

# The Network

The newsletter for Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church

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Dear Friends:

In mid-January we lost one of America's most expressive contemporary voices. Mary Oliver, the Pulitzer Prize-winning poet, died after a long and fruitful career at the age of 83. Raised in Ohio, Oliver spent much of her adult life on Cape Cod. Many of her poems draw on her love for and observations of nature. While not formally religious, a deep spirituality rooted in the creation speaks through her words. It's almost impossible for me to pick a "favorite" Mary Oliver poem, but here's one of my favorites.

"The Swan"

Did you too see it, drifting, all night, on the black river?  
Did you see it in the morning, rising into the silvery air—  
an armful of white blossoms,  
a perfect commotion of silk and linen as it leaned  
into the bondage of its wings; a snowbank, a bank of lilies,  
biting the air with its black beak?

Did you hear it, fluting and whistling  
a shrill dark music—like rain pelting the trees—like a waterfall  
knifing down the black ledges?

And did you see it, finally, just under the clouds—  
a white cross  
streaming across the sky, its feet  
like black leaves, its wings  
like the stretched light of the river?

And did you feel it, in your heart, how it pertained to everything?  
And have you too finally figured out what beauty is for?  
And have you changed your life?

Paris Review  
Issue 124, Fall 1992

Many of Oliver's poems can be found on-line. If you are interested in reading more a good starting point is [www.poetryfoundation.org](http://www.poetryfoundation.org).

God bless,  
Fr. Alan

**Ash Wednesday: March 6**

**Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes**  
7:00 am • 12:15 pm • 4:30 pm • 7:30 pm

## 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 February & March

### Music for Meditation 4

Sunday, February 3

### A Celebration of African Music

Sunday, February 17

### Black & White in Ann Arbor

Wednesday, February 20

### Music for Meditation 5

Sunday, March 3

### First Meeting: Wizard of Oz

Saturday, March 9

### Sunday, March 10

Daylight Savings Time Begins

### Wednesday, March 13

Lenten Series Movie: Network

### Wednesday, March 20

Lenten Series Movie: Wag the Dog

### Wednesday, March 27

Lenten Series Movie: The Wave

### CPR Class

Saturday, March 30

The Social Justice Ministry presents

## Black and White in Ann Arbor:

*It's not what you think*

'Black and White in Ann Arbor' is a four-part series that hopes to foster a greater understanding of the roots and complexities of black-white relations in Ann Arbor, and inspire action in our community.

Please join us at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary for Evensong, a service of evening prayers, and from 6:30-8:30 pm in the Parish Hall for a potluck and presentation. Group discussion follows a formal presentation on the night's topic.

### **Ann Arbor and Civil Rights** Wednesday, February 20

The Social Justice Ministry of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church invites you to a discussion of events and attitudes in Ann Arbor during the civil rights era.

The program will provide context for local events in national trends, and the personal narratives of residents. Professor Angela Dillard and Dr. Debby Mitchell Covington, both at UM, will offer information that is vital to understanding race in Ann Arbor today.

*The 'Black and White in Ann Arbor' series concludes this spring with:*

### **Being Black in Ann Arbor Today** Wednesday, May 1



## Parish Briefs

### **Millennial Brunch Group**

You may come to service alone but you can always leave St. Andrews with a friend. Calling all young professionals, all students, and anyone looking for some post-service company: join us as we build community with monthly gatherings! We'll be gathering right after 10 a.m. service on Sunday, February 17, after the coffee hour to depart for the Broken Egg (221 N. Main).

### **Episcopal Relief and Development Sunday**

*The First Sunday in Lent: March 10*  
Episcopal Relief & Development (ERD; formerly "The Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief") is an international relief and development agency and a compassionate response to human suffering on behalf of The Episcopal Church of the United States. The work of ERD, to heal a hurting world, is guided by the principles of compassion, dignity and generosity. As supporters of ERD, we take our mandate from the words of Jesus, found in Matthew 25: 37-40, that call us to feed the hungry, care for the sick and welcome the stranger.

