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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

This Week & Weekend at St Andrew's

Thursday, 19 March

A.A. at 7.30 a.m. (Parish House)
Parish Office Open 10.00 a.m. - 2 p.m. **Call or email only**
Tai Chi at 10.00 a.m. (Parish House) **Cancelled**
Al. Anon. at 7.00 p.m. (Vestry Room)

Friday, 20 March

Prayer & Meditation at 5.30 p.m. Cancelled

Saturday, 21 March

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

Sunday, 22 March

The Fourth Sunday of Lent
Holy Eucharist at 8.30 a.m. Cancelled
Choir Rehearsal at 9.30 a.m. **Cancelled**
Holy Eucharist at 10.30 a.m. Cancelled

Tuesday, 24 March

Parish Office Open 10.00 - 2 p.m.
Call or email only

Wednesday, 25 March

Holy Eucharist at 6.00 p.m. Cancelled
Lent Madness at 5.00 p.m. (Vestry Room) Online only
A.A. for Women at 7.00 p.m. (Parish House)

Letter from the Wardens

Dear Friends,

We are experiencing unprecedented times but our faith and love for each other will see us through this. Much has been posted on social media and of course from our Bishops through the ECCT Media. Following is the latest received this morning. Should services past March 22th be cancelled or any other important

Wednesday, 4 March
March 4-April 8
Lent Madness
Online only

Sunday, March 22
Music in the Nave
The Kent Singers
Songs of the
British Isles
3.00 p.m.
POSTPONED

Sunday, 5 April
PALM SUNDAY

Thursday, 9 April
MAUNDY THURSDAY
Potluck at 6 p.m.
Service at 7.30 p.m.

Friday, 10 April
GOOD FRIDAY
Sister Mary Lanning
Preacher at Noon
TENEBRAE
at 7.30 a.m.

Sunday, 12 April
EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, 3 May
Wykeham Consort
Concert
4.00 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

Margie O'Brien,
Director of the Children's
Choir

Heather Scofield,
Parish Administrator

Joan I. Cassel
Financial Secretary

information be communicated, we will send a special E-pistle as needed. Now is also a good time to go to our website for updated information...George always keeps it au current. If you go to the website, you will notice that this week he posted:

For the benefit of our parishioners and potential "virtual attendees" who would like to hear the word while St Andrew's is closed, please know you can go online to the Washington National Cathedral and attend services that are being broadcast online from there.

The website is: <https://cathedral.org>

Lastly is "An order of service for making your Spiritual Communion." This was passed on to us from a couple of friends of the parish. It originated from a parish in Washington DC...a very comforting way to celebrate at home. In these uncertain times please keep in mind those unable to get out and those at risk. St. Andrew's doesn't have to "learn" how to be compassionate because that's what/who we are. This is a very good time to connect, by phone even, with those you haven't communicated with in a while. Don't be shy about calling friends if you need anything or just need hearing a friendly voice. That's what our Parish Community is all about.

Stay safe,
The Wardens

Letter from the Senior Warden

Hi All,

The Bishop and Standing Committee of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut (ECCT) have strongly urged parishes to suspend worship for two weeks to help with mitigation of the coronavirus in the state.

Accordingly, after consultation with the Charmian, and because so many of our members are at particular risk, we are suspending all gatherings at St. Andrew's for two weeks, i.e. no Sunday Worship Services, no Choir Practice and no Musical Events.

We will monitor the situation as we go. The Parish Office will be open as usual, but parishioners are encouraged to contact us by telephone or email when possible.

My first inclination is that St. Andrews is where we ought to be during a time like this. Worship and fellowship are extremely important in difficult times. But at this point actually being together poses some very real risks for many of us.

I am confident that the situation will become clearer in the next ten days or so. So we will do our part to mitigate the spread of the virus and protect ourselves and others. We will all keep a close eye on the situation and hopefully to a more different and normal situation in two weeks.

