

Vision Statement

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

LAY MINISTERS' SCHEDULE MARCH 17, 2019

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:** Shaun Rife & Susan Menter; **Lay Readers:** Camille Culp & Fred Gottschalk; **Acolytes:** Marcus Else; **Healing Prayer Team:** Jamie Baker/Andy Hawekotte

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

ALTAR GUILD: Jane Hoover, Liz and Kelly Bourne, Mary Schreiber/Mina Witherspoon

COFFEE HOUR: Caring Community & Daughters of the King

LAY MINISTERS' SCHEDULE MARCH 24, 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:** Steve and Lauren White; **Lay Readers:** Dan Sitzman & Don Peeler; **Acolytes:** Connor Smith; **Healing Prayer Team:** Karen Ekholm/Nancy Ponec

10:30am Service- Greeters: Lisa Hammond; **Ushers:** Lee Hammond, D.J. O'Shea, & Scott Nelson; **Lay Readers:** Andy Ketterson & Lee Hammond; **Acolytes:** Josh Conrad; **Healing Prayer Team:** Janice Nelson

ALTAR GUILD: Carolyn and John Curtis, Karen Ekholm, Jan Buhr

COFFEE HOUR: St. Monica's Guild

THE GREETER: The **March** Edition of The Greeter and the **Green** March Calendar are out. You can pick up a copy at the back of the church or chapel. **Articles for the April Edition are due Tuesday, March 26.**

There are no altar flowers during the season of Lent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS MARCH 17, 2019

Save the Date
Diaper Shower

Saturday, March 30th
Engle Hall at St. Andrew's
2 - 4 pm

*Bring any size package of
any size diaper*

RSVP
Sarah Black
sarah@standrewsomaha.org
402-660-7649

UTO BOXES

We will be celebrating the **United Thank Offering** ingathering on April 14th. Take a blue box home today and begin practicing the spiritual discipline of thanksgiving. Every time you recognize something that causes gratitude in your life, contribute coins or dollars to your blue box as a prayer of thanksgiving. On April 14th, we will celebrate God's gifts, bringing everyone's contributions together. Every cent is contributed to vital mission and ministry throughout the world. If you prefer, there are also envelopes for gifts at the back of the church and chapel. For more information, please visit the United Thank Offering online.

OUTREACH MEETING

Our next Outreach meeting is **this coming Saturday, March 23** at 10:00 am. All who are interested are encouraged to attend.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY: NEW SERIES

We are switching gears for the Tuesday morning bible study.

How2charist: Digital Instructed Eucharist

Bread + wine: blessed. God: present. What's the meaning behind our words + rituals? How2charist illuminates the liturgy's beauty + spirit.

Join us on Tuesday mornings at 10am for this four-part series.

St. Andrew's Supports March Madness at Omaha Street School!!

Every March, a local benefactor matches donations made to the Omaha Street School's March Madness event. St. Andrew's outreach will make a \$400 contribution to the Omaha Street School in March. Their goal for this year is to reach \$100,000. You have the opportunity to help this amount grow. The Omaha Street School provides a Christian-based education for at-risk youth in the Omaha area. Checks may be made to St. Andrew's with OSS-March Madness in the memo line. Questions may be directed to Melissa Peeler at melissa.peeler81@gmail.com or at 402-212-3827.

MICHAEL BAUER ORGAN RECITAL

Today, March 17, 3:00 p.m., Saint Cecilia Cathedral (40th and Webster)

SAVE THE DATES!

SAVE YOUR STUFF!

St. Andrew's annual Odds & Ends Sale 2019 dates are set:

Friday, August 16th and Saturday, August 17.

This sale supports our yearly \$3,000 commitment to Habitat for Humanity for local home building projects. It is also a ministry that provides household goods and furniture to many appreciative Omahans. The success of the sale depends on all of us. Please start saving your donations, and please consider giving some of your time to this year's sale. Stu and Dari Dornan will be heading up the Odds & Ends team this year. We will let you know when we schedule the first meeting.

WRONG COAT

Someone accidentally took the wrong coat home the evening of the COTA Fundraiser. If you took home a black London Fog coat with a zip-out purple lining that a dear parishioner has had since the 70s, your similar black London Fog coat is still hanging on the rack, and we would appreciate you switching it out. Thanks.

***UPDATE* OMAHA STREET SCHOOL AND FAMILY FARE RECEIPTS**

Family Fare grocery store will donate a portion of collected receipts through the school year to the Omaha Street School. Please place your receipts in the Bag in Engle Hall on the Bulletin Board.

Hy-Vee receipts are collected only during the months of September through December, whereas Family Fare will donate during the entire school year.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS WILL BE HELD EVERY WEDNESDAY DURING LENT IN THE CHAPEL BEGINNING AT 5:30 pm.

