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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 Sunday
In person
6/28 for 25 people at
10.30 a.m. only
(Also available live on
YouTube)

-Wednesday-

Evening Prayer 6.00 p.m. *Resumed*

-Friday-Prayer & Meditation 5.30 p.m. Suspended

This Week & Weekend at St Andrew's

Sunday, 28 June Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Reception of Ron Marasco with Bishop Laura J. Ahrens

*In person Service for 25 people at 10.30 a.m.
*Sign up to attend with Irene Connors
collageconnors@gmail.com
860.592.0030

*Service is also available Live on YouTube and through our website www.standrewskentct.org

Tuesday, 30 June
Parish Office Open 10.00 - 2 p.m.

Call or email only

Wednesday, 1 July Evening Prayer at 6.00 p.m.

*In person for 25 people *Sign up with Irene Connors collageconnors@gmail.com 860.592.0030

Thursday, 2 July

A.A. at 7.30 a.m (Great Room)
Parish Office Open 10.00 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Call or email only

Our New Priest

Hallelujah!

Holy Days as announced.

Twelve Step Groups

Wednesdays

7:00 p.m. A.A. for Women Zoom meeting email for info.

Thursdays

A.A. at 7.30 a.m. (Great Room)
Resumed

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

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

> Bill McLaren, Sexton

Randy Osolin, Verger We are thrilled to announce that St. Andrew's has a Provisional Priest in Charge. The Rev. Douglas Worthington will join us on August 1.

Douglas received his Master of Divinity degree from The Virginia Theological Seminary in May. He will be ordained a priest in September at St. Andrew's, a wonderful occasion and a great honor for our parish.

Douglas is a graduate of Princeton University and George Washington University law school. He was a corporate lawyer for almost 25 years before he received God's call to the ordained ministry, and, specifically, parish ministry, of the Episcopal Church and began the five-year process that has led him to us. From 2018 until now, he served the parish of St. Paul's, K Street, in Washington, DC, as a seminarian intern.

Douglas is a life-long singer and will support the rich music of St. Andrew's with enthusiasm and knowledge.

Douglas and his husband of 14 years, Jim, will move into the refurbished rectory with their beloved dog, Joe Joe, at the end of July. Douglas and Jim have said how much they value the small town living that Kent offers and are eager to become part of the fabric of the town.

The Vestry unanimously voted for Douglas as our PPIC. We are blessed that he will join us and eager to have him and Jim among us.

Please keep Douglas and Jim in your prayers as they move into the Rectory and Douglas begins his ministry here at St. Andrew's.

Christopher Rehkow Senior Warden on behalf of the Wardens and Vestry

Racial Healing Resources

Racial Healing, Justice, Reconciliation, and Education Resources

A digital library, network of information, and educational resources to help introduce foundational concepts, language, and tools to help encourage and enable congregations to begin opening their hearts and minds about the sin of racism are available.

https://www.episcopalct.org/ecct-events/season-of-racial-healingjustice-and-reconciliation/resources/

PDF list of Resources

https://www.episcopalct.org/Customer-

Content/www/CMS/files/BLM resources donate 1.pdf

Black Lives Matter Resources & Organizations to Support https://www.episcopalct.org/blm/

ECCT's Racial Justice Resource Coordinator:
Kelli Ray Gibson
kgibson@episcopalct.org

Racial Ministry Network

Racial Justice, Healing, and Reconciliation Ministry Network

This is a network comprised of lay and clergy persons who are passionate about and strive for racial healing, justice, reconciliation and restoring all human beings to each other, the church, and God.

https://www.episcopalct.org/Find-Resources/ministrynetworks/racialhealingjusticereconciliation/

Zoom Bible Study



Northwest Region Zoom Bible Study

Rev. Martha Tucker is leading a NW Region Bible Study on Tuesdays at 4PM! We are looking at the Gospel of John! All are welcome to join!! The zoom link is below.

https://episcopalct.zoom.us/j/786414686

Please contact Dylan Mello with any questions at dmello@episcopalct.org

PraiseMoves!



Looking for a way to stretch, exercise and hear the Word of God?

Then try

PraiseMoves!

Now, easy to do right in the comfort of your own home. Mary Perry, Certified PraiseMoves Instructor from St. Paul's Brookfield will be holding Zoom classes

Saturdays at 10:00

Message her at <u>maryperry2@me.com</u> for the link. Come, try it out! Appropriate for all Fitness Levels!

The Kent Food Bank

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

> Kent Community Fund P.O. Box 262 Kent, CT 06757

*Remember to put Food Bank in the memo of your check.

These funds will be used to purchase vouchers for local families in need, under the direction of our town's Social Services Director, Leah Pullaro.

The Kent Food Bank is also taking food donations during this difficult time.

The Kent Food Bank is especially in need of:

Staples such as beans, rice, tea,

coffee, sugar, nuts, hot & cold breakfast cereals, peanut butter, jellies, jams and tuna

Please remember that the Food Bank accepts pet foods as well!

Make certain that the 'Best by ...' dates are not past!

You may drop off food items on Thursdays
from 9.00 to Noon
in the back of the Community House
on Main Street.
Please DO NOT come into the Food Bank, but
leave outside the door.

From Webmaster George Potts

Parish member Kristin Phelps has a great idea!

We would like the members of our worldwide St Andrew's Parish to share stories of how we each have been spending our time during the current pandemic:

Where are you spending your quarantine?

How are you keeping busy?

What are you reading?

What is the biggest change you are experiencing?

Are you attending any online services, both here and worldwide?

Please email your stories to George Potts at gpotts@snet.net and he will upload them to the parish website so that we can all see them. All of them will be viewable once the page is published at https://www.standrewskentct.org/membersblog.html

ECCT COVID-19 Resources

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The Episcopal Church in Connecticut has put together many resources for us to utilize. There are financial resources for parishes, self-care information, and

livestream information as well. Please see HERE

or the link below to explore current news, events, and offerings.

https://www.episcopalct.org/covid-19-coronavirusupdates/

ECCT COVID-19 Blog



ECCT Stories: Covid -19 Reflections, Part 1

We asked folks from all over ECCT to submit reflections on their experiences during this time of quarantine, physical distancing, and uncertainty. We asked where you see God in this, what you are learning, and how you are caring for yourself in this time. We were overwhelmed with the response of essays, videos, poems, and more. Here are some of the reflections, more to come next week.

Read the blog

Share with ECCT

share your COVID-19 experience

SHARE A REFLECTION ON HOW YOU ARE DOING IN THIS TIME OF CORONAVIRUS AND PHYSICAL DISTANCING.

WHERE HAVE YOU SEEN GOD?
WHAT ARE YOU LEARNING?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO CARE FOR YOURSELF?

email your reflection to storytelling@episcopalct.org



We invite folks from all across the Episcopal Church in Connecticut to share a reflection on your COVID-19 experience with us. We are putting together a blog series with reflections from you, to share how folks are experiencing and living into this new normal

Where have you seen God during this time?

What are you learning?

What are you doing to care for yourself?

We invite you to submit a reflection, no more than 600 words, along with a photo. The photo can be of you or something that goes with your reflection.

Please email your reflections to storytelling@episcopalct.org

Adding to the Prayer List

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, that 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 <u>st.andrew. kent @snet.net</u>

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.

Coffee in the Commons Podcast



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/

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

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 the Homilies located on our website.

click on **Homily**

The Lections this Week

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Year A

Jeremiah 28.5-9; Psalm 89.1-4,15-18; Romans 6.12-23; Matthew 10.40-42