

NETWORK NEWS

ST. ANDREW'S September—October 2018

Kate heads to college tomorrow and Toby starts high school on Tuesday. I remember my first day at Kearsarge Regional High School in September 1976.

**Jay's Say:
Deer**

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When the boys congregated during the fifteen-minute, late-morning break, I couldn't follow or fathom the conversation. It was all about racks, rubs and ruts, blinds and baldies, bagging and blowing, six point or eight point, thirty-thirty or thirty-ought-six, 270 or 308. And hunting season was weeks away.

There are two ways to hunt deer. You can wander the woods seeking them out, or you can stand still and wait.

Back then deer were hard to find, either way. I never hunted much, partly because I was squeamish about killing a creature of such grace and beauty, but mostly because I didn't have the patience.

Prayer requires patience. You can stalk the Spirit in hot pursuit, or you can be still and wait for her fleet passage.

Either way, prayer requires perseverance. You can bang at the door all night till the innkeeper relents, if he relents. Or you can wait and wait and wait . . .

Yet we pray with certain assurances:

Ask, and it will be given you;
search, and you will find;
knock, and the door will be opened.

-- Matthew 7.7

Wait quietly for the Lord,
be patient till he comes.

-- Psalm 37.7

Only, be sure to read the fine print:

Not as the world gives,
give I unto you.

-- John 14.27



The Rollover Gift

Anyone over the age of 70 ½ who also has an Individual Retirement Account (IRA) is required to take a minimum distribution (RMD) from it each year. The Federal Government permits you to “rollover” amounts from your IRA to a charity like Saint Andrew’s without claiming any increased income or paying any additional tax. This tax-free rollover gift could be any amount up to your total RMD, up to \$100,000, in one year.

The IRA charitable rollover is intended to benefit donors of all incomes. This could be an easy way for you to financially support the Episcopal Church of Saint Andrew.

The Rollover Gift approach

Provides the donor with the equivalent of an income-tax-deductible charitable donation

Reduces the amount that the donor must take as taxable income from an IRA required minimum distribution

The IRA administrator sends you a check made out to Saint Andrew’s in the amount you would like to give and you send that check to Saint Andrew’s.

When our Stewardship Campaign starts up in October, using the Rollover Gift is an easy way to fund your pledge. — *Bruce Avery*

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Find things posted to like and share, and post about church activities you are a part of.

Spread the Good News.



Parish Birthdays



Becky Rylander	2
Steve Winter	2
Shelly Boucher	3
Elizabeth Woodley	3
Chuck Ackroyd	6
Pat Thornton	7
Jim AuBuchon	8
Foster Boardman	12
Peter Boucher	12
Anne Pankow	12
Dawn Rich	12
Lea Frey	13
Judith Oates	16
Marjorie Forbes	17
Aldyn Frenkiewich	19
Kathi Almond	21
Shane Boucher	21
Monique Jevne	21
Sue Greenbaum	27
Eleanor Alleman	28
Ellen Schauff	28
Kristyn Jamieson	29
Julie Machen	29
Emma Tilley	29
Morris Edwards	31
Patricia Wall	31

Parish Updates

Funerals

July 2

Peter Messer

July 6

***Louise Preissler
Roberta Trussell***

July 12

Neil Atkins

July 20

David Pilla

August 8

Wendell Phillips

Marriage

August 11

Micell Josphe & Matthew Bergeron



Julie Woodger	7
Aaron Jenkyn	11
Sue Eaton	12
Cecilia Kellett	12
Jay MacLeod	12
Theresa Quinn	13
Ellen Yenawine	14
Susie Sanders	15
Diana Seamans	15
Kylin Frenkiewich	18
Asher MacLeod	21
Sally Asher	24
Gene Hall	24
Jared Midgett	27
Barbara Tarantino	30
Judy Wheeler	30

Calendar of Events

September:

11 (Tuesday) - Crafty Critters resumes, 9:30-11:30 AM

16 (Sunday) - Outdoor service and picnic at Camp Coniston—10 AM

19 (Wednesday) - Novel Theology discusses *The Power and the Glory*, 7 PM (see p. 10)

