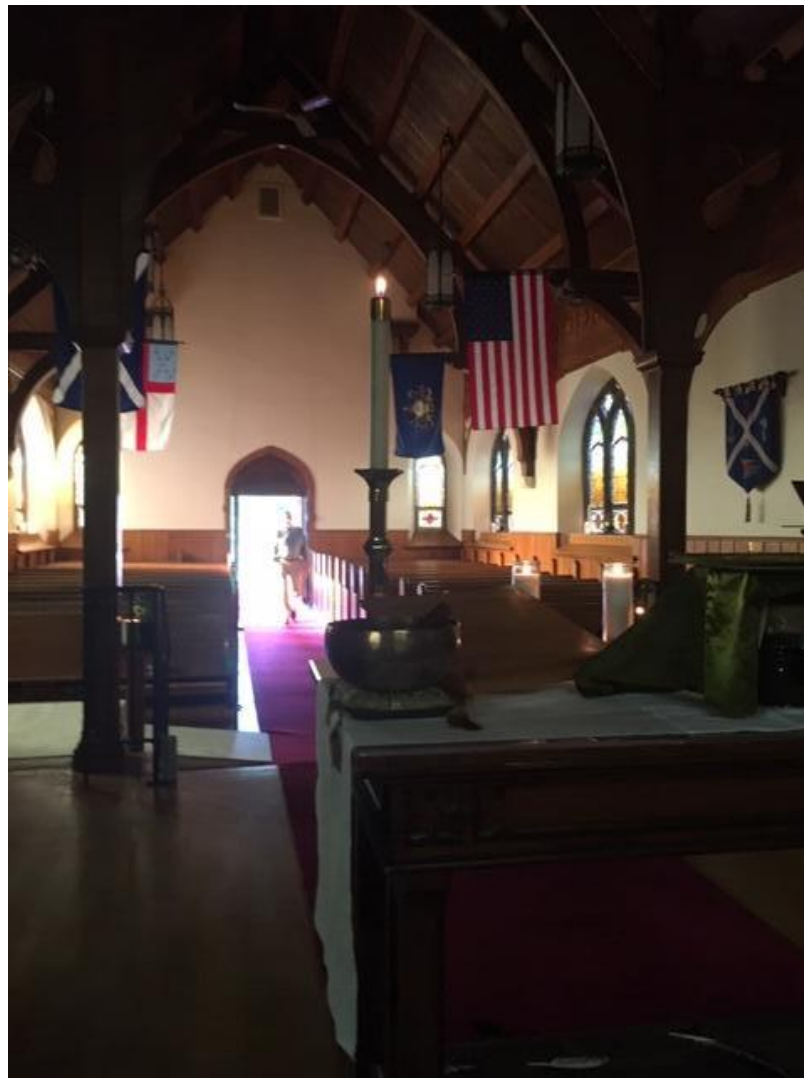


St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

We're so glad you're a part of our community.

Thank you for receiving and engaging in our weekly e-newsletter. It is our hope this regular communication will open your hearts and minds to the many ways St. Andrew's may be able to meet your spiritual needs -- and for you to know how best you can serve others through our many reaches into the needs of our community. Blessings, Mo. Barbara



We look forward to answering your questions, sharing stories and finding ways for the Spirit to touch your heart and life. Come on in

Service Times:

This Sunday Morning

8:00 a.m. Spoken Worship Service (Rite 1) with Healing Prayers

10:00 a.m. Worship Service with music and youth participation (Rite 2)

with Healing Prayers & Pet Blessing

All Tuesday and Wednesday Mornings

9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer (in parish library)

All Wednesday Mornings

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers at The Episcopal Home

All Thursday Mornings

8:45 a.m. Contemplative Prayer (Meditation) in parish library

Special Events this Week:

Sunday Morning

10 a.m. Pet Blessing during the service (Bring your pets to church!)

11:15 a.m. Pre-confirmation Class (upstairs PLC)

11:15 a.m. Children & Youth Music Time (downstairs PLC)

11:15 a.m. Conversation & Coffee w/ goodies

11:30 a.m. Bible Study (Approaching the Gospels) in parish library

Sunday Afternoon

3-5 p.m. Contemplative Photography Workshop
(Part of our Creativity & Spirituality Series)

Monday Afternoon

5-6 p.m. Community Meal Served to our Friends & Guest

Two highlights this week:



**Pet Blessing
during the 10 a.m. service**

Our pets bless us everyday of our lives, through their unconditional love, presence, and affection.

You are invited to bring your pet (or a photo of them) -- or even a stuffed animal -- to be blessed this Sunday for our annual Pet Blessing Service.

It's a special time of real companionship and communion.

Contemplative Photography Workshop

Please join us this afternoon from 3:00-5:00 p.m. for a workshop on Contemplative Photography facilitated by Sarah Wilson.

Here we will approach the act of taking pictures in a whole new way, based on ideas of "receiving" instead of "taking" images.

