



ST. ANDREW'S NEWS

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

In the last century the United States began to see a decline in church attendance and membership. That decline, which cuts across all denominations, has increased sharply in the last several decades. Pundits have offered many reasons for this shift in religious affiliation. And there have been just as many attempts by churches to try to stem the flow. However, I have been more interested recently in why people continue to come to church these days.

Many of the old reasons people went to church have disappeared. There is no societal or cultural obligation to go. In most mainline churches, we've realized guilt has a limited effect in church attendance. There are plenty of other things to do on Sunday, including shopping, and sports and cultural events.

So, why do people go to church now? I believe that for the most part people come to church today because they seek spiritual connection. Their lives have been transformed in some spiritual way, and they want to celebrate and maintain that transformation in community. Or they seek deeper meaning in their lives and are drawn to church as a means to find that meaning. Essentially we have gone back to the time of the early church - when the only reason people became members of the church was because they were transformed in Christ.

This is our new reality, and I see it as a tremendous opportunity. Folks in the pews are no longer a "captive audience," but many are truly seekers. The important question now is, "How do we meet needs of today's church attendees?" And, I believe it has much to do with faith formation, not necessarily church formation. For the most part adult spiritual formation has taught the religion of Christianity – doctrines, traditions, beliefs, and

Calendar at a Glance

- May 4 Children's Clinic
- May 8 Mother's Day
- May 15 Pentecost
- May 15 Vestry Meeting 11:45am
- May 16 ECW, Patty Ferreira's home, 11:00am
- May 27 Preschool Graduation 6:30pm
- Jun 2 Children's Clinic
- Jun 26 Vestry 11:45am

On-going

- Tuesdays:* Evening Prayer & Holy Eucharist 6:30pm
- Wednesdays:* Men's Group, Nickel's Diner, Rio Rico 8:00am
- Thursdays:* Bible Study at Tubac 10:00am
- 2nd & 4th Saturdays:* Casa Blanca Chapel in Santa Cruz County Building in Sonoita

practices of our denomination, along with bible-study and perhaps social critique and action.

In the coming year, I would like us to focus more on spiritual connection. Paying attention to our spiritual journeys, looking at how God works in our lives, providing tools for discipleship, and learning how to live out our faith. I believe this focus will transform St. Andrew's - newcomers and cradle Episcopalians alike - helping us grow in faith and carry the Good News of Jesus into the world.

In the Risen Christ,
Ernie+

Our Vision: St. Andrew's strives to be the face of Christ within our walls and beyond our doors.

Our kids want to go to Chapel Rock

—Jean Moehlman, Director of Children and Youth Ministries

Many of you have experienced the pine trees, cool breezes, and graceful peace of Chapel Rock! We already have six of our children registered to attend this summer's camps with a possible few others left to register. With your help, we can send all the children and youth free of charge to their families. The experience that we can offer our youth is something that cannot be duplicated here in our hot, summer desert. I have driven some of the youth up for the past two years, and it amazes me how much energy the counselors have and how welcome they make all our kids feel.

If you have already donated, I want to thank you for helping St. Andrew's send our youth to camp. If you haven't yet, we are still accepting donations. Checks can be made out to St. Andrew's with summer camp in the memo line. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding camp, or if you want to help by donating.

Generous contribution given to Endowment Fund

—Lou Clapper

Good news! The Endowment Fund received \$10,225.71 from the Jane Church Trust. Thank you, Jane.

But we still need continued donations —anything from \$5 to \$500 or more. Every bit counts toward the amount of interest the church receives each month. That interest pays for special projects, and in our past financial difficulties, for everyday expenses. Don't forget the Endowment Fund!

Jr. Warden's Updates

—Steve Ferreira

Roger and Neal worked on the swamp coolers to get them ready for summer. Terminex was called to control bees in the Preschool.

Stay informed

The monthly financial reports and Vestry minutes are hanging on the big bulletin board in St. Mary's Hall.

Clinic enables sight-restoring surgery

—Vicki Fitzsimmons

Jesus Hernandez of Nogales, Sonora, has been blind for 7 years. Now at age 17 he can see again thanks to a successful corneal transplant by Dr. Ann McCoglin of Tucson. He is pictured here with his volunteer driver from Green Valley, Jim Gilmore, who took him to most of his five corneal transplant and one glaucoma surgeries. His body rejected all but the last corneal transplant. Another St. Andrew's Children's Clinic miracle!



