

# The Network

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Dear friends:

Every Christmas and New Year presents its own hopes and challenges. As we approach these annual celebrations it seems that for many people challenges far outnumber the hopes this year. In facing the circumstances of his time, one of the great spiritual writers of the mid- 20th Century, Thomas Merton (1915-1968), reflected on one of the most important questions a person of faith must address in their spiritual journey, a question that still has resonance in our time.

"It is only the infinite mercy and love of God that has prevented us from tearing ourselves to pieces and destroying His entire creation long ago. People seem to think that it is in some way a proof that no merciful God exists, if we have so many wars. On the contrary, consider how in spite of centuries of sin and greed and lust and cruelty and hatred and avarice and oppression and injustice, spawned and bred by the free wills of men, the human race can still recover, each time, and can still produce men and women who overcome evil with good, hatred with love, greed with charity, lust and cruelty with sanctity. How could all this be possible without the merciful love of God, pouring out His grace upon us? . . .

"We only have to open our eyes and look about us to see what our sins are doing to the world, and have done. But we cannot see. We are the ones to whom it is said by the prophets of God: "Hearing hear, and understand not; and see the vision, and know it not" [Isaiah 6:9].

"There is not a flower that opens, not a seed that falls to the ground, and not an ear of wheat that nods on the end of its stalk in the wind that does not preach and proclaim the greatness and the mercy of God to the whole world.

"There is not an act of kindness or generosity, not an act of sacrifice done, or a word of peace and gentleness spoke, not a child's prayer uttered, that does not sing hymns to God before His throne, and in the eyes of men, and before their faces.

"How does it happen that in the thousands of generations of murderers since Cain, our dark bloodthirsty ancestor, that some of us can still be saints? The quietness and hiddenness and placidity of the truly good people in the world all proclaim the glory of God."

(from "The Seven Storey Mountain" (New York: Harcourt, 1948) p. 128-129.)

Christians have always faced challenges in this world, but we have never been a people without hope. If we have known anything of God's mercy and love in our lives how could we be without hope? The forces of hatred and division have always sought dominance in our world, and at times they have achieved it. This is nothing new. If we are beginning to feel overwhelmed by this in our day, then it is time we stop and take a serious look at the goodness this is all around us and within us, and recommit ourselves to the work of love, charity and sanctity. The Christ Child can inspire us and be our companion in this effort. May that gift be yours this Christmas so that we all may share this merciful and love-filled blessing with our conflicted world.

God bless,  
Fr. Alan

## Service Schedule

Join us!

### Sundays

Holy Eucharist: 8 & 10 am  
Family Service: 9:15 am  
Church School: 9:45 am  
Compline: 8 pm

### Wednesday

Holy Eucharist: 7 am  
Evensong: 6 pm

### Thursdays

Holy Eucharist/Healing: 5:30 pm

### Fridays

Holy Eucharist: 12:15 pm

## Special Events

in December/January

### 'O' Antiphons, St. Nicholas Party, Music for Meditation 3

Sunday, December 3

### Adopt-A-Family Gift Ingathering

Sunday, December 10

### Lessons & Carols

Sunday, December 17

### Christmas Eve

Sunday, December 24

\*No Church School or Compline\*

4:00 pm Family Eucharist & Pageant  
10:00 pm Festival Choral Prelude  
10:30 pm Festival Choral Eucharist

### Christmas Day

Monday, December 25

10:00 am Holy Eucharist

### Annual Parish Meeting, Students for Pipes!

Sunday, January 28

# Christmas

at Saint Andrew's

## Sunday, December 17

4:00 pm

Lessons and Carols  
Childcare Available!

## CHRISTMAS EVE

Sunday, December 24

No Church School or Compline

8:00 am

Holy Eucharist

9:15 am

Family Eucharist (Chapel)

10:00 am

Holy Eucharist

4:00 pm

Family Eucharist, Christmas  
Pageant, and Candlelight Party

10:00 pm

Festival Choral Musical Prelude

10:30 pm

Festival Choral Eucharist

## CHRISTMAS DAY

Monday, December 25

10:00 am

Holy Eucharist

## Tuesday, December 26

Feast of St. Stephen

5:30 pm

Holy Eucharist

## Wednesday, December 27

Feast of St. John

7:00 am

Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

The Church Office is closed  
December 23 - January 1

# Stewardship: 2018 Annual Giving

## 30-DAY UPDATE

Thank you for the positive response to the 2018 campaign!

