

Vision Statement

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

LAY MINISTERS' SCHEDULE MAY 13, 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:** Jenny Else & Cathy Rife; **Acolytes:** Connor Smith; **Healing Prayer Team:** Jamie Baker/Nancy Ponec

10:30am Service- Greeters: Lisa Hammond; **Ushers:** James Schreiber, Dave Gambal, & Scott Nelson; **Lay Readers:** Benji Pettiford & Ron Dunic; **Acolytes:** Ron Dunic; **Healing Prayer Team:** Janice Nelson

ALTAR GUILD: Polly Goecke, Gretchen Gottschalk, Aileen Henry/Betty White

COFFEE HOUR: St. Monica's Guild

LAY MINISTERS' SCHEDULE MAY 20, 2018

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

9:00am Service- Greeters: Barb Jackson; **Ushers:** Stephen Haakinson, Andy Hawekotte, & Dan Coonce; **Lay Readers:** Ben Bryan & Karen Conrad; **Acolytes:** Lauren Sitzman & Grace Spence; **Healing Prayer Team:** Karen Ekholm/Andy Hawekotte

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

ALTAR GUILD: Sue Hillman, Liz Bourne, & Christina Harter

COFFEE HOUR: Lay Readers & Liturgy Team

*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 **yellow** May calendar and May edition of the Greeter are out. Please pick up a copy at the back of the Sanctuary or Chapel. Articles for the combined June/July Greeter will be due Tuesday, May 22. **Updated Directories** with yellow covers are also available.



ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are given by Billie Lee in thanksgiving for her many blessings and in memory of her George; and by Robert Jones in memory of Carol Jones, David Jones, and additional loved ones.

In honor of all women at St. Andrew's, and thinking especially of our mothers on this day, **we invite all women to take a carnation** in recognition of all you do for this congregation and all you mean to us and to your families.

ANNOUNCEMENTS MAY 13, 2017

NEXT WEEK PENTECOST PICNIC!

Join us **next Sunday, May 20 at 11am outside**. Hamburgers and Hotdogs will be provided, please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our graduating High School Seniors, Bridget Baker, James Henry, Lizzie Nelson, Anna Kay Sitzman, Taryn Smith, Anna Trofholz, and Haley Malnack (who graduated last year and we missed recognizing). We wish them well in their future endeavors.

YES CLOTHING DRIVE

The Outreach Committee is collecting clothing for Youth Emergency Services through April and May. Items most needed include: jeans, shorts, T-shirts, Shoes/sandals, underwear, lightweight jackets & baby/toddler clothing for the YES maternity home. Please bring the items and place them in the black bins in Engle Hall. Monetary donations will also be accepted; please make them out to St. Andrew's with YES in the memo line. Thank you for helping our homeless youth become self-sufficient.

GINNY WINSOR

After almost six years of faithful service as our financial administrator, Ginny Winsor will be retiring at the end of May. Ginny has been a big part of our lives, working in the background to make sure all the bills are paid and your contributions are accurately recorded. Her efforts are appreciated. I'd like to honor Ginny with a special gift of money as she retires. I hope you will make a contribution to this cause, as I will. Checks can be made out to St. Andrew's with "Ginny" in the memo line. -Fr. John

Episcopal Church Women News and Announcements

All information related to what the women of the church are doing can be found on the church website, Facebook page, and the supplemental handout that can be found at the back of the church and chapel. ECW ministries are supportive of women and children in the community and beyond. To learn more about what ECW is doing ask any woman in the church! We welcome everyone to join our monthly events and meetings. For more information you may also email Communications Director Tara O'Shea at taraoshea.swim@gmail.com

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

ST. ANDREW'S KITCHEN

Gentle reminder when you use the kitchen please follow the clean-up check list that is posted in the Kitchen. When in doubt--leave it better than you found it. Any questions about the Kitchen should contact Mary Schreiber at schreiberjames101@gmail.com

PARISH CYCLE OF PRAYERS

Beginning next week, we will 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.

NEW CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY PEW BAGS

New Pew Bags are ready. Take one into worship with you to help keep your child busy during the service. Thank you to everyone that helped with these, especially Nancy Ponec and Lisa Hammond. Please return the bags to the hanger after the service.

VBS REGISTRATION

Vacation Bible School Creation

June 24-26

6:00pm-8:30pm. Dinner at 5:30pm.

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

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/>

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY—NEW STUDY!

We are beginning a study of the weekly lectionary for our time together in Bible Study. Each week we will look at the lessons assigned for the upcoming Sunday, and read and discuss them as a group. The great thing about this format is there is no homework! You can come and go as the Spirit moves you. If you are free at 10:00 am on Tuesday mornings for an hour, join us for Spirit-filled and animated discussion.

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!