Bill McLaren,
Sexton

Randy Osolin,
Verger

Christopher Rehkow
Senior Warden

Spiritual Communion



**A service order for making your spiritual Communion
for when you are unable to attend Mass.**

The Introductory Rites

Recite the following Entrance Antiphon: Cf. Ps 80: 17

He fed them with the finest wheat
and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

Sign of the Cross

Make the Sign of the Cross:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Penitential Act

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned. I firmly intend, with your help, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy.

The Collect

Pray:

O God, who in the most wonderful Sacrament of the Altar has left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 11:28-30

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and find life burdensome, and I will refresh you. Take my yoke upon your shoulders and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble of heart. Your soul will find rest, for my yoke is easy and

my burden light."

Or

John 14:23

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him."

Or

John 15:4

Remain in me, as I remain in you.

Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine,so neither can you unless you remain in me.

The Creed

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayer of the Faithful

After each intention make a pause then say:

Happy are those who are called to your supper, Lord.

Joyfully we make our prayer to Jesus Christ, the bread of life, and we say:

Lord Jesus Christ, high priest of the new and eternal covenant, on the altar of
the cross you offered a perfect sacrifice to the Father:

Teach us how to offer it with you.

Lord Jesus Christ, king of peace and justice, you consecrated bread and wine
as a sign of your self-giving: unite us as victims to yourself.

Lord Jesus Christ, obedient always to your Father's will, throughout the world the Church renews your offering from the rising of the sun to its setting: unite in one body those who share the one bread.

Lord Jesus Christ, as the manna came from the heavens, you nourish your Church with your body and blood: in the strength of your food we will walk in your paths.

Lord Jesus Christ, unseen guest at our banquet, you stand at our door and knock: come to us, fill our hearts with your truth and stay with us.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

The Concluding Rites

Make the Sign of the Cross:

In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

A Pastoral Letter from the Bishops of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut

Following Jesus in the Midst of a Pandemic

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"Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God." 1 Peter 1:21

The author of the First Letter of Peter is writing to followers of Jesus who are exiles, dispersed in the foreign lands of Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia. In uncertain and difficult times, the writer calls these early Christians

to trust in the truth of the Resurrection, to put their faith and hope in God, and work to restore, support and strengthen those who are suffering. (1 Peter 5:9-10)

We who are living in the midst of the realities of the COVID-19 pandemic (as the World Health Organization now characterizes the coronavirus) are living in uncertain and difficult times, not unlike the experience of the early Christians. We have never been in the situation we now find ourselves. Our world is turned upside down. Fear, insecurity, and anxiety concerning how COVID-19 will affect us, those we love, and our communities -including the church - consume us. Overwhelmed by a plethora of information coming at us on social media, television, radio and newspapers, we seem to be awash, confused, and paralyzed by not knowing what to do.

Yet our faith commends us to do otherwise, to not be consumed by fear, insecurity, and anxiety. As followers of Jesus, we put our trust in God who raised Jesus from the dead and who, in the power of the Holy Spirit, sends us to be about God's mission of restoration, reconciliation and wholeness in the face of brokenness, alienation, and illness. Now is the time for us to be the Church that God wants us and needs us to be.

As your bishops, we have been, and will continue to be, in regular communication with the clergy and lay leaders of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut (ECCT) regarding how best to respond to the realities of COVID-19. Over the last two weeks we have written three letters to the clergy and wardens-in-charge of parishes without clergy with specific advice and counsel in response to COVID-19. These letters, along with other important information and weblinks related to the coronavirus, can be found on the website of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut at www.episcopalct.org. We commend these resources to you.

One of the most urgent questions before us at the moment is: should the Episcopal Church in Connecticut close our parishes and not hold regular worship services? Our primary advice and counsel are that we should do all in our power to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. As bishops we do not have the individual authority to close the parishes of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut. Our canons (church laws), however, allow us to give pastoral direction related to the worship and spiritual life of parishes. Medical and health professionals, epidemiologists, and government officials all agree that the best way to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 is to reduce human contact and practice "social distancing." To that end we strongly encourage the clergy and lay leadership of ECCT parishes to decide against holding public worship for at least the next two weeks in order to help mitigate the advance of the coronavirus. While ceasing public worship is prudent at this time, we encourage parishes to use available technology in order to offer some form of worship service, as possible, to the faithful. If you have difficulty making such provisions, we encourage you to connect to, and collaborate with, parishes in your Region, as well as utilize the resources on communications and worship that we are sharing on our COVID-19 update page on our website. In all cases of worship, the use of the common cup in the context of the Eucharist should not be provided.