30 (Sunday) - Last Sunday, open plate to benefit KLS (Kearsarge Lake Sunapee) Community Food Pantry (see p. 4). Annual CROP Walk around Pleasant Lake, 1 PM

October

6 (Saturday) - Blessing of the Animals, 10 AM on the green

7 (Sunday) - Stewardship campaign begins; Vital Worship retreat (overnight) (see p. 12)

7, 14, 21 (Sundays) - The Gospel of Mark, 11:45 AM (see p. 6)

16 (Tuesday) - Novel Theology discusses *Exit West*, 7 PM (see p. 10)

28 (Sunday) - Last Sunday, open plate to benefit Navajoland (see p. 5)

Monday to Friday 12 Noon Midday Prayer ▼ **Mondays** 6 PM Meditation
Tuesdays/Thursdays 9 AM Morning Prayer
Wednesdays 10 AM Music & Memory
Thursdays 10 AM Thursday Tots, 7 PM Choir
Saturdays 5 PM Worship at Epiphany, Newport

The Outreach Commission meets the first Thursday of each month at 2 PM to receive and consider suggestions for our *Last Sunday* offering. We have agreed that our efforts should be focused on humanitarian needs, both domestic and international; and we welcome suggestions from parishioners. We ask that you provide information about the mission of the organization, its experience in fulfilling that mission, its finances and tax-exempt status, the website address and other information which you think would be pertinent to our discussion. Committee members are Harvey Best, Janet and Richard Haines, Elizabeth Lowell, Becky Rylander, Greg Vogt, and Karen Zurheide. Their contact information is in the 2018 St. Andrew's Parish Directory.



**Help Re-Stock the KLS
Community Food Pantry**

September: Canned Fruit

October: Large juice (especially low sugar and 100% juice)

Paper towels, toilet paper, coffee (regular, decaf and instant), peanut butter and jelly, cake and brownie mixes and monetary donations are always welcome.

SEE Last Sunday, p. 4

Our next visit to the Friendly Kitchen is planned for Friday, September 28. Many thanks to Joann Hicks, Alice Perry, Nola Jordan, Anne Hall and her sister Sam Benzie who cooked, served and cleaned up for our July dinner. Watch for the sign-up sheet to see how you can help in September.



Last Sunday Looks Ahead

Some at St. Andrew's are familiar with the **KLS (Kearsarge Lake Sunapee) Community Food Pantry**, others less so. During the month of September please take the opportunity to learn more, as the Pantry will be our *Last Sunday* outreach offering recipient for that month. Please pray for the work of the Pantry and for the wellbeing of the people it serves, and make plans to financially support its work on **September 30** with your offering of cash or with checks designated "Pantry" or "Outreach."

Food insecurity is a fact of life for many in our world. But it is found not only in far-off developing places, run-down American inner cities, and distant parts of rural America. Unfortunately, it is also present right here in our own region. The Pantry is an independent nonprofit organization housed at New London's First Baptist Church and dedicated to helping meet emergency and everyday food and household needs of those in our region experiencing financial hardship. Those in local need include elders trying to stretch too-small retirement incomes, the working poor whose paychecks are inadequate, and those who are out-of-work for one reason or another.

Founded in 2007, the Pantry serves families in New London and ten other area towns, with weekly hours every Wednesday evening and Saturday morning. Clients, who may visit the Pantry as often as once every two weeks, receive the equivalent of three days' worth of family food. In addition to an array of nonperishables, clients are offered meats, vegetables and fruits, dairy and eggs, breads, detergents and paper goods.

Pantry volunteers shop, stock and serve clients under the direction of an active volunteer board of directors. Several members of St. Andrew's are current or past board members, including current co-chair Ginny Register; others are on the roster of volunteers who serve clients, typically about once every two months. (To explore volunteering, please reach out to Ginny.)

Last year the Pantry saw 1,137 family visits, including 112 new families, representing 3,486 people-visits. In the first six months of 2018, 574 families and 1,943 individuals were served, of which 47% were adults ages 18 to 59, 38% were children under age 18, and 15% were seniors age 60 or greater. The greatest number of clients is from New London, followed closely by those from Warner.

Besides the donated goods on which the Pantry depends, frugal Pantry shoppers stock the Pantry with purchased items costing about \$3,500 per month. Operating with extremely low overhead, the Pantry uses financial donations to make these purchases.

