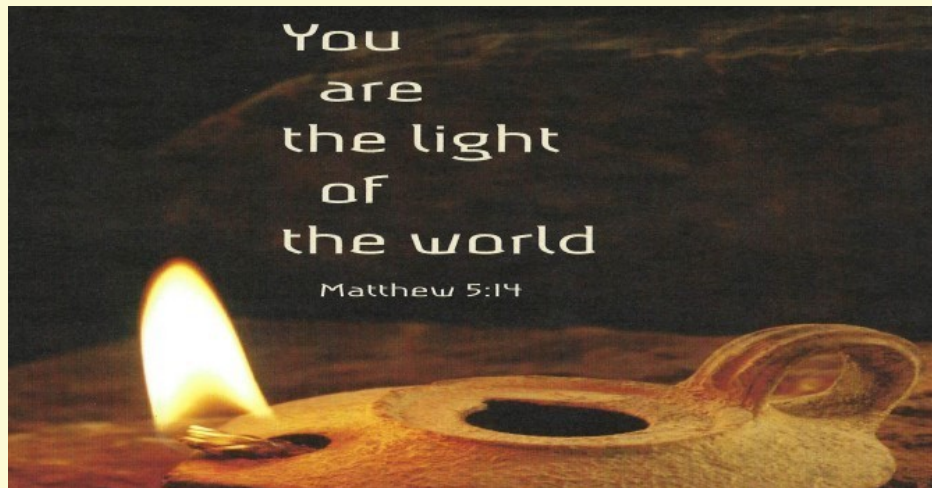




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The Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany

From Randy DiPentima, Senior Warden

As we begin a different journey this week, I have paused to consider our many blessings:

The ministry, energy and guidance Douglas provided us during a most challenging time;

The growth and strength of this parish;

The wonderful group of clergy who have accepted our invitation to celebrate with us well into the summer;

Our dedicated and talented staff-our music director Susan Guse, our church school educators Ron Marasco and Jane Farnol, parish administrator KC Compton, our financial secretary Joan Cassel and our verger and sexton, Randy Osolin and Gloria Contreras.

The many faithful, hardworking parishioners who make our parish and church welcoming and seek no recognition or thanks, but deserve them.

And I could go on because I keep discovering more blessings.

On this Sunday at 10a Canon Hodapp will lead us in worship. We will stream that service as usual on YouTube.

Immediately following the service at the beginning of our annual meeting Canon Hodapp and Amber Page Gehr will explain the search process for a rector. Those remarks and the annual meeting will be available by Zoom at [this link](#).

Meeting ID: 893 6618 9759
Passcode: 966367

Please do plan to attend in person if you can-there will be light catered lunch to follow in the parish hall.

This Week at St Andrew's

Saturday, 04 February :: 3:00 pm
Music in the Nave Presents: The Whiffenpoofs

Sunday, 05 February :: 9:15 am
Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, 05 February :: 10:00 am
Holy Eucharist: *The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany* (with music) (*in-person and live-streamed*)

Sunday, 05 February :: 10:00 am
Church School

Sunday, 05 February :: 11:30 am
St Andrew's 2023 Annual Meeting (a light lunch will follow)

Monday, 06 February :: 8:00 pm
LGBTQ+ A.A. meeting

Tuesday, 07 February :: 5:00 pm
Officer's Meeting

Wednesday, 08 February :: 6:00 pm
Midweek Holy Eucharist

Thursday, 09 February :: 7:00 pm
A.A. meeting

Thursday, 09 February :: 7:00 pm
Al-Anon meeting (Old Vestry Room)

Mark Your Calendars for These Events...

**Details about many of these events can be found later
in this issue of the *Epistle***

Saturday, 04 February, 3:00 pm
Music in the Nave Presents: The Whiffenpoofs

Sunday, 05 February
One Eucharist at 10:00 am & the Parish's Annual Meeting

Save the Date: Parish Annual Meeting, 05 February



On Sunday, we hold our annual meeting. Please plan to attend. Canon Tim Hodapp and Amber Page Gehr of the Connecticut diocese will be with us, to start us on the path of calling a new rector. (We will *not* be searching for a priest-in-charge whose term as such would be limited to three years). The schedule on Sunday is as follows:

1. *There will be one service at 10:00 am*, at which Canon Hodapp will preside and preach.
2. Immediately following the service, Tim and Amber will address the parish about the rector search, the steps we will need to take and the support we will get from the diocese.
3. Immediately following that, we will hold our annual meeting, at which time we will elect a new class for the vestry, among other business. A light lunch will be served in the Parish Hall once the meeting has adjourned.

