

## ***Vision Statement***

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

### **LAY MINISTERS' SCHEDULE NOVEMBER 25, 2018**

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

**9:00am Service- Greeters:** Lisa Aguilar; **Ushers:** Steve and Lauren White; **Lay Readers:** Camille Culp & Cathy Rife; **Acolytes:** Lauren Sitzman & Sophie Spence; **Healing Prayer Team:** Nancy Ponec & Karen Ekholm

**10:30am Service- Greeters:** Anne Gambal; **Ushers:** Charley and Nancy Pugsley & Dave and Anne Gambal; **Lay Readers:** Kaitlan Pettiford & Tara O'Shea; **Acolytes:** John Dodge & Laura Dodge; **Healing Prayer Team:** Janice Nelson

**ALTAR GUILD:** Carolyn and John Curtis, Liz and Kelly Bourne, Jan Buhr/Mary Schreiber

**COFFEE HOUR:** Altar Guild & Outreach

### **LAY MINISTERS' SCHEDULE DECEMBER 2, 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:** Linda Kay-Einerson & Burke Smith; **Lay Readers:** Sharon Kryger & Dan Sitzman; **Acolytes:** TBD; **Healing Prayer Team:** Andy Hawekotte & Karen Ekholm

**10:30am Service- Greeters:** Janice Nelson; **Ushers:** Lee Hammond, D.J. O'Shea, & Scott Nelson; **Lay Readers:** Lee Hammond & Bert Van Blerk; **Acolytes:** TBD; **Healing Prayer Team:** Janice Nelson

**ALTAR GUILD:** Jane Hoover, Gretchen Gottschalk, Aileen Henry/Betty White

**COFFEE HOUR:** Vestry & Finance

\*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 **lavender November** calendar is out as well as the **November** issue of The Greeter. Please pick up a copy at the back of the Sanctuary or Chapel. **Articles for the December edition are due Tuesday, November 27.**

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Today's altar flowers are given by Phil and Edi Pierce in thanksgiving for their many blessings; and by Darrell and Cheryl Huss in memory of Darrell's father, Herman Huss. \*We are looking for a volunteer or two to sponsor the flowers for next week, December 2. Please contact Erin in the office if you would like to.\*

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS NOVEMBER 25, 2017**

#### **PLEDGE CARDS**

If you have not yet turned in a pledge card for 2019, you will them at the back of the church and chapel. On a practical level, we ask our members to turn in these cards each year so that our Finance Committee is able to set an accurate ministry budget for the coming year. This allows us to make the most of every dollar given to the church. On a personal level, the commitment card is an opportunity for you to spend time in prayer and reflection, considering what offering you will make to God through our church in the coming year. Please turn in your card as soon as possible, so we can work on the 2019 budget.

#### **FAITH HOUSE HABITAT DEDICATION DATE**

Saturday, December 8 at 10am, is the home dedication for the faith house that some of us worked on. You are welcome to attend. 3323 Emmet St.

#### **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY**

There is no Sunday School today, please stay in the church with your parents today, but join us December 16 for a cookie and card-making party after Sunday School, around 11am.

#### **ADVENT LESSONS AND CAROLS**

Our Annual Candlelight Advent Lessons and Carols Event is **Sunday, December 9 at 4pm** followed by a reception. We hope to see you there.

## **MINISTRY OF MOMS THIS WEDNESDAY**

In response to the favorable feedback we had with our spring Ministry of Moms (MOMs) group that Erin Zogleman launched, we are planning to set up a recurring monthly time for women to get together and discuss issues that impact our lives from a spiritual perspective. Our first meeting will be **Wednesday, November 28 at 7:00 pm** in the Blue Room (near the church office).

A December get together will be optional, and then continuing in January through April, please reserve the last Wednesday of the month for our MOMs group.

At our meeting in November, we will begin a 4 session study entitled "Breathing Room" by Sandra Stanley. Here is a link to her website. <https://breathingroom.org/> Erin Zogleman recommended this and I have previewed it and believe **it is not only relevant to moms, but to sisters, daughters, and partners of all ages.** The spiritual message is comforting and uplifting.

What keeps us coming back to church is not only the spiritual support we receive, but the bonds with those around us, the relationships we cherish. I pray this MOMs group will become an integral part of your life. ~Leslie VanderVeen

## **OUTREACH MITTEN TREE**

This Advent our mitten tree will be up once again. We encourage everyone to decorate it with warm mittens, hats, scarves, and socks. All of these gifts will be delivered to the Siena/Francis House, the region's largest shelter serving individuals experiencing homelessness. (<http://sienafrancis.org/>). Thank you for your generosity.