ERD Lenten Meditation Booklets will be available to parishioners at NO charge on Ash Wednesday (March 6) and on Sundays in Lent. Donation envelopes for ERD will also be available in the Narthex and on the Welcome Table beginning on March 10, and you may also donate online. For more information about Episcopal Relief and Development: <http://www.er-d.org/AboutUs>.

### **Daylight Savings Time**

*Begins Sunday, March 10*

Don't forget to set your clocks forward!

### **AED/CPR Classes: March 30**

*Available for the whole Parish!*

This is your opportunity to receive training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) as well as learn how to use an automatic defibrillator (AED). Open to the entire parish, an AED/CPR class will be offered on Saturday, March 30, 8:00 –11:45 am, in the Chapel.

We will receive instruction, practice with manikins, and learn to locate and use the AED machine. There is **NO CHARGE** and *ALL are welcome*: both to learn specific skills and also to learn how to help in an emergency. For more information, contact Sue Bickley [aabics@comcast.net](mailto:aabics@comcast.net) or Ann Garvin [agarvin224@aol.com](mailto:agarvin224@aol.com). **To register:** contact the Church Office by Tuesday, March 26.

### **A New Way to Give!**

If you are 70½ or older and are facing required minimum distributions (RMD) from an IRA, consider making a gift to St. Andrew's through a Qualified Charitable Deduction (QCD). A QCD is a withdrawal from an IRA that is sent directly to a charity. A QCD can satisfy a portion or all of your RMD and you may receive certain tax benefits in addition to helping the church. Speak with your financial adviser to learn if this way of giving makes sense for you.

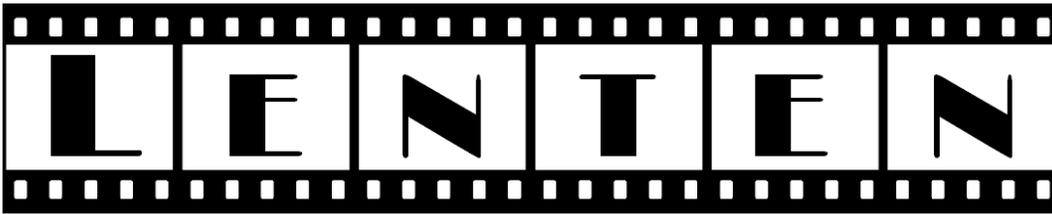


### **PARISH EMAIL UPDATES**

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

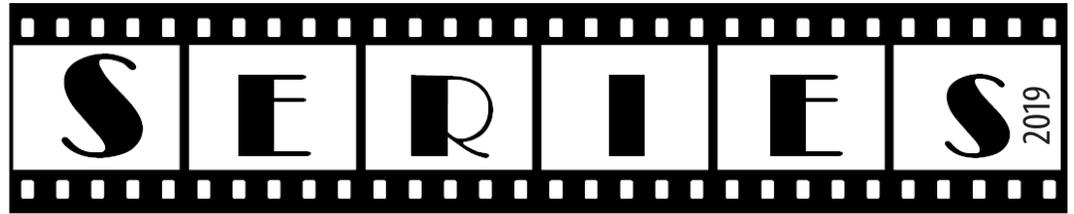
If you aren't already getting email updates from the church office, please email Kathy McPherson ([kmcpherson@standrewsaa.org](mailto:kmcpherson@standrewsaa.org)) and ask to be added to the list for updates, announcements, and important parish notices.

*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).*



DINNER AND  
A MOVIE

WEDNESDAYS  
IN LENT



*The popular Dinner and Movie program returns on the Wednesday evenings in Lent!*

This year's selections explore how life sometimes imitates art with films that caught the development of a societal trend before it became "a thing."

