

The Network

The newsletter for Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church

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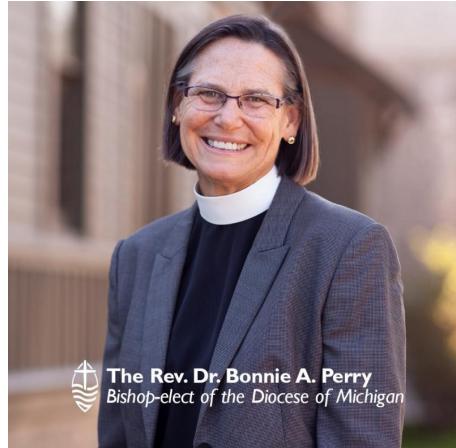
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The Episcopal Diocese of Michigan Elects The Rev. Dr. Bonnie A. Perry as Eleventh Bishop

[DETROIT] - The Episcopal Diocese of Michigan has today [June 1, 2019] announced the election of The Rev. Dr. Bonnie A. Perry, Rector of All Saints', Chicago, as its 11th bishop diocesan.

Perry is the first woman and first openly gay priest to be elected bishop since the diocese was formed in 1836. This also marked the first time in the history of the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan that the slate of candidates was comprised entirely of women.



Perry was elected on the fifth ballot of the Special Electing Convention held today in Detroit. She received 64 clergy votes and 118 lay votes.

"I am in awe of the trust you have placed in me, and I will, with God's help, do all I can to live up to this trust and this honor," Perry said following her election, "I am so excited about the ministry we are going to do together. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you."

Perry holds a Doctor of Ministry degree from Seabury-Western Theological Seminary and a Master of Divinity degree from Union Theological Seminary in NYC. She was ordained deacon and priest in 1990 in the Diocese of Newark. Perry and her spouse currently reside in Chicago and will relocate to Michigan this year. Perry is scheduled to be ordained and consecrated on February 8, 2020 in the Diocese of Michigan. The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, Presiding Bishop and Primate of The Episcopal Church, will serve as the chief consecrator.

Perry will succeed the Rt. Rev. Wendell N. Gibbs, Jr., who has served as bishop since 2000 and will retire in at the end of 2019.

This article was reprinted and edited for length from the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan's email NEWSFLASH distributed on Saturday, June 1, 2019.

Service Schedule *Join us!*

Sundays

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

Wednesday

Holy Eucharist: 7 am
Evensong: 6 pm

Thursdays

Holy Eucharist/Healing: 5:30 pm

Fridays

Holy Eucharist: 12:15 pm

Special Events *this summer*

Choir Recognition

Sunday, June 2

Summer Study Series

Tuesdays, June 4 - July 2

Pentecost, Recognition Sunday, Last Day of Church School, Lunch on the Lawn

Sunday, June 9

Marketplace VBS

June 18-20

Collects Class

Thursday, June 27 & July 25

Fourth of July / Office Closed

July 4-5

Ann Arbor Art Fair

July 18-21

Summer Office Hours *through August 30*

The Church Office will be open
9:00 am - 1:00 pm,
Monday - Friday.



Parish Briefs

Summer Study Series

Tuesdays, June 4 - July 2

The Summer Study Series returns for more *Early Christianity: the Experience of the Divine* (from the “Great Courses” series, led by Luke Timothy Johnson, PhD at Emory University).

Each session will have a 30 minute video lecture and a 30 minute discussion led by Robert Westveer. Tuesdays at 10:00 am in the Lounge, June 4 - July 2. Topics as follows:

June 4: *The Resurrection Experience.* Christianity springs from the experience of power the followers of Jesus had after his resurrection. The claim to this experience of power is connected to a central symbol and basic conviction.

June 11: *Five Key Transitions in Growth.* The new movement rapidly spread in five areas: geographic, sociological, linguistic, culture changes and demographic changes.

June 18: *The Holy Community.* What can we learn about the experience of the “holy community” and its self-understanding as set forth in the Acts of the Apostles and the letters of Paul and others.

June 25: *Jesus and the Gospels.* Everything said about Jesus comes from post-Easter perspectives. Nevertheless, the historical Jesus also influences and must be taken into account.

July 2: *Teachers and Creeds.* How did institutional development and creedal development influence and shape each other.

Recognition Sunday

Sunday, June 9 at 8 and 10:00 am

On Sunday, June 9 we will recognize more of the fantastic volunteers who make St. Andrew’s such a wonderful place. Recognitions will be held at both the 8:00 and 10:00 am services.

