



The Network

The newsletter for Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church

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Above: Bishop Perry tells a story during her visit to the 9:15 am Family Service, Below: Bishop Perry baptizes a young parishioner; The Alleluia Scroll is displayed; Burying the Scroll in the Undercroft, February 2023 · L. Hastings

As I write this, we're quickly approaching mid-Lent. It will come sometime between snow storms. With that in mind, I'm forcing myself to think about what follows.

Even though it's filled with familiar stories, and anticipates the renewal of Spring, it's a bit difficult to think about Eastertide today. So, let's take some time to ponder, sowing seeds for the growth that will come.

Our Vestry is engaging in new ways of functioning and how we conduct our meetings. We're setting aside the controls of timed agendas so we might freely talk about ministry. This began with the February meeting as new Vestry members joined us. But it finds its roots in the last meeting in January as several members were ending their term on Vestry.

My thoughts go back to my reading of the CAT survey from last October. There seems to be a lot of thought and concern regarding issues of hospitality and spirituality. I think these are closely related, as our spirituality informs our hospitality, and our sense of hospitality can engage and enlarge our spirituality. Plus, you've heard me say from time to time that we are Christ's Church just as much outside our walls as we want to be inside them.

Some good ideas are poking their heads through the soil of our long pandemic winter. A call has gone out to those who want to spend some time in nature, a chance to once again find beauty and peace as we listen to the birds and see the newly formed buds of leaves and flowers. A few newborn critters may also cross our paths as we walk

some of the many trails through Ann Arbor and the surrounding area.

Some others are exercising their creative energies. Coventry Suppers are getting back in gear. We're going to gradually move back into using freshly-baked bread at communion. Some others are wanting to visit friends we haven't seen in awhile, volunteering to visit and take Holy Communion from our altars to those unable to be with us.

Another thought along these lines is asking if there are some who would like to write the Prayers of the People we use on Sundays. The formats in The Book of Common Prayer are actually meant to be guides to spur imagination, and not prescribed words we must use. The only prescription refers to topics—the wider church, the world and its leaders, the sick, those who have died—and they are also given to us. Whether it be a group effort or an individual exercise, the possibility for enriching our spiritual lives is before us.

We've also had several new faces join us in these past few months. Take some time to greet those you don't know, even if they've been around for a longer time. Give a call to someone you haven't seen in awhile, if just to let them know you're thinking about them.

These are my thoughts on a snowy, chilly Friday afternoon. I welcome the opportunity to hear your own.

THE REV. E. WAYNE ROLLINS

Interim Rector





2023

HOLY WEEK & EASTER

Palm Sunday, April 2

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
- 9:15 am Family Eucharist (*Chapel*)
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist *

April 3 + 4

- 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist (*Chapel*)

Wednesday, April 5

- 7:00 am Holy Eucharist (*Chapel*)
- 7:30 pm Tenebrae *

Maundy Thursday, April 6

- 7:30 pm Liturgy & Holy Eucharist *
- 9-10 pm Watch at the Altar of Repose

Good Friday, April 7

- 8:00 am Watch Resumes
- 12:00 pm Liturgy of the Day *
Rite of Reconciliation
- 2:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday, April 8

- 7:30 pm Great Vigil

Easter Sunday, April 9

No Church School

- 7:30 am Musical Prelude
- 8:00 am Festival Choral Eucharist
- 9:15 am Family Eucharist (*Chapel*)
- 10:00 am Musical Prelude *
- 10:30 am Festival Choral Eucharist *

April 12-14

Services held as regularly scheduled

* Available as a livestream on YouTube

Parish Briefs

Will You Watch with Me?

Our Lord Jesus asked his disciples to watch with him as he prayed in the garden of Gethsemane. At the end of the Maundy Thursday Eucharist the Blessed Sacrament will be taken in procession to the chapel and placed on the Altar of Repose. Please, sign up by the chapel to keep watch until 10:00 pm on Thursday, April 6, and from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm on Friday, April 7.

St. Andrew's Gets Outside!

If you enjoyed our last walk, join us again on Saturday, April 8 at County Farm Park (Main Entrance off Platt Road) at 9:00 am. Bring your favorite hot beverage and we will supply the pastries for a pre-walk tailgate in the pavilion. From there we will divide into different groups according to distance and speed preferences. We can't wait to see you!

Tree Uprooted by Winter Storm

You might notice things look a bit different along Division Street now! The building has thankfully not suffered any damage in the recent ice and snow storms. However, as you can see below, during the March 3-4 snowstorm, the large conifer in front of the cloister was uprooted by the heavy snow. The silver lining is that we can now see the beautiful architecture of the cloister for the first time in decades!