**Individual pledges are increasing by an average of more than 5% over 2017.** We are grateful for your commitment to the ministries of St. Andrew's.

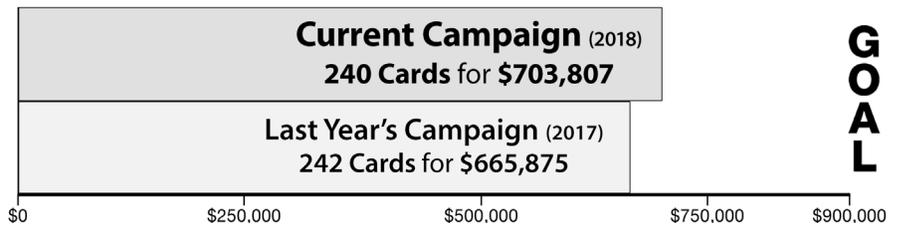
If you haven't already turned in your Annual Giving card, please be sure to do so as soon as possible.



## 2018 ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN

As of November 20, we have received 240 pledge cards totaling \$703,807 or 78% of our \$900,000 goal.

### Annual Giving Comparison: Week Six



## Finance

### Operating Revenue and Expense

January 1 to October 31, 2017

	Actual Year-to-Date	Budget Year-to-Date	Over/Under YTD Actual vs. YTS Budget
<b>Income</b>			
Plate Offerings	58,940	35,600	23,340
Pledge Payments	599,971	682,468	-82,497
Other Income	18,849	11,670	7,179
Special Funds Transfer	55,000	55,000	0
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>732,760</b>	<b>784,738</b>	<b>-51,978</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Salaries and Benefits	534,180	535,997	-1,817
Maintenance & Overhead	138,281	125,189	13,092
Office Expense	32,758	30,893	1,865
Stewardship & Miscellaneous	4,897	4,354	543
Church Programs	28,579	27,920	659
Diocesan Pledge	78,846	78,850	-4
Other Outreach	9,200	9,700	-500
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>826,741</b>	<b>812,903</b>	<b>13,838</b>
<b>Net</b>	<b>-93,981</b>	<b>-28,165</b>	<b>-65,816</b>



## Parish Briefs

### Glove Collection

The Breakfast is collecting **new** adult sized gloves for our guests outside of the main office. Gloves will be distributed on **Thursday, December 21** during breakfast. Thank you for your donations!

### Christmas Adopt-a-Family

Once again this year, members of St. Andrew's will sponsor area families through an adopt-a-family program. Working with the Ann Arbor Community Center, we are able to share Christmas gifts for the holiday with others. Gift tags and family wish lists will be available for pickup in the lobby outside the lounge through Sunday, December 3. The in-gathering of gifts will be in church on Sunday, December 10.

### Diversity & Inclusion Survey

The Diversity and Inclusion (D&I) Survey began on Sunday, November 19. The survey will be available for completion through Sunday, December 24. If you haven't had a chance to fill out the survey you can find the survey in the Narthex and Lobby.

The survey is comprehensive but should take less than 10 minutes to complete. Thank you in advance for your feedback.  
-- *The Vestry's D&I Survey Committee*

### Annual Parish Meeting Sunday, January 28, 2018

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held Sunday, January 28 at 11:30 am. All services will be held as regularly scheduled.

**If you are a group or committee chair and you would like to have a report included in the Annual Report**, please email it to [communications@standrewsaa.org](mailto:communications@standrewsaa.org) by Wednesday, January 10.

Paper copies of the parish financial report, the 2018 budget, and all items of business requiring a vote will be available for all parishioners at the Annual Meeting. The Annual Report will be posted on the parish website ([standrewsaa.org](http://standrewsaa.org)) on Wednesday, January 24.

### Breakfast Fundraiser Concert Tickets Available

*Saturday, March 3, 2018*

There are a limited number of tickets to the annual Breakfast fundraiser available for purchase in the Church Office. This year's concert, on March 3, 2018 at the ARK, is **Docabilly!** Tickets are \$55 and sure to sell out so purchase yours today!

*Docabilly!* will celebrate the legendary Doc Watson on what would have been his 95th birthday. Doc overcame rural poverty and blindness to elevate the acoustic guitar to solo status in bluegrass and country music. He won seven Grammy awards and President Bill Clinton presented him with the National Medal of the Arts in 2010.

