

Vision Statement

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

LAY MINISTERS' SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

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

9:00am Service- Greeters: Camille Culp; **Ushers:** Kim Johansen, Liz Orrick, & Karen Quintana; **Lay Readers:** Beth Summers & Cathy Rife; **Acolytes:** Braxton Rife & Marcus Else; **Healing Prayer Team:** Karen Ekholm & Andy Hawekotte

10:30am Service- Greeters: Janice Nelson; **Ushers:** Charley and Nancy Pugsley & Dave and Anne Gambal; **Lay Readers:** Lee Hammond & Tara O'Shea; **Acolytes:** Ron Dunic; **Healing Prayer Team:** Janice Nelson

ALTAR GUILD: Sue Hillman, Doug and Karen LeClair/Terrie Saunders, Christina Harter

COFFEE HOUR: Lay Readers & Liturgy Team

LAY MINISTERS' SCHEDULE OCTOBER 7, 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:** Don Peeler & Camille Culp; **Acolytes:** Paige Rife; **Healing Prayer Team:** Jamie Baker & Andy Hawekotte

10:30am Service- Greeters: Lisa Hammond; **Ushers:** TBD; **Lay Readers:** Kelly Bourne & Andy Ketterson; **Acolytes:** Liam O'Shea; **Healing Prayer Team:** Janice Nelson

ALTAR GUILD: Carolyn and John Curtis, Karen and Doug LeClair/Terrie Saunders; Mina Witherspoon/Ellie Sutton

COFFEE HOUR: Ushers & ECW Board

*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 **peach October** calendar is out as well as the **October** issue of The Greeter. Please pick up a copy at the back of the Sanctuary or Chapel. **Articles for the November edition are due Tuesday, October 23.**

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are given by Kelly and Liz Bourne in thanksgiving for their children and grandchildren; and by an anonymous donor in thanksgiving.

ANNOUNCEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

CARE OF OUR BUILDING

This is a reminder to please do the following when leaving a room or the church building:

If you have changed the thermostat, please cancel any changes before leaving.

Turn off all the lights, fans, and window air conditioners when exiting.

Please lock all of the doors when leaving. Kindly, please double check the doors to ensure they are closed tightly and locked.

YOUTH GROUP WEDNESDAY EVENINGS!

Calling all 6th-12th graders! SAY (St. Andrew's Youth) group is starting back up. We meet Wednesdays from **7-8pm** at St.

Andrew's! Friends are welcome! Please eat before you come. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Steve and Lauren White (402-216-8584) or email at say@standrewsomaha.org. We look forward to seeing you!

YOUTH EMERGENCY SERVICES CLOTHING DRIVE

Winter Clothing Collection, Youth Emergency Services (YES).

During the month of October, we are collecting youth winter clothing and socks & underwear, new in the package. Please place bagged items in the appropriately marked black plastic bins in Engle Hall. Thank you for your help in providing clothing for these homeless youths.

ALTAR GUILD MEETING

The Altar Guild will meet Wednesday, October 3 at 9:30am in the chapel followed by a meeting in the conference room.

HY-VEE RECEIPTS FOR OMAHA STREET SCHOOL

Also, HyVee receipt collecting has started and will continue through the school year. Please place your receipts in the Hy-Vee Bag in Engle Hall on the Bulletin Board and Hy-Vee will donate a portion of the proceeds!

Did you know we are one of the lunch providers at the Omaha Street School? We purchase, prepare and serve lunch from 11:45-12:45 on the second Monday every month during the school year. If this is something you are interested in helping with, give Melissa Peeler a call at 402-212-3827 or email at melissa.peeler81@gmail.com.



PET BLESSING OCTOBER 7

Please bring your pets Sunday, October 7 at 3pm for our Annual Blessing of the Animals, as well as fun, fellowship, and treats.

ARTS AND CRAFTS FAIRE

The Ladies of St. Andrew's ECW have been busy preparing for the upcoming Arts and Crafts Faire being held at the church on November 10th. There will still be a wide variety of handmade items provided by our members, but for the first time, we are opening up our sale to include artisans from outside of the St. Andrew's community. We are currently accepting applications from artisans who are interested in participating in our event. The cost is \$40 for an 8X5 foot space or \$30 for a 6X5 foot space. Artisans may provide their own table and chairs, or if they would like to rent a 6 or 8 foot table plus 2 chairs from us, it is an additional \$10. If you, or anyone you know, would be interested in renting a booth at our Faire, please send an e-mail to stas.artsandcraftsfair@gmail.com. We would be happy to provide you with more information and a copy of the application. We thank you in advance for your support of this newly expanded event. Securing several talented outside artisans will help to ensure the continuation of ECW programs, ECW outreach, and additional support of Magdalene House.



OCTOBERFEST CELEBRATION

Join us **Saturday, October 13** at the home of James and Mary Schreiber (1008 Lake Vista Dr. Papillion, NE 68046) from 4pm-7pm. There will be German food, games for kids, and samples of Jim's home brews.

STEWARDSHIP SESSIONS

Coming up in October we will be offering several different sessions in a church wide study and worship program called *Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity*. During this time, we will explore what the Bible teaches us about financial management through corporate worship and small group study. We trust and hope that all, as able, will attend these sessions. Sign-up sheets are now available near the chapel, main church, Engle Hall, and the Boardroom. **Please sign up** for when you intend to attend, but if you need to go to a different session on a particular, please do.

