



The newsletter for Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church

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Above: Coventry Supper participants raise a glass to another delicious meal · L. Richert



### Help Welcome Fr. Paul!

- **Send in a photo** for our parish database
- **Wear your nametag** at church
- **Join us Sunday, September 10** at the 8:00 am, 9:15 am, and 10:00 am services and for a reception after the 10:00 am service

Dear Friends,

This summer has been a season of transition for me, an experience I imagine is familiar to you.

As I write this, I'm on a long-planned trip to Maine with friends. It's a gift to have this time to relax and catch-up. It's a gift to take a break from the leave-taking and the moving details. And it's a gift to have the space to think and dream about St. Andrew's and to imagine how God is calling us into ministry together.

Next week I'll be heading your way. I'll start in the office on Tuesday, September 5th and my first Sunday will be September 10th. I can't wait to

meet all of you, get to know you, and begin to work together. I'm grateful to Harry McLaughlin, Dave McCreadie, and the Search Committee; to Lorraine Field, John Burhenn, and the Vestry; and to the terrific staff for their leadership and support during this season and process of transition.

A quote attributed to Meister Eckhart, the thirteenth century German theologian, philosopher, and mystic, keeps percolating up for me: "And suddenly you know: It's time to start something new and trust the magic of beginnings." May God bless our new beginning at St. Andrew's, and may St. Andrew's be a blessing to others.

Peace, *Paul*

Dear Friends,

As someone said, life is short. It doesn't seem like an entire year has passed since I joined with you, but here we are. I wish to thank all of you for your giving of yourselves to make St. Andrew's, Ann Arbor, the actively growing Body of Christ in your corner of Washtenaw County and the Diocese of Michigan. We've worked together, learned together, debated together, and sometimes disagreed together. And we've grown together.

I thank you for your kindness and generosity shown to me in this past year of healing and growth. I will cherish the

framed picture of the church building with the names of the Church builders - you - on the matting. It will serve as one of many pleasant memories of our time together.

I don't yet know the next chapter of my journey, and you will be discovering your own. Dare to see what is still hidden, seek a vision of God's reign, God's kingdom (which has no pot-holes or orange barrels!) and live into it. Enjoy the journey. And, again, as Henri-Frédéric Amiel said, "Life is short. We do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who journey this way with us. So be swift to love, and

make haste to be kind." (I change "this way" to "this darkness" because it sadly seems to be appropriate.)

Be the light in the darkness. Peace be with you.

Wayne+



## Where's My Pledge Card?!?

As you no doubt remember, fall has long been Stewardship season at St. Andrew's, with pledge cards being mailed to the parish around Labor Day. **We will be delaying the kick-off of the 2024 Annual Giving campaign until later in this fall.**

## Photos Wanted to Update Parish Database

We are updating the parish database to include photos of our members to help our new staff members put names with faces.

Please send a recent photo of you and/or your family to Jonathan at [jgardner@standrewsaa.org](mailto:jgardner@standrewsaa.org). Don't have any digital photos? There will be opportunities to have your photo taken after church this fall.

## Breakfast Staff Changes

Shannon Floyd has resigned as Director of the Breakfast at St. Andrew's. Shannon has served in this capacity for two separate terms, and is resigning to spend more time raising her two growing children.

We thank her for her dedication to the Breakfast Program, seeing it through the difficulties and adjustments of the pandemic. She will continue to be involved with the Breakfast in some ways. Shannon's last day will be September 15.

Sue Nishi, a dedicated and experienced volunteer with the Breakfast, has been hired as the next Director and will begin in early September.

## Bible Study

*Meetings resume September 7*

We are a group of about a dozen people who meet for an hour on Zoom every Thursday morning at 10:00 to discuss the readings for the coming Sunday, which have been emailed to us early in the week. We start with the puzzles and challenges, the beauties and truth, that each of the readings seems to make: what does this passage really mean to me or to you? The floor is open to any of us to speak to those matters as the spirit moves us. As the conversation proceeds, we find ourselves changing our minds. We are learning from each other as we learn from the Bible.