CALENDAR THIS WEEK- MARCH 17, 2019

Sunday, March 17, 2019

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, March 18, 2019

Tuesday, March 19, 2019

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

Wednesday, March 20, 2019

Holy Eucharist	9:30am
St. Monica's Guild.....	12:00pm
Stations of the Cross.....	5:30pm
Bell Choir Rehearsal.....	6:00pm

Thursday, March 21, 2019

Craft Group..... 9:30am
Nearly New Shop..... 10:00am-4:00pm
Adult Choir Practice..... 7:00pm
Episcopal 101 **here** 7:00pm

Friday, March 22, 2019

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

Saturday, March 23, 2019

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

Sunday, March 24, 2019

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.

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

Prayer Requests: Brittney, Dana, Stewart Hall, Gary Rezac, Amaris, Liesle, Sabrina, Jill Stump, Susie Trupp

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: Josh, Amy, Nate, & Abbie Urban; Bert Van Blerk; Joel, Leslie, Maxwell, Sam, & Aven VanderVeen; Ardie Vickery; Richard, Jackie, & Andrew Vinci

Birthdays: Josaphine Aguilar, Nyadeng Riek, Jody Smythe, Del Jean Miller, Anna Kay Sitzman, Dave Brown Jr., Phil Pierce, Dana Coonce, Chance Adcock, Nick Dornan, Eloise Frink, Sophia Huss

Anniversaries: Andy Jr. and Patricia Ketterson, Pete and Joan Hill

Travelers: Doug and Karen LeClair

Additional Thanksgivings:

Deceased: Don Peeler Sr.

Our long-term prayer list: Virginia James, John, Gail Koch, Hillary Pierce, Clarine Black, Mark Peterson, Diane Taylor, Emerson, Gay, Danny Dolan, Ken Hileman, Chuck, Jim Kozak, Mary Gayle Baker, Melinda Jones, Donna, Jeff Chase, Mike Brown, Peter Hill, Ray Buhr, Rebekah Akol, Akol Akol, Janelle Domeyer and family, Natalie, Liz, and Bob Drew

REFLECTIONS FROM THEY PEW BY DAN SITZMAN

Loving

Can one show feelings and care for others without fully understanding the emotions of others?

MIT Professor Sherry Terkle cites recent research of a 40% decline in standard measures of empathy with the introduction of smart phones. The researcher told Terkle that once she recognized the pattern of data in the research, she immediately set out trying to write empathy apps for cell phones.

But Terkle states that the ultimate “empathy app” is talking face-to-face to another person. Perhaps the threat of loss of empathy in our society is because of an idea that technology will keep us connected. While the immediacy of texts, phone calls, emails is much faster than a hand written letter or delivery by carrier pigeon, the constant need for using the technology is a challenge to developing and strengthening a loving community.

The theme of fear and threats is woven throughout the lessons, psalm and gospel for the second Sunday of Lent. As we try to balance the benefits of modern communication with the threat of unanticipated consequences, how might I better empathize with others, serving and loving in the way of the Lord?

Frequently Asked Questions: Dean Fricke Memorial Episcopal Food Pantry

We prepared this list of questions and answers to help clear up misconceptions.

Q: Is the Fricke Food Pantry still providing food to the hungry in Omaha?

A: Yes! We are doing it by providing financial support to other food agencies and pantries through our Food Security Grant Program. **We no longer handle food.**

Q: Is the Fricke Food Pantry still occupying space at Trinity Cathedral?

A: No. The space now is used for storage. We still receive mail at the church.

Q: Can I still bring food or paper sacks to my Episcopal church?

A: No. Please take your donations to the Pantry on Blondo at All Saints Episcopal Church, 93rd and Blondo.

Q: What is the Pantry on Blondo?

A: It's a food pantry at All Saints Episcopal Church, 93rd and Blondo, operated by that church – not by the Fricke Pantry. The Pantry on Blondo will happily take donations of any nonperishable food or paper bags at All Saints church.

Q: Is the Fricke Food Pantry still asking for financial support?

A: Yes. Your support helps us feed the hungry through Food Security Grants. Current recipients are Youth Emergency Services (YES), Project Hope, Christian Outreach Program in Elkhorn (COPE), Holy Family Door Ministry, and the Family Dinner Table at The Salvation Army's Kroc Center.

Q: Did the Fricke Food Pantry recently start supporting other agencies?

A: No. We've been giving money to other agencies for several years. We instituted the Food Security Grants a couple of years ago.

Q: Why is the Fricke Food Panty no longer sacking food?

A: The Food Bank of the Heartland requires any agency purchasing food to deal directly with the public. We were packing sacks of food for YES and, earlier, Project Hope. Although the Food Bank gave us an exemption for several years, in 2018 it decided it could no longer do that and had to cease our relationship.

Q: What church operates the Fricke Food Pantry?

A: We are registered as a nonprofit, joint effort of seven Omaha-area Episcopal churches: All Saints, Church of the Resurrection, St. Andrew’s, St. Augustine of Canterbury, St. Martha’s, St. Martin of Tours and Trinity Cathedral.

If you have further questions, please contact Noreen Witty.

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