

Vision Statement

**We are a Christ-centered community,
joyfully making a difference by....
Worshipping, Loving, Welcoming, Including, Supporting**

LAY MINISTERS' SCHEDULE JULY 15, 2018

7:45am Service- Greeter: Laraine Crane; **Usher:** John Mabry;
Lay Reader: Keith Ross; **Healing Prayer Team:** Lois Westfall

9:00am Service- Greeters: Dana Coonce; **Ushers:** Shaun Rife &
Susan Menter; **Lay Readers:** Taryn Smith & Dan Sitzman;
Acolytes: Lauren Sitzman & Grace Spence; **Healing Prayer
Team:** Andy Hawekotte/Jamie Baker

10:30am Service- Greeters: Lisa Hammond; **Ushers:** Lee
Hammond, D.J. O'Shea, & Dave Gambal; **Lay Readers:** Andy
Ketterson & Ron Dunic; **Acolytes:** Timmy Anderson; **Healing
Prayer Team:** Janice Nelson

ALTAR GUILD: Jane Hoover, Gretchen Gottschalk, Christina
Harter

COFFEE HOUR: Sr. Choir & Hand bells

LAY MINISTERS' SCHEDULE JULY 22, 2018

7:45am Service- Greeter: John Mabry; **Usher:** John Mabry; **Lay
Reader:** Jordan Hankins; **Healing Prayer Team:** Lois Westfall

9:00am Service- Greeters: Lisa Aguilar; **Ushers:** Steve and
Lauren White; **Lay Readers:** Beth Summers & Cathy Rife;
Acolytes: Ella Haakinson; **Healing Prayer Team:** Karen Ekholm
& Nancy Ponec

10:30am Service- Greeters: Anne Gambal; **Ushers:** Charley and
Nancy Pugsley & Dave and Anne Gambal; **Lay Readers:** Benji
Pettiford & Bert Van Blerk; **Acolytes:** James Henry; **Healing
Prayer Team:** Janice Nelson

ALTAR GUILD: Sue Hillman, Karen Ekholm, Jan Buhr/Mary
Schreiber

COFFEE HOUR: St. Monica's Guild

*Please wear your name tags, as we have new people and visitors. Please let erin@standrewsomaha.org (402-391-1950) know if you need one.

THE GREETER: The **blue July** calendar is out as well as the **JUNE/JULY** issue of The Greeter. Please pick up a copy at the back of the Sanctuary or Chapel. **Articles for the August edition are due Tuesday, July 24.**

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are given by Joyce Rickard in loving memory of Ray Rickard.

ANNOUNCEMENTS JULY 15, 2017

FINANCIALS

Erin, our Executive Assistant, is taking over some of the financial duties. Please send all Financial inquiries and receipts to Erin at erin@standrewsomaha.org and please be patient as we work through this transition.

If your pledge payment or contribution is meant to be split between multiple funds or line items, please let us know.

WOMEN'S AUGUST BOOK CLUB

Looking for something to read this summer? Diane+ is buying a bulk number of "*Jesus Freak*." In this autobiographical work "Sara Miles offers a fresh, fully embodied faith that sweeps away the anxious formulas of religion to reveal the scandalous power of eating with sinners, embracing the unclean, and loving the wrong people. *Jesus Freak: Feeding Healing Raising the Dead* is her inspiring book for undomesticated Christians who still believe, as she writes, "that Jesus has given us the power to be Jesus." It's a fast and compelling read.

The books have begun to arrive. **They are \$13 each.** Please write a check to St. Andrew's with August book club in the memo line or bring cash to receive a book from Erin in the Office on Tues-Thurs 9am-3pm or from a priest on Sunday morning. We will meet on a Monday or Wednesday evening in August to discuss the work. Appropriate adult refreshments and soft drinks will be offered, along with coordinated nibbles.

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Now that Erin is doing finance and bulletins, she can occasionally use extra help with mailings and stuffing bulletins. If you are able to help occasionally, please let her know, so she can add you to her list of people to call.

AUGUST GARAGE SALE

The Garage Sale will take place August 10 and 11. This will replace the "Odds and Ends" sale. We are now excepting items in the parish hall. Unfortunately, the church is no longer able to pick up larger items. Please make your own arrangements should you wish to donate any item you cannot bring down yourself.