Consistent with limiting public worship, we encourage clergy and lay leaders in ECCT to consider cancelling, postponing, or holding via video call or other

form of digital communication all parish meetings and gatherings in the immediate future in order also to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. Once again, limiting exposure and physical interaction is key here. Diocesan events and meetings will similarly be cancelled, postponed or held by zoom. Please consult the ECCT website for details of specific meetings.

As much as we are called to be wise in helping to stem the tide of the coronavirus, we must not use the circumstances of COVID-19 to turn away from our calling to be about God's mission in the world. Just the opposite! We must stand in the face of the forces of fear, insecurity and anxiety, and witness to the loving, liberating, life-giving reality of Jesus (as our Presiding Bishop Michael Curry so powerfully reminds us.) We urge the lay and ordained leaders in the parishes of ECCT to take counsel together to determine how best to continue to care for the poor, marginalized, and those who are housing and food insecure, while adhering to the COVID-19 guidelines offered by medical and governmental agencies and your local health officials. Once again, resources to help you with this discernment and participation in God's mission can be found on the ECCT website.

While "social distancing" might be the order of the day to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, spiritual and non-physical closeness in these times of isolation and quarantine is called for more than ever before. Prayer is a potent force in this. In prayer we are profoundly connected to God and one another in deep and meaningful ways that passes all understanding. In prayer we are never alone. In addition to continuing our deep, personal prayer practices, we invite you, with the assistance and direction of your clergy and lay leaders, to develop specific ways to reach out and connect with one another, and neighbors near and far, using available technology. Intercessory prayer lists, telephone chains calling on the sick and shut-in and those in self-isolation because of the coronavirus, texting and emailing one another, are all important ways that we can stay connected to God and our neighbors. These holy spaces are spaces of listening and caring. In prayer, we connect to one another and to God as people of hope in this challenging time. We invite you to be creative and "try on" new ways to be united to God and each other in Christ. This is a time to learn to be Church, the Body of Christ, in new ways.

To that end we, your bishops, will host a zoom on-line conversation on Sunday, March 15th from 1:30-2:30 pm to discuss our life together in Christ and how we are called to be about God's mission in this time of COVID-19. Our diocesan zoom account allows for up to 300 participants, so we invite as many of you as possible to join us in this new way of being together. Specifics on how to log on to the zoom conversation will be on the ECCT website. In addition, we plan to be available weekly to the clergy and wardens of ECCT parishes in a similar zoom call each Wednesday, from 8:30-9:30 am to discuss how God is calling us to be Christian leaders at this time.

Dear companions in Christ, in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, we are reminded to put our faith, hope and trust in God who raised Jesus from the dead and gave him glory. We are indeed called to be the followers of Jesus sent in God's mission that God wants us and needs us to be at this time.

In the prayer attributed to St. Francis, let us pray:

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow

love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith, where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

Faithfully,

The Rt. Rev. Ian T. Douglas
Bishop Diocesan

The Rt. Rev. Laura J. Ahrens
Bishop Suffragan

Easter Altar Flower Memorials

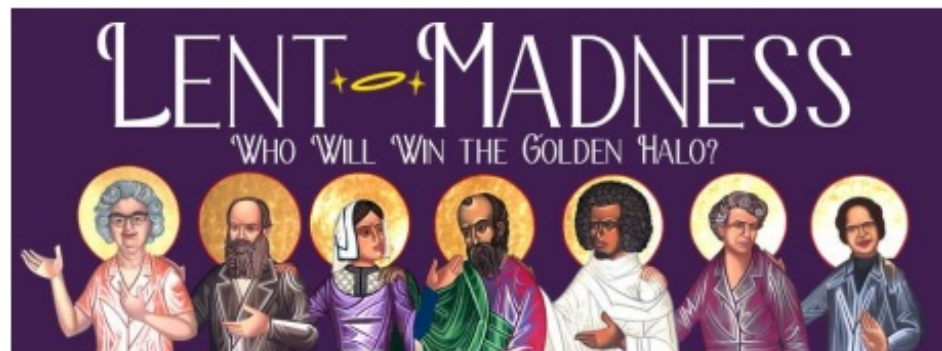
Please email the office if you would like to make requests for Altar Flowers Memorials for Easter Sunday. Or use the envelopes mailed to you.

