

## ***Vision Statement***

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

### **LAY MINISTERS' SCHEDULE JUNE 17, 2018**

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

**9:00am Service- Greeters:** Tom and Jean Sitzman; **Ushers:** Steve and Lauren White; **Lay Readers:** Anna Kay Sitzman & Beth Summers; **Acolytes:** Paige Rife; **Healing Prayer Team:** Lance Baker/Karen Ekholm

**10:30am Service- Greeters:** Janice Nelson; **Ushers:** Lee Hammond & D.J. O'Shea; **Lay Readers:** Ron Dunic & Kaitlan Pettiford; **Acolytes:** Timmy Anderson; **Healing Prayer Team:** Janice Nelson

**ALTAR GUILD:** Terrie Saunders, Susie Trupp, & Aileen Henry/Betty White

**COFFEE HOUR:** Vestry & Finance

### **LAY MINISTERS' SCHEDULE JUNE 24, 2018**

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

**9:00am Service- Greeters:** TBD; **Ushers:** Linda Kay-Einerson & Burke Smith; **Lay Readers:** Karen Conrad & Ben Bryan; **Acolytes:** Connor Smith; **Healing Prayer Team:** Jamie Baker & Karen Ekholm

**10:30am Service- Greeters:** Lisa Hammond; **Ushers:** James Schreiber & Dave Gambal; **Lay Readers:** Burt Van Blerk & Andy Ketterson; **Acolytes:** Josh Conrad; **Healing Prayer Team:** Janice Nelson

**ALTAR GUILD:** Jane Hoover, Karen Ekholm, Jan Buhr/Mary Schreiber

**COFFEE HOUR:** Sr. Choir & Hand bells

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

**THE GREETER:** The **green June** calendar is out as well as the **New JUNE/JULY** issue of The Greeter. Please pick up a copy at the back of the Sanctuary or Chapel.

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Today's altar flowers are given by Bob Tritsch in loving memory of Nancy Tritsch; and by Darrell and Cheryl Huss in loving memory of Cheryl's mother, Mildred Black.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS JUNE 17, 2017**

#### **PARISH CYCLE OF PRAYERS**

We have a new line in the prayers for members of the parish. We will pray for each other alphabetically, 4 or 5 families at a time, so that we make it through our entire list of members in a year's time frame.

#### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NEXT WEEK!**

Vacation Bible School Creation

June 24-26 6:00pm-8:30pm.

Dinner at 5:30pm.

Register now at <https://goo.gl/forms/CvykoB1IWJoVTQN73>

#### **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](mailto:erin@standrewsomaha.org) and please be patient as we work through this transition. Thanks.

#### **YES YOUTH EMERGENCY SERVICES THANK YOU**

A hearty thank you is extended from Youth Emergency Service (YES) for all of the clothing & footwear donated during the months of April & May. Approximately two dozen small to large plastic bags & many shopping bags have been delivered in recent weeks. Also greatly appreciated are the cash donations. YES offices are located at 26th & Farnam where they have a "clothes closet" with all apparel free of charge to any homeless youth. Infant & children's clothing is distributed at their maternity home & also at the "clothes closet". For more information their web site is <http://www.yesomaha.org/>

## **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.

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.

If you are interested in joining this group, please add your name to the sign up list outside the chapel or the nave so we know to buy you a book. The cost per book should be about \$10.00.

## **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.

## **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.

## **CAMP CANTERBURY**

Registration is now open for Camp Canterbury in Fremont July 23-27 for youth entering grades 4-12. View more information and register at <http://campcanterbury.episcopal-ne.org/>

## **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).

## **BAKE SALE**

The 2019 DR Family Mission Team will be hosting a bake sale on **Sunday July 8th**. All proceeds will be used to offset the cost of this important and continuing ministry. Your support will determine the success of this mission. Should you have questions regarding how you can help support this mission, please contact, Ashley Crosman, Anna Sitzman, Margo Trofholz or Melissa Peeler.

## **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](mailto:niki@rodawig.com) or 402-415-3635

## **AUGUST GARAGE SALE**

A plan is being put in place for a "garage sale" to take place one or at most two days in early August. This will replace the "Odds and Ends" sale. If you have items you would like to donate, please bring them to **the parish hall after July 1st. Please do not bring items in June.** 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.

## **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 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!

## **DEAN FRICKE FOOD PANTRY**

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

## **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.

## **CALENDAR THIS WEEK- JUNE 17, 2017**

### **Sunday, June 17, 2018**

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

### **Monday, June 18, 2018**

Morning Prayer ..... 9:00am

### **Tuesday, June 19, 2018**

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

### **Wednesday, June 20, 2018**

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

### **Thursday, June 21, 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, June 22, 2018**

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

**Saturday June 23, 2018**

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

**Sunday, June 24, 2018**

Holy Eucharist Rite I ..... 7:45am  
Contemporary Holy Eucharist ..... 9:00am  
Holy Eucharist Rite II ..... 10:30am  
**Vacation Bible School ..... 5:30-8:30pm**

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

**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:** Jason, Sally, & Ellie Brchan; Marlain Bridgeford; Anthony Brown; Dave, Caeli, Dave Jr., Tyler, & Mike Brown; Benjamin, Tara, Juliana, & Vivian Bryan

**Birthdays:** Eileen Armstrong, Sarah Rider, Cameron Trofholz, Lisa Hammond, Christen Stiverson, Robert Teichmeier, Keira Rensch, Scott Zaloudek, Carole Dunic

**Anniversaries:** John and Margaret Schaefer, Kelly and Robyn Caverzagie, Harry Jr. and Gail Koch, Benjiman and Kaitlan Pettiford, Hank and Charlotte Austin

**Additional Thanksgivings:** Leo Thomas Patrick Wieser being baptized at the 9am service.

**Travelers:** Ellie Sutton, Kathy Hankins, Anna & Anna Kay, Sitzman, Liz, David, & Sam Orrick, Fr. John & Daniel

**Deceased:**

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

## **REFLECTIONS FROM THE PEW BY DAN SITZMAN**

As I have described in past reflections, biogeologist Hope Jahren's book "Lab Girl" is a fascinating description of plant science aligning with one's life journey. She states that for the lucky seed who encounters what appears to be acceptable conditions "no risk is more terrifying than that taken by the first root." When a seed begins to germinate, there are two directions to go: first, the roots grow downward, expending all of the stored energy contained in the seed. If all goes well, the shoot goes up, and eventually, food can be produced. "The gamble is everything," writes Jahren, "and losing means death. The odds are more than a million to one against success. But when it wins, it wins big."

As a father reflecting on the development of my own children, I am humbled by their growth, much like the mustard seed grows into the tree in Jesus' parable shared in this Sunday's gospel. From a human point of view, my children's odds for success are much better than a million to one. More importantly, I hope that there exists in their heart the importance of compassion and justice for all people, not for outward appearances, but urged on by the love of Christ.

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