THANK YOU VBS VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to everyone that helped make our Vacation Bible School a success. We thank, Tony, Amy and Timmy Anderson, Jamie Baker, Sarah Black, Liz Bourne, Ashley Crosman, Camille Culp, Stu Dornan, Carole Dunic, Gretchen Gottschalk, Lisa and Lee Hammond, Steve and Dana Karcher, Henry and Sheila Karpf, Missy Kozak-Freed, Loree MacNeill, Eric Manley, Janice Nelson, Liz Orrick, Tara O'Shea, Lisa and Tommy Nathan, Melissa Peeler, Benji and Kaitlan Pettiford, Nancy and Bill Ponec, Niki Rodawig, John and Margaret Schaefer, Shelly and Connor Smith, Aaleya Matthews, Beth Summers, Margo Trofholz, Leslie VanderVeen, Blake and Erin Zogelman, Father Ben Varnum, Chris Mattson and Family, Kate Kielion, and Angie Gallegos. We hope we didn't leave anyone out and apologize if we did.

DRINK TABS FOR RONALD MACDONALD HOUSE

As you imbibe on cooling beverages this summer, please pull the tabs and bring them in to support Ronald McDonald House. They are adding on to their facility. Every tab helps provide support to families with sick children.

SAINT MONICA'S GUILD

The Ladies of St. Monica's Guild will be filling the next round of Welcome Bags for the St. Monica's Home in Lincoln on Wednesday, July 11th. We will meet downstairs and start about 9:30 AM for anyone that would like to help out. If you are wanting to donate items, we are looking for full size products, Suave or store brand is fine. Items needed are new bath-size towels and washcloths, shampoo, conditioner, body wash, body lotion, razors, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, journals, and feminine products. Items can be placed in the St. Monica's bin at church or brought with you on the 11th if you are coming to fill bags with us. Thank you once again for your support of our ministry.

JUNE 2019 “FAMILY’ MISSION TO THE DR

There is great interest and response to our June 2019 Family Mission to the Dominican Republic. Only a few spots remain before our “Family” mission team is filled.

We are all invested in the continuing success of this most special ministry.

Members of the Mission Travelling Team will each give one week of their time and a minimum of \$500 to live and work in the community of San Francisco de Macoras.

Others have asked how they can help as a member of our Mission Home Team.

There are two important ways our Mission Home team can help at this time. The first is becoming our Mission Prayer Partners. These prayers are so very important, and especially to first-time Travelling Team members.

The second important way is through financial support. The true success of this ministry always rises from a completed project. We can only do this with our Home Team support.

The estimated cost of materials to paint and repair Jesus Nazareno Church is \$3000 US.

We have also been asked to provide playground equipment for the pre-school operated by the church. Missionary Charlie estimates the cost of this playground equipment will be \$300 US. Our team will put this equipment together for the children.

The true success of this mission will lie in the heart of our Mission Home Team. As you are able, and if you hear the call to help, please make your checks payable to St. Andrew’s and indicate 2019 Family DR Mission on the memo line and give them to Don or Melissa Peeler (or place them in the Offering Plate).

MEAL TRAIN

Do you know a church member who just had baby, surgery, death in the family, or you simply need assistance for a personal situation? St. Andrew’s is here for you. We are also starting a rotation of Meal Train Volunteers. If you would like to be a part of this ministry or be a recipient of this ministry please contact Niki Rodawig at niki@rodawig.com or 402-415-3635

DEAN FRICKE FOOD PANTRY

The items most needed right now are mac and cheese, jelly IN PLASTIC CONTAINERS, and **7 1/2 oz. (smaller cans)** individual meals, like ravioli, spaghettios, or beanie weenies.

COFFEE MUGS

If you haven't stopped by coffee hour you have missed our new St. Andrew's Coffee Mugs. The 12oz mugs have a black exterior with a red interior. Our name and location is printed in white on the exterior.

We purchased a sufficient quantity to use in our updated St. Andrew's Welcome Bags, as well as making them available for you to purchase. We are suggesting a \$10 contribution which gives you a mug to take home and pays for one mug to be used at church. If you write a check, just put MUG in the memo line. We hope everyone enjoys refreshment in our new mugs!

EVENING MEN'S GROUP

We are starting a *second* Men's group at St. Andrew's! This is **not** intended to replace the Saturday morning men's group, but is being offered in addition to that group in order to accommodate men who, for whatever reason, are not able to meet on Saturday mornings. This group is open to all men of the parish (21 years and older) who seek spiritual growth, fellowship and fun! This is also a great way to introduce others to our parish, so feel free to invite a friend to join us!

