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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, 24 March

This Week & Weekend at St Andrew's

Wednesday, 20 March

Holy Eucharist for Wednesday in Lent II at 6.00 p.m.

A.A. for Women at 7.00 p.m. (Great Room)

Thursday, 21 March

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, 22 March

Prayer & Meditation at 5.30 p.m.

Saturday, 23 March

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

Sunday, 24 March

Holy Eucharist at 8.30 a.m.

Choir Rehearsal at 9.30 a.m. (Nave)

Holy Eucharist at 10.30 a.m.

Coffee & ... at 11.30 a.m. Dwelling in the Word at Noon (Library)

Tuesday, 26 March

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

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

Wednesday, 27 March

Holy Eucharist for the

Feast of the Annunciation (transf.) at 6.00 p.m.

A.A. for Women at 7.00 p.m. (Great Room)

From the Rector

Dear Friends.

A couple of Sundays ago, the members of the Mission & Outreach Commission met in order to distribute the monies in the M&O Fund (the annual Christmas Bazaar is the source of

Dwelling in the Word at Noon (Library)

Sunday, 31 March Dwelling in the Word at Noon (Library)

Monday, 1 April St Andrew's Crafters 4.00 - 6.00 p.m. in the Parish House

Sunday, 7 April
Book Discussion at
9.30 a.m. (Library)
Dwelling in the Word at
Noon
(Library)
Music in the Nave
at 4.00 p.m.

Saturday, 13 April Vestry Retreat (White Hart Inn)

Sunday, 14 April PALM SUNDAY Liturgy of the Palms & Holy Eucharist at 8.30 & 10.30 a.m.

Thursday, 18 April MAUNDY THURSDAY Potluck Supper at 6.00 p.m. Liturgy of the Day & Stripping of the Altar at 7.30 p.m.

Friday, 19 April GOOD FRIDAY

Liturgy of the Day at Noon Sr Mary Lanning, Preacher Tenebrae at 7.30 p.m.

Sunday, 21 April EASTER Holy Eucharist with Hymns at 8.30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist with Choirs at 10.30 a.m.

Egg Hunt, Reception in the Parish House at 11.45 a.m.

Twelve Step Groups

Wednesdays

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

Thursdays

much of these) and to discuss how they might become more proactive in ministering to local needs (in particular), in going beyond sending cheques. They agreed to meet more frequently, to be alert to opportunities to help ministries that receive less attention than others; and, they did not distribute all of the monies they could have sent out, and plan in June to disperse more.

Those that are receiving donations are

Episcopal Relief & Development, the arm of the Episcopal Church that responds to emergencies and helps in the developing world (1000);

Kent Community Fund, which helps Kent residents with fuel assistance, medical needs, &c. (\$1000);

Yes! Solutions, Sr Mary Lanning's ministries to the homeless and needy in the Bronx and throughout New York City (\$800);

Camp Washington, the ECCT camp for children in nearby Lakeside (\$500);

Soup Kitchen at Trinity Church, Torrington, which provides hot meals and daytime shelter to 80+ of the homeless or needy (\$500);

Dayle Elsesser, who acquires unwanted, used, and remaindered books in order to build libraries in the Philippines and provide children with school supplies (\$450);

Winchester Public Schools Critical Need Fund, which assists needy children with school supplies and season-appropriate clothing (\$300);

Kent Affordable Housing, which builds and maintains several apartment complexes for those of limited means (\$300);

Kent Volunteer Fire Department, which provides fire protection and EMT services (\$250);

New Milford VNA, which provides in-home nursing care to residents of New Milford and surrounding towns (\$250);

Women's Support Services, which assists victims of domestic and sexual abuse in Litchfield County (\$250);

Hispaniola Health Partners, which helps with medical issues in Haiti (\$200);

Kent Center School Scholarship Fund, which gives college scholarships to graduates of Kent Center School (\$200);

Literacy Volunteers on the Green, which provides instruction in English as a second language (\$200);

Thistle Farm Ministry, which assists women victims of sexual abuse, drug & alcohol abuse, and prostitution to rebuild their lives (\$100).

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

> Bill McLaren, Sexton

Randy Osolin, Verger More grants will be voted at the meeting in June, and some of the recipients listed above may receive additional funding.

The Mission & Outreach Commission welcomes new members and suggestions as to how St Andrew's may become more actively involved in ministering amongst our neighbors, both near and far. Bill Dillon is the Chair and is routinely at Coffee after the 10.30 liturgy, and I thank him and the members of the Commission for wanting explore new ventures!

