

## Good News

### AUGUST 2022

### From the Rector

Shockingly, it's August! Our Jubilee Garden reminds me that the summer is fleeting. Already we are harvesting beans, peas, herbs, and cucumbers galore. Soon the tomatoes will ripen, the potatoes will be ready, as well as onions, brussels sprouts, and peppers. It's a glorious season in the Jubilee Garden, the last green push towards harvest. Stop by, pick some beans, herbs, or more, and enjoy the natural gifts of the Master Gardener. Thanks again to Spark and Ed, for planning, planting, and tending the garden. Thanks to all who have or will contribute to our Food Sharing Ministry this year. Our pantry guests thank you too!

With the fall comes a new church program year at St. Andrew. In light of this right now is a good time to compare notes, discuss our current worship needs, and think about music and Christian education for all.

Should we extend the current summer schedule of alternating indoor/outdoor worship through September? Indoor or outdoor, does the current alternating schedule of traditional Eucharist (choir and organ) and Contemporary Eucharist (St. Andrew Fire Band) continue to serve us well? What about worship times? Is 10:30 a good start time for most or should be consider other start times for our primary service on Sunday? Should we continue to offer a noon Contemporary Eucharist with band every week? Would another time/day/format work better for the community? Should we offer online worship every other week, once in a while, or

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### BISHOP SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

The committee recently sent an update and timeline for the new Bishop of Ohio search. The committee expects to prepare an initial slate of candidates by mid-August. This will be followed by a series of Meet and Greets in late October. The election will take place at the 206<sup>th</sup> Annual Diocesan Convention on November 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> and the Consecration on April 29lth. 2023.

View the complete update here:

https://myemail.constantcontact.com/An-Update-from-the-Bishop-Coadjutor-Transition-Committee.html?soid=1116698298572&aid=Flu6a8F93nM

### OFFICE FILING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are urgently needed to assist our office manager, Sherrie, with filing tasks during the morning and/or early afternoon. Flexible hours and lots of love support and fellowship. Contact Sherrie at <a href="mailto:standrewmentor@gmail.com">standrewmentor@gmail.com</a> or by phone at 440.255.8842.

### ORGANIZING HELP NEEDED

We need a team of 4 to 5 people to go through the old Sunday School and Youth educational and craft materials. The materials are currently in the double Sunday School room and need to be sorted into items that are usable or donatable and items that should be purged.

It would be ideal if volunteers could spend some time at church during office hours (Tuesday through Thursday, 9 to 4) so staff is on hand to answer questions. Please contact the church office for more information.

August Celebrations

### **Birthdays**

- 02 Cory King
- 05 Bernadette Sandacz
- 13 Michele Miller
- 13 Marylou Ezzo
- 15 Jacob Leitch
- 17 Greg Connel
- 18 Tom Lally
- 20 Erin Koehler
- 22 Rosa Peshek
- 25 Pete Sherman
- 27 Kathy King

### **Anniversaries**

- 02 John & Jill Sankal
- 05 Don & Sharon Koehler
- 09 Jim & Beth Brown
- 10 Joe & Peggy Sturm
- 16 Frank & Mary Ellen Fecser
- 20 Greg & Melissa Connel
- 26 Steven & Diane Smith

# Important Dates in August

- 1 Ladies Bible Study 1 2 pm
- 7 Summer Worship Indoors 10:30
- 7 Food Pantry 1 3 pm
- 8 Ladies Bible Study 1 2 pm
- 9 Food Pantry 1 3 pm
- 14 Summer Worship Outdoors 10:30
- 15 Ladies Bible Study 1 2 pm
- 17 Vestry Meeting 6:30 pm
- 21 Summer Worship Indoors 10:30
- 22 Ladies Bible Study 1 2 pm
- 28 Summer Worship Outdoors 10:30
- 29 Ladies Bible Study 1 2 pm

### JUBILEE GARDEN



Our Jubilee
Garden is
providing an
abundance of
vegetables and
herbs including
these green
beans and
squash for our
Panty
neighbors.

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not at all? Is online worship at this juncture a help or a hindrance to building community?

The ultimate question is, what would feed your spirit as the community of St. Andrew this upcoming program year? Anything is possible! I want to hear from you before making final decisions about our fall worship and education schedule.

My own premise in thinking about our Sunday worship options is that in-person worship is critical to the health and well-being of our community, or any community of souls who seek to be Christ's people together in the world. We are a small church, and there is much blessing in being a small church. We become acquainted with each other and share personal stories. Over time we converge the rhythms of our lives in meaningful ways and lift each other up. We try to look after each other as best we can.

We need the support and companionship of each other, across generations to thrive as Christian Community and truly getting to know one another in worship and in life requires physical presence.

What can we as a community do, to make Sunday worship a priority for you in the church seasons to come? Again, anything is possible.

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Look for a short on-line survey by August 5. Please plan to complete and return this survey by August 15. We'll have paper copies of the survey available to you on Sundays also. If you would like a survey mailed to you just call Sherrie in the church office and she'll get it out to you. Blessings to each of you as you share your thoughts about Sunday worship at St. Andrew. We are all in this together and you are the heart of the church.

### TAKE THE SURVEY

Access the online survey on worship at St. Andrew here: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KSSWRNR

Please pray for the following member

Please pray for the following members and friends of St. Andrew: Dan, Xander, David, Eileen, Fred, Roberta, Chris, Marilyn, Maxwell, and Maryellen.

### **VESTRY NOTES**

Your vestry would like to remind you of the upcoming Guns to Gardens event this September 17<sup>th</sup>. The event will include a gun buyback program and tool forging demonstration.

Please welcome our new tenant, Learning Advantage Preschool! The preschool will be held in two of our Sunday School rooms beginning in August.

Delegates are needed for the upcoming Diocesan Convention on November 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. Please

contact Reverend Lisa (at <a href="mailto:revlisastandrew@gmail.com">revlisastandrew@gmail.com</a> ) if you are interested in representing St. Andrew.

New windows and doors have been ordered for the Worman Room and bids are being solicited to repair the roof. Please contact the church office if you see any other items that need attention. Additional agenda items for the monthly Vestry meetings can be sent to Rev. Lisa.

### PANTRY NEWS

Below is the art work of Alan, a Vietnam veteran and panty guest. Alan regularly shares his art with Lisa and Sherrie and it is one of the things that keeps Alan going through the pandemic.



### SUPER BOCCE BOWL

A big Thank You to Chris Pescak for organizing this year's Bocce fundraiser and tournament and to our Bocce Grill Chefs, Rick Berlan and Andrew Caruso! St. Andrews raised a total of \$1427.25 through their efforts.



Thank you to all who showed up to play and support St. Andrew!!

And Congratulations to the Tim and Ben Team, our Super Bocce Bowl Champions!





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