Join our Driving Ministry!

Volunteer Driver Meeting:

Sunday June 23 at 11:15 am

Most of us have been told that we will “need to have someone drive us” to a healthcare provider appointment, especially if the visit will involve sedation or surgery. St. Andrew’s has a limited number of parishioners who experience

difficulty in finding someone to drive them to such appointments. To meet this need, since 2008, St. Andrew’s has had a Driving Ministry. We provide rides to and from health appointments for our parishioners, and due to retirements, we are in need of a couple more volunteer drivers.

If you are interested in serving as a volunteer DRIVER: on Sunday, June 23, come either to the Lounge at 8:45 am, or to the Library about 11:15 am. Requirements for participation in this Ministry will be discussed.

Collects Class

Thursdays, June 27 & July 25

The Collect (pronounced with a “K”) of the Day is one of the opening prayers of every Eucharist. It serves to sum up the prayers of those gathered for worship and often reflects the themes of the scriptures appointed for that day. Join us for these two summer classes as we examine a sampling of these prayers and the encouragement and challenges they present. We will meet in the lounge at 10:00 am on Thursday, June 27 and July 25.

Directory Updates Needed

Please, help us stay in contact with you by updating your information for the 2019-2020 directory.

The deadline for corrections is Monday, July 8, with the directory being available in early September.

Please, take a moment and check your listing in the current parish directory (it has a photo of the church on the cover) to ensure that we have the correct information for your names, phone numbers, address, children’s names and primary email address.

If you have additions or corrections



Send an email to
kmcpherson@standrewsaa.org



Call the Church Office at
(734) 663-0518



Drop a note in the collection plate on Sunday

Advertise Your Business

The new parish directory should be ready in September 2019. Interested in placing an advertisement? Call Jill Garner (jgarner@cathedraldirectories.com; (800) 544-6903 ext. 111). Pass this on - advertisers don’t need to be members!

Finance

Operating Revenue and Expense

January 1 to April 30, 2019

Income	Actual Year-to-Date	Budget Year-to-Date	Over/Under +/- YTD Actual vs. YTD Budget
Plate Offerings	14,020	16,000	-1,980
Pledge Payments	245,577	255,000	-9,423
Other Income	20,179	12,668	7,511
Designated Funds Transfer	0	0	0
Prior Year Surplus	0	0	28,646
Total Income	279,776	283,668	-3,892
Expenses			
Salaries and Benefits	232,982	233,694	-712
Maintenance & Overhead	38,770	44,019	-5,249
Office Expense	13,574	12,690	884
Stewardship & Miscellaneous	0	200	-200
Church Programs	15,064	14,639	425
Diocesan Pledge	32,265	32,264	1
Total Expenses	332,655	337,506	-4,851
Net	-52,879	-53,838	959

Parish Life

New Draperies for the Nancy Heusel Theater

The Nancy Heusel Theater in our Parish Hall has seen lots use over the years, ever since the Parish Hall first opened in 1951. There has been Supper Theater involving both children and adults since at least 1994, when Nancy directed *Charlotte's Web*. The theater is small, but serviceable. It is quirky, because there is no backstage: if an actor goes offstage through the wings on the right, he or she is "stuck" there until returning to stage, or a curtain closing allows movement. Thus, the front, red curtain has both the dramatic function of allowing scene changes and the practical function of allowing actor movement.

For many years now it has been clear that the front curtain was beyond its useful life. In recent years, it has been held together by safety pins, Duck tape, glue, and prayer. Finally, it became apparent that something had to be done. In the earlier part of this year, a stage rigging professional, Bill Ebeling, gave an estimate, and a lightning fundraiser was held to purchase new curtains for the theater. A small group of people was solicited for contributions. The response was swift and generous. The target of \$8,000, a bit more than the estimate, was met and surpassed. As of this writing, \$9,400 has been raised. The order was placed, and though Bill could not guarantee completion of the project in time for *Wizard of Oz*, we all hoped for the best.

The new theater draperies were installed the week of May 5, in plenty of time for the *Oz* show. Not only are the new draperies beautiful, but they add new functionality, with easily moved black, side/back curtains on tracks, to allow for various backdrops and framing. The stage now has a more modern, open appearance.