The evening begins with Evensong in the Church at 6:00 pm and continues with a pot-luck supper in the Lounge at 6:30 pm. Fr. Alan will make a big pot of vegetarian soup. **Please bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share.** After we have served ourselves we will watch the movie while we eat. Due to the length of some of the films we will begin our viewing promptly at 6:45 pm.

**March 13: *Network***

(R, 121 minutes, drama)

A television network exploits a former news anchor's ravings and revelations about the media for its own profit.

**March 20: *Wag the Dog***

(R, 97 minutes, comic drama)

After being caught in a sex scandal days before the election, the President does not seem to have much of a chance of being re-elected. His advisers contact a top Hollywood producer in order to manufacture an unlikely crisis that the president can heroically end, all through mass media.

**March 27: *The Wave***

(Unrated, 107 minutes, German drama with English subtitles)

A popular high school teacher's experiment to demonstrate to his students what life is like under a dictatorship spins horribly out of control when he forms a closed social unit within his classroom that develops a life of its own.

**April 3: *Children of Men***

(R, 119 minutes, drama)

Set in London in 2027. No child has been born on the planet for 18 years and science is at loss to explain the reason. African and East European societies collapse and their dwindling populations migrate to England and other wealthy nations. A former peace activist turned bureaucrat, Theo, joins forces with his revolutionary ex-wife Julian in order to save humanity by protecting a woman who has mysteriously become pregnant. This film is based on a novel by P.D. James.

**April 10: *Gattaca***

(PG-13, 116 minutes, science fiction drama)

In a future, genetically modified society, an underclass of humans are only useful for menial labor. One such man, Vincent, assumes the identity of Jerome, a perfect genetic specimen who is a paraplegic as a result of a car accident, in order to enter the space program. Just as Vincent is finally scheduled for a mission, his program director is killed and the police begin an investigation, jeopardizing his secret.

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

**No Church School**

**February 17**

**Special Events**  
*for February & March*

**Carnivale + Chili Cook Off**  
Sunday, March 3

**Ash Wednesday**  
**Family Service**  
Wednesday, March 6  
at 4:30 pm

**First Meeting: Wizard of Oz**  
Saturday, March 9

**Prayer Loom**  
In the Chapel during Lent

**Spring Baptistate**

**Baptism Date**  
Saturday, April 20 at 7:30 pm

**Preparation Session**  
10:00 am: April 13

**Registration Deadline**  
Thursday, April 11

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



# Church School Happenings

## Church School Lessons

For the winter and early spring unit *intermediate students* will explore three major concepts: worship in the sacramental tradition, observance of Lent and the charge to engage in mission, the work God asks us to do in the world. The *primary grades* focus on Worship: People in Community, orders of ministry: laity, bishops, priests and deacons. The youngest group of children, *preschool through first grade*, begin with many wonderful parables, the most important commandment and conclude with the events in Lent and Easter leading to Jesus' death, resurrection, and ascension. In January, these grades combined for two highly interactive lessons: Epiphany celebration wearing royalty costumes, crowns and a special parade to follow the Star into the sanctuary. They also heard the story of Jesus' Baptism and had the chance to Baptize baby dolls, complete with all the elements of the sacrament.

## Baked Goods Needed

### *for Youth Carnivale Cake Walk*

Baked good donations are needed and greatly appreciated in support of the Youth Cake Walk at Carnivale. Suggested item: Cookies, quick breads, cupcakes, small cakes, and candies or your favorite yummy! Please bring your baked goodies (packaged in small-mid size servings) to the Parish Hall anytime before or during 10:00 am service. Thank you!

## Ash Wednesday: March 6

Each year we have a special Ash Wednesday service for children and families, marking the beginning of Lent. The Junior Choir sings and the Church School volunteers as readers and other roles. The "Alleluia Scroll" created at Carnivale, will be buried in the undercroft of the Church by the children attending the 4:30 pm Ash Wednesday service. This symbolic act reflects the unspoken status of the "alleluia" word during Lent. On Easter Sunday, the Alleluia Scroll will be resurrected, placed in the chapel and with one joyful voice a resounding "Alleluia" returns.