## **ADVENT CALENDARS**

There are cream-colored pamphlets in the back of the church and chapel with daily suggestions for how to slow down and focus our lives on Advent. Please take one if you find it helpful.

## **CHRISTMAS EVE POINSETTIAS**

It is time to start turning in your Dedications for Christmas Eve Donations. Look for the green insert in today's bulletin.

## ADVENT MEN'S STUDY THIS MONDAY

The St. Andrew's Men's Group is doing a four-week Advent study!

*He started his journey as an unknown carpenter, but Joseph became the earthly father of Jesus. For his part in the nativity story, he faced a situation much like our own - encountering life circumstances he didn't choose or understand. His courageous actions were crucial to the birth of Christ and God's salvation plan for humanity. In **Faithful: Christmas Through the Eyes of Joseph**, Adam Hamilton teaches about Joseph and what we as Christians can learn from him.*

There's no book to read for this group, just come watch the short video each week and discuss while enjoying some good refreshments and good company!

The group will meet in Haviland Hall from 7-8pm on Monday nights for four weeks, **starting November 26<sup>th</sup>**, and ending December 17<sup>th</sup>.

Sign-up sheets are located in Engle Hall, on the window of the Sanctuary, or you can contact Fr. Tony at [tony@standrewsomaha.org](mailto:tony@standrewsomaha.org) to let him know you're interested.

## DEAN FRICKE FOOD PANTRY

The Dean Fricke Food Pantry welcomes any and all non-perishable food donations during the holidays. Please remember those who are less fortunate and pick up a few items while doing your holiday shopping. So many food sales going on right now. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all the donations that have come to the food pantry especially this year.

## A HEARTY THANKS FROM YOUTH EMERGENCY SERVICES

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the October winter clothing, sock & underwear collection for Youth Emergency Services. Our St. Andrews Outreach Program also contributed a \$1000.00 check in September which was part of the YES annual matching funds drive which resulted in \$2000.00 actually given to the organization. This much needed help for our homeless youth is greatly appreciated.

## **BLUE MASS DECEMBER 16**

Our second annual *Blue Mass* is a time set aside when we can, with others, acknowledge the "blue" feelings we have at Christmas time. For many who have lost a loved one, this is a time of sharp loneliness. For others, who have lost a relationship, health, a job or had a financial setback it may be a time of pain, confusion, or fear. This is not a joyous season for everyone. We hope you will join us for this candlelight service of quiet, prayer, and Holy Communion Sunday, December 16 at 5pm.

## **THANK YOU FROM THE WITTY FAMILY**

So many angels ministered to me and my family this past month since Tim passed away. How can I say thank you? Please know that all the hugs, cards, memorial donations, flowers and food that has been delivered has warmed our hearts and comforted our souls immensely. We thank God every day for our St. Andrew's family and friends.

Noreen Witty and family

## **CALENDAR THIS WEEK- NOVEMBER 25, 2018**

### **Sunday, November 25, 2018**

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

### **Monday, November 26, 2018**

Men's Advent Study..... 7:00pm-8:00pm

### **Tuesday, November 27, 2018**

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

### **Wednesday, November 28, 2018**

Holy Eucharist ..... 9:30am  
Bell Choir Rehearsal..... 6:00pm  
Ministry of MOMs..... 7:00pm

### **Thursday, November 29, 2018**

Nearly New Shop..... 10:00am-4:00pm  
Adult Choir Practice..... 7:00pm

**Friday, November 30, 2018**

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

**Saturday December 1, 2018**

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

**Sunday, December 2, 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

***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:** Jim Hutchison, Betty Hilsheimer, Rebekah Akol, Jessie Gross, Bill Fleming, Paula, Nelly, The O’Shea Family, Sabrina, Sue Menter, Susan Palmer, Herbert Hartman Jr.

**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:** Bruce and Lisa Moritz; Sharon Moya; Jim and Rita Murphy; Scott and Janice Nelson

**Birthdays:** Kathy Hankins, Nancy Ponec, David Telford, John Stewart, Edi Pierce, Pete Hill, Ashley Crosman, Darrell Huss, Camille Culp, Michael Nelson, Stu Dornan

**Anniversaries:** Daryl and Dena Wagner, David and Cathy Adcock

**Travelers:** Joey Gulizia, Jon and Jill Siner, Billie Lee

**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, Chuck, Jim Kozak, Bob Tritsch, Ben Steiner-Wright, Ray Buhr

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