Our next clinic is Thursday, May 5, followed by our June clinic on June 2. There will be no clinic in July as is our usual custom. If you have not had a chance to visit The Clinic, please call or e-mail (520) 648-3242, or office@standrewsclinic.org to arrange a tour. The tours are a small group of 6-8 people led by one of the Clinic tour guides. The tours are usually at 10:30 or 11:00. There will be no tour groups in June because we are having a special videotaping of The Clinic.

If you would like to volunteer at The Clinic, we ask that you first go on a tour so you can see what is involved in all parts of The Clinic. Then, call or e-mail the Clinic business office. At St. Andrew's, you can speak to either Jim or Vicki Fitzsimmons about possible volunteer jobs that might need to be filled. We appreciate having volunteers who can commit to regular attendance because, as you will see on the tour, we rely on these people to get a lot of work done on Clinic day.

All are welcome at a Vestry meeting

The next meetings of the Vestry will be May 15 and June 26 at 11:45am in the Chapel. All are invited to attend.

Welcome to the Harrelsons

The Rev. Ernie Harrelson and Dottie Harrelson were honored with a special potluck coffee hour on April 24. Once he is licensed by our bishop, he will be affiliated clergy with St. Andrew's. To learn more about the Harrelsons, read the biography from them below.



Sharing our lives with you

—Dottie and Ernie Harrelson

I retired last year as Rector of St. Michael's Church in Yakima, Washington after nearly 14 years of service there. We have recently moved to Nogales, Arizona because of the opportunities for border ministry and the fact that it is a small community. My wife's father was born in Nogales as his family was traveling north from Hermosillo. We first visited Nogales 30 years ago when Dottie was doing an internship in a bilingual school in Tucson. Coincidentally, we've purchased a house in Nogales that belonged to the widow of the manager of a restaurant on the Sonoran side of Nogales, a restaurant that Dottie's father introduced us to during her internship!

I was born and reared in Trenton, New Jersey. I graduated from The College of Wooster, in Wooster, Ohio with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy in 1968, and from Bexley Hall Episcopal Seminary in Rochester, New York with a Master of Divinity in 1971. I was ordained deacon in 1971 and ordained a priest in 1972. I have served parishes in the Dioceses of Ohio, Central New York, El Camino Real, Minnesota, and Spokane.

I have also served as the Coordinator of Volunteers for Planned Parenthood, in Elmira, New York, and Executive Director of The American Red Cross in Ithaca, New York and Merced, California. I had a brief career of public school teaching in the Salinas Valley in California in 1994, but soon realized that my primary calling was truly parish ministry with a focus on community outreach.

Women's Group (ECW) to meet May 16th in Rio Rico

—Marilyn Hedges, Coordinator

Our May Episcopal Church Women (ECW) meeting will be at Patty Ferreira's home on Monday May 16th at 11:00 AM. We haven't met for a few months so there will be a lot to discuss such as finances, Ministry reports, and planning our June, July, and August luncheons.

Please bring a small salad to share with everyone. Drinks and dessert will be provided. Directions to Patty's house will be sent out with the agenda on Mon. May 9th, which is a week prior to the meeting.

We welcome all St. Andrew's women to any of our meetings and to share your special interests/ministry with all the other ladies.

Always very active in the Church, Dottie has sung in church choirs since the age of seven, and has been a Lector and Lay Eucharistic Minister most of her adult life. We met on our way to Kanuga Conference Center in Hendersonville, North Carolina for a National Youth Ministry Conference. Dottie was on the staff of the Diocese of Central New York as the Youth Ministry Coordinator and I was a volunteer Youth Ministry Coordinator for the Diocese of Ohio where I also had a parish. We were married at St. John's Church, in Ithaca, New York in November 1976 and, as they say, the rest is history. Shortly after we were married, I was called to serve three rural parishes in Upstate New York.

Dottie graduated from Wells College in Aurora, New York with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Latin American Studies and from the State University of New York at Cortland with a Master of Science degree in Education. She has taught at all levels from Migrant Head Start to the college level. Her specialities are English as a Second Language and Chicano Studies. We have four grown children who are scattered from Baltimore, Maryland to Zihuatanejo, Mexico and three grandchildren who are located in Baltimore, Minneapolis, and Mexico City.