Finance

Operating Revenue and Expense

January 1 to February 28, 2023

	Actual Year-to-Date	Budget Year-to-Date	Over/Under +/- YTD Actual vs. YTS Budget
Income			
Plate Offerings	7,422	7,000	422
Pledge Payments	125,934	130,000	-4,066
Other Income	3,313	1,666	1,647
Designated Funds Transfer	0	0	0
Deficit Reduction Withdrawal	0	0	0
Prior Year Surplus	0	0	0
Total Income	136,669	138,666	-1,997
Expenses			
Salaries and Benefits	115,729	116,782	-1,053
Maintenance & Overhead	21,216	15,162	6,054
Office Expense	2,884	7,076	-4,192
Stewardship & Miscellaneous	1,381	1,400	-19
Church Programs	4,139	7,018	-2,879
Diocesan Pledge	16,642	16,642	0
Total Expenses	161,991	164,080	-2,089
Net	-25,322	-25,414	92

Transition and Search Updates

Dear Friends,

For several months we have been talking about staff transitions at St. Andrew's.

As of March 31, Kathy McPherson is retiring as Parish Administrator after nearly two decades in that position. She has seen us through two major projects—the Capital Campaign for building repairs, and the Organ Project, completed in 2022. Her devotion and influence in the parish are immeasurable, and we express our deepest gratitude to her.

By the end of April, Kim Tucker-Gray will depart to engage in other ventures she has considered over a period of several months. Kim has served as our Finance Administrator for about eight years, keeping us aware of our financial condition and managing the various funds associated with the ministries of St. Andrew's. We thank her for her dedication and diligence, and offer our best wishes for success in her next endeavors.

Beginning on April 1, our new Parish Administrator is one who is a familiar face among us. Jonathan Gardner is a member of our Adult and Compline Choirs. He has a varied background, including in banking and mortgage administration, work as a Music Therapist in hospice agencies, and with liturgical duties and organization in the Boston area. He will work with Kathy during April to orient himself to the Parish Administration duties.

Reavis Graham will become our Bookkeeper on April 1, and will work with Kim to learn the procedures and processes already in place for the financial life of St. Andrew's. Reavis, who goes by "Rev" served as assistant treasurer at Nativity, West Bloomfield. He also owns and operates his own company, Revman Communications, where he produced training materials used by the auto industry. He is a member of the Screen Actors Guild, having appeared on screens big and small. He continues as an active Episcopalian in parish and diocesan activities.

As we say goodbye to Kathy and Kim in their official capacities, let us welcome Jonathan and Rev into their new positions. Office hours for both will be posted soon.

THE REV. E. WAYNE ROLLINS
Interim Rector

Rector Search Update

As of early February, the Rector job posting has been live on several different sites and will continue until April 2:

- [Diocese of Michigan - Transitions](#)
- [Transition Ministry Conference](#)
- [Episcopal News Service](#)

The St. Andrew's website also has the Profile and OTM documents posted on the [Search Committee page](#).

The Diocese will be doing background checks as an initial 'red flag' screening of all the candidates who apply.

In early April, Diocese will pass along to the Search Committee a list of candidate applications for our review and consideration. The Search Committee will do an initial screening of the candidates based on their submitted written materials, and from there, the Committee will formulate a shorter list of candidates whom we would like to move to the interview process.

It is difficult to predict how long this next phase will take; depends on how many candidates we decide to interview, and the Committee deliberations required to narrow down to two or three "finalists" – who would then be invited for an in-person interview.

We will keep everyone updated as this next phase unfolds!

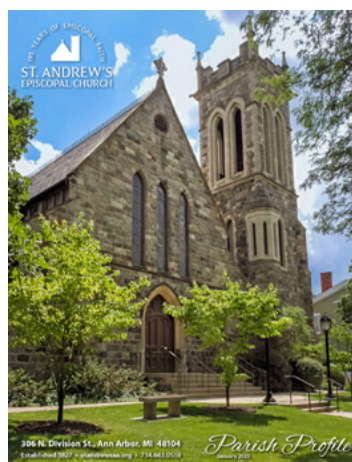
St. Andrew's Search Committee

Dave McCreadie, *co-chair* Harry McLaughlin, *co-chair*

Sarah Inwood, Sandra Murchison, Liz Sweet,

Luke Thompson, Mary Wessel Walker

standrewsaa.org/rectorsearch.html



Take a look at our
Parish Profile

VIEW IT NOW!

