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Marel's Fridge...with the Episcopal Calendar!

## From Marel Rogers, Junior Warden

We all have one somewhere in our homes. On the surface it tells one the liturgical color of the season (it's Easter!). The small print tells of saints' days and if it's in bold type, it's a Major Saint, usually with a different color for his or her day. Blank squares give useful information about which 'year' we are in for Sundays and weekdays. Who knew?

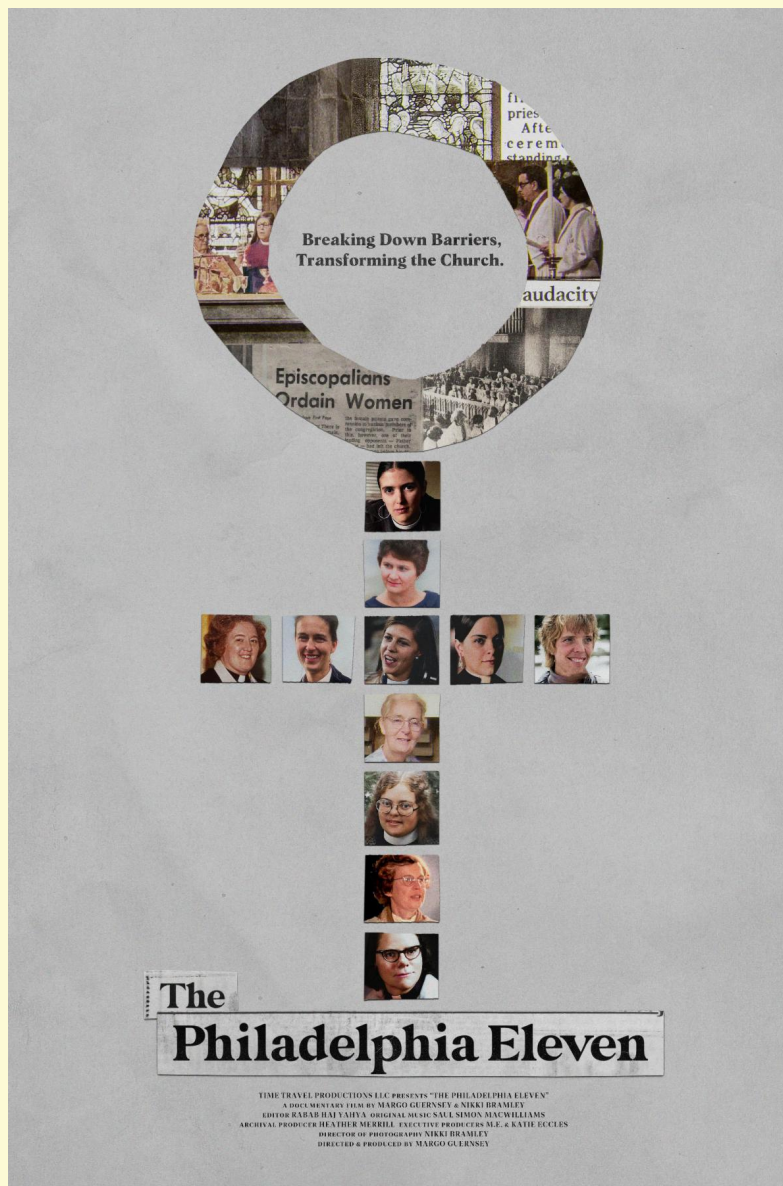
But did you ever look on the back of the calendar? It manages, on one page, to explain the Christian Year, how to figure out when Easter will be celebrated (think full moon...) and the meaning of the colors we see at the altar and in the vestments worn by our celebrants. If you ever wondered about those twice a year rose colored vestments, look no further!

When you tear off the page for April, take a look at the verso of the page. All the readings for the Sundays in the month are listed, and any special days also have their readings. Special directions for Easter Week, such as the singing or speaking the *Gloria in Excelsis* are all there.

So the next time you walk by your St. Andrew's calendar give it an extra look.

There's more there than a reminder that you have Coffee Hour on Sunday!

## This Sunday: Public Screening at St. Matthew's in Wilton, CT: The Philadelphia Eleven



Fifty years ago this July, a brave group of women shattered the stained-glass ceiling by challenging the very core of patriarchal culture to seek ordination as Priests in the Episcopal Church. St. Matthew's is proud to host a public screening of "The Philadelphia Eleven," a compelling new documentary film about the first women to be ordained in the Episcopal Church. Despite resistance, disrespect, and exclusion, these women defied the norms and transformed an age-old institution. The film sheds light on their lives, exploring the personal risks they undertook for the sake of their beliefs and their love for the church. It is a powerful story of faith and conviction. It is a story for all of us, regardless of faith tradition, that doesn't just recount history but reflects the continuing struggles faced by women today.

As a special bonus, we will be joined that day by one of the eleven, **the Rev.**



**Dr. Carter Heyward.** You can read more about the film and **watch the trailer** here.

Come to worship at 10:00am to hear Carter preach. Then come back at 2:00pm for the screening of the film and a special conversation with her.

Mark your calendars now so you don't miss it! Share this invitation with friends who might be interested. All are welcome. This is a FREE event and childcare will be provided **upon request**.