Last Sunday special offerings each month will be matched by an anonymous donor. Have questions? Contact a member of the Outreach Commission (*see p. 3*).



In August, our *Last Sunday Offering* was committed to **Haiti Medical Missions of Memphis**. We collected \$4230, an amount matched as noted above. Please also see a related article about Haiti on p. 15.

Last Sunday Looks Ahead

Our October *Last Sunday* Outreach recipient is **The Episcopal Church in Navajoland** (www.ecofnavajoland.org), which covers a monumental 27,000 square miles, congruent with the Navajo Reservation itself. In 1978 it was carved from Arizona, New Mexico and Utah so that attention could be focused directly upon the Navajo.

The Episcopal Church was present in the area well before this time - more than 100 years before now, to be precise. It began with a hospital in Ft. Defiance, Arizona, as a medical mission. Now, there are 11 mission churches. Mission means that they are not yet self-sustaining in contrast to a diocese which is financially self-sustaining. The Navajoland Area Mission is not yet a diocese. But Navajoland is growing. There is a new spirit and a new energy!

There are now four indigenous priests and three deacons. Churches that were shuttered have reopened. Entrepreneurial activities to help support Navajoland have begun: young web developers, who call themselves Cheii; the Blue Corn Meal project which makes products from this long-time Navajo staple (blue corn polenta or Communion wafers, anyone?); the Bee and Honey project which in addition to producing honey, also pollinates the blue corn, squash and other plants; and Shima' which makes soaps from native plants. All are home-grown enterprises staffed by Navajo, and all align with traditional Navajo culture.

Veterans comprise a large number of Navajoland's outreach ministries. Compared to other ethnic groups in the United States, the Navajo serve in the Armed Forces in disproportionately large numbers. Perhaps you have heard of the Navajo Code Talkers in World War II. These are the men who created a code which could be transmitted rapidly and which the Japanese were unable to break. Many credit them with the fact that the U.S. finally won the war in the Pacific. And, yet, when they returned home, they were unable to vote, as their states had not yet enfranchised Native Americans!

The Dine' (pronounced Din-eh), "The People" as the Navajo call themselves, have had a difficult history with the U.S. government. In 1863, they were forcibly removed from their homeland; and, on The Long Walk, were marched hundreds of miles away. Many died. Their possessions were taken, their farmland destroyed, and their livestock killed. Later, their children were taken from them, placed in boarding schools, and punished for speaking their native tongue and practicing their culture. Those sorrows have been internalized and today, the Navajo experience high rates of addiction and suicide.

Today, The Episcopal Church in Navajoland is devoted to healing and has developed projects to protect Mother Earth and put the Church on the road to sustainability. It has expanded retreat opportunities and is building hogans for educational and ceremonial purposes. It has repaired beautiful, but aging, buildings for program use and rental income. One of these buildings is the old hospital in Farmington, NM, where the web development group is housed; another floor there will be the Hozho (beauty and harmony) Counseling Center for women and children. The Bishop of Navajoland, the Rt. Rev. David E. Bailey, has created a manual which marries the Twelve Steps of AA with Navajo spirituality as an aid in recovery.

Bishop Bailey will be with us on **October 28**, to preach about the ministry of the Navajo: what they have to teach and give us. In return, our loose plate and Outreach offering will go to further the work of these unique people in the Southwest. - *Elizabeth Lowell*

The Wardens' Words: Who Are We?

How many times in your life have you either said or heard the following words?

"You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than this."

This is a basic tenet of who we are as Christians and is totally consistent with the statement:

"The Episcopal Church of Saint Andrew – A place at God's Table ... for All."

It's also consistent with flying the rainbow flag. St. Andrew's is the ONLY church in New London where your sexuality doesn't matter if you're considering marriage or ordination. The rainbow flag signals that everybody is welcome here, including people who are gay or transgender.

We put up the rainbow flag when First Congregational Church of Wilmot was vandalized with white supremacist and anti-Semitic graffiti, presumably because the church had been proudly flying the rainbow flag for years (the flag was stolen several times). As a gesture of solidarity, Jay proposed that we fly the rainbow flag – doing the opposite of what the vandal would have hoped.