Hard copies available
in the Church Library
(Second Floor, Parish Hall)



Church School Happenings

Palm Sunday – Holy Week - Easter

There is Church School on Palm Sunday, April 2, *but* the kids start in Church at 10:00 am for the Liturgy of the Palms, then go to Church School.

No Church School on Easter Sunday but still plenty of kids' activities! The service starts at 10:30 am that day. We are asking the children to gather in the Narthex. The Alleluia scroll will have been brought up from the undercroft where it was buried during Lent. The children

will proceed in with the Alleluia Scroll and join Reverend Wayne in saying the opening acclamation, "Alleluia! Christ is risen!"

After church there will be an Easter Egg Hunt on the front lawn (weather permitting, otherwise in the Parish Hall). There will also be an egg hunt for the little children following the Family Service, also on the front lawn (weather permitting, otherwise in the Lounge).

Easter Season in the Church School

The Preschool class is small, but enthusiastic. After a craft having to do with the lesson and free time to play, the students gather on the floor to see the story acted out with wooden structures, figures, and felt roads and water. They are very attentive to this method of storytelling.

The Primary students received a children's Eucharistic book in March which they have used in class. On April 2nd they will bring that book home. It would be helpful for your child if the book were brought to church each Sunday, so that they can follow along in the kids version of the Eucharist.

April 16: Students will make butterflies to represent the resurrection.

April 23: Jesus is suddenly recognized in the breaking of the bread by the men walking to Emmaus.

April 30: The students will begin learning The Lord's Prayer with flash cards, gold stars, and hand motions.

In the Intermediate Class

April 2: Each student will make a felt banner of the events of Holy Week.

April 16: They will make a chain from strips of paper that have messages on them. Each day of Easter (50 days), they will rip one link off the chain and read what it says. Unlike Lenten chains we have made before, the Easter chain is celebratory, not penitential, but joyful, being thankful and noticing God's wonderful world.

April 23: Jesus shows his forgiveness of Peter by the Sea saying, "Come and eat" and "Feed my sheep."

April 30: The students will learn about the Trinity.

Palm Sunday, April 2
Start in the Church, then go to Church School

Easter Sunday, April 9
No Church School but the children will gather in the Narthex at 10:30 am to process in with the Alleluia Scroll
Easter Egg Hunts to follow the 9:15 + 10:30 am services

The Rite 13 Class is small which can make it difficult for games or discussion, but the ones that are there are engaged. Steve Guest does a great job of making it interesting for the kids!

J2A has delayed their pilgrimage until 2024. This spring they will go to the Detroit Institute of Art for a docent lead tour of religious art.

J2A will be hosting the supper part of the *Narnia* Spring Supper Theatre on May 20 and 21. The menu will be British. Researched and chosen by the class, rumors are that it will be fish and chips. Details to come!

J2A also continues to volunteer at the Breakfast Program every other month and provides lectors for Church on 3rd Sundays.

In faith, hope and love, LINDA HASTINGS
Interim Director of Children's Ministries

New Safety Measures

We don't like to imagine anything dangerous happening at St. Andrew's or to our children. But, unfortunately, we have to be prepared.

The Church School is implementing an emergency procedure in case of an intruder in our building.

Teachers will immediately be notified by text and in person to take the children to the back stairwell that opens on the Lawrence Street Driveway. From there we will all proceed to a safe place until told that everything is OK back at St. Andrew's. At present, we are in talks with St. Thomas and First Methodist. Once finalized, we will notify you of our safe place.

Interested in starting a Chronic Pain Support Group at St. Andrew's?

My name is Thom Bales and my family has been part of the St. Andrew's Parish for the past 20 months.

In early 2020, I developed a neurological disorder called small fiber neuropathy (SFN). For many people, including myself, SFN is a chronic pain disorder and I have moderate to severe pain most of my waking hours. Learning about SFN educated me on the extent of chronic pain in society.

The International Association for the Study of Pain defines chronic pain as *pain with no biological value, that persists past normal tissue healing*. Chronic pain includes arthritis, back pain, cancer-related pain, fibromyalgia, migraine headaches, and neurogenic pain among other conditions. According to the Cleveland Clinic, **approximately 25% of adults in the U.S. experience chronic pain** – although chronic pain affects people of all ages. That would mean that probably dozens of St. Andrew's parishioners also deal with chronic pain.

