

## *Vision Statement*

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

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

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

**9:00am Service- Greeters:** Dana Coonce; **Ushers:** Stephen Haakinson & Dan Coonce; **Lay Readers:** Don Peeler & Karen Conrad; **Acolytes:** Lauren Sitzman; **Healing Prayer Team:** Jamie Baker/ Karen Ekholm

**10:30am Service- Greeters:** Lisa Hammond; **Ushers:** Charley and Nancy Pugsley & Dave and Anne Gambal; **Lay Readers:** Bert Van Blerk & Andy Ketterson; **Acolytes:** Liam O'Shea; **Healing Prayer Team:** Janice Nelson

**ALTAR GUILD:** Jane Hoover, Gretchen Gottschalk, Mina Witherspoon/Jan Buhr

**COFFEE HOUR:** Altar Guild & Outreach

### **LAY MINISTERS' SCHEDULE MARCH 3, 2019**

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

**9:00am Service- Greeters:** Dana Coonce; **Ushers:** Don Peeler & Barb Jackson; **Lay Readers:** Fred Gottschalk & Beth Summers; **Acolytes:** TBD; **Healing Prayer Team:** Karen Ekholm/Andy Hawekotte

**10:30am Service- Greeters:** Lisa Hammond; **Ushers:** Lee Hammond, D.J. O'Shea, Sam Sowl; **Lay Readers:** Ken West & Tara O'Shea; **Acolytes:** TBD; **Healing Prayer Team:** Janice Nelson

**ALTAR GUILD:** Vickie Teutsch, Karen and Doug LeClair, Christina Harter

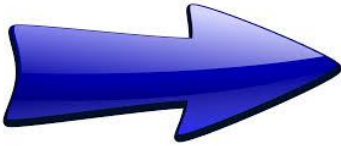
**COFFEE HOUR:** Vestry & Finance

**THE GREETER:** The February Edition of The Greeter is out. You can pick up a copy at the back of the church or chapel. **Articles for the March Edition are due Tuesday, February 19.**

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

Today's Altar flowers are given by Gini Thomas in loving memory of Samuel F. Thomas; and by Betty White with thanksgiving for her grandchildren.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FEBRUARY 24, 2019**



**DIRECTORY**

Please check your information in the parish Directory at the back of the Chapel or Sanctuary and make any needed corrections.

**ASH WEDNESDAY MARCH 6**

We will have four services on Ash Wednesday, 7:00 am, 9:30 am, 12:00 pm, and 7:00 pm.

**OUTREACH MEETING**

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

**EPISCOPAL 101 CLASS**

From Fr. John: Marisa Thompson, the rector of All Saints, and I, have decided to offer a joint "Episcopal 101" class for adults. The class can be taken for educational purposes or in preparation to be received or confirmed in the Episcopal Church when the bishop makes his annual visit in early April. Please look for the sign-up sheets after church services. Classes will be on Thursday evenings starting on February 28th.

**MARCH 12 COTA FUNDRAISER**

Second Anniversary Celebration of Luke's Successful Liver Transplant. Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction for COTA Children's Organ Transplant Association. Tuesday March 12 5-7pm here at St. Andrew's. Please see the flyer in the February Greeter for more information.

## **TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

We are switching gears for the Tuesday morning bible study. Our next course of study is titled "Listening for God's Voice." Please join us Tuesday mornings at 10:00 am in the Blue Room.

## **SAVE THE DATES! SAVE YOUR STUFF!**

St. Andrew's annual Odds & Ends Sale 2019 dates are set: Friday, August 16<sup>th</sup> 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 begin discussing and planning the sale Saturday, March 23 at 11:00 am. Please join us!

## **ST. MONICA'S GUILD THANKS YOU**

The Ladies of St. Monica's Guild would like to thank you for your generous donations to our Welcome Bag Project. With your help, we were able to deliver 32 filled bags to the St. Monica's Home in Lincoln in January. This is only the third time since we began this ministry that we have been able to deliver more than 30 bags at one time, and our grand total of bags delivered since 2011 is now up to 397. We will continue to collect items throughout the year, and will plan on making another delivery this summer. Thank you once again for helping to make this ministry successful!

## **\*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.

**CALENDAR THIS WEEK- FEBRUARY 24, 2019**

**Sunday, February 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, February 25, 2019**

**Tuesday, February 26, 2019**

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

**Wednesday, February 27, 2019**

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

**Thursday, February 28, 2019**

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

**Friday, March 1, 2019**

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

**Saturday, March 2, 2019**

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

**Sunday, March 3, 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](mailto:erin@standrewsomaha.org).**

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

**Prayer Requests:** Peter Hill, Rebekah Akol. Akol Akol, Maria Akol, Nancy Ponec, Cathy Adcock, Ray Buhr, Brittney, Dana, Stewart Hall, Jessie Gross

**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:** Beth Summers; Jenny & Mara Summers; Elsbeth Sutton; Francesca Swynford & Gene Anderson; Tyler, Christine, & Robert Teichmeier

**Birthdays:** Madison Markoff, Archie Charron, Theresa Huss, Brenden Adcock, Burke Smith, Vicky McHugh

**Anniversaries:** John and Carolyn Curtis

**Travelers:**

**Additional Thanksgivings:**

**Deceased:**

**Our long-term prayer list:** Virginia James, John, Gail Koch, Hillary Pierce, Clarine Black, Mark Peterson, Diane Taylor, Emerson, Gay, Danny Dolan, Jake Palmer, Ken Hileman, Chuck, Jim Kozak, Ray Buhr, Mary Gayle Baker, Melinda Jones, Donna, Jeff Chase

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

"Are Full or Empty Beer Bottles Sturdier and Does Their Fracture-Threshold Suffice to Break the Human Skull?"

"Study finds that in a zoo, chimpanzees imitate humans about as often, and about as well, as humans imitate chimpanzees."

"My team investigated the dynamics of liquid-sloshing, to learn what happens when a person walks backwards while carrying a cup of coffee."

At first, these scientific titles and descriptions seem absurd, improbable that any serious person would spend time and resources to investigate. Each is a published study and a recent recipient of the Ig Nobel Prize ([www.improbable.com](http://www.improbable.com)), recognizing research that "makes people laugh, and then think." This past week, after listening to several days of serious, obviously relevant lectures, I attended a session featuring presentations by the 2018 Ig Nobel awardees. What struck me, besides the researchers' sense of humor, is the passion for what they were curious about. The researchers exuded a sense of wonder and amazement about what at first glance seems obvious. I reflected to consider how I stretch myself as a learner beyond what is easy. As the moderator asked the audience, "How do you decide what's important and what's not, and what's real and what's not — in science and everywhere else?"

If the Ig Nobel Prize existed in Jesus' time, this Sunday's Gospel passage from Luke may be up for consideration. If we only do what is easy, if we only pursue what seems to be important, if we only interact with those who will reinforce and affirm our own thinking, what credit is that to us?

### **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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