Of course, the rainbow flag doesn't define us – the cross does. So the Vestry hopes that our Tuesday craft group will sew a large cross onto the rainbow flag to create the perfect emblem for our church. Your thoughts are welcome. – *Marni Eaton and Bruce Avery*



The Gospel of Mark: His Jewish Look at Jesus

Three Sunday Sessions on 7, 14 & 21 October from 11.45 - 12.45

in the Parish Hall led by the Rev. Dr. Kathleen Rusnak

Mark wants his readers to embrace a particular worldview, and his Good News can't be understood apart from the world in which Jesus lived – Second Temple Judaism. We'll explore the perspectives and practices of Jesus, and what Mark's Jesus asks of us.

Sunday School

Sunday school will resume on 9 September. Our younger class is composed of children in kindergarten through third grade, while the older group includes children from fourth grade up and any children not yet confirmed. We have excellent, experienced teachers on board for both groups. Both teachers and shepherds have completed or are in the process of completing the required Safe Church training. The children in 7th and 8th grades who are not yet confirmed are encouraged to join the older class or help out with the younger children as “shepherds in training.” Several members of the older group were confirmed last year and now attend church or help out with Sunday school, and five other members were confirmed by Bishop Rob this past June. Children in preschool and younger go to the Nursery where care is available at both the 8 AM and 10 AM services. We use the Whirl curriculum materials, which are relevant for all ages and focus on applying faith in daily life as well addressing the questions and challenges that arise in our Christian formation.

On the first Sunday of each month, we celebrate All-age worship, which includes children and families in all aspects of the service. Sunday school is held on the second, third, and fourth Sunday of the month. Nicole Densmore, our Director of Youth Music, often shares a song with the children prior to Sunday school. She is an extraordinarily gifted teacher, musician, and singer and works her magic with children whenever they practice or perform for the Upbeat Youth choir.

We have an *urgent* need for teachers and shepherds. Shepherds are not responsible for lessons but support the teachers and provide extra hands in the classroom. The kids are wonderful; collaborating with them is lots of fun! We will be happy to mentor teachers; the curriculum is easy to follow and administer. If you feel the tug, *even slightly*, to teach or shepherd, please get in touch with Ellen Yenawine.

Faith Adventures

Faith Adventures is our ecumenical middle-school youth group for kids in 6th-8th grade. Our leaders include Steve and Nancy Allenby, Cindy Johnson, Jeff Maguire, and Ellen and Gardner Yenawine. Please contact Ellen Yenawine if your child is interested in joining us. We are also encouraging our youth group members to bring friends with them!

At our beach picnic in August we recognized those moving on to senior high youth group, welcomed new members, and celebrated parents.

Our St. Andrew's Faith Adventures members will participate in a wonderful retreat on Sunday through Monday, 7-8 October, where we will focus on the Psalms and enjoying God's beautiful creation. Both Faith Adventures and Senior Youth Group folks are invited. We are really excited about this and hope many can join us. The setting in Warren, NH is lovely, the accommodations at Moosilauke Ravine Lodge amazing, and the facilitator Don Saliers is the best! (*See p. 12.*)

In this and all activities we are planning an exciting year of fun, fellowship and service as we strive to follow Jesus in the way of love.

— Ellen Yenawine

*Please also see p. 11 for information about
"Youth on Main."*

Vital Worship Grant Announcement

We are pleased to announce that Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church in New London, NH was selected to receive a \$14,500 grant from the Calvin Institute of Christian Worship. This program is made possible through a Vital Worship Grant from the Calvin Institute of Christian Worship, Grand Rapids, Michigan, with funds provided by Lilly Endowment Inc.

This project has five objectives:

- To engage unchurched Newport youngsters by offering weekly singing and music workshops (drawing especially on music of the world church) and by building up a youth choir that helps to lead worship every week.
- To develop a musical repertoire that connects with young and old (with a special focus on psalmody) by providing opportunities for musicians of all ages to attend workshops and to share the music in quarterly "Big Sings" for the whole community.
- To gather busy middle and high schoolers together with adults in two retreats to reflect on liturgy, compose psalms, craft prayers, and plan worship.
- To build a practice of regular theological reflection on liturgy by reinvigorating the worship committee, celebrating "instructed Eucharists" periodically, and giving worship prominence in our program of Christian education so the deeper dynamics of worship are explored.
- To spread the news about how vital, intergenerational worship with compelling music can build community, create new disciples, and lead us into mission by hosting a regional conference aimed at small congregations.

