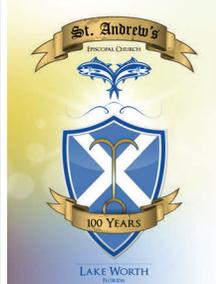




ST. ANDREW'S CELEBRATING OUR PAST SHAPING OUR FUTURE



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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

At our Diocesan Convention held in November the following mission statement for the Diocese was approved. "We exist to make the transforming love of Jesus Christ come alive in our time and known to all people, everyone!" The purpose behind this work is to make as simple a statement as possible that would capture the work we believe God has set out for us to do.

I'm very confident that this mission statement also describes what we at St. Andrew's work to accomplish on a daily basis. In other words, we see ourselves as people who want to be living examples of God's transforming love in the world around us. We do this, not so much by our words, but more by our actions.

The Convention went on to define our Vision as well. That vision is: Expanding God's Kingdom, Growing Disciples, Serving Boldly, and Revealing Hope. These too, are also action words! There is work to do and God is supplying all the grace we need to accomplish that work.

Finally, we affirmed core values that we hold dear in carrying out this mission and vision. They are: Community, Accountability, Respect, Inclusion, Transparency, Authenticity, and Service. Once again, I see our parish life very much in line with these core values.

Of course, in some way, none of this is new to us or to the Diocese. Whether or not we would use these exact words, they certainly spell out what we as a people of faith hope to be and to do. I plan to carve out some time on a Sunday for us to look at the mission and vision statements and share our reactions with each other.

In the meantime, as we enter a new year, I know that each of us will continue to ask for God's grace and the power of the Holy Spirit to enable to walk in the footsteps of our Lord so that others may see and know the love of Jesus Christ in their lives as well.

May the Lord bless you and keep you and watch over you and guide you throughout this coming year.

"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.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 2—Elizabeth Graham
- 4—Clifford Taylor
John Bradley
Linda Scaglione
- 6—Jake Boyd
- 9—Rhonda Hewitt
Erika Collins
- 10—Karen Leonard
Paul Heffernan
Silas Rickards
- 12—Jimmy Winters
Pam Rush
- 15—Lorraine Cooper-Smigel
Barbara Reid
- 16—Debra Carter
- 19—Terry Clower
- 20—Douglas Smigel
- 21—Charles Laskin David
- 25—Donald Edge
- 26—David Felty
- 27—Susan Coates
Edward Rasmus
- 30—William Bride
- 31—Elaine Campbell

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

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VESTRY NOMINEES

The Vestry is putting forth the following people as a slate to be elected for the Vestry at the Annual meeting. Bama Lutes Deal and Jim Winters, for three year terms. Steve Ragsdale is eligible to run for a three year term as well. Nominations can be made from the floor at the meeting.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

We will hold our Annual Parish Meeting on Sunday, January 21st at 11:15AM at which time we will elect three persons to the Vestry for three year terms and also distribute the budget for 2018. We are grateful to Chuck Jackson and Holly Stewart for the three years of faithful service.

DEATH PENALTY—LECTURE SERIES

The first of four lectures this season will be held on Sunday, January 28th at 4PM. Our lecturer is Herman Lindsay who was on death row and exonerated of the crime for which he was imprisoned and is now a free man. You will find this to be a powerful presentation and shed light on the issue of the death penalty. We will have some social time following the lecture for sharing and fellowship.

VESTRY NEWS

Our next meeting is on Tuesday, January 16th at 7PM. This will be the final meeting for several of our Vestry as we prepare to elect new members at the Annual meeting. A reminder that our financials are posted on the Bulletin Board in the Parish Hall hallway each month.

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.

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

19—Barbara and Thomas Franklin

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).

JANUARY TAIZE WORSHIP

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

CELEBRATING ZORA

The Core Ensemble with actress Deltoiya Goodman will perform a musical/theatrical tribute to writer, anthropologist, and Florida home girl, Zora Neale Hurston—one of the great lights of the Harlem Renaissance on Sunday, January 14th at 2PM as part of the Lake Worth Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday celebration. Admission is free.