Our two facilitators are Steve Hastings and Jim White, are not scholars of the Bible, nor is it anyone's idea that we should engage in formal learning. The heart of what we do lies in the experience of reading our sacred texts in relation to each other.

If you are interested in learning more about who we are and what we do, we encourage you to join us and see what you think. The church's administrator will be glad to add you to our list, without any obligation on your part to continue.

Questions? Contact Steve Hastings at [aasvh@outlook.com](mailto:aasvh@outlook.com) or Jim White at [jbwhite@umich.edu](mailto:jbwhite@umich.edu). To receive the weekly meeting link contact Jonathan Gardner at [jgardner@standrewsaa.org](mailto:jgardner@standrewsaa.org).

## History and Memorials

*New Time!*

The History and Memorials Committee will now meet on the second Monday of the month at 3:00 pm in

# Finance

## Operating Revenue and Expense

January 1 to June 30, 2023

Income	Actual Year-to-Date	Budget Year-to-Date	Over/Under +/-) YTD Actual vs. YTS Budget
Plate Offerings	28,628	21,000	7,612
Pledge Payments	364,937	380,000	-15,063
Other Income	21,841	17,998	3,843
Designated Funds Transfer	0	0	0
Deficit Reduction Withdrawal	0	0	0
Prior Year Surplus	0	0	0
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>415,406</b>	<b>418,998</b>	<b>-3,608</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Salaries and Benefits	351,797	352,651	-854
Maintenance & Overhead	98,434	73,600	24,834
Office Expense	17,924	19,328	-1,404
Stewardship & Miscellaneous	6,795	1,400	5,395
Church Programs	18,075	17,254	821
Diocesan Pledge	49,927	49,926	1
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>542,952</b>	<b>514,159</b>	<b>28,793</b>
<b>Net</b>	<b>-127,546</b>	<b>-95,161</b>	<b>-32,401</b>



the Acolyte Room in Page Hall. The next meeting will be September 11 at 3:00 pm. New members are welcome. For more information please contact Kathy Cox (810-845-3292), [kqcroua@att.net](mailto:kqcroua@att.net).

## Episcopal Health Ministries Upcoming Events:

### Flu Shots and Drug Dump:

Sunday, October 22, in the Lounge, 8:30 to 11:00 am

### Speaker: An Introduction to End-of-life Doulas and Green Burial:

Merilynne Rush, MS, BSN. Sunday, November 12, 11:30 am

## Habitat for Humanity Build

Saturday, October 28

Happily, we are able to return to volunteering for Habitat for Humanity this fall! St. Andrew's has sponsored a Habitat Build Day for many years, but we have been on hiatus since Covid reared its ugly head in 2020.

Our St. Andrew's Build Day will be Saturday, October 28. *Fun fact:* This is the bye week for U of M football.

More details will be forthcoming closer to that date and there will be sign-up sheets for volunteers starting in mid-October. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ginger Kinney at 734-358-6019.

## A Journey of Hope:

*Foster an Unaccompanied Child through MCHS Family of Services*

Did you know in 2022, 130,000 refugee children entered the United States with no home? MCHS foster families provide safe, stable, and supportive homes for recently migrated youth who are seeking the opportunity to reunite with their family. Visit [mchsmi.org](http://mchsmi.org) to learn more.

## Memorial Garden Prices to Increase on January 1, 2024

2023: \$500 • 2024: \$750 • 2025: \$1,000

On January 1, 2024, the price of a space in our Memorial Garden will increase from \$500 to \$750.

It has been nearly 20 years since we last adjusted the price of interment spaces in the Memorial Garden. In that time the costs of brass name ribbons and plaques on the church wall have increased greatly, as have expenses of maintenance and gardening.

You can purchase a space at the current price of \$500 until December 31, 2023. On January 1, 2025, the cost will again increase to \$1,000 each. Contact [Jonathan Gardner](#), Parish Administrator, for reservation forms and contract information.

## Funeral Planning Resources

*Did you know that you can plan your own funeral or memorial service and leave those plans with the church office?*

When we receive the call that a parishioner has died, one of the first things we do is look in our parish files to determine if that person indicated some wishes for her or his funeral service. For some, it's a suggested hymn or reading. For others, it's a detailed plan with contact information for next-of-kin,

name of the mortuary, and burial instructions.

