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Vestments in the Sacristy

From Marel Rogers, Junior Warden

There's a lot to learn about vestments!

The vestments we see on Sunday are the chasuble, that poncho-like brocade garment with orphreys of a contrasting brocade on the front and back, and the

stole, that long brocade scarf that is either crossed over the priest's chest or hanging straight down. These vestments, which match and color of the frontal which covers the altar, should be familiar to all of us.

The maniple, a short strip of cloth matching the stole, was originally used as a napkin to wipe sweat from the celebrant or deacon's face. It is worn on the left wrist, and many clergy (Roger excepted!) do not use one at this time. But St. Andrew's has them ready for any priest or deacon who would like to put one on!

But wait! There's more!! Hanging in the armoire in the sacristy are additional vestments for each of the liturgical colors. They are called dalmatics.

The dalmatic is the distinctive vestment of Deacons. It is a tunic, with wide sleeves and bands of contrasting colors. Some dalmatics have bands of embroidered cloth, or orphreys, in a contrasting color, which descend from the shoulder to the hem, with horizontal bands joining them. St. Andrew's dalmatics have one orphrey going from the neckline to the hem, and a band around the end of each sleeve. Deacons wear their stole, which goes over one shoulder and fastens at the opposite hip, under a dalmatic.

There is one more vestment: the tunicle, which is not hanging out at St. Andrew's. Tunicles are now obsolete, save for really 'high' churches where priest, deacon and subdeacon are celebrating. It is a simpler version of the dalmatic and can be worn by a person who is not ordained. The person vested in a tunicle would read the Epistle and hold the Gospel book for the Deacon as the Deacon reads the Gospel.

All these vestments are Eucharistic vestments. In another E-Pistle, we'll take on cassock, surplice, tippet and hood!

From Margie O'Brien and the Music Commission



The Handbells of St. Andrew's are ringing again!

Have you heard them ringing? Our three octave set of handbells have been getting more use these days. They were rung at Easter for the prelude and four ringers accompanied the choir on one of the Easter anthems. They have also

been used to intone the psalms sung at the 10:30 service. Some of you long-time parishioners may remember that Marty Holcombe had used them with the Junior Choir some years ago. We are happy that some new members of the parish have taken an interest in bell ringing which adds to our already strong music program at St. Andrew's.

The bells were transferred from Harlem Valley State Hospital, Wingdale NY, to St. Andrew's Parish through the Chaplain at the hospital, the Rev. Dr. Leroy Summerfield, when the hospital closed in the early 1990's. Father Summerfield, his wife Joan and their three children were active members of St. Andrew's. He served as supply priest on several occasions. He was also a member of the choir as we were expanding the male section of the groups. *{Information supplied by John Barton}*

Typically, handbells are sent back to the factory for refurbishment every 5 or 10 years. Our bells, the oldest of which were manufactured between 1962-1964, are long overdue for refurbishment and their ringing mechanism is outdated. These bells have lost their luster and tone quality and will need to be refurbished. One of the bells is entirely broken and needs to be replaced. The refurbishment of the bells can take place over a period of months and the expected cost is \$165 per bell. We are looking to our parishioners to take part in our bell refurbishment campaign by sponsoring a bell.

If you have enjoyed hearing the bells rung during our services recently, and would like to hear them sound even better after they have been refurbished, please consider sponsoring a bell for \$165. Our first sponsor, Michael Ward, is sending his check today. Please join him in this bell-a-thon.

Send your donation for this wonderful project to St. Andrew's Parish, PO Box 309, Kent, CT 06757 and write "handbell" in the memo portion of your check.

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SHANE CLAIBORNE, KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Shane Claiborne is a prominent speaker, activist, and author. Shane worked with Mother Teresa in Calcutta, and founded The Simple Way in Philadelphia. Grace fuels his passion. He was recently awarded The King Center's Beloved Community Social Justice Award.

His book, *Beating Guns*, acts as a guide for how we can be part of the solution towards ending gun violence. Inspired by the prophetic image of beating swords into plows, *Beating Guns* offers a clarion call to change our hearts regarding one of the most significant moral issues of our time. His newest book, *Rethinking Life* was released February 2023.



A New Parish Directory is Now Available!



A newly updated Parish Directory is now available! With new parishioners and

many changes since the last directory was published, it's a fresh format in a smaller-sized booklet.