All of us involved in theater at St. Andrew's would like to express our gratefulness for the generosity of the donors. If you feel slighted that you were not on the lightning fundraiser list, you may lay your hurt to rest: further donations to the St. Andrew's Players fund will be

gladly accepted. The curtain project opens the way for further updates and modernizations.

Theater has been an important ministry in the parish for a long time. The updates will allow that ministry to continue and move forward.

-- Norm Richert

The Travels and Travails of our Ethiopian Cross

Back in 2000, when the Rev. Deacon Svea Gray and her husband Professor Whit Gray discovered it in an Albuquerque art gallery, they had no idea how it had made its way from Ethiopia to New Mexico - but they were much taken with what they saw: a dusty, dull metal processional cross, affixed to a worn wooden carrying staff. Fragile-looking and not especially clean, it nevertheless appealed to the Grays, along with the notion that, properly cared for, this might be just the thing to take back to St. Andrew's.

Whit (who passed away in 2018) and Svea, longtime faithful parishioners, promptly bought the religious artifact - even though, as some said, "It needs a little work." Which, as time proved, was the understatement of the year.

But the Grays persisted. Estimated to be five or six centuries old, research indicated that the cross' rigorously geometric design, featuring lattice work (representing eternal life), had its origin in the Ethiopian Orthodox Church, where Christianity had prevailed since the 4th century C.E. The cross had obviously seen hard service and had a mangled horizontal arm that nobody seemed able to explain. With its generally shabby appearance, it fairly cried out for tender loving care from trained and gentle hands.

Which is exactly what parishioners Kathy Cox and Phil MacBride discovered through Ilene Tyler, retired executive of Quinn Evans, the noted preservationist architectural and construction firm responsible for the renovation of the Church in 2008.

In turn, they put us in touch with Teri Jefferson's Art Lighting studio in Ann Arbor - the company that had supervised the rehanging of the antique metal lighting in the church's nave. From the outset, Teri Jefferson proved he was the man for the job, with the talent, experience, and sensitivity our historic building required.

All of which were apparent in the plans and procedures he laid out in his initial assessment of the project. First there was the bead-blasting that would remove the wends and cuts of the cross' previous decades. Then came a mild surfactant bath to gently remove the remaining grease and wax on the 1/8-inch thick bronze alloy plate that formed the cross' center panel.

Then, using a MAAP-oxygen (methylacetylene propadiene propane) torch, with high flame temperatures of nearly 6000°F, the heating and bending process began, in order to straighten the bent arms of the cross. This amounted to heating it slowly and patiently, then gently bending it, at least a dozen times all told, being careful not to twist the fragile alloy too vigorously. Finally, after many patient hours, Jefferson very carefully worked the cross back to its original cruciform outline.

After all of this came a bath of lacquer-thinner to reclean the cross' surface, followed by a clear lacquer to protect it from further damage. Next, a brass-like finish restored the original patina.

Finally, came the restoration of the cross' carrying staff, refinishing and polishing it to bring out the richness of the wood. Now it was finally ready to return to St. Andrew's where it stands today in the Chancel and appears in procession with our 1922 Gerald Brown Memorial Cross.

After all these labors, perhaps the crowning touch for our "new" Ethiopian cross was the invoice that came attached with a message in Teri Jefferson's hand: "No charge. Thank you. Charity." To which a grateful parish heartily responds, "Thank you, Mr. Jefferson!"

-- John Lapp



Church School Happenings

At A Glance: Church School Events

Recognition Sunday, Lunch on the Lawn

Sunday, June 9

J2A Art Fair Parking

Friday, July 19: 3:00 pm

Saturday, July 20: 9:30 am - Full

Church School Resumes

Sunday, September 8

Summer Childcare

Summertime Storytime!

Childcare (including the Nursery) will be available in the Morning Glories room, Sundays at 10:00 am, June 16 - September 1. All ages welcome!

Vacation Bible School

Marketplace: Life in Jesus' Time

June 18, 19, 20

9:30 am - 12:15 pm

at First Presbyterian Church

Registrations Due: June 3

Summer Baptism Date

Baptism Date

Sunday, June 9 at 10:00 am

Preparation Session

10:00 am: June 8

Registration Deadline

Thursday, May 30

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

THANK YOU! to our Church School teacher volunteers, families and friends

"I am a minister. I minister to the largest mission field in the world. I minister to children."

from Roger Fields "The Calling"

Our Church School Teachers are such a blessing and a vital part of the faith community, creating an environment where children and youth come to know God's love. They share their love of Jesus with the children and our families. It can be challenging for sure, but they are dedicated to this ministry, called by God to grow in knowledge and wisdom, building lasting memories for the children and youth. Thank you for all that you do.