During the session participants will hear from artist R.K. Dickson, professor of art at Wilson College, on his approach to photography and spiritual life.

Then, everyone is invited to engage in short practices to cultivate different ways of seeing the world. No photography or art experience is necessary and all ages are welcome. Do not worry about showing your work to others, either! While we will discuss our experiences with the short experiments, photos will be private. Please bring a smart phone, a digital camera, or a film camera. **Also, bring a small-medium sized everyday object from home.** This can be anything from a cup to a hairbrush to a child's toy. The only requirement is that it is unassuming (and portable!)

This is a wonderful opportunity for parents and children, spouses, and friends to enjoy an afternoon together learning about something easy and new. It is also a very simple way to take a deeper step into your personal spiritual journey. Again, absolutely no experience is required. We welcome you to join us for this very special afternoon!

Other news:

Silent Auction is Closed

Thank you to everyone who bid on any of the lovely auction baskets. The auction closed last Sunday, so if you are the highest bidder, please take home your treasure. If you bid on a basket, whether you were the winning bid or not, we ask that you make your donation in the amount of your bid, to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church and place Silent Auction in the memo line -- or put cash in an envelope marked with your name (so we can credit your giving statement). All donations will go to support the ministry of The Episcopal Home. Even if you didn't bid on a basket, you can still make your donation to The Episcopal Home!! Just put a check in the box!

Didn't win a basket? Feeling left out?

Oh don't, you can still buy a ticket for the beautiful quilt!

Tickets are on sale for \$1 (which means you can buy a lot of them) for the beautiful quilt lovingly created by our St. Andrew's Quilters. All proceeds also go to The Episcopal Home.

Asking for your prayers:

Dr. Jerry Weale

We ask your prayers for our Organist and Choir Director, Jerry Weale, as he undergoes treatment for an illness over the next several weeks. Please be sure to sign the "Get-Well Soon" card for Jerry this week, when you're at church, so our love and prayers can lift his spirits.

Until Jerry has returned, our adult choir will not be active in the leadership of our worship music. However, if you have music talents which you would

like to share with our congregation during the Offertory (solo, duet, instrumentalist), please contact Mother Barbara, John Richardson, or Lisa Turchi.

Preparing for Sunday:

To read the lessons for 8 a.m., please [click here](#).

To read the lessons for 10 a.m., please [click here](#).

To read Mo. Barbara's sermon from last week, please [click here](#).

Worship Ministers

8 a.m.

Crucifer: Bill Gawors

Lector: Steve Smith

Celebrant & Preacher: Mother Pat

Assisting Priest: Mother Barbara

Eucharistic Minister: Jan Smith, Bill Gawors

Healing Prayer Minister: Ellen Rose

Healing Prayer Cantor: Lisa Turchi

Verger: Mike Stitt

10 a.m.

Altar Guild: Christina Luo, Bill Gawors, Sue Davis, Samantha Davis

Greeters: Nichol Free, Edna Guido

Acolytes: Shannon O'Donnell, Neiley O'Donnell, Alex Smeltz

Lectors: Donna Harpster, Andrew Smeltz

Celebrant & Preacher: Mother Pat

Assisting Priest: Mother Barbara

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Grace Shearer, Harold Herman

Healing Prayer Ministers: Jeanine Goodwin, Laurel White

Healing Prayer Cantor: Lisa Turchi

Counters: Angie Schneider, Jean Shepherd

Coffee Hour: Lisa Turchi, Andrew Smeltz

Verger: Mike Stitt

A fabulous Diocesan Opportunity

Becoming Beloved Community

The SSFM course, "Becoming Beloved Community" is an online course, meeting Tuesday evenings beginning at 7 p.m. running from 10/9 through 12/11.

Two members of our diocese, Kevin Barron and Marion Schwartz will be teaching this course. The cost for this course is underwritten by the Diocese through their support of an extensive long-range effort to undo racism, as led by the People's Institute For Survival and Beyond.

Using the framework of the Episcopal Church's "Becoming Beloved Community", this course on antiracism will lead participants through four

pillar rooted in the Baptismal Covenant; Telling the Truth about the Church and Race; Proclaiming the Dream of Beloved Community; Practicing the Way of Love; and Repairing the Breach in Society and Institutions The course is designed to provide members of the church with knowledge to combat the sin of racism, particularly focusing on dismantling systematic racism within and outside the Institution of the Church. This course comes in 5 or 10 week online modules. If you are interested in this course, please talk to Mother Barbara right away. **With the current state of our country , which seems to divide further in heart with each collective breath we take, this is a vital exploration for us as Christians to engage with now.**

Our Bishop's blog



pray - On The Way

"I pray because the need flows out of me all the time... It doesn't change God- it changes me." C.S.Lewis I didn't come from a praying family... or at least one that would openly admit to it. Now, mind you, I came from a religious family- a good...

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Remember that when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that you have received - only what you have given: a full heart, enriched by honest service, love, sacrifice and courage.

St Francis of Assisi



MYSTIC PRAYERS