Margo Guernsey, the film's director and producer who is not an Episcopalian, emphasizes that this is a story for everyone. "It is about how to break down barriers with grace and be true to oneself in the process. This story reveals ways in which voices that are inconvenient are often buried. It also provides a vision for what a just and inclusive community looks like in practice."

Tomorrow:  
Hudson Valley Handbell Concert  
Featuring our very own Susan and Mike Guse

# Hudson Valley Handbell Festival/Conference

46th Annual

## CONCERT



Featuring 15 Handbell Choirs  
from the Hudson Valley Tri-State Region

**Guest Director: David Harris**  
**Local Director: Christine Braden**

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**Free Admission**

A free-will offering will be collected to support our festival.  
Check our website for donations in the past years.

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**Saturday, April 27, 2024 @ 4:00 p.m.**

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**Sommer Center at Iona University**  
**Bronxville • Campus**

171 White Plains Road, Bronxville, NY 10708

For information about the  
Festival or Concert  
visit [www.hudsonvalleyhandbells.org](http://www.hudsonvalleyhandbells.org)

**Camp Washington:**  
**Growing Hope, Forging Peace**



3RD ANNUAL

GROWING HOPE

FREE ADMISSION  
ALL AGES WELCOME  
10AM - 2PM

FORGING PEACE MAY 11, 2024

A CALL TO CHANGE AND ACTION — FOR GOD’S PEOPLE WEARY OF GUN VIOLENCE

JOIN US FOR A DAY OF TESTIMONY, REFLECTION, EXPERIENCE, AND ACTION!

We will gather around the forges as we transform guns into gardening tools and art. Offering songs of praise and prayer, and hearing words shared by victims and survivors of gun violence. Shane Claiborne- our keynote speaker will offer words of change and a call to action. We will work on art projects and gather in thoughtful conversations around mental health, safe gun storage and suicide prevention. We will offer our hurts, hopes and dreams to God in song and worship, and end our day with a picnic lunch.

THIS DAY IS OPEN TO ALL GOD’S PEOPLE, OF ALL BELIEFS AND AGES.

REGISTER NOW AT [CAMPWASHINGTON.ORG](http://CAMPWASHINGTON.ORG)  
OR CALL 860.567.9623 FOR MORE DETAILS

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.



Tomorrow:  
KCNS Presents  
An Enchanted Evening





## Quality Thrift Shop Looking for Volunteers



You may have donated some clothes, or you may have found a fabulous sweater or jacket at the Quality Thrift Shop, located next to the First Congregational Church.

The Thrift Shop is seeking volunteers to help in the shop, in two hour shifts. The hours are 12-2 pm and 2-4 pm, Tuesday-Saturday.

Feel free to stop in the shop or call (860) 927-3287 for more information.

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:klotss@southkentschool.org) if you have any questions. Many thanks!

## Mark Your Calendars

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

**August 02 - 04 :: The Annual Tag Sale**

## This Week at St Andrew's

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Sunday, 28 April:: 8:30 am

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

Sunday, 28 April:: 10:30 am

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

Monday, 29 April :: 8:00 pm

LGBTQ+ A.A. meeting

Wednesday, 01 May:: 6:00 pm

**Midweek Worship Service**

Wednesday, 01 May :: 7:00 pm

A.A. for Women (NEW)

Thursday, 02 May :: 7:00 pm

A.A. Meeting

Thursday, 02 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.

## Lections for this Week

### **The Fifth Sunday of Easter** *Year B*

Acts 8:26-40  
Psalm 22:24-30  
1 John 4:7-21  
John 15:1-8



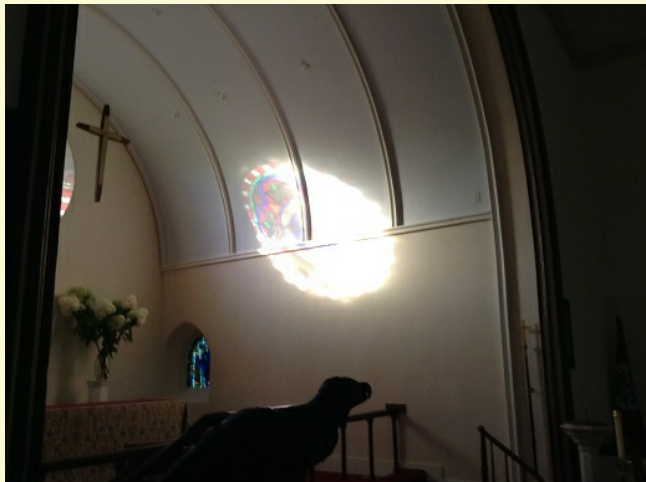
## Worship Services

**-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

**Susan Guse**  
Organist & Director of Choirs

**Ron Marasco, Ph.D.**  
Director of Education

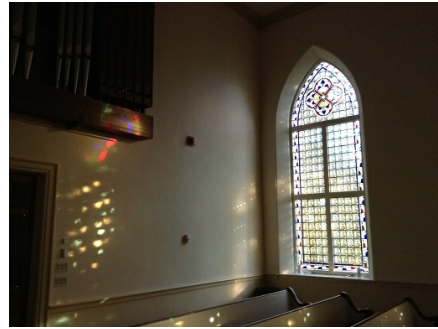
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