If you wish to know more, speak to one of our clergy or contact [Jonathan Gardner](#), Parish Administrator, who will assist you with forms and suggestions. You can also visit [standrewsaa.org/funerals.html](http://standrewsaa.org/funerals.html) for our planning form and suggestions from the Book of Common Prayer.

## Help Us Help You!

*If you are hospitalized or move to a different assisted living facility, please let the church office know!*

If you go into a hospital or care facility, they may ask if you have a religious preference. **This does not mean they notify the church.** You must **specifically request that notification**, whether it be with a nurse or a chaplain. Privacy laws prohibit contacting anyone without your specific instruction. Adding our contact information to your emergency contact list can also help.

Another helpful suggestion, especially for those who live alone: send the church office contact information for someone—a child, relative, or a close friend—whom the church may contact in case we need to contact you. This is especially helpful for those who are unable to attend worship regularly due to illness, age, or mobility issues.





# Ministry Spotlight: Coventry Suppers

## Coventry Suppers: Food, Fellowship, and Fun!

October 22 at 11:30 am: Kick Off Potluck

Please join us on Sunday, October 22, immediately following the 10:00 am service, in the Parish Hall, for the St Andrew's Coventry Supper Kick Off Potluck!

**What are Coventry Suppers??** They originated during WWII in Coventry, England. After the Coventry Cathedral was nearly destroyed by bombings, the parishioners held evening suppers at their homes, as a way of keeping their community together. Since that time, churches have been using their model and have gathered in small groups in their homes for dinner and fellowship. At St Andrew's, we have been gathering for Coventry Suppers since the mid 2000's. Small groups meet, rotating hosts and cooking responsibilities, about once a month.

**Come to our potluck.** Then join in this wonderful opportunity!

**To participate,** or if you have any questions, please contact Susan Wakefield at [susan.e.wakefield@gmail.com](mailto:susan.e.wakefield@gmail.com).



### Here is what participants have to say about their past involvement with the Suppers:

"We all agree that we loved getting to know each other. Sounds too simple, but it's true!"

"I enjoy being able to go deeper in getting to know other parishioners."

"We've gotten to know fellow parishioners in a home setting – food, fellowship and fun. One of the best and simplest ways to be together and to share our love of St Andrew's."

"We enjoyed meeting people in our congregation whom we wouldn't have met otherwise. And having participated in Coventry for quite a few years, we greatly value the friendship of many people we have gotten to know over the years."

"They have given me the chance to sit with fellow parishioners, share good meals, pleasant conversation, learn about them in some depth, and, as a result, has enriched my life."

"It's a good chance to turn folks whom you have only seen occasionally into friends."

"I would highly recommend the Suppers. We all have our committees and ministries, where we get to know parishioners with common interests. But the Suppers are different. They are relaxed and casual, a great time to forge new friendships and really get to know each other."

"Going to someone's home is different than meeting at church. The Suppers offer a winning combination of food, fellowship and fun!"



*Photos courtesy of Lucy Richert*



# Church School Happenings

## 2023-24 Church School

Welcome back! Hope you all had a good summer. For those who were in town, we had a fun Summer Church School in June and July. We heard stories about Jesus and water and had water experiments and crafts.



Photo: Linda Hastings



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**Special thanks** to Elle and Addie McCreadie and their dad Dave for Art Fair parking in our lot on the Saturday of Art Fair. They raised \$500 toward the J2A Pilgrimage.

**Starting Sunday, September 10**, grades K-5 will begin the fall as usual with Old Testament stories. We will learn about Adam and Eve, Cain and Abel, the Tower of Babel, Abraham, the Hebrews being slaves in Egypt, The Passover, the Hebrews escape from Egypt and time in the wilderness before crossing into the Promised Land, the building of Israel and the temple. Then Elijah, exile in Babylon and hope of return. Phew! All this before Advent.