Headlining is country superstar and 15-time Grammy winner Ricky Skaggs & Kentucky Thunder. Skaggs, a living connection to the founders of bluegrass, who will perform some of Doc's greatest hits and share stories about this seminal figure in music history.

Opening for Skaggs is Nathan Bell of Chattanooga, Tenn., a songwriter's songwriter who has shared bills with legends like Emmylou Harris, Taj Mahal and Norman Blake. The evening's emcee is the Rev. Lisa Tucker-Gray, who will host and perform throughout the night.

### Rotating Shelter

Regretfully, our parish will not be hosting the Rotating Shelter this coming January. As many of you know, the Rotating Shelter program, coordinated by the Washtenaw Shelter Association, provides extra shelter for homeless men in the churches of Ann Arbor during the winter months. Because we no longer have enough accessible bathrooms for our guests, St. Andrew's is unable to participate in the program this year.

## Christmas Flowers

To make the church especially festive for the season, you are invited to contribute toward greens and flowers in memory of or in thanksgiving for the special people in your life.

**The deadline for dedications is  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 11**

Forms are available at the church. Please fill one out and leave it in the offering plate or mail it to the office.

You can also email your dedications to [communications@standrewsaa.org](mailto:communications@standrewsaa.org).

Fortunately, Second Baptist Church of Ypsilanti is able to fill-in for us.

Second Baptist of Ypsilanti would welcome volunteers. If you are interested, please contact Patricia Bard ([pbard460@aol.com](mailto:pbard460@aol.com), (734)677-4548). Additionally, we may ask for snacks in January for the guests at Second Baptist. More details will be in Sunday bulletins in January.

I would also like to express my deep appreciation to those volunteers who have so generously participated in the program over the past years.

-- *Patricia Bard*

### SASA Changes

The St. Andrew's Single Adults group is now the St. Andrew's Senior Adults group. SASA welcomes everyone - it's not just for singles anymore! SASA meets the first Sunday of the month to discuss upcoming activities which range from a monthly brunch to plays, concerts, movies, dinners and parish events. To join or learn more, send your name and email to JoAn Socha ([jsocha70@gmail.com](mailto:jsocha70@gmail.com)).

## 2018 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

**NEW FORMAT!** *Sunday, January 28, 2018*

**11:30 am:** Luncheon & Meeting (*Parish Hall*)

*All services held as regularly scheduled. Childcare available.*

**At A Glance:**  
*Church School Events*



# Church School Happenings

**No Church School**  
**Sunday, December 24**  
**Sunday, December 31**  
**Sunday, January 14**

**Special Events**  
*in December & January*

**Distribution of Gift Tags for Adopt-A-Family**  
Sunday, November 26  
Sunday, December 3

**St. Nicholas Party**  
Sunday, December 3

**Ingathering of Gifts for Adopt-A-Family**  
Sunday, December 10

**Lessons and Carols**  
Sunday, December 17

**Christmas Eve**  
**Sunday, December 24**

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
- 9:15 am Family Service
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist
- 4:00pm Family Eucharist/Pageant
- 5:30 pm Candlelight Party
- 10:00 pm Festival Choral Prelude
- 10:30 pm Festival Choral Eucharist

**Students for Pipes!**  
Sunday, January 28, 4pm

**Winter Baptism Dates**

**Baptism Date** (10:00 am service)  
Sunday, January 7

**Preparation Session**  
9 am: Saturday, January 6

**Registration Deadline**  
Thursday, December 21

To register contact Kathy McPherson at  
kmcpherson@standrewsaa.org or 663-0518.

**Thankful and Blessed**

Our teachers comprise a wonderful group of dedicated volunteers. They are passionate about their ministry and commit their time and talent imparting purpose and meaning to the Sunday school lessons and faith experience for our children and youth. We are blessed to have them. We greatly appreciate your show of support by attending Church School regularly, being prompt and providing the courtesy of a reply if needed. Children and youth will gain so much more.

**St. Nicholas Party**

*11:30 am on Sunday, December 3*

The entire parish is invited “home for the holidays” for the annual Church School sponsored St. Nicholas Party filled with food, music, family, friends a visit from the man himself!

All are welcomed to help decorate the Parish Hall Christmas Tree we share with our Breakfast guests. Children can make a special take home craft and there will be a fabulous luncheon provided by the J2A class members (a free will donation is appreciated towards their pilgrimage). In the spirit of the giving season, please bring a pair of gloves or mittens for our Breakfast Guests.