Living in Ann Arbor, I have been fortunate to have access to many resources within the medical community to help contend with my condition, and I have taken advantage of many of them. However, about 6 months into dealing with my disease, I decided to look for a local support group to meet others within this “tribe” of humanity. I wasn't so much wanting a place to talk about my pain, as perhaps a place to be inspired by others who live and maybe even thrive in spite of pain.

Alas, I found online groups, but nothing in-person locally. (Participating in an in-person group – at least some of the time – seemed important to me, because chronic pain would rather keep me quite sedentary and glued to a screen.)

I have learned that when you tell enough people this story, a good percentage of them will respond, “Why don't you just start such a group?” So, I have shared this idea with Fr. Wayne and Ann Garvin, who coordinates the health ministry at St.

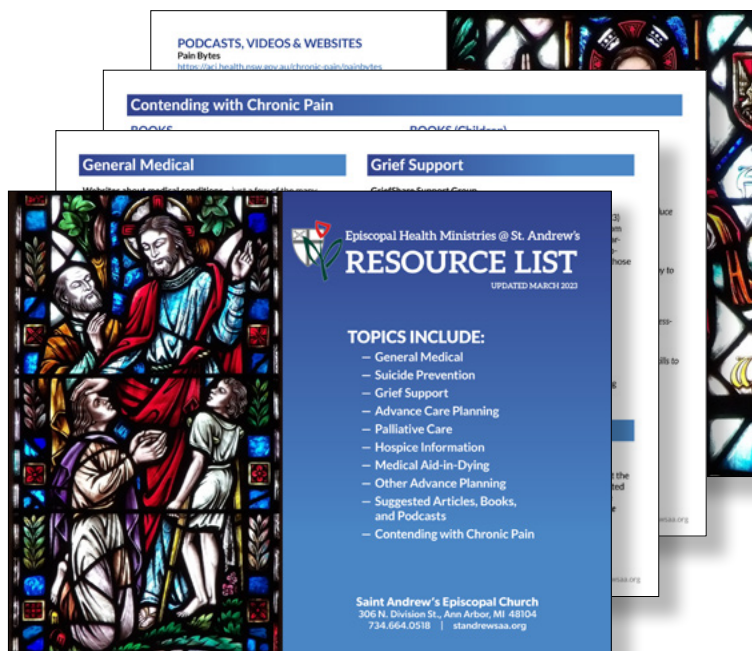
directly if there is any interest or need from people who might benefit from a chronic pain support group. In other words, would such a group be of interest to YOU?

While a group's general purpose would be to share resources and provide emotional support peer-to-peer, it wouldn't be a place for sharing specific medical advice, nor a place to indulge our pain. The focus could be something quite external to personal pain, i.e., a book club or bible study. A goal would be helping one another live *despite* chronic pain with each participant learning that they are not alone in this quest.

Of course, there would be several details to work out – schedule, format, leadership, start date, location, etc. For now, I will be happy to collect names of people who would be interested in such a ministry and send them a short survey to complete. I would then compile submitted data and (with Fr. Wayne and Ann Garvin's guidance) send out the next steps to those expressing interest.

If a chronic pain support group piques your interest, please email me at thomaslynnbales@gmail.com and I will get back in touch with you. ✕

Andrew's. Both of them thought it a good idea to ask St. Andrew's community members



◀ **The Episcopal Health Ministry has updated their Resource List to include new resources for grief support and contending with chronic pain.**

Visit standrewsaa.org/ehm.html for the pdf or to learn more about this vital parish ministry.

MINISTRY FAIR

Sunday, May 7 | After the 10am Service

DID YOU KNOW?
St. Andrew's is home to more than 35 different ministries!
No matter what you're interested in or passionate about, there is always something to be involved in at St. Andrew's!

ATTENTION MINISTRIES:
We'd love to see you at the fair with information to share!
This is a great way to share your message and find new members.

Questions? Contact Fr. Wayne at wrollins@standrewsaa.org

Music Notes

Music of Franz Liszt

Sunday, April 2 at 7:00 pm

The final concert in the Opus 25 Inaugural Concert Series will feature *Via Crucis* performed by the St. Andrew's Adult Choir with Deborah Friauff, Director & Organist; and *Prelude and Fugue on B.A.C.H* performed by Mi Zhou, Organ. The concert is free and open to the public and will be livestreamed on our YouTube channel.

Music during Holy Week

A Service of Tenebrae

Wednesday, April 5 at 7:30 pm

The St. Andrew's Adult Choir chants this ancient monastic service that captures the descent into the shadows of death and the mystery of the sacrificial Lamb of God. Psalms and chanted readings from the Lamentations of Jeremiah will alternate with choral responses composed by Healey Willan.