## Outreach Caring & Sharing

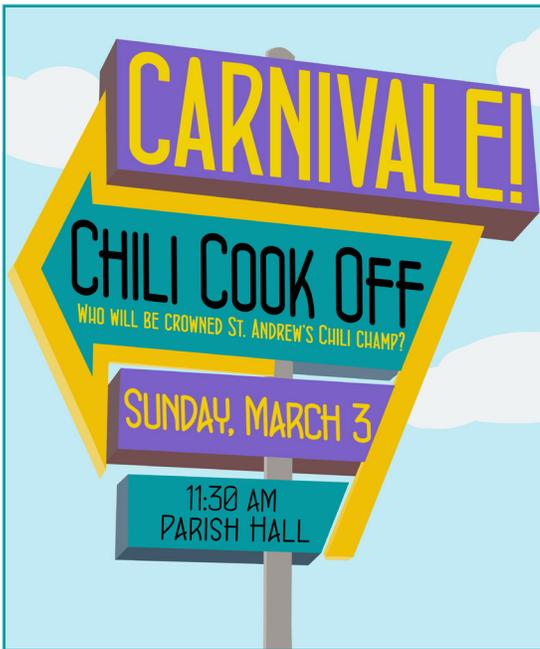
*Thank you:* We don't always know the individuals or families that donate with any of the general collections, however, the Advent service project for Orchards Children's Services was especially giving. While gently used winter items were welcomed, many more new items were donated. A special thank you to Mary Taylor, Mil's mother, for her 25 handmade knit winter caps! (She also made the 25 for the Breakfast!) Please know the kindness and generosity of all of our Church School families and parishioners was greatly appreciated by the staff of OCS and their family beneficiaries.

*Valentine Cards:* The children will make Valentine cards to send to our home-bound parishioners. They decorate cards in their classrooms to be mailed in time for Valentine's Day. This heartwarming multi-generational interaction of a personal message brings joy to both child and parishioner and lots of big smiles for all.

*Kalid Easter Offering:* We ask children to save their coins during Lent to help meet our annual goal of \$380 to support our foster brother Kalid in Ethiopia. Mite boxes are available in the classrooms and can be placed on the large white cross outside the Chapel at Easter. Please include your name on the mite box so we can acknowledge your Easter offering.

*Lent Service Project:* The Church School will collect personal care items for a local organization. This Lenten project mirrors the annual Breakfast Footcare drive and Maundy Thursday distribution to the guests. **Please place your personal care donations in the box located outside of the first floor Morning Glories classroom with the "Head to Toe" giraffe sign beginning in March.** "... for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Matthew 6:21

Save the Date for  
Marketplace  
Vacation Bible School  
June 18, 19, 20  
Free!  
For kids who have completed  
'Young 5s' through Fifth Grade



## Carnivale & Chili Cook Off

Don't miss the Church School's pre-Lenten **Carnivale** party Sunday, March 3, at 11:30am in the Parish Hall. Enjoy games, cake walk, music, beads, food, prizes and more at this Mardi Gras themed event!

Each class will host an activity: cake walk, bean bag toss, mask making, fabulous face painting and the chili cook off. The children create the Alleluia Scroll banner to be buried in the undercroft on Ash Wednesday. *A free-will donation is appreciated for the Cake walk and the Chili Tasting to help support the youth groups.*

**NEW:** The **Carnivale Chili Cook Off!** Nothing says cold-weather comfort quite like a bowl of steamy hot chili shared among friends.

Does your chili have what it takes to be named the best in the parish? **Bring one gallon of your favorite chili recipe** in a crock pot to Carnivale on Sunday, March 3 and compete for the first ever parish-voted title of "St. Andrew's Chili Champ."

