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May 22, 2019 Easter

DEAR FRIENDS,

Last month our Presiding Bishop, Michael Curry (you know, the guy who preached a barn-burner sermon at the royal wedding, that guy) made a visitation to the Diocese of Massachusetts. In his visit, he reiterated a commitment to guiding the Episcopal Church toward what he calls the Jesus Movement for the Episcopal Church. His goal has been to orient Christian faith to Jesus and his way of love.

I believe it is one of those movements that is intended to help people simplify their approach to faith. Bishop Curry has called us to a "Way of Love" and in order to assist us in understanding that and living into it, the Church has dedicated significant resources to create an organic and continually resourced method to assist us in our daily walk with God.

In our tradition we sometimes over stress the "whys" of faith rather than the "hows." For instance, "Why is it important to have a relationship with God?" as opposed to "How can I get closer to God?" We have tended to leave the interior life to individuals assuming the mystery and content of our liturgy would be enough to form faithful Christians. While this is still potent and will remain central to our identity, The Way of Love is a means to assist us in deepening our journey with one another and God.

The Way of Love has the potential to balance the "whys" vs. "hows" approach to faith. In this program, there are many offerings to assist individuals and congregations to help deepen faith. The offerings are not necessarily new as they tend to focus on basic things like a rule of life, reading Scripture, and daily prayer. But it does put these practices together into offerings that, I think, address our current age. I'm hoping that you will take a moment to look at Bishop Curry's video and check out some of the resources available on the National Church's website. You will be hearing some of this in my sermons and we will create some offerings through our adult forums as well. I'm thinking, too, that we can work this into our chapel and youth programs. But I can't do this on my own. I need your help to cull through this material and find the resources that can speak to our community. The link here:

https://www.episcopalchurch.org/way-of-love

This winter, I formed a small Education Committee with Pam Gore and Jutta Ayer. We will be working to find ways to incorporate the Way of Love into our congregation. We could use your help. So if you would like to read, study, and practice some of the offerings listed on the Episcopal Church's website, you would be most welcome to join our small group.

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UPCOMING DATES

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May 25	Poetry Night
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	Ladies Luncheon
	Evensong and Potluck
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Pentecost Sunday
June 9

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Dear Friends cont.

I think the time is right as we work to address our capacity to serve Christ in our community through the Growing Into Our Future campaign. We are making progress on our buildings, grounds, and ministry capacity. It seems only obvious to me that we should at the same time create a program that engages our hunger to know and be known by our God.

So sit down at your computer or your iPad, type in, https://www.episcopalchurch.org/way-of-love, listen to our Presiding Bishop and let's see how this program might fit our community. It's not a curriculum, it's a collection of resources based on the general themes: Turn, Learn, Pray, Worship, Bless, Go, and Rest.

There's work to be done on our campus if we hope to orient ourselves for the next 100 years . . . both with bricks and mortar work and in the interior work of the soul. Maybe we'll find something that captures our collective imagination, a theme to not only address our physical repairs but one to inspire our spirits as well. Check it out, take some notes and then we can come together and continue to create something really compelling for ourselves, our loved ones, and the wider community.

See you in church. *Clyde*+

MY BROTHER'S TABLE

Come be part of a team to help serve dinner the first Tuesday of every month at My Brother's Table,
Lynn. **June 4 is the next date.**



If you can help, please contact Tim Parker at 781-631-5335.

NEXT POETRY NIGHT MAY 25

The next Poetry Night is **Saturday**, **May 25**, the fourth Saturday of the month, at 7:00 p.m. in the Guild Room. All are welcome to come and bring a poem—or be an appreciative listener.

PLANNING FOR THE INEVITABLE WITH PURPOSE—JUNE 2

On June 2, we will initiate a series of occasional informational offerings dealing with end-of-life issues. A rubric (instruction) from the Book of Common Prayer describes a minister's duty to instruct people about their responsibility to make end-of-life plans. These would include bequests for loved ones and loved institutions and diligent planning for the inevitabilities of life: What are your plans for the end of life aside from making a will? Have you communicated with your loved ones what kinds of life-saving/life-sustaining procedures you might consider if you are ill and infirm and cannot communicate your wishes? Have you made plans regarding your funeral?

This kind of thinking is not morbid, it is honest. Whether you are 30 and have a little baby or 70 and have six grandchildren, it is important to make your wishes known about your health care and your dying care. The first offering will be about talking with your family and loved ones about how you would like to manage the decisions around the end of life. We will be joined by nurse educator Norene Gachingnard. Mark your calendars now for **Sunday**, **June 2**, **following the 10:00 o'clock service**.

EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS

Thanks to everyone who contributed to all the lovely plants that graced our sanctuary on Easter. The hydrangeas are always my favorite—a nice pop of color to go with the white lilies.

If anyone has not sent in their donation yet, I would appreciate it if you would do so at your earliest convenience so that I can finish up my bookkeeping. Any amount you would like to give is much appreciated. Any extra monies go towards Altar Guild expenses during the year—wine, wafers, candles, etc. Checks should be made payable to St. Andrew's Altar Guild and either mailed to me at 15 Sparhawk Terrace, Marblehead or left in the office or the collection plate with my name on the envelope. Thank you all for your continued support of this important ministry.

-Kathy Loveland

The office will be closed on Friday, May 24.



GROWING INTO OUR FUTURE

We're almost there! In the next year we'll hire an Assistant Rector and implement many maintenance projects. You may already have

noticed some masonry repairs. Next will be an upgraded parking lot and enhanced grounds, perhaps in the summer of 2020. Renovation and improvements to the nave will occur after that.

But we still need about \$56,000 to meet all those goals. THANK YOU to the many parishioners who have pledged already. If you haven't sent your pledge yet, please do so now. You may make the donations over the next two to five years. Our centennial in 2024 will be time of great celebration if we plan for it now.

-Peg Howard, Charlie Milner, and the Century Campaign Team

A BED FOR EVERY CHILD Saturday, June 1, 9 a.m.-noon

First Church, Congregational on Monument Avenue in Swampscott invites us to participate in A Bed for Every Child, an initiative of the Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless. The deadline for signing up to be part of this is May 26.

Create a team of two or more and obtain sponsors for the \$250 bed kit. Gather at First Church's parking lot on June 1 with your team and build, sand, and paint a twin bed frame. No experience is necessary and all tools are provided. If you do not have a team, come and help—there is plenty to do. It is a great family activity. The sponsor cost covers the bed frame, a new mattress, and bedding. If you are interested, please e-mail Clyde at rector@standrewsmhd.org . Information about the project can be found at www.abedforeverychild.org.



CHURCH YEAR END AND SUMMER!

Our last Sunday choir this year is Pentecost, which is June 9th! Pentecost is the "birthday" of the church so its a fun day to celebrate. That Sunday evening there will be a final Evensong at 5:00 p.m. The youth choir and the adult choir will be singing, as well as some musical friends. It is my hope that we can have a church potluck supper to celebrate a great year at St. Andrew's.



There will be a new outreach initiative this summer, June 24-29. I will be having a "Choir Camp" at St. Peter's in

Salem. The camp is for all children who like to sing and are between the ages of 7-14. Most of our choristers from St Andrew's will be participating and it is my hope that we can attract children from Salem and Marblehead who might want to join the fun.

The camp will end with an Evensong on June 29 at 5:00 p.m. The choristers at the camp will be joined by altos, tenors and basses from the St Andrew's choir to sing some great music!



If you have a child or grandchild who might be interested, please see me at coffee hour or e-mail at maryjodice1@gmail.com.

LADIES LUNCHEON ON JUNE 9 ST. STEPHEN'S AND ST. ANDREW'S

On Sunday, June 9, St. Andrew's will be hosting the ladies of St. Stephen's and St. Andrew's for a lunch and discussion immediately following coffee hour. These are always fun events. Please see Pat Brown or Toby Milner if you have questions, and look for the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall entrance.

KIDS IN COMMUNITY

We are looking for volunteers for the Kids in Community summer program at St. Stephen's Church in Lynn. St. Andrew's will provide volunteers for the week of July 29-August 2 from 8:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Volunteers will read to the kids (first through sixth grade) in small groups and play board games with the them. Please sign up outside the Parish Hall. It's a lot of fun! We hope you join us! Thank you!

-John Hecht

SPUR COMMUNITY ROOTS GARDEN

The SPUR Community Roots garden is busy germinating for its third year! Our partnership with SPUR began in 2017 when the garden moved here from a different location. As a result of that move, the garden nearly tripled in size and gave it stability to ensure its successful operation for the next years. Jocelyn Cook, SPUR founder and executive director, points out that the garden "is a tangible way to connect with one another and bridge the gap for those who may have barriers accessing health food, free of toxins and grown with a whole lot of love."