The sessions are as follows:

Week of	
10/7-13	"When Dreams Become Nightmares"
10/14-20	"Wisdom and Finance"
10/21-27	"Cultivating Contentment"
10/28 – 11/3	"Defined by Generosity"

We will offer several different time slots and days for each session so that as many people as possible might attend. The times and days are as follows:

Sundays	6:00 – 7:00 PM	at St. Andrew's
Tuesdays	10:00 – 11:00 AM	at St. Andrews
Wednesdays	6:30 – 7:30 PM	at St. Andrew's
Thursdays	10:00 – 11:00 AM	at COR
	7:00 – 8:00 PM	at COR
Saturdays	10:00 – 11:00 AM	at St. Andrew's
Sundays	12:30 PM - 2:30 PM	at COR

*COR= Church of the Resurrection

St. Andrew's is providing the books for the participants. Please see one of the priests for your copy.

IF YOU CONTRIBUTE TO THE UNITED WAY

Please help the food pantry supported by Episcopal churches in the Omaha area financially by designating your United Way giving to the “Dean Fricke Memorial Episcopal Food Pantry, Inc., Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, 113 No. 18th St., Omaha, NE 68102,” phone 342-7013. We are not on the list, so ask your United Way volunteer for a Donor Designation form. Fill in the space for a non-affiliated agency indicating Episcopal Food Pantry. **You do not need an ID #.** even though the form may ask for it. To ensure proper credit, please check the box to receive acknowledgment of your contribution.

FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES

Please help the Dean Fricke Pantry by designating your Combined Federal Campaign giving to the “Dean Fricke Memorial Episcopal Food Pantry, Inc. Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, 113 No. 18th St., Omaha, NE 68102,” phone 342-7013. The Fricke Pantry is part of the Combined Federal Campaign. All Federal employees can now designate our pantry, a mission of Omaha-area Episcopal churches, on their CFC pledge forms. To insure proper credit, please check the box to receive acknowledgment of your contribution. Our **CFC # is 41899.**

Thank you! United Way funds are important to the mission of our food pantry.

CALENDAR THIS WEEK- SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

Sunday, September 30, 2018

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

Monday, October 1, 2018

Morning Prayer.....	9:00am
ECW Board Meeting.....	6:30pm

Tuesday, October 2, 2018

Morning Prayer.....	9:00am
Bible Study	10:00am
Daughters of the King.....	6:00pm

Wednesday, October 3, 2018

Morning Prayer..... 9:00am
Holy Eucharist 9:30am
Altar Guild..... 10:00am
Bell Choir Rehearsal..... 6:00pm
Youth Group..... 7:00pm

Thursday, October 4, 2018

Craft Group..... 9:30am
Nearly New Shop 10:00am-4:00pm
Adult Choir Practice..... 7:00pm-8:30pm
Prayer Shawl Ministry..... 7:00pm

Friday, October 5, 2018

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

Saturday October 6, 2018

Men’s Book Study..... 8:00am
Caring Community..... 9:00am
Nearly New Shop..... 10:00am-1:00pm
Holy Eucharist 5:00pm

Sunday, October 7, 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
Blessing of the Animals 3:00pm
Stewardship and Generosity Group..... 6:00pm

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: Katherine, Stacy, Jack Strayer, Corrine & Cassandra Cosgrove, Jennifer Pierce

Special Intentions: 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: Elizabeth “Betty Jo” Johnson; Judi Johnson; Bob Jones; Donna Jordan; Frank and Grace Jordan; Steve and Dana Karcher

Birthdays: Pat Gardner, Adah Earle, Cathy Engle, Dan Sitzman, Jason Brchan, Connie Krieger, Reagan Matthews, Melissa Peeler, Mike Brown, Jim Conrad, James Murphy

Anniversaries: Jason and Sally Brchan, Shaun and Cathy Rife, Joe and Barb Jackson

Additional Thanksgivings:

Travelers: Lois Westfall

Deceased:

Our long-term prayer list: Virginia James, John, Isabella Artman, Gail Koch, Hillary Pierce, Clarine Black, Mark Peterson, Diane Taylor, Emerson, Gay, Danny Dolan, Pat Weber, Jake Palmer, Ken Hileman

Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity

On Sunday, October 6th, we will begin a church wide study and worship emphasis called *Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity*. Over a period of four weeks, we will look at some of the financial challenges facing us as a nation and examine our own spending, saving, and giving habits. In addition to exploring biblical principles of financial management, we will learn ways to assess our financial situation and develop a financial plan that will allow us to experience the true joy that comes through simplicity and generosity.

At the end of the emphasis, we will have the opportunity to make personal commitments of giving for the coming year. We will consecrate these commitments on Sunday, November 18th. See the announcements and electronic newsletter for more information, including details about small group study opportunities during this time.

REFLECTIONS FROM THE PEW BY DAN SITZMAN

Over the years, in the conversations at St. Andrew's social functions, in Engle Hall after the service or as Sunday School is released, I admit that I have been involved more than once in the recitation of Monty Python movie lines. In *Monty Python and the Holy Grail*, King Arthur's path is blocked by the Black Knight. Despite being persistent and a tad bit optimistic, the Black Knight is badly wounded, but continues to fight and mock his legendary opponent. With both of his arms and legs cut off ("It's just a bloody flesh wound!"), the Black Knight shouts as King Arthur continues on his journey: "Come back here... and I'll bite your legs off."

This Sunday, we hear from the Gospel of Mark: *If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire.*

The Black Knight in *Holy Grail* is so intent on an action, he makes claims and sacrifices that do not make sense in the long run. But as Christians, even if Jesus' imagery of lost body parts does not seem clear to us, we know what makes sense: showing Christ's love by serving our neighbor, respecting the children, and protecting the defenseless. Whether it is the routine of community, prayer and service at and around a monastery or church, a team gathered in the neighborhood to contribute to the building of a Habitat for Humanity home, or sitting to talk after delivering a prepared meal to a family dealing with health challenges, we can communicate God's love, whether or not we know the airspeed velocity of an unladen swallow.

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