

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

We are a diverse community of faith called by God to love, worship, pray, support and serve.

From Your Rector

If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. ⁹ So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. ¹⁰ So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. Galatians 6:8-10

Harvest time is upon us; in our gardens, we receive a bounty of fruits and vegetables from God's creation. We do the work of planting and nurturing, and we trust God to bring the harvest. That's true of our church ministry work, too. We plant seeds of good will and love among ourselves and within our community; we give of our time and our money generously, and we hope that what we do will bear fruit – that we will grow spiritually and that God will bless our ministry.

God is always faithful in bringing the harvest. Sometimes we are tired and discouraged. We've worked hard; we've seen no results; we're sometimes ready to give up. God often chooses these times when we are down to bless us the most. If we are faithful in our giving and serving, then God will bring in a harvest beyond all imagination.

Sunday Services at 10:45 am
Sunday School at 10:30 am

Randi+



"When each separate part works as it should, the whole body grows, and builds itself up through love." Ephesians 4:16

Our theme for the 2018 stewardship drive is **Grounded in Faith, Growing to Serve** and kicks off on October 1, 2017. The verse we have chosen from Ephesians reminds us that when we work together in Jesus' name, we all grow and build ourselves up to serve each other and our community with love.

This stewardship season we hope to take a look at where we are individually and as a group in our faith journey and how our individual journeys lead us to serve those who need it in our lives and in our community. Make sure you join us for coffee hour on October 15th when Lynn Schauer-Bewley will lead us in a simple art project exploring this theme. (She assures me that no artistic ability is needed!) Watch your bulletin throughout the month of October for reflections from members of the Stewardship committee on this theme as well as following us on Facebook, St. Andrew's website and the narthex monitor.

As always your giving card will be enclosed in the stewardship mailing that you will receive in the beginning of October and our hope is that these will all be returned to the Church office or the offering plate, no later than October 31st. This will give our finance committee plenty of time to formulate a budget for the 2018 calendar year.

October 31st, 2017 will be the official ingathering for stewardship, and once again St. John's will be joining us for worship on that day. The stewardship committee will be hosting a light lunch for all members of both parishes, so plan on staying for soup, bread, dessert and coffee.

The stewardship committee is comprised of Missy Naylor, Liz Depew, Lynn Schauer-Bewley and myself, so if you have any questions about the process, just touch base with one of us. Remember our whole community is stronger when we work together and build ourselves up through our love for each other!

Peace in Christ ~ Stacy Lampman

Diocesan News

Bishop William Franklin has announced his retirement, effective April 3, 2019. The text of his retirement letter is on the home page of the diocesan Web site, <http://episcopalwny.org/2017/09/announcement-bishop-franklin/>.

As a diocese, we are beginning discussions with a neighboring diocese, the Diocese of Northwestern Pennsylvania, to share their bishop, the Right Rev. Sean Rowe. The discussion began at the clergy overnight, Sept 15 and 16. At this point, the discussions are only visionary, with no details. The vision is that the money that would ordinarily be used for a second bishop would be available for mission. The specific uses for the money will be determined later in the process, but examples would be for planting churches, revitalizing churches or seeding new ministry projects. The vision also includes sharing of diocesan staffs so that we could have access to specialists to help in our mission. Discussion, with attention to filling in details in the vision, will continue in planning groups that will represent all the constituents of both dioceses. These groups will meet in early October and will present a progress report at our Diocesan Convention in late October and the diocese of Northwestern Pennsylvania at their convention in November. Within the next few months, we will make a decision whether to continue the discussions toward sharing a bishop or to pursue election of a new bishop in the traditional fashion.

Regardless of whether we decide to share a bishop or elect our own, the Diocese of Western New York would remain as it is, with its legal and geographical structure. We would retain our diocesan identity, and the Diocese of Northwestern Pennsylvania would retain theirs. If we do decide to share a bishop, this would be done by calling Bishop Sean as a provisional bishop for a set period of time to be determined.

Please pray for the guidance from the Holy Spirit and for all of us to be open to that guidance.

Randi+

The theme for **Diocesan Convention** this year is Faith, Grace, Proclamation, Transformation. The convention will be held Friday and Saturday, October 27 & 28, 2017 at the Buffalo-Niagara Marriott, 1340 Millersport Highway, Amherst. Delegates have already been registered; if you would like to attend any part of the convention as a guest, you may register at <http://episcopalwny.org/diocesan-structure/diocesan-convention>. The cost for guests is \$45.

The **Gospel Groove Band** will be providing the program on Jan. 28 at the Community Mission Sunday Evening Cabaret. Community Mission is located in Niagara Falls and is a ministry of the Niagara deanery.