Teacher Recognition, Lunch on the Lawn

Sunday, June 9

Sunday, June 9 is the last day of our 2018-19 Church School year. Near the conclusion of the service we recognize our teachers for their dedicated ministry with the children and youth of St. Andrew's. After the service the entire parish is warmly invited to join us for the annual Lunch on the Lawn social to celebrate this past year and the beginning of summer. It is our way of saying "thank you" to our wonderful parishioners and volunteers for their support of the Church School.

Summertime Storytime

Begins June 16

All ages are welcome to join us during the 10am service. We meet in the Morning Glories classroom located at the end of the hallway, on the first floor of the Parish House. A story, an accompany craft and even just free time followed by an ice cream snack is on the program.

Fall Teaching Opportunities

To those who have already volunteered, we say thank you so much for saying yes to this vital and enriching teaching ministry at St. Andrew's. We welcome new teachers to our program. Please

consider sharing a small amount of your time on Sunday mornings with our children. There are many ways to be involved that afford opportunities to share your talents and also work within your schedule. Teaching in bi-monthly rotations, preparing crafts at home, substituting, storytelling and so much more. It is equally rewarding for those who volunteer as well as for our children and youth.

Vacation Bible School Marketplace 29 AD:

Life in Jesus' Time

June 18-20 from 9:30 am - 12:15 pm

Registration Deadline: June 2 late registrations accepted as space allows.

"Vacation Bible School is fun and engaging for everyone involved. This is a time to celebrate God's love and presence in the world!" Campers and Volunteers both have a fun time!

It's not too late to register for our annual Summer Vacation Bible School on the beautiful grounds of First Presbyterian Church! Come be a part of this year's exciting theme "Life in Jesus' Time" when children journey as a tribe of Israel exploring Bible times and Jesus ministry through crafts in the Marketplace, games, synagogue school, storyteller, engaging drama vignettes, song, dance, and Mediterranean foods. A special visit by the Kelsey Museum with Roman artifacts and a visit from the Howell Nature Center create the atmosphere of real Bible times. There are so many ways for children to experience "God's love and presence in the world" at Marketplace VBS. Bring a friend to this free event. They will have an amazing time. Open to children "young fives" through 5th grade complete. Register online at <http://tiny.cc/mplace17> or registration forms available on the display board in the lobby. Please contact Carol Andrews-Ferguson for more information.

BE A VOLUNTEER: Spending a few mornings laughing, playing and singing with kids – will do you good! There are many opportunities for middle/

high school youth, parents and our parishioners of all ages as shopkeepers and crafters in the marketplace, family group leader, games, food preparation, childcare, daily set up/tear down, drama and many more roles. Childcare is provided for the wee ones of volunteers during the event.

Diocesan Summer Events for Children, Youth & Families

Camp Stony Lake: Once again this year the Diocese has teamed up with Living Water Ministries to offer summer camp for the young people of the Diocese. While you can choose any week, we have designated Week 5 (July 14-19, 2019) as an Episco Week at Camp Stony Lake. During that week, Eric Travis the Missioner for Youth and Young Adults (and more Episcopal Formation people), will be on staff to offer spiritual formation for the Episcopal students.

Camp Chickagami: Camp Chick offers five sessions of summer camp for folks of all ages who love to sing, hike, worship, swim, craft, play, and boat. What could be better than learning about the love of Jesus with a camp full of friends and Camp Chickagami's world-renowned counseling staff?

Camp Scholarships are available from both Living Water Ministries and the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan. For more information on Episco Week camp, other events, camps, REGISTRATION LINKS, and scholarships, visit the Diocese website at <http://www.edomi.org/yaya/summer-camp>. St. Andrew's also has scholarship funds available. Carol is ready to assist with arrangements for any of the named events or scholarships.

Tales from the Journey

Prayer Shawl Thank you

Thank you to our prayer shawl makers Rachel Baird, Julie Case, Lorraine Field, Floice Frazer, Linda Hastings, Julie Lewis, Elaine Mouradian, Lucy Richert, Chris Rochman, JoAn Wetzel, Mary White, and Carole Wortley. As part of our annual Senior High School Recognition, graduates received a beautiful handmade prayer shawl. Our knitters have spent the last year creating the shawls and their ever gracious labor of love is fulfilled in the warmth, care and prayers interwoven into this personal gift. If you are interested in supporting this ministry we have a very large graduating class for 2020. We also have a need to replenish our supply for the special needs of our parishioners. Yarn kits/instructions are available in the basket outside the office, but please feel free to use your yarn preferences. Thank you for your support.

