one who took pity on him'.

**Randy Osolin,
Verger**

'Mercy', 'kindness', and 'pity' can be similar, but they are not quite the same, and it became clear to everyone in the class that the translations that we use shape how we hear what the Scriptures have to say. And so when we read or hear the Scriptures we need open minds and open hearts, allow the Spirit to inspire ('breathe into') us, and ... sometimes to wonder how a word or phrase that strikes us might also be translated Which is part of what makes studying the Scriptures so rewarding, so stimulating, and frankly ... so much fun.

Those people who, before or after morning worship, look up the readings and then read them through in a couple of different translations often hear a great deal, have a great deal to consider.

Faithfully,
Roger+

Lay Preachers Class

Beginning on the Sunday, 21 January, and running for four Sundays in March, St Andrew's is privileged to be able to host a Lay Preaching Class organised by Eliza Marth, the ECCT Missioner for the Northwest Region. The training will begin to equip members of three congregations --St Andrew's; St John's, New Milford; and Trinity, Lime Rock-- to speak theologically 'from the pulpit' on occasional Sundays.

The meetings will take place on Sunday afternoons, 12.30 - 2.30, and Alexis Dorf, the Reverend Jack Gilpin, and I have helped Eliza to put the program together.

I am delighted to report that Randy DiPentima, Nick and Janet Downes, and David Lindley were pleased to agree to take the classes, and we look forward to hearing from them!

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 Christmas Eve

*Please click on the link below in order
to hear
the Rector's homily from 13 January*

[HOMILY](#) for 213 January

From the Reverend Brett Figlewski

To my St. Andrew's family:

From the bottom of my heart I thank you for the love which palpably enveloped me during my time as your seminarian assistant and most recently at my ordination to the priesthood a few days before Christmas. The Apostles' Stole you gave me as an ordination gift is positively sumptuous and laden with meaning for this our own apostolic age. St. Andrew, the First-Called, will forever have pride of place for me, and shall now on the stole be carried, quite literally, upon my heart. Until we meet again, I remain yours,

In Christ,
Brett







The Lections this Week & Next

**THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE
EPIPHANY
20 January 2019**

Epiphany II, Year C
Isaiah 62.1-5
Psalm 36.5-10
I Corinthians 12.1-11
John 2.1-11

The Annual Reports for 2017

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 2017](#)
[Treasurers Report 2017\(2\)\(3\)](#)

Emendations to the Parish Email & Telephone Directory 2018

*Carol Hoffman Matzke's telephone number has changed to
206.295.4128*

*Bob McDowell's email address is rnmcd30@yahoo.com
{r n m c d}*

Charlie Milligan's email address is chasmil@gmail.com

*Charmian Place & Ken Cooper have closed P.O. Box 72 in South
Kent and are receiving mail at their new street address, 47 Upper
Kent Hollow Road in Kent.
Their telephone number is now 860.592.0003.*

*Georgianne Kent's new email address is
georgiannekent@gmail.com*

*George & Elissa Potts have a new home telephone number:
860.592.0013*

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,
and dish washing liquids and laundry detergents**
*Please remember that the Food Bank accepts
pet foods as well!*

*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!*

Announcements

The Book Discussion Group

... will next meet on Sunday, 13 January, at 9.30 a.m. in the
Library in order to discuss Chapter 11 ('The Attack on
Traditional Religion: The Break with Rome to the Act of Six
Articles') in Eamonn Duffy's remarkable study of the Pre-
Reformation Church in England, *The Stripping of the Altars:
Traditional Religion in England, 1400 - 1580*. All are
welcome!

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!

At nearby Camp Washington

190 Kenyon Road, Lakeside campwashington.org
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.

Further information is available at campwashington.org

**BISHOP'S BOOK STUDY
with Bishop Laura Ahrens
every 3rd Tuesday at 11.00 a.m.
with lunch to follow at 12.30 p.m**

\$10 donation registration

ALL WELCOME!!

On 15 January, the book under discussion will be Leadership, by Doris Kearns Goodwin.

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

FISH provides rides for those needing to keep local medical

appointments, local hair appointments, and to do local grocery shopping, and

***VOLUNTEERS
ARE VERY MUCH NEEDED,
IN PARTICULAR DRIVERS!***

***Please call Edith Altvater
(860.248.0316)
if you can help!***

Music in the Nave

**Sunday, 17 February
4.00 p.m.**

**Margarita Nuller, piano
Adam Grabois, 'cello**

**in
A Recital to Benefit Bethania Kids
music of Franck, Glazunov,
Miaskovsky, & Debussy**

Reception in the Parish House to follow.

\$15 at the doors

***Bethania Kids is a Lutheran charity in South India that
houses, feeds, and educates abandoned, unwanted and
impoverished children.***

***The Mission & Outreach Commission of the parish have been
assisting them for several years.***

Pawling Concert Series

**Friday, 26 April
8.00 p.m.**

**Hubbard Court in the Smith Field House
Trinity-Pawling School
700 Route 22, Pawling, New York**

**Davina & The Vagabonds
in**

**A Coffee House-Style Concert
of New Orleans charm, Memphis soul, tender Gospel
moments, and Kurt Weill-like theatricality**

\$30/\$15 students

www.pawlingconcertseries.org