To access the Annual Meeting via Zoom, click on [this link](#) and enter the following Meeting ID and Passcode:

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Passcode: 966367

Please make every effort to attend the 10:00 am service on February 5th and what follows. Most of us have a lot to learn about the process of calling a rector. In the meantime, your wardens and vestry will do their best to keep everyone informed.

Tomorrow:

Music in the Nave Presents The Whiffenpoofs



Dear Friends,

Guess what? The fabulous Whiffenpoofs are coming to town! Be sure to catch them at St. Andrew's on Saturday, February 4th at 3 p.m.

Each year, fourteen Yale seniors become the new lineup of America's oldest collegiate *a cappella* group and perform more than 200 concerts around the globe, delighting fans with jazz standards, hits through the decades, and their famous Whiffenpoof humor. Let them entertain you!

Tickets are \$30 at <https://bit.ly/whif> and the door. For more information, call 860-927-3486, email office.sa.kent@gmail.com, or visit www.standrewskentct.org/mitn.html.

See you there!

Music in the Nave

St Andrew's Current COVID Status

THE PARISH IS OPEN.

We have now resumed all of our usual pre-COVID practices except the sharing of the Common Cup; we distribute the Wine in individual portions.

We will continue to livestream our 10:30 liturgy on Sundays and our mid-week services.

Help Support the Kent Food Bank



Please help our parish family continue to support of the Kent Food Bank by sending a check in any amount to:

Kent Community Fund
P O Box 262
Kent, CT 06757
memo: Food Bank

These funds will be used to purchase vouchers for local families in need, under the direction of Kent's new Social Services Director, Samantha Hasenflue. In addition, it is useful for the Director to have IGA gift cards to give to families who are in need. Please consider purchasing a card, for \$25 or \$50, and taking it to Samantha's office in Town Hall or dropping it in the donations basket in the Narthex. (You can also place it in the offering plate, marked for the Food Bank.)

The Kent Food Bank also accepts food donations. They are especially in need of staples such as **beans, rice, tea, coffee, sugar, nuts, hot & cold breakfast cereals, peanut butter, jellies, jams and tuna**. Make certain that the 'Best by ...' dates are not past! Please remember that the Food Bank accepts pet foods as well!

You may drop off food items on Fridays from 10:00 am - 12:00 noon in the back of the Community House on Main Street. You may also place donations in the basket in the church Narthex or in the bin in the breezeway at the rear of the Rectory.

Lessons for this Week

The Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany

Year A

Isaiah 58:1-9a
Psalm 112:1-9
1 Corinthians 2:1-12
Matthew 5:13-20



Past Services and Homilies

Please click on the link below in order to view past services on YouTube and to read homilies from previous Sundays located on our website.

[Homilies and Past Services](#)

Worship Services

**-Sunday-
Holy Eucharist**
8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.

In person
(10.30 a.m. available live
stream on YouTube)



**-Wednesday-
Holy Eucharist**
6.00 p.m.

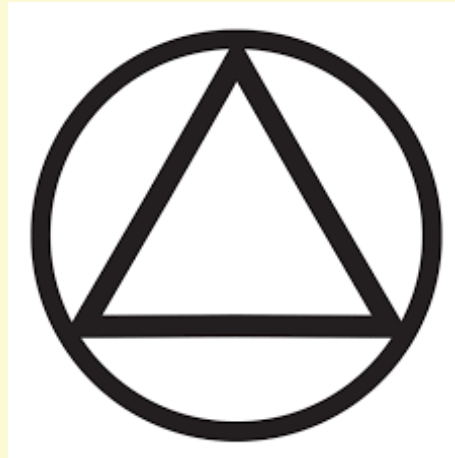




12 Step Meetings

Mondays
LGBTQ+ A.A.
(Parish House)

Thursdays
Al-Anon. at 7.00 p.m.
(Old Vestry Room)
A.A. at 7:00 pm
(Parish House)



Parish Staff

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Organist & Director of Choirs

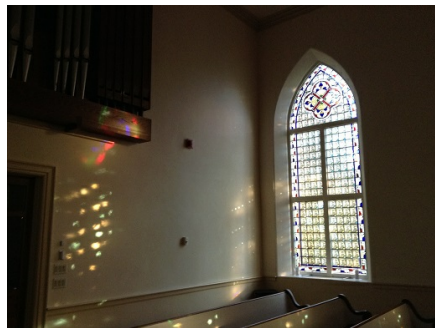
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