In 2017, the Community Roots garden yielded 657 pounds of produce, and in 2018, 750 pounds of produce, which benefited area food pantries and community programs. Vestry recently approved SPUR's request to expand the garden's size this fall, which will further increase its output. This partnership fits squarely with St. Andrew's mission to do outreach into the community and world, and to undertake faithful stewardship in gratitude for God's creation and gifts.

Want to volunteer in the garden? SPUR welcomes volunteers all season long, and you can join once or weekly for maintenance and/or harvesting. A signup link is at the SPUR website, https://

www.spur.community/, where you can learn more about the organization, including other opportunities for volunteering, and sign up for the monthly newsletter. You can also follow SPUR on Facebook, https://www.facebook.com/SPURCommunity/, or Instagram, https://www.instagram.com/spur_good_deeds/.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

There are so many ministries in which we participate both to keep St. Andrew's a welcoming, growing, vibrant community and to nourish our souls. There are many opportunities as we head into the summer season to help and be in fellowship on Sunday mornings. Contact the church office if you are interested in offering your talents in a new way as a/an:

- Altar Guild member
- Sunday-morning hospitality provider
- Reader
- Usher
- Chalice bearer, especially at 8:00 a.m.
- Acolyte



CLOISTER GALLERY

RAW Art Exhibit
St. Andrew's Youth Exhibit

The Cloister Gallery is featuring an exhibition from RAW Artworks of Lynn, as well as art from our own young parishioners. Several parishioners have partnered with RAW Artworks to support and mentor student artists and have found it an invaluable experience. Visit their website to learn more.





SHOE DRIVE—SOLES4SOULS THROUGH JUNE 5

I am writing to you today to explain a community service project that I was assigned in my Social Studies class at school. This project is called the "Do Something" project and we are instructed to find an issue that we are passionate about in our world, and do something to help and make a difference. I chose to focus on the lack of shoes in extreme poverty.

1.3 billion people globally live in extreme poverty, which means that they live on less than \$1.25 per day. 300 million children worldwide live without shoes, and 22,000 die per day due to diseases easily preventable with a good pair of shoes. Children and families in places locally, and all across the world, face challenges to meet basic needs, like shoes and clothing. A single pair of donated shoes can change all that. A pair of shoes can provide the ability to do things that we take for granted. If you do not have shoes, you can be denied service in stores and restaurants, you may not be allowed to go to school, or work an adequate job.



That's why I'm working with Soles4Souls to host a shoe drive. Since 2006, they have distributed 35 million pairs of shoes in 127 countries and provided disaster relief for many natural disasters, such as

Hurricane Katrina. My goal in hosting a shoe drive is to collect shoes that will then be distributed through the organization where they are needed most.

My goal is to collect at least 100 pairs of shoes. Thanks to your donations, children, families, and people all around the world will be able to access new opportunities and have a chance at a better life.



How to Donate:

Place your shoes in the bins inside the church and/or Parish Hall by June 5th **or** e-mail 120131629@student.marbleheadschools.org with the subject line "Shoe Drive" and include your address and we will pick the shoes up on June 1 outside on your porch.

-Maddie Cole, parishioiner

THANK YOU FOR A GREAT RUMMAGE SALE!

It was a Rummage Sale extraordinare! Thank you to Merritt Ringer for organizing with her co-chair Mimi Liming and extra-special helpers Jim Ringer and Kirky DeLong. Applause to the section chairpeople, the legion of workers and donors, and the happy buyers.

From serenading us into the spirit with "Dusty Loads,"



. . . to setting up



. . . polishing and displaying.





We had fun!



VESTRY THOUGHTS



At the present time I am in the third and final year of my vestry term. I'm at the point where I'm reflecting on the journey and have some observations to share.

While the members of our vestry take seriously the responsibilities and accountability we have accepted as leaders, I'm continually touched by the collective spirit of the group to never forget that

we are together first and foremost to be directed by what is asked of us in accomplishing God's work. We commit to responsibly address the present needs and concerns of the parish, taking action as needed, while visioning the future and preparing for societal changes and challenges that our present decisions may impact.

When I started my term I didn't have a clear grasp of what I could bring to the group—what were my particular strengths or gifts in this setting? The group is made up of diverse talents and those gifts come in many forms, some immediately recognizable, others revealed quietly. It is the recognition and acceptance of the diversity of our individual gifts that unifies the group and nurtures our trust in one another. It provides for me evidence that, when we are together, God is present and this knowledge is empowering.

I've been particularly grateful that the vestry on which I have served has been skillfully guided by our rector Clyde, our wardens Steve and Nat, and treasurer John. They exhibit unique wisdom and thoughtfulness which enable us to stay clear and directed in our mission. With the support of them and vestry members, I'm able to look at the needs of our parish and the community we touch with a clearer lens and be a better representative of St. Andrew's.

