

# THE COMPANION

...of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church,  
Waterford, Michigan

March 2019

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## From the Priest-in-Charge

—*The Rev. Canon Jonathan Sams*

### **Worship Experience Inventory: A Lenten Program for the head, the heart, and the gut.**

On the 5 Lenten Sundays plan to stick around after Coffee Hour and take part in a Lenten study aimed at deepening spirituality, expanding upon the experience of worship, and enhancing relationships. Each session will begin about 11:30 am and conclude with a soup and bread lunch about 12:15 pm.

There will be a sign up sheet in the Richardson Room to provide food. The "worship experience inventory" will be experiential, using short videos and recordings to stimulate soul-searching reflection, discussion, and prayer.

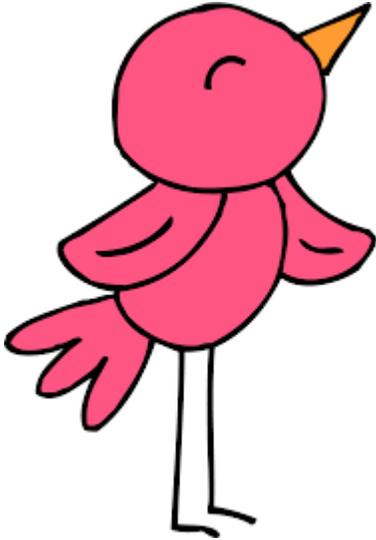
The ultimate goal is to pursue one of St. Andrew's Vestry Goals for 2019: "to make our traditional worship more appealing, real, and accessible." The focus will be partly informational, but more than that, it will provide opportunity to reflect honestly about what really happens in our hearts and souls as we experience the different elements of liturgical worship, what associations do we make, what memories emerge? Will this Lent Study result in changes to the way we worship? More likely, it will change us.

Peace be with you.

Jonathan †

# Senior Warden Update

—Joelle Chaney, Senior Warden



Hello, St. Andrew's!

I am happy to be writing to you on a sunny day with no new snow. I hope everyone is getting through this cold winter. We will be turning our clocks ahead in a couple of weeks, so spring can't be far behind! ...and do I smell pancakes?

I want to talk about fellowship. Fellowship can be defined as a partnership that involves working together and caring for one another. It is also described as a feeling that exists between people who have a shared interest or who do something as a group.

At St. Andrew's, much of our fellowship revolves around coffee hour, which has been referred to as 'the Eighth Sacrament'. As a member of the Fellowship Committee, it does my heart good to see so many people enjoying coffee hour. It is during this time of relaxation and refreshment that we have the opportunity to visit and get to know each other. This is vital to St. Andrew's being a strong parish.

About the pancakes... On Shrove Tuesday, March 5th, we invite you to attend our Pancake Supper Potluck. Jack and I will prepare pancakes and sausage. You may bring a dish to share, but that is not necessary. There is a sign-up sheet in the Richardson Room. We hope you are able to join with us for an evening of fellowship.

We are on a quest for ideas. I am sure many of you engage in fun expeditions, get together, and adventures of all sorts. I would invite you to bring some of these suggestions for participation in any outings, or events that the community would find fun. Bring your ideas to me or any member of the Fellowship Committee. With spring and summer on the horizon, we might have more opportunities for fellowship within (and beyond) the walls of St. Andrew's. Let's take this opportunity to take our fellowship outside of church.

I hope you all feel the warmth of God's love, fellowship, and spring sunshine.

Joelle Chaney  
Senior Warden

## *Wednesday Noon Lenten Devotional & Luncheon*

*All programs begin at 12:00 pm at the location noted and are followed at 12:30 pm with a soup and sandwich luncheon (free will offering).*

**March 13th—Community Presbyterian Church  
4301 Monroe Avenue, Waterford**

**March 20th—Canterbury-on-the-Lake  
St. Luke's Chapel / 5601 Hatchery Road, Waterford**

**March 27th—Christ Lutheran Church  
5987 Williams Lake Road, Waterford**

**April 3rd—Grace & Peace Community Church  
451 Kennett Road, Pontiac**

**April 10th—Bethel United Church of Christ  
6650 Elizabeth Lake Road, Waterford**



I'd like to thank you generous parishioners of St. Andrew's on Hatchery Road. On our latest trip to Flint on February 2nd, your generosity provided 1992 1/2 liters (or 263 gallons of water) and \$375.00 of discretionary funds to the citizens of Flint, which is distributed through the parish of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Flint.

We are always so thankfully received with so much help to unload our donations. When we arrived, they were nearly out of water and didn't have any in the works. Father Jay Gantz always invites us to stay for their Holy Eucharist and lunch with the neighborhood residents in need. We're told that replacing the pipes is a work in progress, but we've not seen any evidence as we traverse the neighborhood to the church from I-475. I hope this is resolved soon for their sake.

I can't thank you enough for your continued generosity. Thank you for sharing their trouble to double their joy.