Send requests to:

***St. Andrews, P. O. Box 309, Kent, CT 06757.
Requests need to be in by Tuesday, April 7th.***

st.andrew.kent@snet.net

Lent Madness



Lent Madness Has Begun!

In light of the Bishops' proscription, Lent Madness has retreated to The Cloud. Madness Mavens should continue to vote online and cheer for the saints who are marching into the Sacred Sixteen this week. In lieu of our Wednesday meetings please email Marel (marelrogers@yahoo.com) with pithy comments or "reply all" to the daily email and let us all know your thoughts on the Candidates du Jour.

Stay well and enjoy the opportunity to pray read, garden, listen to music or binge watch!

Marel Rogers

Want to be inspired by some saintly souls this Lent and have fun along the way? Join with thousands of Christians across denominations who have discovered the joyful online learning community that is Lent Madness. With its unique blend of competition, education, and humor, Lent Madness allows participants to be inspired by the ways in which God has worked through the lives of saints over the generations.

Based loosely on the NCAA basketball tournament of a similar name, this online devotion pits 32 saints against one another in a single elimination bracket as voters choose their favorites throughout Lent. Here's how to participate: on the weekdays of Lent, information is posted at www.lentmadness.org about two different saints.

Each pairing remains open for 24 hours as participants read about and then vote to determine which saint moves on to the next round. Sixteen saints make it to the Round of the Saintly Sixteen; eight advance to the Round of the Elate Eight; four make it to the Faithful Four; two to the Championship; and the winner is awarded the coveted Golden Halo.

The first round consists of basic biographical information about each of the 32 saints. Things get a bit more interesting in the subsequent rounds as we offer quotes and quirks, explore legends, and even move into the area of saintly kitsch.

This year, Lent Madness features an intriguing slate of saints ancient and modern, Biblical and ecclesiastical. This year's saints include heavyweights such as Patrick, Harriet Tubman, Clare of Assisi, Hildegard of Bingen, Joseph, and Jude, along with many lesser known yet equally inspiring people of faith.

St. Andrew's participants will meet on ***Online***. Votes will have been cast online by then and our meetings will discuss the saints we voted for or passed over. Holy Eucharist or Evening Prayer will follow at 6 pm. We could all have dinner after the service if there's more to talk about!

Those who signed up last week have their Saintly Scorecards but we'll be happy to share with anyone who wants to attend. If you're looking for a Lenten discipline that is fun, educational, occasionally goofy, and always joyful, join the Lent Madness journey. Lent needn't be all doom and gloom. After all, what could be more joyful than a season specifically set aside to get closer to Jesus Christ?

www.lentmadness.org



COFFEE HOUR AT THE COMMONS

is a podcast where faith meets daily life over a cup of coffee and casual conversations. Modeled off of the eighth sacrament of the Church, the Coffee Hour, your hosts Alli and Jasree, sometimes joined by guests, will engage in a variety of topics. All conversations center around hearing the stories of how people live out their faith in their lives.

Listen to the latest episode below!

<http://www.coffeehour.org/>

Church & Parish House Schedule

To avoid any conflict with events in the Parish House, it is imperative that you contact Heather Scofield, our Administrator . She will check the master calendar to see if the Hall and Church are free and inquire if there is any set up, take down and clean up for your event. Even if you leave a message on the answering machine, you still need to speak with Heather (Office: 860-927-3486 Cell: 860-921-8272 or Email: st.andrew.kent@snet.net) to confirm. Thank you for your consideration.