In fall, 2017, a committee was formed to study the Vital Worship program. Led by Nicole Densmore, the committee met to examine closely the worship and music needs of our three worship centers: Epiphany Church in Newport, the Mount Sunapee worship assembly, and Saint Andrew's. The committee identified specific areas for growth in these ministries. The committee decided to present a grant proposal to the Calvin Institute. Our proposal was accepted and work was begun to implement the program detailed above.

In June, Nicole and Susan Cancio-Bello, Director of Music at Epiphany, attended a three-day *Vital Worship Grants Colloquium* at Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan, home of the Calvin Institute. This conference gathered people from around the world for fellowship, worship, and learning together. Nicole and Susan joined a large community of artists, musicians, pastors, scholars, and worship leaders. They returned from the conference, inspired by the people and experiences they had at the conference, and shared these experiences with our committee. We are very excited as we meet and plan the various events that we hope will bring renewed life to our worship and music.

The Vital Worship Grant Committee
Nicole Densmore, Chair
The Rev. Jay MacLeod
David L. Almond
Susan Cancio-Bello



Voices in Counterpoint

Dear Friends,

What's in a Name? This issue and next, I will deal with hymns in *The Hymnal 1982* that have grown up with two tunes. There are many of them. Here is a list of Advent and Christmas hymns which have two tunes in our pew hymnal.

"Lo! He comes with clouds descending" – *Helmsley* (No. 57), *St. Thomas* (No. 58)

"O little town of Bethlehem" – *Forest Green* (No. 78), *St. Louis* (No. 79)

"It came upon the midnight clear" – *Carol* (No. 89), *Noel* (No. 90)

"While shepherds watched their flocks by night" – *Winchester Old* (No. 94), *Hampton* (No. 95)

For three of these hymns, we sing the first-named tune. We use both tunes for "O little town of Bethlehem" at Christmas. The "English" tune, *Forest Green*, as mentioned in an earlier column in this series, is also used for two other hymns: No. 398, "I sing the Almighty power of God", and No. 705, "As those of old their first fruits brought."

Recently, I've had interesting "coffee hour conversations" concerning two other hymns having two tunes. The first of these, "Glorious things of thee are spoken" actually prompted two different conversations. Last fall, we sang this hymn to the tune, *Austria* (No. 522). The conversation that day concerned this tune's connection with Nazi Germany during World War II.

Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809) composed the tune in 1797 for the Austrian national anthem. The slow movement of Haydn's string quartet, Op. 76, number 3, is a set of variations on *Austria*.

Regarding the tune's having been co-opted by the Hitler regime, hymnologist Paul Westermeyer writes:

"The twentieth-century Nazi thugs and criminals who used it with "Deutschland, Deutschland über alles" . . . demonstrate how associations can defile a tune for many people.

Though it is a fine, well-crafted . . . melody as one might expect from a skillful composer like Haydn, a tune that needs to be in hymnals for future generations, there are many circumstances where, because of its associations, this tune should not and cannot be sung."*

My friend took me to task – gently, of course – for having chosen to sing the hymn to *Austria* that day. She felt the tune was inappropriate for our use because of its unsavory association. I agreed, and told her that the next time we used that hymn, we would sing it to its alternate tune, *Abbott's Leigh* (No. 523). A few weeks ago, we did that very thing. Next time, I'll tell you more about *Abbott's Leigh*, and about the second "coffee hour conversation" I had about this hymn.

Peace, Love, Hope, Joy, and Harmony,
David

*Paul Westermeyer, *Hymnal Companion to Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (Minneapolis: Augsburg Fortress, 2010), 699

Getting to Know Us

This is the third issue where we profile vestry members. Please see next page for another member, and subsequent issues for additional bios. Please contact any one of us (identified on the back page) with your questions or concerns about life at St. Andrew's.