—Scott Slocum

# Bits & Pieces



## St. Andrew's Annual Pancake Supper Potluck

**Tuesday, March 5th at 6:00 pm**

Bring a dish to pass and join us on Shrove Tuesday for a potluck. We will also be collecting donations to benefit St. Andrew's outreach projects. The sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board located in the Richardson Room. If you have any questions, please speak with Joelle Chaney.

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## Knit & Crochet Group

**1st & 3rd Thursdays / 9:30 am—11:30 am  
Meet in the Choir Room**



The group will be knitting and crocheting prayer shawls and newborn caps on Thursday mornings in the Choir Room. If you prefer, you can work on individual projects. The group is also accepting donations of yarn to use for prayer shawls and newborn caps.



## Daylight Savings Time

**Sunday, March 10th at 2:00 am**

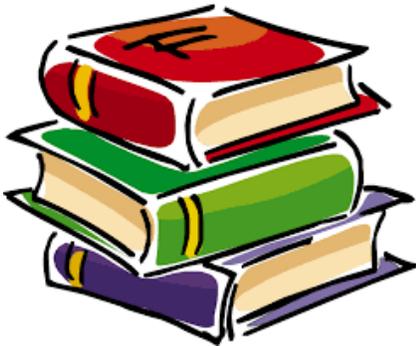
Just a little reminder that it's the time of year when we set our clocks one hour ahead.



***During the 40 days of Lent make a collection box or bag, and collect used items no longer needed—such as clothing or household items, or donate canned goods, non-perishable grocery items, or money to be donated to an area local charity. Not only will you get a head start on spring cleaning, you will be helping those in need!***

*—Submitted by Francine Klein*

# Bits & Pieces



## Book Club

***Angry Housewives Eating Bon Bons***

by Lorna Landvik

**Thursday, March 14th at 6:30 pm**

**St. Andrew's Episcopal Church**

The women of Freesia Court are convinced that there is nothing good coffee, delicious desserts, and a strong shoulder can't fix. Laughter is the glue that holds them together—the foundation of a book group they call AHEB (Angry Housewives Eating Bon Bons), an unofficial “club” that becomes much more. It becomes a lifeline. Holding on through forty eventful years, there's Faith, a lonely mother of twins who harbors a terrible secret that has condemned her to living a lie; big, beautiful Audrey, the resident sex queen who knows that with good posture and an attitude you can get away with anything; Merit, the doctor's shy wife with the face of an angel and the private hell of an abusive husband; Kari, a wise woman with a wonderful laugh who knows that the greatest gifts appear after life's fiercest storms; and finally, Slip, a tiny spitfire of a woman who isn't afraid to look trouble straight in the eye. This stalwart group of friends depicts a special slice of American life, of stay-at-home days and new careers, of children and grandchildren, of bold beginnings and second chances, in which the power of forgiveness, understanding, and the perfectly timed giggle fit is the CPR that mends broken hearts and shattered dreams.

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## Annual Theatre Party

*Sponsored by the Fellowship Committee*

**Clarkston Village Players** *presents* ***Something to Hide***  
**Saturday, March 23rd—8:00 pm**



*Tickets are \$17.00 and may be purchased by calling the Ticket Hotline (248) 425-5842, or by emailing [cryptickets@comcast.net](mailto:cryptickets@comcast.net) with your name, phone number, show name, date, performance time and the number of tickets and someone will contact you.*

The setting is a charming house in the English countryside where writer Howard Holt is visited each weekend by his wife, Karen, who is also his publisher. During the week, Howard is joined by Julie, his mistress. As the action begins, Julie tells Howard that she is pregnant and intends to keep the baby. The plot then goes into overdrive with an apparent death, misdirection and a seemingly gullible police inspector who untangles the twisted web of lies and brings a murderer to justice.



# MARCH

## Birthdays



- 3rd Ashlee Roussey
- 7th Tami Newton
- 8th James Seaton
- 14th Joe Chaney
- 16th Pat Sasse
- 20th Dianne Hammond
- 26th Dave Damian
- 28th Michael Houston



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# March

## Anniversaries

- 15th Ben & Shirley Donaldson
- 16th Tim & Louise Seaton





# Easter Flowers

If you would like to honor or memorialize someone this Easter season, please make a donation to the Easter Flower Fund. **Checks should be made payable to St. Andrew's Church with "Easter Flowers" noted on the memo line. Please return this form with your donation to the Parish Office by Sunday, April 14th.** Forms may also be placed in the Sunday Collection Plate for your convenience. Attached is my check in the amount of:

\_\_\_\_\_ \$15.00    \_\_\_\_\_ \$20.00    \_\_\_\_\_ \$40.00    Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*\*\* You may use the reverse side of this form for additional names if needed. If you want to take your plant(s) home after the Easter service, please mark where indicated on this form.*

Donor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print)

Please indicate:     In honor of:     In memory of:

Name(s):

\_\_\_\_\_  
(please print)

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\_\_\_\_\_ *I plan to take my plant(s) home after the Easter worship service.*

\_\_\_\_\_ *Number of plants to be reserved—please include payment with form.*

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Parish Administrator's Hours:

Monday & Friday

9:00 am—4:00 pm

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