Newfane Central School Peer Mediation

Since 2012, St. Andrew's has partnered with Newfane Central School District to co-sponsor the Middle School club, Peer Mediation. The Peer Mediation club is designed to inspire students in grades 6-8 to take on leadership roles in their school communities by helping their peers solve minor student conflicts. There are approximately 30 core club members who are trained by the school counseling staff to work with their peers to help solve issues that arise in the Middle School, ultimately affecting the entire student body. Mediators learn techniques in conflict resolution and work collaboratively with disputing students to help them understand their differences and shape their own solution.



Peer Mediators take on other leadership roles in our school. They work as part of the school's Welcome Team, which provides a Newfane T-shirt to all incoming students during the school year. They escort new students to each of their classes and lunch – giving new students many familiar faces throughout their first days at their new school. The club members have also sponsored community fundraisers and they work to honor the 8th grade class by hosting the annual Moving Up Dance at year's end.

Pam Leibring

Warden's View

Now that summer is winding down please remember our children are again back in Sunday school. Please be careful in our parking lot when coming to or leaving Church.

Our Choir is back in full 'sing' mode. Expect to hear some new and exciting music.

If you are on a committee, thank you and if you would like to join a committee, Mike has a list of all the committees and who is heading them up. St. Andrew's can always use everyone's talents to further the mission of the church.

In the coming months we will be asking for two people to serve on Vestry and for one person to serve as Warden. If you are asked, please give your decision to serve some prayerful thought.

Paul

Money Matters

Please note that any time there is a special "offering" envelope for the week in your offering envelope box, any contributions received in this envelope will go toward the Leyland Scholarship fund for sending children to camp and supporting other youth activities rather than toward your pledge. These contributions will be noted in the Designated Gifts portion of your financial statement.

Your 3rd quarter statements are available on the table in the narthex. This is a great time to catch up on any Sundays that you've missed over the summer. If you see a mistake or would just like an explanation of where you stand on your pledge, just give me a yell, call, or email and I'll "hook you up."

Mike Depew

Financial Status as of August 31, 2017

Total Expenses	\$123,640
Actual Expenses	\$108,090

% of Pledges on Time 63%
 Goal for Pledges on Time 80%
Income Equals 87.4% of Expenses

BAZAAR!

If you have a craft, please bring it, we can always use new ideas. Please check the church bulletin board for more information.

Remember to keep your calendars open on Saturday, November 11th for the Bazaar!

Bazaar runs from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
 Lunch served from 11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Chairpersons for the Bazaar

If you wish to work on one of these groups, please let the Chairperson know.

- Baked Goods - Judy Dold
- Cashier – Tickets - Cheryl Knapp
- Homemade Candy - Cindy Harrington & Kathy Seeloff
- Country Store - Dorothy Cheasty
- Christmas Booth - Kay Mayer
- Homemade Goods - Prudy Waters
- Basket Auction - Flo Phipps
- Set-up Dining Room - Sunday, 11/5, after coffee *Group Effort*
- Publicity - Darcy Buchanan & Mike Depew
- Dining Room - *Group Effort*
- Coffee Servers - Larry Waters
- Kitchen - Stacy Lampman & Kathy Gregg
- Clean Up, Dishwashing, etc. -

- **We will need help on Thursday night November 9th for setting tables and preparing luncheon food – chicken, etc.**
- **Bazaar meetings will be 10 am on Mondays 9/11, 9/25, 10/9, 10/23 & 11/6**

Ideas for Bazaar Donations

Country Store

Jams / Jellies / Pickles
 Chili Sauce, Salsa, etc.
 Produce (fresh that week)

Basket Auction

Think about donating a basket. Sign up sheet at Church.

Remember the Bake Sale

Breads / Pies / Cookies / Cakes, etc.

Donations

If you are unable to participate in the bazaar preparations, monetary donations to help defray cost of supplies, are greatly appreciated.

Candy Booth

Sugar
 Nuts
 Chocolate Bits / Chips
 Butter
 Brown Sugar
 Donation Box in Kitchen

Schedules

Acolytes

As always, there are openings in our team of acolytes. Anyone 7 years old and up is welcome. **This year I am going to try to list both months together so that maybe there will be less confusion as to when your child is on. There are always going to be dates that don't work for many of us but if you could call a substitute for your child or call me at 778-5554 and leave a message that "help is needed," I would appreciate it.