**Our curriculum** for K-5 is called *Weaving God's Promises* produced by the Episcopal Church. The Pre-school will be using *Godly Play* techniques to teach the stories on the floor with wood cutouts to make the stories real to little ones. They will also focus on the Old Testament at the beginning of the year. Rite 13 and J2A have their own curricula helping youth to grow in to adults, studying the scriptures, praying, and in the case of J2A preparing for their Pilgrimage.

**Don't forget: we start at 9:45 am!** If you bring your children at the start of the 10:00 service, they will have missed the first 15 minutes. Starting at 9:45 allows us almost an hour to do all we want to do; story and discussion, word puzzles, games, and crafts before coming in for Communion.

## Sunday, September 10 First Day of Church School

Classes begin at 9:45 am

Scan the QR code for the 2023-24 Church School Online Registration



**We appreciate parent volunteers** to assist the teachers, even if it's just once a month. We are required to have two adults in every room. Let Linda Hastings know if you are available.

**Something new this year** (well, a return to the past), is marking the third Sunday as Service Sunday for the J2A. There will be no class for J2A on 3rd Sundays and instead the youth will serve as acolytes, crucifer, ushers, lectors, Church School helpers, etc.

**Please register all ages for Church School** with our [ONLINE REGISTRATION](#) or using the QR Code above. If you prefer, Church School registration forms are also available at the desk in the lobby outside the Chapel.

Thanks to all our wonderful teachers, helpers and students. This should be a great year!

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



JUNE - AUGUST 2023

# Parish Life Highlights

PHOTOS COURTESY OF: Lucy Richert (*Gardeners, Theater, Fr. Wayne's Farewell*), Linda Hastings (*Ice Cream Sundae Sunday*)

Send your snaps of summer at St. Andrew's to [communications@standrewsaa.org](mailto:communications@standrewsaa.org)!



**VOLUNTEER GARDENERS HARD AT WORK**



**THE BAD BEGINNING READER'S THEATER**



## BISHOP PERRY'S ICE CREAM SUNDAY



## FR. WAYNE'S FAREWELL





Some of our theater troupe met on six Mondays in June and July, out on the lawn and in the Parish Hall, to read through the first volume, *A Bad Beginning*, of the Lemony Snicket series, *A Series of Unfortunate Events*. We had great fun, with people taking various character parts and the narration. The book is filled with gentle, ironic humor, enjoyable by young and not-so-young. Those taking the role of the evil Count Olaf could work on their bad guy chops. Even though humorous, there is an undercurrent of addressing the issue of bad things happening to young people.

Fall brings thoughts of St. Andrew's Sunday, and our old faithful, mid-service play, *Our Scottish ConneXion*. It is a good way to get involved in theater, with a smaller rehearsal commitment than the spring musical. It seems especially appropriate in this time of transition, as the vignettes in the play present pivotal moments in the history of the Church, and of our own church, in particular.

And, of course, another gateway to theater is the Christmas Pageant. There are always parts for all and a memorable Christmas Eve experience. Stay tuned. ✕

**NORM RICHERT,**  
*Theatre Ministries*



## All choirs resume rehearsal after Labor Day!

### JOIN A CHOIR!

*All ages and abilities.  
Enjoy fun, fellowship, and  
prayer through music.*

**Contact Deborah Friauff**  
dfriauff@standrewsaa.org  
734-663-0518 x 205

### The St. Dunstan Handbell Choir

**REHEARSALS BEGIN:**  
Wednesday, September 6  
6:30 - 8:00 pm

The St. Dunstan Handbell Choir, a multi-generational group, plays on the second Sunday of the month, as well as for many special services and concerts.

### The St. Andrew's Adult Choir

**REHEARSALS BEGIN:**  
Thursday, September 7  
7:15 - 9:15 pm

The Adult Choir sings most Sunday mornings from September through the first week in June, as well as for many other special services and concerts.

### COMPLINE

*Join us for this contemplative service chanted by candlelight on the first and third Sundays of the month.*

**Compline resumes  
September 17 at 8:00 pm**

### The St. Andrew's Cherub Choir

**REHEARSALS BEGIN:**  
Wednesday, September 13  
4:30 - 5:15 pm

The Cherub Choir (grades K-2) generally sings on the third Sunday of the month as well as for special concerts and for the 9:15 am Family Service.

