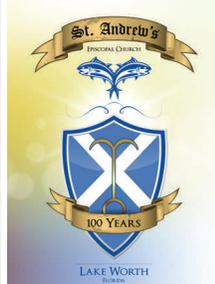




ST. ANDREW'S CELEBRATING OUR PAST SHAPING OUR FUTURE



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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Tucked away in the middle of the heat of the summer months is the Feast of the Transfiguration on August 6th. This year that date falls on a Sunday and will get more attention than is usual. The incident of the transfiguring of Jesus actually gets recounted at least twice in our church year. It is always the Gospel reading for the Last Sunday after Epiphany and the gateway to the season of Lent.

The date for this feast day was officially established in the Western Church by Callistus III in 1456 to commemorate a battle victory on August 6. There are at least two ironies that coincide with this feast day. The fact that Callistus thought the transfiguring of Christ ought to be used to celebrate a victory over his enemies is quite a stretch.

The second irony is that August 6th was chosen as the day to drop an atomic bomb over the Japanese city of Hiroshima. Needless to say, that city was transformed if not transfigured on that day. But again, it seems that the feast day loses something when it becomes connected to war and destruction.

I hardly think this is what God or Jesus had in mind as a way to understand this event. If it was to confirm for the disciples that Jesus was indeed the Son of God and at the same time connect Jesus to the law and the prophets of the Hebrew Scriptures then Callistus surely missed the point as did the order to drop the atomic bomb on that day.

My point is not to criticize or judge decisions made long ago, but to try and recover the purpose for which Jesus took Peter, James, and John up the mountain on that day. What the disciples were going through and about to experience would test their faith. This experience of Jesus was at least one way in which God could assure them that God was indeed in charge and they were right to follow Jesus all the way to the cross and the empty tomb.

I'm sure that many of us in our own spiritual journeys also need assurance in order to keep the faith. My hope is that God already has or soon will gift you with a similar experience that will strengthen you in your walk with Jesus. May we all experience the transforming power of God in Christ in such a way as to keep us walking in the footsteps of our Lord and Savior.

Father Paul+



Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

2—Douglas Smigal, Jr.

6—David Eakin

9—Allyson Seeley

Bonnie Marie Buchanan

9—Khalid Carter

10—Harriet Watson

17—Patricia Donaldson

19—Amy Minto

Mark Richards

28—Gene Smalling

30—Elizabeth Bukley

Schedule of Services

Saturdays	6PM—Worship and Communion
Sundays	7:30AM—Holy Eucharist Rite I 10AM—Holy Eucharist Rite II 10am—Church School (Elementary)
Wednesday	10AM—Holy Eucharist & Healing.
Thursday	Choir Rehearsals at 7pm (Resume Sept)
Fridays in Lent	6pm: Stations of the Cross
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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

St. Ann's Place, a homeless outreach in West Palm Beach is in need of volunteers to help distribute clothing to clients, assign showers, pass out supplies, and give mail to those who use St. Ann's Place as their mailing address, and other duties. There are two shifts per day, Monday through Friday from 8:30AM to 11:30/noon and 1PM to 4-4:40PM. If you would like to see what is involved, please call Virginia Jens at 561 568-0124 or email her at vjens2483@gmail.com to arrange a tour. You can then make a more informed decision about how this volunteer opportunity fits with your talents.

SUMMER CHOIR

There are no choir rehearsals during the summer months but a number of our members will vest and lead our music from now till the end of August. Thinking about singing with us. Robe up and make a joyful noise.

VESTRY NEWS

Our next meeting is on Tuesday, August 15th at 7PM. This a change in that there will not be a meeting in July. A reminder that our financials are posted on the Bulletin Board in the Parish Hall hallway each month.

Please remember St. Andrew's in your will or estate planning.

ANNIVERSARIES

O gracious and everliving God, look mercifully upon the couples who are celebrating their anniversaries this month and assist them with your grace, that with true fidelity and steadfast love they may honor the vows they have made through Jesus Christ, our savior. Amen.

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

- 15—Margaret & Robert Hudson
- 17—Debra & Edward Carter
- 20—Suzanna & Mark Richards
- 21—Sue & George Olson
- 22—Greg Scott & David Dittmar
- 23—Patrick McKenna & Thomas Greene
- 30—Bette & Tom Cullen

WAY CAFÉ

The feeding Program at Holy Redeemer Episcopal Church is every Saturday of each month. We need to have 12 volunteers each Saturday at 12:30PM. We are grateful that this program will continue to feed hungry people in our community. Call Joy Bayrouy if you can help (642-1527).

AUGUST TAIZE WORSHIP

On the third Saturday of August the 19th our 6pm service offers the beauty of contemplative Taize music with healing prayers and communion. All are invited and welcome.

