

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

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OUR MISSION IS TO FOLLOW THE WAYS OF JESUS

Sunday Service @10:00 A.M.

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NOTE FROM FATHER GEORGE

Time For Reflection

November 1st starts my third year as Priest in Charge of Saint Andrew's Church. It comes at a time when I have been thinking about where I am on my spiritual journey.

No one ever knows all there is to know about the Christian faith, scripture, the love of Jesus, or the power of the Holy Spirit. I do know that growing in faith is continuing for me, maybe even more so at the present time in my life. You, the people of St. Andrew's Church have had a major part in that growth.

As I listen to your concerns and your questions about faith, I am processing the same questions for myself. There are specific times when this is happening for me. The Wednesday Morning Prayer group with extensive discussion on the life of a Saint and the scripture assigned to that person does a lot for me.

The Purpose Driven Life study recently completed and was a great time for sharing and listening and processing all the insights that were expressed. The Rev. Charles Stanlye, a Baptist TV preacher/teacher was right on when he said these moments are spiritual experiences.

Even our lovely coffee time after worship is a time of unwinding and listening as we come to terms with having received the Body and Blood of our Savior and have time to process the Gospel with each other.

It all came together for me when I realize that I have not had an official "spiritual director" for a long time. My first one was Mother Elise, Mother Superior at

Melrose Convent in Brewster, New York. It came to an end when she moved to the Mother House in New York City.

Then I had Father Ben Priest, the Director of the Oratory of the Little Way. He died some years ago and I was never ever able to replace him. I have felt that my new spiritual director should be older than me, be ordained and love the Lord. I was not able to put all that together.

Finally, I did find a man, an author of many spiritual books, and who loves the Lord. I like the way he writes, he is not ordained, and he is younger than I am. It looks like he will be perfect. He agreed to be my mentor and I am looking forward to starting our meetings.

Where did I meet him? He sat next to me at my Monday evening Bible Study. It seems to be the Lord's blessing. St. Andrew's Church and my new mentor make the future look pretty good.

The lesson I have learned is to pay attention to all my Christian family. You seem to trigger new insights and new understanding.

George +



Anyone interested in Episcopal Church E-NewsLetters and do not have access to computers can find the weekly printed copy in a binder entitled "ECCT News" on the coffee table in Barlow Parlor.

PRAY FOR THOSE ON OUR INTERSESSION LIST.

Jerry, Amy A, Garth, Don, Katie L, Vincent N., Jordan, Kay, Dot, Connie V., Barb, Bill, Joyce, Joanne, Kim, Dawn P., Sehila R., Faye, Jan, Betsy O., Stacey, Elizabeth, Emily M., Sandy, Bee F., John, Pat, Susie, David, Cindy, Anita, Judy, Paxton, Tracy, Mary, Curt, Terri, Mark and Robert Sr.

**If anyone needs to make an addition or remove someone please contact Diane Kuck

KEEP ALL OF OUR ARMED FORCE MEMBERS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Josh, Joe, Andrew, Drew, Scott, Andy and David

Birthdays

2nd Somya Burks

4th Kevin Egan

5th Taylor F. Young

9th William Buttery Sr.

9th. Matthew Barksdale

11th. Alison O'Shaughnessy

13th Tamar Koo

13th. Colleen Morris

14th Bruce Camp

15th. Colleen Rodger

16th Krista Collins

16th Jason Burks

16th Jordan A. Gray

17th Amber Burks

18th Carol Ward

18th Alexa Laura Engle

19th Bob Morris Jr.

19th Andrew Camp

28th Loretta Camp

Anniversaries:

1st. Christina & Antonio Clark

6th. Jackie & Chris Gardner

11th Melvin & Annette McBairty

20th Katie Volinski & Rick Lucas

**** readers:
Gospel**

1st Lesson

2nd Lesson

1st week - Richard

Ruth 1:1-18 or 119: 1-8
Or Deuteronomy 6:1-9

Hebrews 9:11-14

Mark 12:28-34

2nd week - Colleen

Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17
Kings 17:8-16

Hebrews 9:24-28

Mark 12:38-44

3rd week – Joyce

1 Samuel 2:1-10, 1 Samuel 1 4-20
Daniel 12: 1-3

Hebrews 10:11-14 (15-18), 19-25 Mark 13: 1-8

4th week - Sandy

2Samuel23:1-7

Revelations1;4b-8

John 18:33-37

Reserve: Jackie/Chris Gardner

Excerpt from “Everyday Blessings” by, Max Lucado

When kindness comes grudgingly, we’ll remember God’s kindness to us and ask Him to make us more kind.

When patience is scarce, we’ll thank him for His and ask Him to make us more patient.

When it’s hard to forgive, we won’t list all the times we have been given grief. Rather, we will list all the times we have been given grace and pray to become more forgiving.



Amanda, Anne and Savannah delivered their creation “Just Elfin Around” for our Annual St. Andrew’s Christmas Bazaar & Luncheon which will be December 7th from 10-2! We are just so incredibly thankful for their creativity and generosity! Chances will be offered for \$10 each. Raffle baskets are also coming in and chances will be sold for \$1 each, 6 for \$5 or 12 for \$10. The Women’s Group has been very busy creating special gifts, gathering all kinds of specialty items and making preparations for the upcoming event. Santa will be delighting us again and there’ll be baked goods, jewelry and much more! So, please invite your friends and family to shop and have lunch with us on December 7th!

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Jeff and Bil Keane



"The sermon was good, but I think you could've used a couple jokes to jazz it up a bit."

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Visiting his grandparents, a small boy opened the big family Bible. He was fascinated as he fingered through the old pages. Suddenly, something fell out. He picked it up and found that it was an old leaf that had been pressed flat between the pages. "Mama, look what I found," he called out.

"What have you got there, dear?" his mother asked.

With astonishment in his voice, the boy answered, "I think it's Adam's underwear!"

THE NEXT VESTRY MEETING IS NOVEMBER 10th AFTER THE SERVICE.