### The St. Andrew's Junior Choir

**REHEARSALS BEGIN:**  
Wednesday, September 13  
5:15 - 6:15 pm

The Junior Choir (grades 3-9) generally sings on the first Sunday of the month, as well as for special services, such as Evensong, and concerts.

### The Junior Handbell Choir

**REHEARSALS BEGIN:**  
Wednesday, September 13  
4:30 - 5:15 pm

The Junior Handbell Choir (grades 3-9) is for children interested in ringing and will play at various services throughout the year.

### LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

**Pianists Needed:** 9:15 am Service

If you enjoy playing the piano, and can play hymns, please consider volunteering to lead a simple hymn and response at our 9:15 am Family Service! Please contact Deborah for more information.

*For information about the Music at St. Andrew's  
2023-24 Concert season please see pages 8 + 9.*



# Music at St. Andrew's

CHORAL CONCERTS  
& SPECIAL SERVICES

**NOVEMBER 12, 2023**

4:00 pm

**An Afternoon of Bach:**

*Cantata BWV 140 "Wachet Auf"*

*Orchestral Suite no. 1 in C Major, BWV 1066*

The St. Andrew's Adult Choir & Chamber Orchestra

**DECEMBER 17, 2023**

4:00 pm

**Christmas Lessons & Carols**

The St. Andrew's Choirs

**DECEMBER 24, 2023**

10:10 pm

**Christmas Eve Festival Prelude**

*Music by Ralph Vaughan Williams*

The St. Andrew's Adult Choir & Chamber Orchestra

**FEBRUARY 11, 2024**

4:00 pm

**A Celebration of African American Music**

The St. Andrew's Choirs

**MARCH 27, 2024**

7:30 pm

**A Choral Service of Tenebrae**

The St. Andrew's Tenebrae Choir

**MARCH 29, 2024**

12:00 pm

**Good Friday Service**

*Passion according to St. John and*

*choral motets for Passiontide*

The St. Andrew's Compline Singers

**MARCH 31, 2024**

7:30/10:00 am

**Easter Day Services**

*W. A. Mozart's Sparrow Mass, K220*

The St. Andrew's Adult Choir & Chamber Orchestra

**APRIL 28, 2024**

4:00 pm

**Choral Evensong**

The St. Andrew's Adult Choir



# Organ Recital Series

FIRST SUNDAYS AT 7:00 PM



**OCTOBER 1, 2023**

7:00 pm

**Thomas Strode**

*Founder of the Ann Arbor Boychoir*



**NOVEMBER 5, 2023**

7:00 pm

**Karl Osterlund**

*Organist and Choirmaster,  
Historic Trinity Lutheran Church (Detroit)*



**DECEMBER 3, 2023**

7:00 pm

**David Kazimir**

*Curator of Organs, Oberlin College*



**JANUARY 7, 2024**

7:00 pm

**James Kibbie**

*Retired Professor of Organ,  
University of Michigan*



**FEBRUARY 4, 2024**

7:00 pm

**Deborah Friauff**

*Director of Music and Organist,  
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church (Ann Arbor)*



**MARCH 3, 2024**

7:00 pm

**Mi Zhou**

*Assistant Organist/Choral Accompanist  
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church (Ann Arbor)*