**Advent Offering for Kalid**

Support Our Foster Brother in Ethiopia Our foster brother Kalid Nazif Abajehad became our sponsored child during the summer and we are getting to know more about him and his family. The Church School partners with Plan International to sponsor Kalid and commit to a donation of \$350 each year for his education and health needs. Please help us to meet this financial commitment by supporting the Church School’s Advent Offering for Kalid.

Children will receive mite boxes in their classrooms and are asked to save their coins this Advent. Please bring offerings to the 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Family Eucharist or leave them in your classroom on the worship table.

**Advent Service Project:**

*Book Drive for Mott Giving Library*

The Church School Giving Tree is back with a new community service project! This year during Advent, the Church School is sponsoring a book drive to collect and donate NEW books (**books must be new due to strict infection control guidelines**) for the Giving Library.

The Mott Giving Library “supports Mott patients and their families by providing a diversion from the stresses of hospitalization.” All pediatric patients, infants through teenagers, can all benefit from receiving a book to lift their spirits.

Please bring books by December 17 to the Giving Tree bins located outside the library and Morning Glories classroom.

Each classroom will also decorate bookmarks to go with the books. The children who initiated this project, from the Kindergarten/First grade classroom, will have an opportunity to personally deliver the books on a special field trip to the hospital.

Mott Giving Library’s Book Wish List: Board Books (greatest need), Picture Books (Clifford, Dora the Explorer, Berenstain Bears, etc.), popular teen books (15 years old+), sports books, books in languages other than English, Harry Potter, Junie B. Jones, Magic Tree House, R.L. Stine, Chicken Soup for the Soul (kids, preteens, teens)

Your support to help our Church School fulfill these outreach initiatives is greatly appreciated. The ability to make a difference in the lives of other children during this special giving time of year becomes very real and meaningful for the children and youth of St. Andrew’s.

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Reception**

*5:30 pm on Saturday, December 24*

Please join us at the Christmas Eve Candlelight Reception following the 4:00 pm service for cookies and punch. Sign up to bring goodies at the Church School table at the garden entrance.

## Childcare Provided during Annual Parish Meeting

Parents, please do attend the parish meeting as childcare will be provided for the duration of the meeting. The children have a great time and enjoy the relaxing atmosphere with a sandwich, snack, a movie and a craft.

## Nativity Display

### *Christmas from Around the World*

We have a wonderful display in the second floor Library of more than 35 different crèches from all around the world including Africa, Greece, India, Mexico, and Palestine. The children will visit the library with their classes during Advent and parishioners are invited to enjoy the displays as well! Have fun guessing the country origin of the various Nativity displays - can you find the tiniest display or the most colorful?

## Wiggles & Worship

### *Happenings in the Children's Classrooms*

We are delighted to share the activities of the various children's classrooms. Our featured classroom, Kindergarten and First Grade, embody a world of energy and creativity. Storytelling and the wonder of worship are very much a part of the children's Sunday learning experience, derived from the book "Following Jesus: Young Children and Worship," by Sonja Stewart. The lessons share the life of Jesus in Biblical stories and parables with the goal to expand and deepen children's understanding of Jesus' teachings. The children spend a good deal of their time on the floor in the "playful business of discovery" with tactile materials of felt, unadorned wooden figurines, and other simple items.

Their awakening faith is further nurtured through song and retelling of the Biblical stories in creative free play or an accompanying art and craft project. The children are also eager to carry out their new-found classroom responsibilities such as line leader, story starter, and putting out the Christ candle.

They share ideas on ways to help others including their most recent endeavor, making bookmarks and sponsoring a book drive for CS Mott Children's Hospital. In total they have eight service projects throughout the year and plan to make TLC Bags for Breakfast Guests and Candy Canes for our foster child Kalid. The young children in this class fully participate in the rituals of the classroom. In fact, they would be very happy to walk adults through the entire lesson format. Stop by and visit them for a personal tour!

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# Tales from the Journey

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## Rite 13

Our Rite 13 group have become more involved in the ministries of the church as members of the Junior Choir, Handbell Choir, Lectors and Acolytes. They volunteer at the Breakfast program too. One of our parents, Randy Bennett led the class in a special art lesson focusing on perspective and a unique lens in which to "Engage with art ... requiring many skills that are just as applicable as when we engage with 'real' people."