OPEN DOOR FOR TEEN MOTHERS

Deana Cerniglia, founder of the Open Door Mentors, shared with us during Coffee Hour about this program which is coming to Lake Worth. They will be equipping young, single mothers to delay further pregnancies while they attend the three year program and reach goals of independence from welfare. We heard powerful testimonies of how this program works. Anyone interested in volunteering or supporting this important work can contact Deana at 561 329-2191 or log on to www.mentorsforteenmothers.org.

P.E.A.C.E. AND THE NEW YEAR

We are putting together our Justice Ministry Team for the coming year. These team members will be hosting House Meetings in September to recruit our Justice Ministry Network members. We continue to work on homelessness, community ID's, and youth crime. May we all do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with our God.

HEALING SERVICE AND EUCHARIST

Every week on Wednesday morning at 10AM there is a celebration the Eucharist here at St. Andrew's. The service also includes the laying-on-of-hands and anointing with oil and prayers for healing. Everyone is encouraged to join us for this mid-week service.

FOR WHOM THE BELL TOLLS

Bells will toll on Thursday, August 24th at 6PM for two minutes marking the time of the next scheduled death row execution. This is a national program dedicated to the end of capital punishment. Please pray for victims and their families and the executed and their families on that day and maybe every day.

COFFEE HOUR

We are always in need of folks to host our coffee fellowship following the 10AM service on Sundays. Hosts can be reimbursed up to \$50 for expenses.

COMING IN SEPTEMBER

Bible Study will be starting up again in September on Wednesday evenings. Book to be studied and the time will be announced shortly.

Labor Day Weekend Barbecue will take place on Sunday September 3rd following the 11am service.

Justice Ministry House Meetings—schedule to be announced

INTEGRITY OF PALM BEACH AUGUST MEETING



Integrity—Palm Beach, a parish activity open to all, invites everyone to join us on the second **Saturday, of each month at 7:00PM**. Integrity-Palm Beach is the first and only chapter of Integrity in Palm Beach County. Throughout its ten years of existence, it has welcomed a number of speakers and guest clergy at monthly meetings.

Integrity has also been a consistent presence in the community, inviting all people into the life of St. Andrew's and thereby fulfilling the parish's stated mission: *To Share the Love of Christ in Word and Deed with all God's Children.*

Our next meeting will be on Saturday, August 12th following the 6PM service. Potluck supper and program by Gary Yates, Director of Foster Home Recruitment and Licensing.



MEALS ON WHEELS

The Meals on Wheels program is growing in the Lake Worth area and more volunteers are needed. The commitment is to deliver meals to homebound seniors one day a week. Call Debbie Emerick at 561 802-6979 to volunteer or get further information.

YOUTH NEWS

We continue to be in need of acolytes. Please talk to Debra Carter if you have a child interested in serving in this vital ministry.

Contact Debra Carter at debracarter01@gmail.com for further information.

SAVE GOLF DATE

Just a heads-up that our annual Golf Tournament will take place on Saturday, November 4th at Atlantis Country Club starting at 8AM.

SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

August 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<i>1</i>	<i>2</i> 10am—HE & Healing	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i> 12:30pm—Way Café 6pm—HE
6 Transfiguration 7:30 & 10AM—HE	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i> 10am—HE & Healing	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i> 12:30pm—Way Café 6pm—HE 7pm—Integrity
13 Pentecost X 7:30 & 10AM—HE	<i>14</i>	15 Saint Mary 7pm—Vestry	<i>16</i> 10am—HE & Healing	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i> 12:30pm—Way Café 6pm—Taize
20 Pentecost XI 7:30 & 10AM—HE	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i> 7pm—Justice Ministry Team	<i>23</i> 10am—HE & Healing	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i> 12:30pm—Way Café 6pm—12Step HE
27 Pentecost XII 7:30 & 10AM—HE	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i> 10am—HE & Healing	<i>31</i>		

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FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

The office is open from 9AM to 1PM Monday through Friday. The deadline for notes and/or announcements for the Sunday Bulletin is Wednesday at noon. If it is after noon, you can leave a message on the church telephone, 582-6609 or leave an e-mail at saepiscopal@aol.com. The bulletin is printed on Thursday and the wonderful "Church Ladies" come in and fold and stuff them on Friday mornings.

Keep in mind that the Prayer request list will begin anew each month. If you want the prayer requests to stay on the list for longer, just indicate that when getting the information to the office.

The newsletter deadline for the September newsletter is August 20th. If you know of any events you would like to put in the newsletter or articles of interest, please e-mail them to the office.

The Altar flower memorial and bequest form is in the Parish Hall. Suggested donation for this is \$60. Thanks to all of you this year for your generosity and dedication for sponsoring the altar flowers.

If you would like to have envelopes for your donations, please let the office know. Writing your envelope number on your check helps the accuracy of our bookkeeping.

Parish Website: www.standrewslw.net

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The Rev. Paul A. Rasmus
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The Rev. Charles Laskin David
Assistant

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