**APRIL 7, 2024**

7:00 pm

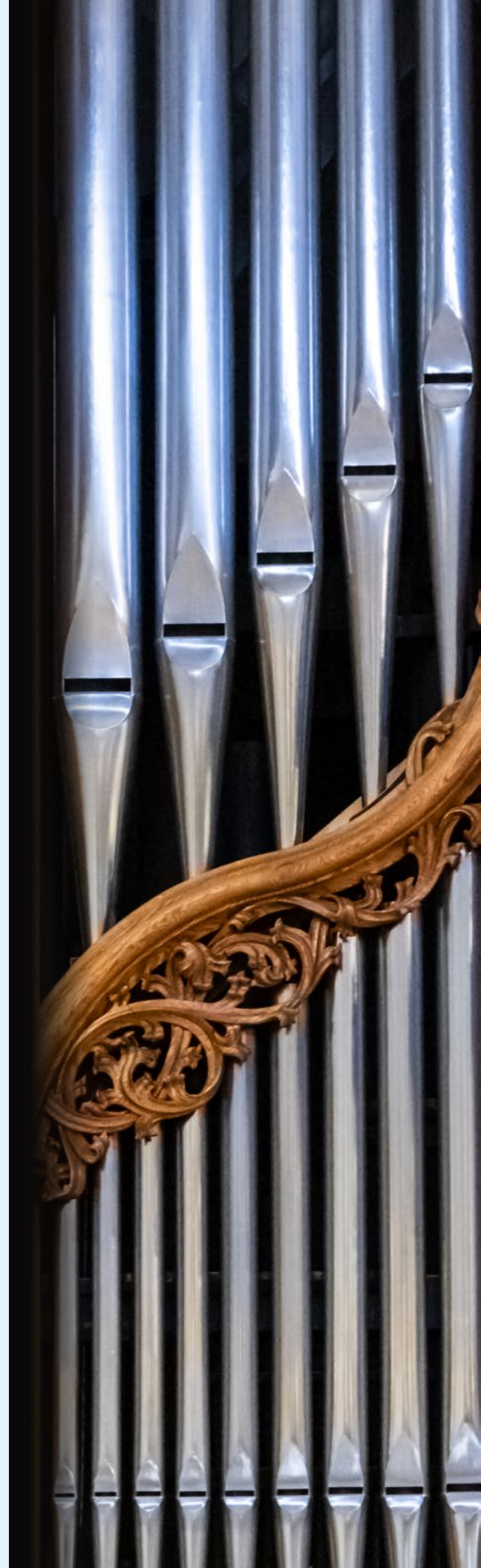
**Sarah Simko**

*Assistant Organist,  
St. Paul Episcopal Cathedral (Detroit)*

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ST. ANDREW'S  
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# Calendar of Events

Above: The front lawn in full bloom - K. Riedel

## 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)
- 8:00 pm Compline (1st/3rd Sundays)

### 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)
- 6:00 pm Evensong (Cpl) *New Time!*
- 6:30 pm Handbell Choir (C)

### Thursdays

- 10:00 am Bible Study (Zoom)
- 7:15 pm Adult Choir (CL)

### Fridays

- 12:15 pm Holy Eucharist (Cpl)
- 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous (PH)

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

## CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The Church Office will be closed and remote work will be paused September 4

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Sunday, October 1

7:00 pm Organ Recital: Thomas Strode

### Sunday, October 22

8:30-11am Flu Shots / Drug Dump  
11:30 am Coventry Supper  
Kick Off Potluck

### Saturday, October 28

Habitat for Humanity Build

## September 2023

### Saturday, September 2

9:00 am St. Andrew's Gets Outside

### LABOR DAY

### Monday, September 4

Church Office Closed

### Tuesday, September 5

3:00 pm Glacier Hills Service

### Wednesday, September 6

6:00 pm Evensong Resumes (Cpl)

6:30 pm Adult Handbell  
Choir Starts (C)

### Thursday, September 7

10:00 am Bible Study Starts (Zoom)

7:15 pm Adult Choir Starts (CL)

### FR. PAUL'S FIRST SUNDAY

### Sunday, September 10

Blood Pressure Screenings  
October/November Network Deadline

9:45 am First Day of Church School

11:30 am Welcome Reception

### Monday, September 11

3:00 pm History & Memorials (AC)

### Wednesday, September 13

4:30 pm Junior Handbell  
Choir Starts (C)

4:30 pm Cherub Choir Starts (CL)

5:15 pm Junior Choir Starts (CL)

### Sunday, September 17

2:00 pm PFLAG (L)

8:00 pm Compline Resumes (C)

### Tuesday, September 19

6:00 pm Finance (Z/L)

### Tuesday, September 26

6:30 pm Vestry (L)

### Saturday, September 30

11:00 am Celebration of Life:  
Jack Peirce (C)

SEND  
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SELFIE!

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