Also, joining the class, Patricia Bard our CROP Walk coordinator helped us set up for this year's walk. We are grateful to the McCreddie family for being such happy walkers and all the parishioners who sponsored the youth group with their pledges of about \$700 towards fighting hunger.

Recently, the youth group were also able to squeeze in a social outing to Sky Zone with plenty of bouncing and fun to burn off all that youthful energy.

## J2A

J2A is in their final phase in preparation for their pilgrimage in June 2018 includ-

ing a series of lessons on team building and a busy few months of fundraising. The lessons, facilitated by parent Ron Slone, are designed to create a connection between teamwork and spirituality through experiential learning. The activities are structured to engage the young adults in a deeper more heart-centered bond of friendship and personal relationship with God. Fr. Alan had the occasion to emphasize this relationship on a recent visit to the classroom when the discussion examined friendship, respect, and qualities that make for a meaningful relationship especially the path to "knowing God."

Fr. Alan regularly visits the J2A class in preparation for their time together on Pilgrimage. The classroom atmosphere is a casual, informal setting that encourages J2A class members to ask challenging questions, concerns, share their experiences and ask those really tricky questions that Fr. Alan savors! The J2A youth and leaders extend a huge thank you to the parents, families and parishioners that support not only their fundraising efforts but witness to their journey into adulthood.

## YAC

Our YAC students met several times in a forum setting covering topics and issues of concern to young adults in their lives today. The goal; to provide a road map and tools to navigate these challenging times.

The first session corresponding with September's Depression and Suicide Awareness month was led by Lauren Emerson, a parishioner and social worker at the VA Hospital specializing in mental health. The topic centered on recognizing personal signs of stress, warning signals and tools to promote self-care. Also joining the group was Stephanie Salazar, AAPS high school coordinator for peer to peer counseling activities.

The next sequence of forums centered on exploring "success and failure" from different points of view as it relates to our lives. What are the external influences and pressures created by expectations from society, social media, family and peers? What is our response from an inner-directed view of "success and failure." How do we empower ourselves to handle stress, deal with difficult times

and embrace strength from God? How can we take failure, not as a measure of our worth, but as a chance for a new start? How do I plot my course? This intimate and personal topic was facilitated by Georgiana Siehl, our senior warden. She works with youth in her practice as a speech and language pathologist including the unique aspect of integrating social skill improvement.

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As you can tell, the Church School and Youth programs were quite busy this fall. We are thankful for your prayers and encouragement. May you continue to feel the presence of God in your life especially during this beautiful season of Advent.

In faith, hope and love,  
*Carol Andrews-Ferguson*  
Director Children and Youth Ministries

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## Parish Life

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### Bread Bakers Needed!

Do you like to bake? The church is looking to add new bread bakers to our bread-baking rotation. Bakers work from a provided recipe, baking five loaves of bread on Friday and taking bread to the sacristy on Saturday mornings. Volunteers sign up to bake once every one or two months.

Anyone interested in signing up for this satisfying endeavor should contact Elaine Mouradian ([headlye@gmail.com](mailto:headlye@gmail.com)) to become part of the rotation. Recipes and instruction are available.

### Correction!

The picture on page 60 of the "History of St. Andrew's Church, Part II" is incorrectly identified as the Reverend Roger Barney. It is in fact the Reverend Thomas Cooper.

### EfM Resumes Fall 2018

Education for Ministry at St. Andrew's returns September 2018! Contact Larry Tweedle ([tweedlelarry@gmail.com](mailto:tweedlelarry@gmail.com), 734-547-0164) or Mandy Davis ([madv@umich.edu](mailto:madv@umich.edu), 661-904-6432).



### PARISH EMAIL UPDATES

*Did you know less than 50% of the parish is on our email list?*

If you aren't already getting email updates from the church office, please email Kathy McPherson ([kmcpherson@standrewsaa.org](mailto:kmcpherson@standrewsaa.org)) and ask to be added to the list for updates, announcements, and important parish notices.

*St. Andrew's respects your privacy! We do not sell or distribute our email lists to anyone and try to keep our communications to a minimum (1-2/week).*

### EDOMI Convention

The 183rd Diocesan Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan was held in Novi on October 27 & 28, 2017. Bishop Gibbs' address centered on the Convention theme of "Turning Again to Christ." Delegates were encouraged to intentionally cultivate deeper personal relationships, especially with those who are different from us with regard to race, gender, orientation or some other way. How can we actively listen to and truly be present with those who are different from us? Another highlight of the Convention was the keynote address of Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas. Her well-received address pointed out that the attitudes of "white supremacy" and "anti-blackness" are "in America's DNA."