Between a youth spent in Concord, NH, and his current residence in New London, Bruce Avery has traveled the world. At St. Andrew's he served on the Vestry for one year and has been a Warden since his election to that post in January 2017. His two-year term concludes next January.

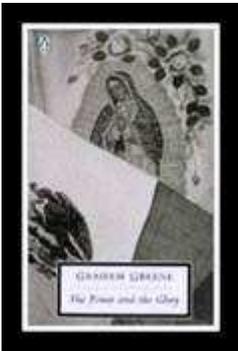


I spent my youth attending the Unitarian Church in Concord. Shirley and I were married in her church, Saint Paul's Episcopal Church, in Concord in 1956. Over the next 58 years, as Shirley and I made our life's journey through Newport, Rhode Island, the Philippines, Charleston, South Carolina, Harvard and Washington, DC, we attended a wide variety of Navy chapels and Episcopal churches before arriving here at Saint Andrew's in 2006. During this journey, I never felt any compelling reason to be confirmed as an Episcopalian.

This all changed thanks to the confluence of the welcoming people of Saint Andrew's, Bishop Rob, and Rector Jay. Rarely have I left this church without the feeling that all or parts of Jay's sermon were somehow aimed directly at me. Jay made it personal. Almost every morning as I watch the sunrise over Pleasant Lake, I am reminded to "Hold Fast" - the theme of Jay's first sermon here in September 2013. When Jay was absent, Pastors Kathleen (Rusnak) and Charlie (Tirrell) have been equally adept at making it personal.

Since my confirmation here as an Episcopalian in April 2015, my experiences continue to confirm that Saint Andrew's is my true spiritual home.

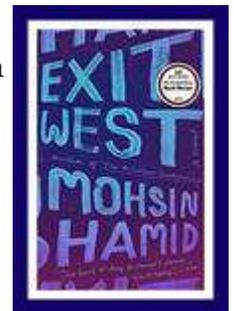
Reel and Novel Theology



We get together at 7 PM to discuss the following books:

September 19 (Wednesday) — *The Power and the Glory* by Graham Greene — discussion led by Suza Lambert Bowser

October 16 (Tuesday) — *Exit West* by Mohsin Hamid — discussion led by Nat Davis



These discussions are open to everyone; read the book, and just turn up. We take a break in November and December this year. We anticipate starting with discussion of a "reel" in January, *The Shoes of the Fisherman*.

Additional suggestions for discussion are always welcome. Please keep in mind that the titles — book or film — we choose are meant to shape our understanding of ideas like love, compassion, forgiveness, redemption; in other words, those markers we encounter in following Christ.

Getting to Know Us

A member of St. Andrew's for nearly 50 years, Marni Eaton is serving the first year of a two-year term as Warden.

I was born in Indianapolis, Indiana and baptized in an Episcopal church. Over the next 12 years, my family, mom, dad, older brother and I, moved to New Jersey, then to Massachusetts, and then back to New Jersey. While living in Summit, NJ we attended the Presbyterian Church and I sang in the youth choir. When I was in 7th grade, my dad, who was in the steel business, was transferred to Pittsburgh, PA and we moved to Sewickley, where we lived until I finished college. We attended the Episcopal Church in Sewickley and I was active in youth fellowship on the local and diocesan level all through high school. After graduating from The Ellis School, I came east to attend Wheaton College in Norton, MA. I was a sociology major with a minor in education.



Deferring graduate school for a year, I moved to New London, NH to teach in a one-room school in Wilmot Flat, NH in the fall of 1969. I was moved to the New London Elementary School in the fall of 1970 and remained there until I retired in 2003. Instead of Ohio State, I got my MA at Boston University. Nick and I were married in 1988 and together we raised our children from previous marriages and now we get to enjoy our eight grandchildren. We also love living on our farm on Mount Kearsarge where we have enjoyed the company of dogs, cats and horses.

During my almost 50 years as a member of St. Andrew's I have been a part of the Parish Council, the Sunday school, the choir, the vestry, the altar guild and now also enjoy being an usher, an acolyte, a Eucharistic minister and a student and mentor for Education for Ministry. St. Andrew's has been an important and supportive part of my adult life.