**All tasters will vote** to crown the Chili Champ. Special prizes. *Look for more information in February about submitting your chili.*

## Prayer Loom

*Visit the Chapel*

The Prayer Loom returns to the Chapel during Lent. "Take a prayer, leave a prayer, weave a prayer" is this year's focus of deepened spirituality and encourages learning about prayer as "an outward and visible way . . . Jesus has called us." Take part in this multi-sensory expression of prayer for children and adults of all ages to share the experience as one Church family. Colorful yarn skeins, are available during Lent to weave around the nail heads and through each persons' weavings. Tags to leave a prayer, weave a prayer or take a prayer are also a part of this year's prayer loom.

## Marketplace VBS

*Save the Date: June 18, 19, & 20*

Children young fives through 5<sup>th</sup> grade journey back in time to learn about Jesus life and experience the sights, sounds and flavorful aroma of an ancient Marketplace. Crafts with shopkeepers, visits to the storyteller's tent, and meeting people of the Bible as re-enacted by our drama team are all engaging elements of this annual event. The event is not only FUNtastic, it is free. Bring a friend too!

## Tales from the Journey

*Our J2A youth* are regrouping after the busy fall months and their initiation into the joys and challenges of fundraising. In the new year, a series of interesting topics are planned based on the wonderfully insightful questions asked by the class members from previous classroom discussions and Fr. Alan's recent visit. The class has settled on a routine of an opening prayer, sharing happenings in their lives followed by the main topic for discussion. It is a small class in number but a very significant class in their contributions to the discussion. They'll be exploring options for a retreat or mission trip and possibly altering our past approach for a pilgrimage event.

*The YAC young adults* also had a very busy fall with their YAC Liturgy and Pilgrimage presentation as well as Confirmation preparation. The new year is as an opportunity for YAC to explore this next phase of the Journey to Adulthood program as participants in the ministries and life of the parish. They'll learn about the various ministries, continue to volunteer at the Breakfast Program and enjoy a few social outings.

*The High School Seniors* are preparing for their post high school chapter. We'll encourage critical thinking, discernment and help to provide the spiritual tools to navigate these exciting but challenging times with a few forums and guest presenters on a variety of themes to help support their faith journey in this next phase.

The YAC and Senior HS young adults made fleece prayer blankets to give to several friends that experienced great sadness in the past year. It was a chance to learn about the prayer shawl ministry and spiritual practice. The group collectively said prayers for God's guidance, "dedicating the work of our hands . . . to bring strength and comfort, .. for our friends . . . that their burdens may be lightened and their hearts gladdened with the realization that they are loved."

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

### **At A Glance:** *Breakfast Volunteer Dates*

**J2A:** February 17  
April 21

**YAC:** March 17  
May 19

**SrHS:** March 31

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## Director's Chair

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### Christmas Pageant Wrap-Up

Many thanks to all the cast and crew who participated in the recent Christmas Eve performance of "The Pageant of the Bells". I would also like to personally thank Catherine Carver and Sarah Inwood for their assistance and much needed help. The Christmas Pageant is always a special part of the Christmas Eve service and everyone's contributions this year made it truly beautiful!!

### The Wizard of Oz

#### FIRST MEETING:

Saturday, March 9 at 10:30 am

#### PERFORMANCE:

Saturday, May 18 & Sunday, May 19

Our first big Supper Theatre show took place over two decades ago and it remains an all-time favorite - *The Wizard of Oz!* I am pleased to announce that our 2019 Spring Musical will be a return to Oz with our presentation of *The Wizard of Oz*.

We will hold a reading of the play and potluck brunch at 10:30 am in the Rainbow Room on Saturday, March 9. Please bring a dish to pass if you are able. Rehearsals will be held on Saturdays until late April. For more information, call Nancy at 662-4373.

#### NEW DATES FOR 2019!

After many years of performing on Mother's Day weekend, the Supper Theater will instead be performed on Saturday, May 18 and Sunday, May 19 this year.