A number of resolutions were passed. A summary of each one follows:

- (1) A resolution denouncing, repudiating, and committing the Church to work against every form and expression of racism and white supremacy in our society.
- (2) A resolution affirming EDOMI support of those congregations that have committed themselves to giving shelter and sanctuary to persons whose immigration status is being litigated. EDOMI congregations will offer tangible and spiritual support to sanctuary congregations as their resources allow.
- (3) A resolution urging congregations in the diocese to collaborate with others in working toward a just and humane immigration system.
- (4) A resolution urging congregations to work for the provision of unmet basic human needs for every human being.
- (5) A resolution urging members of the diocese to learn about the increased rate of suicide among young people and to work with others in the community in looking for warning signs that young people are at risk. Father Alan Gibson was a cosponsor of this resolution.
- (6) A resolution approving an EDOMI operating budget for 2018 of \$2,302,542 was adopted. Bishop Gibbs noted that there was a 100% participation rate of the member churches in meeting their apportionment pledges to the diocese.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Chris M. Siehl*, Outgoing St. Andrew's Diocesan Convention Delegate

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## Director's Chair

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### Thank You!

Thanks to all who attended our October production of *The Diary of Anne Frank*. I would like to acknowledge the hard work of the dedicated cast and crew for bringing this poignant story to life on the St. Andrew's stage. We would also like to thank J2A for their delicious luncheon as well!

### *T'was the Year Before Christmas*

#### FIRST MEETING:

Sunday, November 26 at 11:30 am

#### PERFORMANCE:

Sunday, December 24 at 4:00 pm

This year the Church School will present a short musical *'Twas the Year Before Christmas* at the 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Family Eucharist. There are quite a few speaking roles (and many angels and animals!) available. Those wishing to sing in the pageant are encouraged to join the youth choirs for December rehearsals.

Pageant rehearsals are scheduled for Saturdays in December and Wednesday, December 20. If you are unable to get to the meeting, email [nheusell@st-andrewsaa.org](mailto:nheusell@st-andrewsaa.org).

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## Music Notes

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### *The 'O' Antiphons*

*Sunday, December 3, 2017 at 10:00 am*

The Liturgy of the Word for the 10:00 am service on this First Sunday of Advent is shaped by the *O Antiphons*, the texts of which are taken from the monastic antiphons for the *Magnificat* from December 17-24. Set to music by Peter Hallock, these antiphons are interspersed with readings and anthems that respond to each name of the Anointed One to come.

### Music for Meditation 3: Chamber Music

*Sunday, December 3, 2017 at 7:15 pm*

The fantastic Ann Arbor Camerata and Victor Minke Huls, Artistic Director, will feature Brahms' *Piano Quartet No. 3 in C minor Op. 60*, and Mozart's *Divertimento for string trio in E-flat major K. 563*.

#### More Music for Meditation Dates:

2018: February 4 • March 4

### Lessons and Carols

*December 17, 2017 at 4:00 pm*

Our tradition of alternating lessons with hymns, voluntaries and carols for Christmas continues. All of St. Andrew's music ensembles are involved: the Adult, Junior and Cherub Choirs, and the St. Dunstan Junior and Adult Handbell Choirs.

### Students for Pipes!

with St. Andrew's  
Young Musicians

*Sunday, January 28, 2018 at 4:00 pm*

Student members of St. Andrew's who are musicians will perform a variety of pieces on different instruments, both solo and in ensembles. Come hear the fine musicianship of our young parishioners, who are giving their time and talent in this way to the organ project. Free-will offering.

### Attention Young Musicians

Are you preparing a piece for solo and ensemble? Would you like an opportunity to play it in front of an audience before playing for the judges?

Please consider participating in our organ fundraiser concert "Students for Pipes" on Sunday January 28, 2018 at 4:00 pm. Please contact Deborah Friauff for more information, and thank you in advance for helping us raise funds for our new organ!

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## Sunday Bulletin & Network Deadlines

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### Sunday Bulletin

#### Announcement Submissions

The deadline for the Sunday Bulletin is 10:00 am on the Tuesday before the Sunday you wish the information to appear; as the staff meets early Wednesday morning to proof the document, e.g. for Sunday, December 16 the information would need to be in the office on Tuesday morning, December 11.