YouthOnMain (YOM) is an interdenominational initiative serving the Lake Sunapee area middle-school youth of all faiths seeking ways to connect with peers. Leaders include Lynn Wenger, Teresa Jackson, and Ellen Yenawine. This initiative is supported by local churches including St. Andrew's. To sign up your 6th-8th-grader or for more information contact Ellen Yenawine.

YOM is a program designed to nurture faith, hope, and charity, build strong peer relationships, encourage mutual respect, civility and generosity, and provide service to the community as well as to provide activities that are fun and inspirational for our middle-schoolers and their friends on the second Saturday of each month.

The Forensics with Dr. Bonnie Ackerman followed by a pizza lunch in July was enjoyed by enthusiastic participants. Because the program was so popular, it may be repeated later in the year for those who were unable to attend in July.

8 Sept: Hike

Where/When: TBD

23 Sept: Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser (offering)

When: 11:30am

Where: Our Lady of Fatima

Looking for volunteers to
prepare, serve and clean up.

30 Sept (Sunday): Crop Walk

Where: Pleasant Lake

When: 1 PM

We will join with others to raise
money for the hungry.



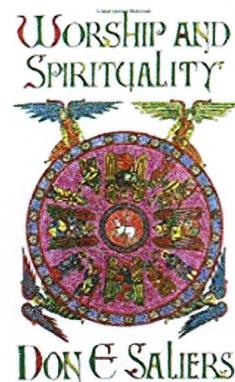
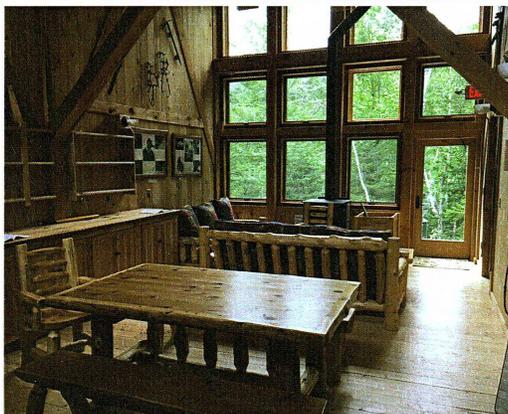
Education for Ministry is the Episcopal Church's flagship program in response to every baptized person's call to *ministry*. Through weekly reading and discussions, we are able to refine our understanding of and nurture our Christian service.

What does that look like in the weekly class setting? As a four-year program we are a "one-room schoolhouse" with assignments and discussion pertaining to the Old Testament, New Testament, History of Christianity and Theology all contributing to the day's conversation and reflection.

In the context recently of examining our individual senses of mission and vocation, for example, we discussed our understanding of "suffering" as portrayed in First and Second Peter, which led to one member speaking of a troubling telephone call from a long-time friend. Together we examined that personal experience by creating a metaphor — "like being trapped in a box" — so that we could all relate to the image without distracting details. Addressing the image (no longer the phone call) that we could all relate to, we brought familiar items from the religious tradition (scripture, prayers, hymns) and from "culture" (the world around us) to bear in the ensuing discussion in order to come away with insights and possible actions in our own lives — today, tomorrow, next year, whenever called by our loving response to another in need. — *Alice Perry*

*The small group of second-year Efm students will begin a third year of study in January 2019. We look forward to welcoming new members as first-year learners to add to the conversation. Visitors are welcome before our 36-week program concludes in September. If interested, we invite you to attend **September 4** beginning with Midday Prayer at noon in the church. If the weather is good, we then take our lunch and books outside. Please speak to co-mentors Marni or Alice in advance of your planned visit with us.*

The Psalms as a Gateway to God



With Dr. Don Saliers

Young people in grades 6-9 will join adults of all ages to explore the Psalms.

There will be time for hiking along the Baker River and relaxing in the beautifully rustic Lodge.

EPIPHANY SUMMER CAMP



Opportunities to Serve in Worship – by Anne Hall

There are many ministries at St. Andrew's, but as the Verger (coordinator of worship), I would like to highlight our liturgical ministries on Sunday morning. Please let me or the contact person know if you are interested in taking on one of these roles. (Contact email address information can be found in the church directory.) There is likely to be a bit of training and ongoing coaching as you grow into the role.