*Nancy Heusel*

Director, Theatrical Ministry

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## Music Notes

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### Music for Meditation

#### Program 4

Nathaniel Cornell, Violin

Sunday, February 3 at 7:15 pm

Nathaniel Cornell has recently received degrees in Violin Performance from the Oberlin Conservatory of Music and the University of Michigan. Outside of orchestral performance, Cornell maintains an avid interest in the performance of early music. His program will include works by Telemann, Purcell, Handel and Corelli.

#### Program 5

Laurel Federbush, Harp

Sunday, March 3 at 7:15 pm

Saline, Michigan-based freelance harpist, Laurel Federbush, holds a Bachelor of Music degree from the University of Toronto and both Master's and Doctor of Musical Arts degrees from the University of Michigan. She plays for a number of area symphonies and orchestras with a wide repertoire of classical, Celtic, and contemporary music.

#### Program 6

Baroque Music for Lent & Holy Week

Sunday, April 7 at 7:15 pm

The St. Andrew's Compline Singers and a Baroque ensemble offer a program of Baroque music for Lent and Holy Week, featuring a solo cantata *Herzlich tut mich Verlangen* by Dietrich Buxtehude sung by Katie Sucha, as well as Buxtehude's *Jesu Meines Lebens Leben*, and the *St. John Passion* by Heinrich Schütz.

### Special Services

#### A Celebration of African Music

Sunday, February 17 at 4:00 pm

The St. Andrew's Adult, Junior, and Cherub Choirs, and the St. Dunstan Handbell Choir offer a concert featuring music by African American composers. Works by Adolphus Hailstork, André Thomas, and Moses Hagan.

#### A Service of Tenebrae

Wednesday, April 17 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 19 at 2:00 pm

The St. Andrew's Compline Singers will sing the *St. John Passion* by Heinrich Schütz as the Gospel reading, as well as Dietrich Buxtehude's *Cantata Jesu Meines Lebens Leben*, accompanied by a Baroque ensemble from the Ann Arbor Camerata Chamber players.

#### Easter Service Prelude

Sunday, April 21 7:30 / 10:00 am

Eucharist: 8:00 / 10:30 am

The St. Andrew's Adult Choir and the Ann Arbor Camerata chamber orchestra combine for our Easter services, featuring Franz Schubert's *Mass in C*.

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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, February 24 the information would need to be in the office on Tuesday morning, October 19.

### 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>April/May</b>	<b>March 10</b>	March 31, 2019
<b>June/July/August</b>	<b>May 10</b>	May 26, 2019
<b>September</b>	<b>August 10</b>	August 25, 2019
<b>October/November</b>	<b>September 10</b>	September 29, 2019
<b>December/January</b>	<b>November 10</b>	November 24, 2019
<b>February/March</b>	<b>January 10</b>	January 26, 2020



# 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 (C)

### 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

## Church Office Closed

Monday, February 18

**ROOM  
LEGEND**

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

## February 2019

### Sunday, February 3

11:30 am Senior Adults at St. Andrew's (L)

7:15 pm Music for Meditation (C)

### Sunday, February 10

*Blood Pressure Screening*

### Sunday, February 17

*No Church School Classes*

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

4:00 pm Celebration of African Music Concert (C)

### Tuesday, February 19

6:00 pm Finance Meeting (L)

### Wednesday, February 20

6:30 pm Black & White in Ann Arbor (PH)

### Tuesday, February 26

6:30 pm Vestry Meeting (L)

## March 2019

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**ANN ARBOR &  
CIVIL RIGHTS**

*Wednesday, February 20, 2019*

Parish Hall, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church  
 306 N. Division Street, Ann Arbor

*This event is free and open to the public.*

## Lenten Series

*Dinner and a Movie*

**6:00 pm:** Evensong

**6:30 pm:** Dinner & A Movie

March 13: *Network*

March 20: *Wag the Dog*

March 27: *The Wave*

April 3: *Children of Men*

April 10: *Gattaca*

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