To commit to serve on the vestry may seem like a burdensome commitment. It is, however, one of the best ways to deepen the knowledge of our Church and develop one's own spiritual maturity. For those who are invested in St. Andrew's, please consider serving.

As each has received a gift, employ it for one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace (1 Peter 4: 10- 11)
-Billie Phillips

SATURDAY NIGHT IN MARBLEHEAD PRESENTS DEAN STEVENS MAY 25

Saturday Night in Marblehead, our monthly coffeehouse, will feature singer-songwriter Dean Stevens May 25 at 8:00 p.m. Doors open at 7:30 p.m.; a \$15 donation is requested (payable at the door).

For twenty-five years Dean Stevens has performed for audiences of all ages, combining an intricate, self-taught guitar style with his versatile, expressive singing voice. He performs a wide spectrum of songs in English and Spanish. His own songs explore personal and social topics, paint sketches of people and places, celebrate the Earth, and—in Stevens's words—"annoy the narrow minded."

Born and raised in Costa Rica, Stevens is a lifelong student of Latin America and learned Spanish at an early age. He travels frequently to Central America and has become known for his humanitarian efforts on behalf of refugees returning to their homes.

Stevens has four highly acclaimed recordings to his credit. His last release, *Eyes of Wonder* (Volcano Records), is a collection of songs in English and Spanish, with guest appearances by Sol y Canto, Randy Sabien, Linda Waterfall, and others. For more information, visit http://deanstevens.com.

For more information about Saturday Night in Marblehead, see www.standrewsmhd.org/SNIM.html or our Facebook page, https://www.facebook.com/stanightinmarblehead.



FRIDAY MEDITATION SERVICE

The Friday half-hour meditation service is on hiatus until September.

THE MEMORY CAFÉ JUNE 11

The next Memory Café is Tuesday, June 11, the second Tuesday of the month, from 1:00-2:30 p.m. This is a welcoming and safe place to gather for conversation, refreshments, and activities. You are not alone in dealing with a diagnosis of memory issues, either as an individual or caregiver.

DAYTIME BIBLE STUDY

Gospel Reflections: Exploring the Gospel in Today's World

Tuesday morning Bible study, 9:00 a.m.

All are welcome to gather in the Guild Room.

If you have questions, please contact margareteckman@comcast.net.

BOOK GROUP



Date: Hosts:

Sunday, June 2, 3:00 p.m. Bonnie Howard's home,

Book:

bondonhoward@comcast.net These Truths: A History of the United States, by Jill Lapore

America is "a nation born in contradiction," according to Lapore, a nation whose people "are descended from slaves and slave owners, from conquerors and the conquered, from immigrants and from people who have fought to end immigration. A nation born in contradiction will fight forever over the meaning of its history. . . . The past is an inheritance, a gift and a burden."

Jefferson said that America rested on three ideas—"these truths": political equality, natural rights, and the sovereignty of the people. Lapore believes that it also rests on "a fearless dedication to inquiry, because self-government depends on it." It is a uniquely American story written in elegiac prose. All are welcome!

PASTORAL CARE

DRIVERS needed. Please contact the church office if you are able to provide occasional rides to parishioners for medical appointments, etc.

For a pastoral visit, please contact the rector, Clyde Elledge, directly at rector@standrewsmhd.org or at his cell phone (see below).

In case of pastoral emergency, please call Clyde's cell phone, 781-576-0329.

LOTIONS AND POTIONS







Please save your hotel-sized containers of shampoo, toothpaste, and other toiletries and drop them in the basket in the Guild Room. Diana Isbrandtsen will be making spring gift baskets of these items to deliver to local shelters, such as Inn Between, Inn Transition, HAWC, and Lifebridge. Thank you.

CHIMES SCHEDULE The Chimes is published monthly.

(Please e-mail articles to lakeloreyn@aol.com. Articles submitted after the deadline will be included on a space-available basis.)

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Many hands on board for SPUR planting.

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Mission Statement

God calls us at St. Andrew's to grow spiritually and personally and to reach out to others as part of the global family. We will strive to respond to this challenge every day of our lives through:

- Worship that strengthens and inspires
- Love, mutual care, nurture, and fellowship
- Christian formation and teaching Christian discipleship at all stages of life
- Mission and outreach into the community and the world
- Faithful stewardship in gratitude for God's creation and gifts