We appreciate very much the warm welcome we've received at St. Andrew's, and are looking forward to getting to know the community better.

Daughters of the King celebrate 131st Anniversary of Founding

—Sara Cobb

The Perpetua chapter of the Daughters of the King celebrated their founding 131 years ago by hosting the coffee hour following the 10:00 service. In 1885 the founder, Margaret J. Franklin envisioned the Order to be an extension of Christ's Kingdom through prayer, service and evangelism. That mission continue today. Members of the St. Andrew's chapter pictured are Karin Rodes, and Kate Hutson in front and Shirley Gibb, Sara Cobb and Jean Moehlman in back.



Regret

—Barbara Laupmanis

When we experience loss, we may also experience feelings of regret--regret for things we've done, regret for things we've failed to do. We must remember that God is with us, now and always, pouring out forgiveness, helping us to release unhappy memories, and reminding us that we are needed, and we are blessings to others. God provides comfort. We are free to release our negative thoughts. We become free from regret, free to forgive ourselves and return to living our lives, knowing God is by our side.

Barbara is a member of Daughters of the King, a group of women who pray daily.

eFm? EfM? efM?

—Darlene Thornhill

No doubt you have encountered this short, elusive string of letters sometime in your Episcopal life... In a reading? At a conference? In a conversation over coffee?

But what do those letters mean? Episcopal, friends, members? Episcopalians for Motherhood? Or maybe it's Episcopalians from Memphis...or Maine...or maybe even Miami.

A quick Google search leads one to the website for the Beecken Center School of Theology at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee. How can that be? There is no e, f, or m in that string of words!

Further reading leads to a sub-heading entitled "history" and the first mention of EfM. In 1975, the Reverend Charles Winters created "Theological Education by Extension." But wouldn't that be TEbE not EfM? To clarify, the Reverend's creation was later renamed Education for the Ministry or EfM. Mystery solved. The website goes on to describe EfM as a "four year distance learning certificate program in theological education based upon small group study and practice." Although it was originally thought to be a program of interest to only a few Episcopalians, to date 80,000 worldwide have completed the program.

The program requires a significant time-commitment to read, study, and reflect on assigned biblical readings each week and participation in weekly group sessions where the participants continue their study together, worship, and engage in theological discussions. Currently, St. Andrew's Shirley Gibb is in her second year of EfM study at Grace St. Paul's in Tucson. There she can participate in a group that meets during the day rather than an evening thus making travel from her home in Tubac easier. There are several more graduates of EfM at St. Andrew's. I'll let you discover who on your own! In the least, you can now solve the EfM "mystery" for your family and friends.

No Yard Sale nets \$600

Grateful parishioners donated about \$600 to the No Yard Sale fund. Cash donations can still be given to the Yard Sale line-item of the budget. Just put No-Yard Sale in the For line of your check.



17 Preschoolers graduate on May 27

—Cynthia Bustamante, Director

The Preschool talent show was held on Saturday, April 9, 2016 in St. Mary's Hall. The children did a wonderful job performing their songs and dances.

Church and pre-school board members helped with concessions. During the month of April we had various community members who came to talk about their careers to the children. It was a great learning experience for all



With the end of the school year soon approaching many exciting events will be happening at the pre-school. Preschool graduation and spring program is scheduled for May 27, 2016 at 6:30pm everyone



March Financial Report

—Kate Endersbe, Treasurer

<i>INCOME</i>		<i>EXPENSES</i>	
Plate Offerings	\$250.65	Fund Raisers	\$0.00
Building Use Donations	\$1,050.00	Loan Payment	\$455.60
Fund Raisers	\$0.00	Salaries & Benefits	\$8749.95
Pledge Support	\$9,000.72	Outreach Expense	\$1,710.08
Investment Support	\$2.93	Music & Worship	\$281.66
Other General Support/Revenue	\$5,563.00	Education Expense	\$54.90
Outreach Designated Income	\$0.00	Administration	\$905.73
		Premises Expenses	\$2,916.26
Total Regular Income	\$15,616.65	Total Expenses	\$15,074.18

is welcome to attend. This year 17 children are graduating.

Registrations for the 2016-2017 school year will be on May 15, 2016 from 10:00am-1:00pm. If there are any interested parishioners who have preschool age children, there is a discounted rate available to them. For more information contact us at (520) 281-0133. The last day of school will be June 30, 2016 and the 2016-2017 school year will begin on August 1, 2016.