Charmian Place

Pawling Concert Series

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Legendary Musicians to Play in Pawling

The Pawling Concert Series will welcome three of the world's most

celebrated musicians when Wu Han, Philip Setzer and David Finckel visit Gardiner Theater on the Trinity Pawling School campus on **March 27**. The **7:00 pm** concert is sponsored by Jean and Gordon Douglas, and by Key Bank. As one writer said, "The stars are aligned when these three legendary musicians come together!"

Wu Han and David Finckel, co-directors of Lincoln Center Chamber Music, appear frequently with violinist Philip Setzer in performances of the piano trio literature. **Philip Setzer** and David Finckel were colleagues in the legendary Emerson String Quartet for more than three decades. Of the trio, another reviewer wrote "It used to be the Beaux Arts Trio that other piano trios had to look up to and attempt to emulate. Now it's the Han-Setzer-Finckel triumvirate that is the standard bearer."

In Pawling, they will play Rachmaninov's Trio élégiaque in D minor, Op. 9; Mendelssohn's Trio No. 1 in D minor, Op. 49; and Dvorak's Trio in E minor, Op. 90, the "Dumky."

Tickets are available on line at www.pawlingconcertseries.org, at the Book Cove in Pawling Village, and at the door on the night of the concert. **Adult tickets are \$30; children 12 and under are admitted without charge.**

Call **(845) 855-3100** for more information.

The Pawling Concert Series is presented, in part, through funding from the New York State Council on the Arts and by Dutchess Tourism, administered by Arts Mid-Hudson, and is generously underwritten by Andron Construction, Joseph Meunier & Sons, and Pawling Engineered Products. For further information on the Pawling Concert Series, including directions and future concerts, visit www.pawlingconcertseries.org.

Friday, March 27
at
7.00 p.m.

Gardiner Theatre
Trinity Pawling Campus
700 Route 22
Pawling, NY

Tai Chi

Cancelled

EASY TAICHI

a simplified Taichi exercise class in Kent

Tuesday and Thursday mornings 10:00-11:00am

Tuesdays at the **Kent Community House**

Thursdays at the **St. Andrew's Church Parish Hall**

classes run in 6-week sessions

new students may join at the beginning of the sessions only

session start dates: 2/18, 3/31, 5/12, 6/23, 8/4

\$60 for one class a week

or \$100 for both



Tai Chi is a traditional Chinese fitness system based on the natural integration of mind, body and spirit. It has been proven over and over again to have a profoundly beneficial effect upon a wide range of health issues, both through the experiential claims of countless practitioners worldwide who swear by its usefulness and now also by an ever increasing collection of medical studies saying basically the same thing. The only catch to being able to utilize the full potential of Tai Chi practice is the difficulty of learning it. This class was developed as a collaboration between the Town of Kent Park and Rec Department and Christopher Kiely of the Falling Water Tai Chi School with the sole intention of providing a simple-as-possible path to learning. No experience at all is necessary. The only prerequisite is the ability to comfortably remain on one's feet for at least an hour at a time.

For more information or to register for the class please contact Christopher Kiely at 802-349-2725/cloudhandy@yahoo.com or Lesly Ferris at parkandrec@townofkentct.org/860-927-1003.

The Annual Reports for 2019

The Reports presented at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, 26 January 2020, are available in hardcopy form in the narthex or in the Parish Office, and may be view online by clicking on

[Annual Report 2019](#)

The Prayer List During the Time of Transition

During the transition time, Heather Scofield, our Administrator, will be 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. **And**

***please remember to let her know when she may remove the name(s).
Except for the names we know to keep on the Prayer List on a long term basis, we will remove names after 3 months and ask that you resubmit if the names should remain.***

***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.

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*

Reverend Lisa Hahneman's Homily for 8 March

click on [Homily](#)

The Lectons this Week

**The Fourth Sunday
of Lent
22 March
Year A**

***I Samuel 16.1-13;
Psalm 23;
Ephesians 5.8-14;
John 9.1-41***

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

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.

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.

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!*