OMAHA GIVES

Omaha's sixth annual 24-hour charitable giving challenge is set for **Wednesday, May 23**. St. Andrew's has been approved as a participant. If you give to St. Andrew's through this link: <https://www.omahagives.org/> click on Non-profits, and search for St. Andrew's on May 23, your donation (or payment of your pledge) will go further as additional funds will be added to every donation given this day. **You can even schedule your gift to be given ahead of time to ensure you don't forget on May 23.** You can also make donations to the other ministries that St. Andrew's supports such as The Dean Fricke Food Pantry.

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, spaghetti, or beanie weenies.

Support Episcopal Pantry at Garage Sale

Help support the Dean Fricke Memorial Episcopal Food Pantry by shopping at the Annual Garage Sale for the Eagle Hills area of Papillion **May 17-19**, Thursday through Saturday.

Proceeds from all sales at the home of Ernest and Sue Haffke, **317 Inglewood Circle in Papillion**, will be given as a free will offering to the Dean Fricke Pantry. The Haffkes are members of St. Martha's Episcopal church in Papillion, and the Dean Fricke pantry is a unique ministry supported by seven Omaha-area Episcopal churches to provide food to families and individuals in need. By coming to the Garage Sale May 17-19 and making a purchase at the Haffkes, you will support this important ministry. Hope to see you there!

CURSILLO 2018 MAY 31-JUNE 3

Cursillo is a 3-day spiritual retreat for adults designed to equip both lay people and ordained ministers with tools for evangelism and greater leadership within the Church. During the weekend at the Immaculata Monastery in Norfolk, you will hear talks by laypersons and clergy, participate in small group discussions, have quiet time for meditation and reflection, form new friendships, have daily Eucharist, be served great food, sing a lot of music, and contemplate ways to live out your faith in your daily life. Learn more at nebraskaepiscopalcursillo.org Rev. Diane is planning to attend, so there will be an option to carpool.

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- MAY 13, 2017

Mother's Day, Sunday, May 13, 2018

Holy Eucharist Rite I	7:45am
Contemporary Holy Eucharist	9:00am
Children's Choir	10:00am
Sunday School	10:15am
Holy Eucharist Rite II	10:30am

Monday, May 14, 2018

Morning Prayer	9:00am
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Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Primary Election Day

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

Wednesday, May 16, 2018

Morning Prayer	9:00am
Holy Eucharist	9:30am
St. Monica's Guild at Olive Garden	12:00pm
Bell Choir	6:30pm

Thursday, May 17, 2018

Morning Prayer	9:00am
Craft Group	9:30am
Nearly New Shop	10:00am-4:00pm
Choir Rehearsal	7:00pm

Friday, May 18, 2018

Nearly New Shop	10:00am-4:00pm
Office Closes at 12pm	

Saturday May 19, 2018

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

Pentecost Sunday, May 20, 2018

Holy Eucharist Rite I 7:45am
Contemporary Holy Eucharist 9:00am
Children’s Choir 10:00am
Last Sunday School until Fall..... 10:15am
Holy Eucharist Rite II 10:30am
Pentecost Potluck Picnic **11:00am**

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, Kathy Hankins, Diane Taylor, Emerson, Tracy, Nancy Kirk, Richard Gray, Rinda Ashley, Blake Zogleman

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.

Birthdays: Grace Spence, Sophie Spence, Susie Thorne-Bond, Kate Bathel, Oneda Burns, Ted Fleming, Michael Adcock, Kelsey Conrad, Sarah Conrad, Abbie Urban, Brian Dunic, Nikita Dornan, Daniel Schaefer

Anniversaries:

Additional Thanksgivings:

Travelers:

Deceased:

Our long-term prayer list: Virginia James, John, Isabella Artman, Gail Koch, Hillary Pierce, Clarine Black

REFLECTIONS FROM THE PEW BY DAN SITZMAN

"I am Matthias and I approve of this message."

With primary election day in Nebraska just a few days away, we see lawns peppered with signs supporting candidates and issues, brief snippets on TV commercials, and glossy postcards arriving daily in the mail. For my state legislative district, I have met the 3 candidates running for an open seat. I have found each has traits and experiences that I think would do well in representing my district in Lincoln. It is not a clear, easy decision for me to decide who will receive my vote.

In the first lesson this Sunday, we hear from the Acts of the Apostles as they cast lots to replace Judas. From the passage, it sounds like both candidates have experiences and a passion to carry on Jesus' work. Having two qualified candidates, the decision was made by what essentially is a coin flip.

Throughout life, we encounter situations where decisions have to be made. We do not necessarily need to flip a coin or to play "Rock, Paper, Scissors" to make decisions, but we cannot stand on the sidelines, no matter how trivial or life changing the choice before us.

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