A few directories will be available to take home after Sunday's services. If you would like a copy, please stop by the parish office or contact KC (office.sa.kent@gmail.com) if you would like a directory mailed to you.

Clothing for Springtime Needed: Cathedral Clothing Drive



Four South Kent School boys on Sunday, January 28, with a happy Hartford resident at cathedral soup kitchen and clothing boutique. Photo courtesy of Steve Klots

Cathedral Clothing Drive - UPDATE

From Steve Klots: With South Kent School back in session this weekend, I am resuming the clothing drive in support of the Church Street Eats soup kitchen at our cathedral in Hartford. With warmer weather coming, I will now also be taking over casual shirts, t-shirts, pants, sweatshirts, sweatpants, new socks, and shoes. Larger sizes (L, XL, and 2X) are particularly needed. Keep in mind that 90% of the guests at the soup kitchen are men. Please reach out to me at klotss@southkentschool.org if you have any questions. Many thanks!

Mark Your Calendars

July 01 :: The Pod for the Tag Sale Arrives!

This Week at St Andrew's

Sunday, 12 May:: 8:30 am

Holy Eucharist: *The Seventh Sunday of Easter* (spoken)

Sunday, 12 May:: 10:30 am

Holy Eucharist: *The Seventh Sunday of Easter* (with music) (*in-person and live-streamed*)

Monday, 13 May :: 8:00 pm

LGBTQ+ A.A. meeting

Wednesday, 15 May:: 6:00 pm

Midweek Worship Service

Wednesday, 15 May :: 7:00 pm

A.A. for Women (NEW)

Thursday, 16 May :: 7:00 pm

A.A. Meeting

Thursday, 16 May :: 7:00 pm

Al-Anon Meeting

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 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 placing 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.

Lectons for this Week

The Seventh Sunday of Easter *Year B*

Acts 1:15-17,21-25

Psalm 1

1 John 5:9-13

John 17:6-19

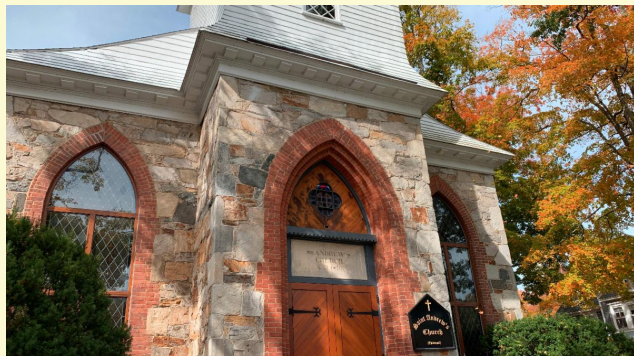


Worship Services

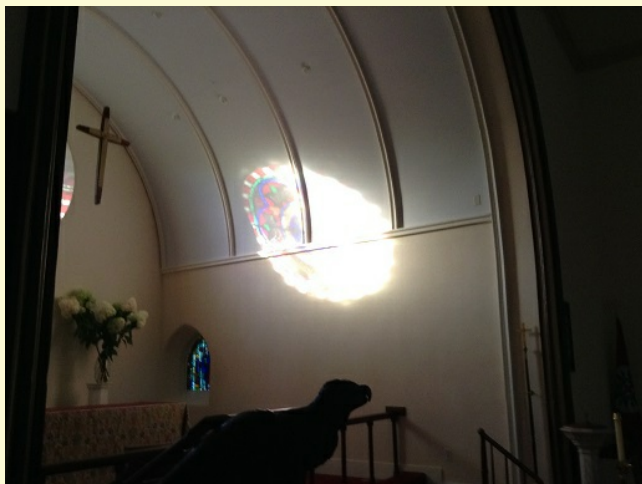
-Sunday-
Holy Eucharist
8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.

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)

Wednesdays (NEW)

A.A. for Women
(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

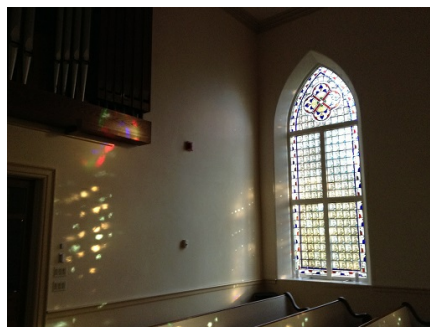
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