Good Friday Service

Friday, April 7 at 12:00 pm

The St. Andrew's Compline Singers and Choir Scholars will chant the Passion according to St. John, punctuated with choral responses written by Tomás Luis da Victoria, and offer beautiful choral motets for Passiontide.

Easter Day

Sunday, April 9

Festival Prelude: 7:30/10 am

Eucharist: 8/10:30 am

The St. Andrew's Adult Choir and the University of Michigan Student Chamber Orchestra combine for our Easter services, featuring Franz Josef Haydn's *Missa Brevis Hob. XXII:7 "Kleine Orgelmesse"*. ✠

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NARNIA

Based upon the work "The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe" by C.S. Lewis

7:00 PM SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2023

12:30 PM SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2023

Produced by special arrangement with THE DRAMATIC PUBLISHING COMPANY of Woodstock, Illinois
Book by Jules Tasca Lyrics by Ted Drachman Music by Thomas Tierney



Calendar of Events

Above: Bishop Perry with some of the parish children at the 10:00 am service - L. Hastings

Weekly Events

Get Involved!

Sundays

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist (C)
- 9:15 am Family Eucharist (Cpl)
- 9:45 am Church School
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (C / YouTube)

Wednesdays

- 7:00 am Holy Eucharist (1st Wed.) / Morning Prayer (Cpl)
- 4:30 pm Cherub Choir (CL)
- 4:30 pm Junior Handbell Choir (C)
- 5:15 pm Junior Choir (CL)
- 6:15 pm Evensong (Cpl)
- 6:30 pm Handbell Choir (C)

Thursdays

- 10:00 am Bible Study (Zoom)
- 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist + Healing (C) (2nd Thurs. only)
- 7:15 pm Adult Choir (CL)

Fridays

- 12:15 pm Holy Eucharist (Cpl)

ROOM LEGEND	(AC) Acolyte Room	(Cpl) Chapel
	(C) Church	(L) Lounge
	(CL) Choir Loft	(PH) Parish Hall

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSURE

The Church Office will be closed and remote work will be paused April 7-10 and May 29

April 2023

Palm Sunday, April 2

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist (C)
- 9:15 am Family Eucharist (Cpl)
- 9:45 am Church School
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (C)
- 7:00 pm "Music of Franz Liszt" Organ Recital (C)
- 8:00 pm Compline (C)

April 3 + 4

- 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist (Cpl)

Wednesday, April 5

- 7:30 pm Tenebrae (C)

Thursday, April 6

- 7:30 pm Liturgy & Holy Eucharist (C)
- 9:00 pm Watch at the Altar of Repose (Cpl)

Good Friday, April 7

- 8:00 am Watch at the Altar of Repose (Cpl)
- 12:30 pm Liturgy (C)
- 2:30 pm Stations of the Cross (C)

Saturday, April 8

- 7:00 pm Easter Vigil (C)

Easter Sunday, April 9

No Church School

- 7:30 am Musical Prelude (C)
- 8:00 am Festival Choral Eucharist (C)
- 9:15 am Family Eucharist (Cpl)
- 9:45 am Easter Egg Hunt (Lawn)
- 10:00 am Musical Prelude (C)
- 10:30 am Festival Choral Eucharist (C)
- 12:00 pm Easter Egg Hunt (Lawn)

Monday, April 10

- 4:00 pm History/Memorials (AC)

Thursday, April 13

- 5:30 pm Healing Service (C)

Tuesday, April 18

- 6:00 pm Finance (L/Zoom)

Tuesday, April 25

- 6:30 pm Vestry (L)

May 2023

Sunday, May 7

- 11:30 am Ministry Fair (Lawn)

Monday, May 8

- 4:00 pm History/Memorials (AC)

Thursday, May 11

- 5:30 pm Healing Service (C)

Thursday, May 13

- 8:00 pm Rosanne Cash & Her Band Breakfast Benefit Concert

Rosanne Cash

& Her Band

Saturday, May 13, 8 pm
The Michigan Theater

A Benefit for The Breakfast at St. Andrews

MOTHER'S DAY

Sunday, May 14

Blood Pressure Screenings

Tuesday, May 16

- 6:00 pm Finance (L/Zoom)

Saturday, May 20

- 7:00 pm Narnia Supper Theatre (PH)

Sunday, May 21

- 12:30 pm Narnia Supper Theatre (PH)

Tuesday, May 23

- 6:30 pm Vestry (L)