The Feast of the Epiphany

The name “Epiphany” is derived from a Greek word meaning “manifestation” or “appearing.” Anglican Prayer Books interpret the word with an alternative title, “The Manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles.” The last phrase, of course, is a reference to the story of the Wise Men from the East. The feast combined commemorations of the visit of the Magi, led by the star of Bethlehem; the Baptism of Jesus in the waters of the River Jordan; and Jesus’ first recorded miracle, the changing of water into wine at the marriage of Cana of Galilee — all thought of as manifestations of the incarnate Lord.

JUSTICE MINISTRY

Next Issue Committee Night is January 29th at 7PM. Our next big get-togethers are the Rally on Monday, March 13th at 7PM and the Nehemiah Action on Monday, April 3rd at 7PM.

THANK YOU NOTE

Dear Friends and family of St. Andrew's,
A heartfelt thanks for the wonderful Clergy appreciation card and gift we received. It is a privilege and honor to serve this congregation.
Father Chuck and Father Paul

PARISH AUTHORS

Two of our members have recently published books that are worth checking out.

E. Fred Carlisle's book is Hollow and Home: A History of Self and Place and available from West Virginia University Press.

Chuck Jackson's book is entitled: One Month, 20 Days, and a Wake Up and is available through Amazon as an eBook or a paperback.

CARE COMMITTEE

The St. Andrew's Care Committee stands ready to help parishioners who may occasionally need a service including but not limited to running an errand, a ride to church or to a doctor's appointment, a hot meal or just a get well card or a friendly call. If you, or someone you know, is a candidate for a little TLC, please take a moment to call the office or send an e-mail to Andrea McNally at andimcn@bellsouth.net.

We depend on parishioners to keep us informed. We can't help if we don't know!

Volunteers are always welcome. If you would like to help with this mission, tell the office or Andrea McNally.

STEWARDSHIP 2018

We are blessed with the number of folk who have submitted Pledge Cards for the mission of St. Andrew's for 2018. The total pledged at this time is \$166,000. Our budget goal for 2018 is \$236,000. As you can see, we are short of our goal. The Vestry is hopeful that there are still some of us who have yet to submit a pledge. If you are one of those people, we implore you to give prayerful thought to your commitment to our work here and in our community.

INTEGRITY OF PALM BEACH



January 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, January 13th following the 6PM service. Potluck supper and program by Margot Emery and the Core Ensemble.



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

Youth and Family Night event on Friday, January 26th at 6:30PM. Contact Debra Carter for details at 561 414-7825 or at debracarter01@gmail.com.

ANNUAL CLERGY RETREAT

The annual retreat for clergy will take place from Monday, January 8th through Thursday, January 11th at the Duncan Center in Delray Beach. This is an important time for our clergy to get spiritual refreshment in preparation for the seasons of Lent and Easter.

SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

January 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<i>1</i> New Year's Day	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i> 10am—HE & Healing	<i>4</i> 1pm—EFM 7pm—Choir	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i> The Epiphany 12:30pm—Way Café 6pm—HE
<i>7</i> Epiphany I 7:30 & 10am—HE	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i> 10am—HE & Healing	<i>11</i> 1pm—EFM 7pm—Choir	<i>12</i>	<i>13</i> 12:30pm—Way Café 6pm—HE 7pm—Integrity
<i>14</i> Epiphany II 7:30 & 10am—HE 2pm—Core Ensemble	<i>15</i> MLK, Jr.	<i>16</i> 7pm - Vestry	<i>17</i> 10am—HE & Healing	<i>18</i> Confession of Saint Peter 1pm—EFM 7pm—Choir	<i>19</i>	<i>20</i> 12:30pm—Way Café 6pm—Taize
<i>21</i> Epiphany III 7:30 & 10am—HE 11:15am—Annual Meeting	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i> 7pm - Justice Team	<i>24</i> 10am—HE & Healing	<i>25</i> Conversion of Saint Paul 1pm—EFM 7pm—Choir	<i>26</i> 6:30pm—Youth And Family Night	<i>27</i> 12:30pm—Way Café 6pm—12 Step HE
<i>28</i> Epiphany IV 7:30 & 10am—HE 4pm—Lecture	<i>29</i> 7pm—PEACE Issue Committees	<i>30</i>	<i>31</i> 10am—HE & Healing			

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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 February newsletter is January 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.

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Assistant

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Deacon

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