Once again the staff of St. Andrew's Pre-school would like to extend an invitation to anyone who would like to come read or volunteer at the center. Please feel free to come and visit to get a firsthand experience of what the preschool is all about.



Birthdays



May	June
1 Edith Lowell	7 Karen Sykes
2 Karl Friedmann	11 Geroqe Gillespie
4 Marcia Clark	12 Carrie Pottinger
6 Mary Helen Maynard	20 Mary Messick
13 Polly Hyde	22 Lawrence Jones
20 Barbara Blake	23 Illisa Tadeo
25 Jack Boggess	26 Maureen Friedmann
26 Katie Tadeo	

ROTA or (Schedule of Service Participants)

Date	8:00 Lay Reader	8:00 Healing Team	10: Chalice Bearer	10 Lay Reader	10 Healing Team
May 1	R. DeLong	L. Clapper	D. Moehlman	E. Campbell	Sara Cobb
May 8	T. Brown	K. Rodes	R. Babnew	D. Harrelson	Steve Ferreira
May 15	R. Brown	L. Clapper	J. Moehlman	P. Parkinson	David Moehlman
May 22	L. Clapper	K. Rodes	J. Lee	Jack Ross	Patty Ferreira
May 29	<i>R. DeLong</i>	L. Clapper	B. Young	M. Hedges	Rev. Jim Lee
Jun 5	T. Brown	K. Rodes	I. Tadeo	K Endersbe	Sara Cobb
Jun 12	R. Brown	L. Clapper	D. Moehlman	E. Campbell	Steve Ferreira
June 19	L. Clapper	K. Rodes	J. Moehlman	D. Harrelson	David Moehlman
June 26	R. DeLong	L. Clapper	J. Lee	M. Hedges	Patty Ferreira

Date	Coffee Hour Hosts	Ushers	Counters
May 1	R. Bean	Jim Lee & Kate Hutson	Ken Briggs
May 8	Men's Group	Brian & Lindsey Young	Lou Clapper
May 15	Gabriella Verdugo & family	Martha Zybko & Sara Cobb	Lou Clapper
May 22	Sally Lockwood	Miriam Berke & Marilyn Hedges	Karen Sykes
May 29	<i>Call Karin Rodes to sign up for this Sunday coffee hour 520-841-2448</i>	Marilyn Hedges, & Luana, Raymond, Ian and Devin Barta	Karen Sykes
Jun 5	Mina Sedgewick	Jim Lee & Kate Hutson	Ken Briggs
Jun 12	<i>Call Karin Rodes to sign up for this Sunday coffee hour 520-841-2448</i>	Jean & Jack Ross	J. & J. Ross
Jun 19	Women's Group	Martha Zybko & Sara Cobb	Lou Clapper
Jun 26	Vicki & Jim Fitzsimmons	Miriam Berke & Marilyn Hedges	Karen Sykes

Note: The Casa Blanca Chapel meets in the Community Room in the Santa Cruz County Building in Sonoita at 10:00am on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month.

Readers at Casa Blanca Chapel

May 14	Jo Dean
May 28	Dorothy Sturges
Jun 11	Karol Koon
Jun 25	Jo Dean

Flowers for the Altar

As you can see, there are many Sundays with no memorial flowers. To supply flowers for the altar, send a check to the church for \$35 with Flowers marked in the *For* line. Sign your name on the appropriate line in St. Mary's Hall with the explanation for your memorial. That will be read during the service.

May 1: Maureen Friedman in honor of Karl's 85th birthday.

June 5: Marilyn and George Hedges in memory of Marilyn's parents.

June 12: Jim and Sally Lockwood for our 51st wedding anniversary



Noticias Breves en español



5 de mayo— Clínica para Niños de San Andrés- todo el día

15 de mayo— Pentecostés

15 de mayo- Reunión del Vestry (la junta directiva a las 11:45am)

16 de mayo— Grupo de Mujeres (ECW), 11:00am, Rio Rico

27 de mayo— Graduación de la Pre-escolar San Andrés a las 6:30

2 de junio— Clínica para Niños de San Andrés- todo el día

26 de junio- Reunión del Vestry (la junta directiva a las 11:45am)

Que continua

Miércoles: Grupo de Hombres, Nickel's Diner, Rio Rico, 8:00am

Martes: Vespertina y Santa Eucaristía 6:30pm

Coordinators of Lay Ministries

Contact the coordinator if you are assigned, are unable to complete the responsibility and can find no substitute. If you are trading dates with someone, please call the church office so that the bulletin can be printed correctly.

