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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

Saturday,30 November Christmas Trees Delivered at 9.00 a.m.

This Week & Weekend at St Andrew's

Wednesday, 27 November Holy Eucharist at 6.00 p.m.

A.A. for Women at 7.00 p.m. Kent Singer's Rehearsal at 7.00 p.m. (Nave)

Thursday, 28 November Thanksgiving

A.A. at 7.30 a.m. (Parish House) Parish Office Open 10.00 a.m. - 2 p.m. (closed) Al. Anon. at 7.00 p.m. (Vestry Room)

Friday, 29 November Prayer & Meditation at 5.30 p.m.

Saturday, 30 November

Christmas Trees Delivered (Volunteers are needed!) at 9.00 a.m.
Choir Rehearsal at 9.30 a.m. (Choir Room)

Memorial Service for Michael Gabriel-Deveau at 11.00 a.m.

Sunday, 1 December
First Sunday of Advent
Holy Eucharist at 8.30 a.m.
Choir Rehearsal at 9.30 a.m.
Holy Eucharist at 10.30 a.m.

Coffee & at 11.30 a.m. Sherman Chamber Ensemble presents 'Jazzing Up the Classics' at 4.00 p.m. (Nave)

Tuesday, 3 DecemberParish Office Open 10.00 - 2 p.m.

Wednesday, 4 December
Holy Eucharist at 6.00 p.m.
A.A. for Women at 7.00 p.m.
Kent Singer's Rehearsal at 7.00 p.m. (Nave)

Christmas Bazaar

The Annual Christmas Bazaar is "in the books" and there are many thank you's to give. To all of the volunteers who decorated

(Volunteers Needed!)

Memorial Service for Michael Gabriel-Deveau 11.00 a.m. St Andrew's Parish

Sunday, 1 December
Sherman Chamber
Ensemble
Jazzing Up the Classics
(Nave)
4.00 p.m.

Friday, 6 December Handel's Messiah (Nave) 7.30 p.m.

Saturday, 7 December Pancakes with Santa! (Parish House) 8.30 - 10.30 a.m.

Sunday, 8 December Sister Mary Lanning preaching Yes! Solutions

Sunday, 15 December
The Kent Singers
"Among Angels"
Holiday Concert
(Nave)
3.00 p.m.

December 24 Christmas Eve Service at 10.00 p.m. Kent School Chapel Service at 4 p.m.

Twelve Step Groups

Wednesdays 7:00 p.m. A.A. for Women

Thursdays
A.A. at 7.30 a.m.

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

Parish Staff

Thomas W. Holcombe, Organist & Director of Choirs and set up the Parish Hall, to all of the volunteers who dressed up as Santa, Mrs. Claus and The Elf, to all of the cashiers and arrangers and cooks who spent four hours on their feet selling all the things generous parishioners donated, for the Uber Elf who created a Door Prize Table that twinkled, and to the special crew who put everything away at the end of the sale. The Mission and Outreach Program will distribute the more than \$6,000 that was earned by an Army of Elfin Soldiers--thank you all!!

Marel Rogers & Pat Campbell

Advent II

Sr MARY LANNING, O.P. will be our preacher at both liturgies on Advent II, 8 December

The loose offering will be given to her for the remarkable ministry of Yes! Solutions among the homeless and the poor throughout New York City.

Mary will also happily receive donations of warm and gently-used hats, gloves, and scarves.

If bulky coats, leggings, etc., come in, we shall do our best to get these down to her in the Bronx, and hope that the donors will understand if we need to donate them to the Quality Thrift Shop here in Kent.

Refreshments after the 10.30 a.m. Liturgy

After the various events on Sundays in September, we have returned to the usual Coffee hours on 6 October. There is a sign-up sheet on the pass-through into the kitchen for volunteers to be responsible for both brewing the coffee and bringing light refreshments.

Included with the sign-up sheet are Instructions on "How to do Coffee Hour" with where to find supplies and instructions for coffee brewing...makes it really easy!!

During the time of transition between rectors, Coffee Hour is an especially important time for members of the parish to be together: please help by bringing in some coffee cakes, cookies, &..., to make the social time more enjoyable!

Memorial Service

A Memorial Service for Michael Gabriel-Deveau with be held on 30 November Margie O'Brien,
Director of the Children's
Choir

Heather Scofield, Parish Administrator

Joan I. Cassel Financial Secretary

Bill McLaren, Sexton

Randy Osolin, Verger at 11.00 a.m. at

St Andrew's Parish followed by a reception in the Parish Hall

Christmas Trees

We are selling Christmas Trees again this year! The trees will arrive on the Saturday after Thanksgiving (November 30)

Volunteers to unload the truck that morning at 9.00 a.m. are urgently needed!