Acolytes are usually full church members [confirmed or received] who assist in worship. A *crucifer* carries the cross in the procession; *torchbearers* carry the candles. Acolytes receive the bread and wine, assist in the preparation of the altar, wash the presider's hands, present the offering, and assist in the ablutions as the altar is cleared after communion. They also lead the recessional from church at 10AM. Contact Alice Perry for 8AM or Anne Hall for 10AM.



Eucharistic Ministers are full church members who assist with the administration of the consecrated elements (usually the wine) on Sunday morning. They are approved by the Vestry, licensed by the Bishop, and trained by the Verger and Jay. Contact Anne Hall.

Eucharistic Visitors are full members of the church who take communion to those unable to attend services. Contact Nola Jordan.



Prayer Crafters compose the Prayers of the People for Sunday worship. They review the readings appointed for the Sunday as well as local, national and world news. They also make note of the Cycles of Prayer and usually follow the Prayer Book pattern of biddings for the church, the world, the local community, the suffering, and the departed. Contact Jay.

Intercessors lead the Prayers of the People during worship. Having received the Prayers prior to Sunday, intercessors give them prayerful consideration and work on their diction and timing. They might also add biddings if there is late-breaking news. Contact Anne Hall.

Lectors read the lessons during worship. The schedule lists the lessons which the lectors review carefully prior to the service to ensure correct pronunciation and emphasis so that the biblical message comes through as clearly as possible. Contact Anne Hall.



Haitian Experience

My experience in Haiti was inspired by a prior, life-changing experience in Tanzania (then Tanganyika) in 1963. As a fourth-year medical student at Cornell Medical School, I took my elective time at an Anglican mission hospital in a remote village in Lulindi, Tanganyika, in the south east corner of the country. The primitive 100-bed hospital often held more than 150 patients. One female English surgeon and five English nurses trained a cadre of high school graduates to care for these very sick souls, 24/7, 365 days a year! It was an awe-inspiring and intensive education in what can be done with skill and dedication, and very few tests or medications. It left me with a desire to do the same in my medical career.

As I was finishing my residency in internal medicine, I looked for a comparable job. I did not have the required surgical skills to repeat the above experience in Tanzania. Haiti's Hospital Albert Schweitzer, in a mountain valley 90 miles outside of the capital Port Au Prince, however, offered a unique opportunity. The privately funded 150-bed hospital and outbuildings were in a converted United Fruit Company plantation. Three doctors on each service, Swiss senior nurses and on-the-job-trained local young men and women completed the medical staff. Volunteer Mennonites staffed the lab and X-ray. Volunteer doctors from the USA and other countries helped, and residents in internal medicine, surgery, pediatrics and public health completed the physician team. So, we were a "teaching hospital" as well! We were committed to serving approximately 100,000 people in the Artibonite Valley. They paid 20 cents USD for all care given. However, a man could only make 10 cents per day cutting sugar cane. The Haitian people were stoic, very thankful for their care, and could SMILE though it all. Remarkable people who seem to face one national crisis after the other: political, financial, AIDS, hurricanes, earthquakes, cholera epidemics ... on and on! Why do bad things happen to good people?

I served as the Chief of Internal Medicine there for 18 months. I was accompanied by my wife and two children, ages one and three. My wife worked with the OBGYN department and my children learned Creole, French and English, and that "black IS beautiful." The numbers and gravity of illness I saw were daunting. We saw hundreds of patients a day, and only had 25 hospital beds, so we practiced TRUE "ambulatory medicine" ... you only got admitted to the hospital if you could not walk! The huge variety of infectious/tropical diseases was exciting and interesting -- and frightening! I learned to think and move quickly and in a practical cost-effective manner. It was very satisfying to relieve/cure these patients with so little technical support or expensive tests or medications. It was all about the best patient care possible, and NOT money, the administrative agenda, or politics or regulations ... sadly, so different than medical care in the USA at this time.

I have since worked in Vietnam and in Tanzania (four times) and in New Zealand and Australia, and on American Indian Reservations, inspired by the above experiences. In addition my wife Pamela and I have invested in the future medical care of Tanzania by financing the educations of two doctors, a social worker, and a pharmacist – *Don Catino*



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