### Network Article Deadlines & Printed Issue Availability

The deadline for articles to be submitted for *the Network* is the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month in which it is to be printed.

Printed copies of *the Network* will be available at St. Andrew's starting the last Sunday of the month prior to the issue's date.

Issue Date	Article Deadline	Printed Issues Available
<b>February/March</b>	<b>January 10</b>	<i>January 28, 2018</i>
<b>April/May</b>	<b>March 10</b>	<i>March 25, 2018</i>
<b>June/July/August</b>	<b>May 10</b>	<i>May 27, 2018</i>
<b>September</b>	<b>August 10</b>	<i>August 26, 2018</i>
<b>October/November</b>	<b>September 10</b>	<i>September 30, 2018</i>
<b>December/January</b>	<b>November 10</b>	<i>November 25, 2018</i>



# Calendar of Events at St. Andrew's

## 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)  
8:00 pm Compline

### Mondays

7:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous (PH)

### Wednesdays

7:00 am Holy Eucharist (Cpl)  
4:30 pm Cherub Choir (CL)  
4:30 pm Junior Handbell Choir (RR)  
5:15 pm Junior Choir (CL)  
6:00 pm Evensong (C)  
6:30 pm Handbell Choir (RR)

### Thursdays

10:00 am Bible Study (L)  
5:30 pm Holy Eucharist & Healing (C)  
7:15 pm Adult Choir (CL)

### Fridays

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

### Saturdays

9:00 am Altar Guild Preparation

**ROOM LEGEND** (C) Church (L) Lounge  
(CL) Choir Loft (Lib) Library  
(Cpl) Chapel (PH) Parish Hall

## DECEMBER 2017

### Sunday, December 3

#### *United Thank Offering Sunday*

10:00 am Holy Eucharist and  
*O Antiphons* (C)  
11:30 am Senior Adults  
at St. Andrew's (L)  
11:30 am St. Nicholas Party (PH)  
7:15 pm Music for Meditation(C)

### Sunday, December 10

#### *Gift Ingathering*

### Sunday, December 17

2:00 pm Parents and Friends of  
Lesbians and Gays (L)  
4:00 pm Lessons & Carols (C)

### Tuesday, December 19

5:30 pm Finance Meeting (L)  
6:30 pm Vestry Meeting (L)

## CHRISTMAS EVE

### Sunday, December 24

#### *No Church School or Compline*

8:00 am Holy Eucharist (C)  
9:15 am Family Eucharist (Cpl)  
10:00 am Holy Eucharist (C)  
4:00 pm Family Eucharist (C),  
Christmas Pageant (C),  
Candlelight Party (PH)  
10:00 pm Festival Choral Prelude (C)  
10:30 pm Festival Choral Eucharist (C)

## CHRISTMAS DAY

### Monday, December 25

10:00 am Holy Eucharist (C)

### Tuesday, December 26

#### *St. Stephen's Day*

5:30 pm Holy Eucharist (C)

### Sunday, December 31

#### *No Church School Classes*

## JANUARY 2018

### Sunday, January 7

10:00 am Holy Eucharist  
and Baptisms (C)  
11:30 am Senior Adults  
at St. Andrew's (L)

### Wednesday, January 10

#### *Annual Reports DUE Network Deadline*

### Sunday, January 14

#### *No Church School Classes*

### Tuesday, January 16

6:00 pm Finance Meeting (L)

### Sunday, January 21

2:00 pm Parents and Friends of  
Lesbians and Gays (L)

### Tuesday, January 23

6:00 pm Vestry Meeting (L)

### Wednesday, January 24

#### *Annual Reports ONLINE*

### Sunday, January 28

#### **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

8:00 am Holy Eucharist (C)  
9:15 am Family Eucharist (Cpl)  
9:45 am Church School  
10:00 am Holy Eucharist (C)  
11:30 am Annual Parish Meeting (PH)  
4:00 pm Students for Pipes! (C)

## Church Office Closed

*Merry Christmas!*

**December 23 - January 1**

**Monday, January 15**

## Christmas Flowers

*The deadline for dedications is  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 11*

To make the church especially festive for the season, you are invited to contribute toward greens and flowers in memory of or in thanksgiving for the special people in your life.

Forms are available at the church. Please fill one out and leave it in the offering plate or mail it to the office.

You can also email your dedications to [communications@standrewsaa.org](mailto:communications@standrewsaa.org).