Supper Theater Thank You

Theater goers and parishioners, thank you for your generous support of the Church School and friends annual Spring Supper Theater, especially your free-will donation for the meal. This goes a long way to help fund J2A's Pilgrimage planned for June 2020. The youth are in the process of deciding a location and will share it soon!

J2A Art Fair Parking

J2A youth group hosts parking in the St. Andrew's parking lot for Art Fair goers at the fantastic value of only \$10 per vehicle for all Friday evening July 19 beginning at 3pm & all day Saturday July 20 at 9:30am. Proceeds benefit their Pilgrimage in June 2020. Thank you for your support.

To all of our children, youth and families of the Church School may your summer months bring you fun filled days, time to enjoy family and friends, a chance to unhook from the noise, make memories and just "be." Have a wonderful summer, safe journey, and we look forward to hearing about your summer memories in the fall.

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

At A Glance: Breakfast Volunteer Dates

J2A: June 16

YAC: July 21

SrHS: June 30

Sunday Bulletin & Network Deadlines

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, July 28 the information would need to be in the office on Tuesday morning, July 23.

Network Article Deadlines & Printed Issue Availability

The deadline for articles to be submitted for the Network is the 10th 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
September	August 10	August 25, 2019
October/November	September 10	September 29, 2019
December/January	November 10	November 24, 2019
February/March	January 10	January 26, 2020
April/May	March 10	March 29, 2020
June/July/August	May 10	May 31, 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/
Summer Storytime
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (C)

Mondays

- 7:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous (PH)

Wednesdays

- 7:00 am Holy Eucharist (Cpl)
- 6:00 pm Evensong (C)

Thursdays

- 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist & Healing (C)

Fridays

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

Saturdays

- 9:00 am Altar Guild Preparation

Summer Office Hours

The church office will be open
9:00 am - 1:00 pm,
Monday - Friday
from May 28 - September 2.

OFFICE CLOSED

July 4-5

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

J2A Art Fair Parking
Heading to the Art Fair?

Park at St. Andrew's
for \$10/vehicle!

Friday, July 19:
 Starting at 3:00 pm

Saturday, July 20:
 Starting at 9:30 am

Proceeds benefit J2A's June 2020 Pilgrimage

June 2019

Sunday, June 2

Choir Recognitions

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

Tuesday, June 4

- 10:00 am Summer Study Series (L)
- 7:00 pm Marketplace Volunteer
Meeting (First Presbyterian)

Sunday, June 9

Recognition Sunday, Last Day of Church School, Blood Pressure Screenings

- 11:30 am Lunch on the Lawn

Monday, June 10

- 4:30 pm History/Memorials (L)

Tuesday, June 11

- 10:00 am Summer Study Series (L)

Sunday, June 16

Father's Day Summertime Storytime Begins

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

June 18-20

Marketplace Vacation Bible School

Tuesday, June 18

- 10:00 am Summer Study Series (L)
- 6:00 pm Finance Meeting (L)

Tuesday, June 25

- 10:00 am Summer Study Series (L)
- 6:30 pm Vestry Meeting (L)

Thursday, June 27

- 10:00 am Collects Class (L)

July 2019

Tuesday, July 2

- 10:00 am Summer Study Series (L)

Thursday, July 4

Church Office Closed NO 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist & Healing

Friday, July 5

Church Office Closed

Sunday, July 7

Blood Pressure Screenings

- 11:30 am Single Adults
at St. Andrew's (Lib)

Monday, July 8

- 4:30 pm History/Memorials (L)

Sunday, July 14

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

July 18-21

Ann Arbor Art Fair

Thursday, July 25

- 10:00 am Collects Class (L)

August 2019

Sunday, August 4

- 11:30 am Single Adults
at St. Andrew's (Lib)

Saturday, August 10

Deadline for September Network

Sunday, August 11

Blood Pressure Screenings

Monday, August 12

- 4:30 pm History/Memorials (L)

Sunday, August 18

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

Tuesday, August 20

- 6:00 pm Finance Meeting (L)

Tuesday, August 27

- 6:30 pm Vestry Meeting (L)