Lay Readers/Chalice Bearers: Jim Fitzsimmons (520-625-4341).

Healing Team: Sara Cobb (520-394-2721).

Counters and Office Volunteers: Elizabeth Campbell (520-909-4175).

Ushers: Marilyn Hedges (520-399-0477).

The mission of St. Andrew's Nogales is to provide a place of shared faith and a warm, accepting church family of all ages, living out Christ's ministry.

Newsletter and Internet Submissions

Newsletter and internet submissions are appreciated. Your material can be published in our print newsletter and digitally on Facebook or our website. Photos of church activities are always welcome.

The next newsletter deadline is June 24. Please submit your articles as Word documents, if possible. Email your submissions to editor Sally Lockwood at slockwood584@gmail.com and to the church office at standrews@standrewsaz.com.

How to donate food for our Food Banks

In the narthex of the church, just to the right of the front door as you enter, there is a collection basket for food to be donated to a food bank here in Nogales. This is another way that you can help to care for our neighbors. Thanks to Art Whipple who has accepted the responsibility of taking the food to the food bank.

How to help with Coffee Hour

Choice dates are still available in May and June for signing up to host a Coffee Hour. Plus dates are also available in other months so please sign up for your favorite date. Contact Karin Rodes 520-841-2448, khrodes@gmail.com or Marilyn Hedges 520-399-0477, ghedges1@cox.net

Church Office Hours and Emergency Contacts

Office Hours are Tuesday through Friday, 9:00-12:00pm

Fr. Ernie's hours: Tuesdays—Thursdays 9:00-1:00 and by appointment.

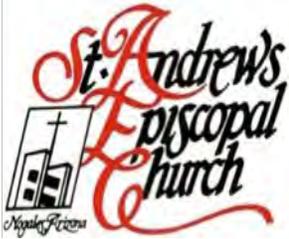
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Check out St. Andrew's website

—Sally Lockwood

If you are not using the church website www.standrewsaz.org, we want you to know about a few of the features you will find helpful and enjoyable. The home page has the worship schedule, the calendar and the office hours. There is an up-to-date Photo Gallery with photos taken at many of our church activities. In the Sermons section you will find an audio recording of the sermons from the 10:00 services; click on the icon of the person with sound waves to listen. Under the Newsletters tab you will find links to the latest and past newsletters. Under the Links tab are links to Episcopal and related websites. There are links to the Episcopal Café, which is a ministry of the Diocese of Washington (DC) that has the goal of drawing Episcopalians more deeply into their faith and in persuading those without a spiritual home to explore our Church. There are also daily devotion sites and news sites.

Another very useful section Parish Information can be accessed from the very bottom of the home page. It is protected with a password "Login required." Jim Lockwood will give you a personal password if you don't already have one, or he will reset yours if you have forgotten. There you will find the telephone numbers for Fr. Ernie, the wardens and the office. Under the Documents you will find the schedules for Lay Service Participants, Coffee Hour Hosts, and Altar Flower Donors. There is a list of parishioners' birthdays in both a chronological and alphabetical list and a copy of the Parish Directory. Here you can access a recording of the whole church service with the music and prayers as well as the sermons. For those of you with a smart phone, think how good it is to be able to access all this information when you are away from home and your computer!

Jim Lockwood, our webmaster and recorder, with assistance from Steve Ferreira, makes the service recordings that Jim puts on the website.

If you have a computer and are interested in getting on-line to see our website or to access the internet for other reasons, I will be happy to teach you the steps that will give you the access. Call me (520-820-5101) if you would like to have me help you use your computer more fully.



Sunday School is growing, growing!

Over 20 children are attending our Sunday School. They have outgrown the vesting room and have moved to St. Mary's Hall. Jean and David Moehlman, Fr. Pat Maitrejean and Katie Tadeo work with the children. They would love to have additional support, not as teachers, but as helpers. Contact Jean Moehlman to offer to help.

Below are two of the coloring projects from the last lessons taken from the Sunday School walls.