We will be meeting over the summer, once a month, on the second Wednesday at 7pm. The beginning of each meeting will start with socializing and fellowship and conclude with spiritual growth centered toward men and some of the challenges we all face in life. Food and beverages will be provided, as well as a copy of the book we will be studying for the summer - *Slaying Your Goliaths* by The Rev. John Ohmer. Our first meetings are scheduled for June 13, July 11 and August 8 **at 7pm**. If you missed the June meeting, you are still welcome to join us for July and August, just let Fr. Tony know, so that he can order you a book.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY WORK DAY

St. Andrew's Habitat for Humanity work day is September 15. More details will follow at a later date. In the meantime, contact Phil Pierce with any questions. The build will begin on August 4.

CALENDAR THIS WEEK- JULY 15, 2018

Sunday, July 15, 2018

Holy Eucharist Rite I 7:45am
Contemporary Holy Eucharist..... 9:00am
Holy Eucharist Rite II 10:30am

Monday, July 16, 2018

Morning Prayer..... 9:00am

Tuesday, July 17, 2018

Morning Prayer..... 9:00am
Bible Study 10:00am
Finance Committee 6:00pm
Vestry 7:00pm

Wednesday, July 18, 2018

Morning Prayer..... 9:00am
Holy Eucharist 9:30am

Thursday, July 19, 2018

Morning Prayer (at COR* and on Facebook) 9:00am
Craft Group..... 9:30am
Nearly New Shop 10:00am-3:00pm
*COR = Church of the Resurrection

Friday, July 20, 2018

Nearly New Shop..... 10:00am-3:00pm
Office Closes at 12:00pm

Saturday July 21, 2018

Nearly New Shop..... 10:00am-1:00pm
Holy Eucharist 5:00pm

Sunday, July 22, 2018

Holy Eucharist Rite I 7:45am
Contemporary Holy Eucharist..... 9:00am
Holy Eucharist Rite II 10:30am

Stay in contact with St. Andrew's during the week with our electronic newsletter. To sign up, email erin@standrewsomaha.org.

The Daughters of the King will pray daily for the people on our prayer list.

Prayer Requests: Gay, Judy, Diane Taylor, Emerson, Richard Gray, Rinda Ashley, Blake Zogleman, Katie Doble, Joyce, Grace Jordon, Bernadette LeClair

Special Intentions: Juleen Olson. For those in transition and unemployed. For those deployed in the military and all of those who serve our country. For those afflicted with depression, alcoholism, and other forms of mental illness or addiction.

Parish Cycle of Prayers: Janet Davis; Loren, Melissa, Valerie, & Milena Ditsch; John Dobson; Nate III, Meg, Eleanor, Laura, John, & Izzy Dodge

Birthdays: Sarah Frink, Anna Trofholz, Wayne Nelson, Theodore Puls, Jackie Vinci, Grace Kircher, Ken West, Judi Johnson, Eric Rodawig

Anniversaries: Josh and Amy Urban

Additional Thanksgivings:

Travelers: Rev. Diane, Jordan and Kathy Hankins

Deceased:

Our long-term prayer list: Virginia James, John, Isabella Artman, Gail Koch, Hillary Pierce, Clarine Black, Penelope Galdeano, Mark Peterson, Nancy Kirk

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The Rev. Diane M. Pike-----Associate Rector
The Rev. Tony Anderson-Bishop's Society Curate
The Rev. Steve Karcher-- -----Assisting Priest

REFLECTIONS FROM THE PEW BY DAN SITZMAN

As Anna completed her masters' degree coursework in Spain in the late 90's, Fred, Gretchen and I travelled to meet her and then tour the country. We started in Santiago de Compostella (where legend says the apostle James' remains are buried), then traveled to Madrid and several other cities. At every stop, we visited at least one art museum; in every museum, at least one work of art depicted the beheading of John the Baptist. We saw so many renditions that after a few days, we all joked that we could go the rest of our lives and have no need to see another portrait of John the Baptist's head on a platter.

In a world where it is easy to become numb to the repeated stories of violence, separation, neglect, and loss, I wonder what one person can possibly do to make any kind of difference. I have struggled with this thought more so this week with the sudden death of a long-time colleague, the only male African-American high school counselor in the state of Nebraska. At his funeral on Monday, one of his first students, now grown to adulthood, delivered a remembrance imploring those gathered to "pick up the mantle" of doing good for others.

In this Sunday's lesson from Ephesians, there is an example of one making a difference after John the Baptist's death: Jesus, who provides redemption, forgiveness and love.

What will I do to demonstrate hope, forgiveness and love toward others this week to counter the many images of anger and hopelessness that are "painted" in today's world?