Sue Villeneuve

October 1

Jonathan Pestinger, Sarah Leibring, Addi Naylor

October 8

Sue Villeneuve, Sean Kelahan, Jackson Condes

October 15

Jarrett Gilson, Lauren Kelahan, Sarah Leibring

October 22

James Leibring, Lauren Kelahan, Jackson Condes

October 29

Sue Villeneuve, Sean Kelahan, Jackson Condes

November 5

Sue Villeneuve, Sean Kelahan, Jackson Condes

November 12

James Leibring, Sarah Leibring, Addi Naylor

November 19

Jonathan Pestinger, Lauren Kelahan, Jackson Condes

November 26

Lay Readers

October 1 Dorothy Cheasty & Judi Naylor
October 8 Lisa Roeseler & Margaret Moran
October 15 Jerry Harrington & Judi Naylor
October 22 Dorothy Cheasty & Stacy Lampman
October 29 Lynn Schauer-Bewley & Judi Naylor

November 5 Dorothy Cheasty & Lynn Schauer-Bewley
November 12 Lisa Roeseler & Margaret Moran
November 19 Dorothy Cheasty & Stacy Lampman
November 26 Jerry Harrington & Judi Naylor

St. Andrew's Community Store Store Hours

Closed Sunday & Monday

Tuesday & Wednesday
1 pm to 4 pm

Thursday
10 am to 4 pm & 6 pm to 8 pm

Friday
10 am to 4 pm

Saturday
10 am to 2 pm

2768 South Main Street, Newfane, New York

Altar Guild

October Gary & Dorothy Cheasty

November Darcy Buchanan & Flo Phipps

Collection Counters

October Liz & Mike Depew

November Dorothy & Gary Cheasty

SCRIP GIFT CARD PROGRAM AT ST. ANDREW'S

Tops cards as well as gift cards for stores and restaurants are available, and we earn between 2% and 18% on these purchases! Pick up an order form on the table in the narthex or use the one that is on the church website.

SEE BILL BUCHANAN WITH QUESTIONS & ORDERS



FUNDRAISING WHILE YOU SHOP!

Dates to Remember

October 1

> Stewardship Drive "Kick-Off"

October 6

> Rummage Sale at St. John's

October 8

> St. Francis Day Service – Pet Blessings

October 9

> Bazaar Craft Meeting

October 15

> Special Stewardship Coffee Hour / Art Project

> Applefest- St. John's

October 23

> Bazaar Craft Meeting

October 29

> Stewardship Ingathering; Joint Service with St. John's at St. Andrew's

November 11

> Annual Bazaar and Luncheon



St. Andrew's
bazaar

Country Store
Homemade Candy
Holiday Decorations & Gifts
Knit Goods & Other Homemade Items
Bake Sale
Basket Auction

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11th, 2017
10:00-2:00

Chicken & Biscuit Luncheon
11:00-1:30
Adults: \$8.00, Children Under 12: \$4.00

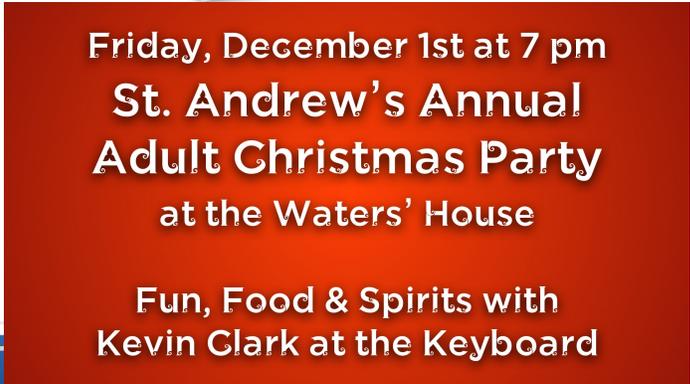
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Yes, real money, and it doesn't cost you a penny more than what you were already spending. They pay us an advertising fee for anyone who enters their site through our portal and makes a purchase. Last year they paid us over \$300! So next time you use Amazon.com be sure and go to St. Andrew's website first and just click on the portal. Oh yeah, please tell all of your friends too!



Friday, December 1st at 7 pm
St. Andrew's Annual Adult Christmas Party
at the Waters' House

Fun, Food & Spirits with Kevin Clark at the Keyboard

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Treasurer: Michael Depew
Sexton: Jerilyn Carney
St. Andrew's Community Store: Cynthia Harrington
Church School Superintendents: Kathleen Gregg & Nancy Pestinger
Choir Librarian: Shirley Litz
Parish Nurse: Judi Naylor
Altar Guild Director: Dorothy Cheasty
Convention Niagara Deanery Delegates:
Justin Naylor & Susan Villeneuve, Alternates: Cindy & Jerry Harrington

Bishop of Western New York
The Rt. Rev. R. William Franklin

Rector
The Rev. Randi Hicks Rowe

Wardens
Paul Mayer
Melissa Naylor

Vestry
Pam Leibring, Jamie Gailie,
Bill Buchanan, Mark Gilson,
Chris Wesolek & Meg Whitmore