Helpers needed: please call Christopher Rehkow (917-544-1763)

Pancakes with Santa

KECNS is hosting

Pancakes with Santa!

Saturday, 7 December 8.30-10.30 a.m. St Andrew's Parish House to benefit the

Kent Education Center and Nursery School

\$5 for adults & children \$20 family maximum Free for children under one years old.

Craft table, door prizes, Santa's Mailbox & SANTA! more info: email Kecns1@gmail.com or call 860.927.1294

The Prayer List During the Time of Transition

During the transition time, Heather Scofield, our Administrator, will me maintaining the parish Prayer List. Please call her and ask her to add names to the list, remembering to tell her at which service --8.30 or 10.30-- you would like the prayers offered. If possible, please indicate for how she should keep the name(s) on the List. And please remember to let her know when she may remove the name(s).

You may also write to Heather at st.andrew. kent @snet.net
Please be sure to provide her with a telephone number so that she may be able to ask if she has any questions.

We remember the faithful departed during the week after their deaths, and on those Sundays when you ask for their names to be included.

EVENTS in the NW REGION of the EPISCOPAL CHURCH in CONNECTICUT

St Andrew's Parish in Kent is one of the 28 congregations of Episcopalians worshiping in the NW corner of Connecticut. Our new Missioner, Dylan Mello, has begun to publish a bulletin that advertises events of interest, open to all, in these places, and we will notify you of at least some of them.

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

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

VOLUNTEERS
ARE VERY MUCH NEEDED,
IN PARTICULAR DRIVERS!
FISH is 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.

Homily

Please click on the link below in order to hear or read Lay Minister Nick Downes's Homily Homily for 24 November

The Lections this Week

The First Sunday of Advent

1 December

Advent 1, Year A

Isiah 2.1-5;

Psalm 122;

Romans 13.11-14;

Matthew 24.36-44

Music in the Nave



Sherman Chamber Ensemble

Jazzing Up the Classics

Sunday, 1 December

St Andrew's, Kent, CT

4.00 p.m.

"Eclectic selections from traditional jazz repertoire and classical music with a jazzy twist."





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Angelic carols from around the world

Britten's A Ceremony of Carols Will Todd's Among Angels Huron Carol, arranged by our own, Tom Holcombe with harps and soprano soloists

Sunday, December 15, 3 PM St. Andrew's Church | Kent, CT

\$ 20 tickets available at the door

Pawling Music Series

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. Gardiner Theater

Trinity-Pawling School 700 Route 22 in Pawling, New York

ATLANTIC BRASS QUINTET
This holiday program fuses familiar tunes in arrangements both pleasing and sophisticated.

Friday, 20 December 7.00 p.m. All Saints' Chapel

Trinity-Pawling School 700 Route 22 in Pawling, New York

www. pawlingconcertseries.org

Announcements

A request from those who count the collection monies:

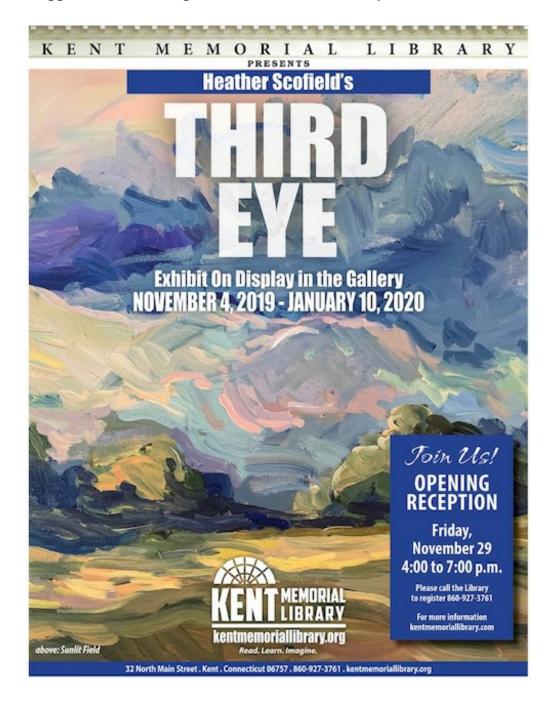
The counters ask us to help them by tagging our cheques so that they are certain as to how to receive them: as Pledge, as donations to the Capital Fund, donations to the Discretionary or Mission & Outreach Funds, etc.

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.



¹ Thanksgiving and Christmas occasionally intervene.

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

² There are ~48 towers in North America, 14 on the Northeast corridor.

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.

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

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. and a \$10 donation for the meal is welcomed.

Further information is available at campwashington.org