Faithfully, Roger+

LENTEN DISCIPLINES

Once again this year we are inviting people to keep a mite box on a counter or a table and to use it for depositing loose change --quarters only, pennies only, all of the change at the end of the day: the decision is up to you! And on Easter morning we ask you to return the mite boxes so that we can count the contents of all the boxes and then divide the proceeds equally between the Kent Community Fund and Bethania Kids, the Lutheran charity in southern India that takes in orphaned, abandoned, or unwanted children and cares for them, educates them, and prepares them to live on their own.

The mite boxes are available in the narthex, and please remember that they are a bit flimsy: it is best to re-enforce the bottoms with tape ...!

Also with the mite boxes there are booklets of daily meditations for each of the days of Lent and Passiontide, Ash Wednesday through Easter Eve. They are published by ERD --Episcopal Relief & Development-- and are fine companions on one's journey through Lent!

SUMMER CAMP at CAMP WASHINGTON

The summer camping season is not all that far away, and Camp Washington has published their calendar for 2019.

Children's Camp (ages 7 - 12) will be from 30 June - 7 July & from 4 - 16 August. The one-week camp costs \$575 and the two-week camp \$1300.

Mini Camps (ages 5 - 10) will be from 14 - 16 July & from 17 - 19 July for \$275. There will be a Mini Day Camp from 15 - 19 July for \$300.

Please visit the Camp's website for more information and to register: www.campwashington.org or call 860.567.9623.

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 17 March

Please click on the link below in order to hear or read the Rector's homily from 17 March

HOMILY for 17 March

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THE THIRD SUNDAY in LENT

24 March 2019 Lent III, Year C

Exodus 3.1-15

Psalm 63.1-8

I Corinthians 10.1-3 Luke 13.1-9

There are no flowers at the altar during Lent, save on Lent IV, Laetare Sunday.

Volunteers for Coffee & ... after the 10.30 liturgy

Those who have signed up to provide light refreshments for Coffee & ... in the next few weeks are

24 March Anne Everett & Barbara Psarakis

31 March Wes & Nancy O-Dea Wyrick

7 April ???

Palm Sunday, 14 April ???

Easter, 21 April
Everyone is invited to bring special finger foods
for the Easter Party!

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

St Andrew's Crafters

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

Monday, 1 April 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!

Announcements

The Book Discussion Group

... will next meet on Sunday, 7 April, at 9.30 a.m. in the Library in order to discuss Chapter 14 & 15 ('The Impact of Reform: Parishes' & 'The Impact of Reform: Wills') in Eamonn Duffy's remarable 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!

Norfolk Library Art Show by Heather Scofield 'enLIGHTenment'

April 5-30

Opening with refreshments on Sunday, 7 April 4-6 p.m
9 Geenwoods Rd. E.

Norfolk, CT 06058
(860) 542-5075

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 DISCUSSION with Bishop Laura Ahrens

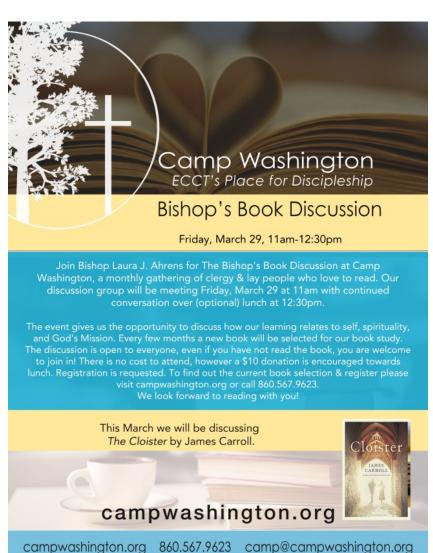
with lunch to follow at 12.30 p.m

\$10 donation, registration requested via the Camp website. **ALL WELCOME!!**

You are invited to consult the Camp website for more information about the following events:

1 - 2 March Women's Yoga Retreat

8 - 10 March Spritual Retreat for High Schoolers





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, 7 April

The Rosewood Ensemble

Barbara Hopkins, flute, Judy Handler, guitar in 'Melodies of Mark Twain'

\$15 at the doors, students admitted without charge.

Pawling Concert Series

Friday, 12 April 8.00 p.m. Gardiner Theater Trinity-Pawling School 700 Route 22, Pawling, New York

Camerata RCO

The Chamber Ensemble

of the

Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra

of Amsterdam

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