

July 21, 2024 Proper 11

"Sharing God's Love"



Welcome to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

We are one of the parishes that make up The Diocese of Ohio and are part of the Episcopal Church of the United States of America. We are also part of the worldwide Anglican Communion and at the head of the Anglican Communion is the Archbishop of Canterbury.

St. Andrew's is made up of diverse people who find meaning and experience community through relationships – with God, with ourselves as we seek to know God, with each other and with the world in which we live. We are old and young, female and male, gay and straight, cis-gender and non-binary in gender identification. We are single, married, divorced, widowed, black and white across a wide socio-economic range. In fact we are like everybody. We work in our communities and invest in work around the world. We study and we ask questions as we move deeper into the mystery of God. We support one another in good times and bad, and we try to see Christ in everyone we meet.

St. Andrew's mission statement is, "Sharing God's Love. "We believe that we are participating with God in God's work in the world. We are an open and affirming, inclusive community of faith, believing that God loves everyone, no exceptions.

Since December of 2019, we have made the work of anti-racism a priority by confessing, studying, praying, advocating and in activism for racial equity and social justice. We have been described as "Traditional in pews and kneelers, ornate altar and vestments. Modern in energy, ordination of women, and respect for all people regardless of the many ways God makes us different. Common in the humble, simple way these people, place and time come together to be extraordinary."

Commitment to Racial Justice

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church of Elyria, Ohio recognizes that the church, as a body of Christ, has a responsibility to act on behalf of others, especially the marginalized and the oppressed. We vow in our Baptismal Covenant to "seek and serve Christ in all persons" and to "strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being." We believe that this includes directly confronting the legacy and reality of racism, both individually and that which is systemic and institutionalized in our society. We must work to end economic, educational, employment, healthcare, housing and other injustices in our own lives, institutions, communities, and the world. To that end, we must be aware and well informed, and thereby better able to determine the actions our faith requires of us – actions that help us to practice justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with God.

Visitors

If you are visiting with us today, we welcome you. We want to know more about who you are and so we ask that you please complete the visitor's card (in pews or ask usher) and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!

Acolytes for July 21

8:30am—Jon Quisenberry 10:30am—Jolene Adkins/Ashley Snider

Ushers for July 21

10:30am—Hannah Barkhurst/Jay Snider

Lectors for July 21

8:30am—Judi Hudnutt 10:30am—Jane McDonald/Karl Kirk

Eucharistic Ministers for July 21

8:30am—Jon Quisenberry/Judi Hudnutt 10:30am—Ben Holcomb/Ellen Otis

LOOKING AHEAD

TODAY, after both services: Blood Pressure Clinic (Room B)

July 27, at 6pm: Murder Mystery Dinner

July 28, at 10:30am service: Morning Prayer Service with Guitar Music

August 1, at 9am: Midweek Coffee Hour Breakfast (Rubin's Restaurant in Chestnut Commons)

August 4, at 5pm: Sundays at 5 VBS: Changemaker's Lab

We welcome the Jeff Meyers Quartet in worship leadership today. Thank you for your continued generosity in sharing your gifts with St. Andrew's!

8:30 am Rite | Holy Eucharist

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Sentence BCP 323
Gloria BCP 324

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion, we beseech thee, upon our infirmities, and those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, mercifully give us for the worthiness of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

First Lesson: 2 Samuel 7:1-14a (see 10:30am service, pg. 4)
Psalm: Psalm 89:20-37 (see 10:30am service, pg. 5)
The Epistle: Ephesians 2:11-22 (see 10:30am service, pg. 6)
The Holy Gospel: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 (see 10:30am service, pg. 6)

Before the Gospel the people say: "Glory be to thee, O Lord."

After the Gospel the people say: "Praise be to thee, O Christ."

The Sermon The Nicene Creed	Minister Blake Furcon BCP 326
Prayers of the People	(see 10:30am service, pg. 8)
Call to Confession	BCP 330
Confession and Absolution	BCP 331
The Peace	BCP 332
THE HOLY COMMUNION	
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer II*	BCP 340
The Sanctus (Holy, holy, holy)	BCP 341

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The Lord's Prayer

BCP 341

BCP 336

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 337

Communion of the People (All are welcome to receive from God's Table)

Post Communion Prayer (Please sit, kneel, or stand as able) BCP 339

The Blessing (see 10:30am service, pg.12)

Dismissal and "Thanks be to God."

Enriching Our Worship 10:30 am

BCP = Red Book of Common Prayer, Blue Hymnal 1982, Lift Every Voice and Sing Hymnal (LEVAS), Wonder, Love and Praise Hymnal (WLP) *Music at 10:30am am only

Pre-Service Music*

"Angel Eyes" and "Come Sunday" perf. Jeff Meyers Quartet

(Please stand as able.)

Opening Hymn*

LEVAS 62 "In Christ There Is No East Or West"

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Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.

Collect for Purity

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Song of Praise*

"All Of Me" perf. Jeff Meyers Quartet

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

(Please be seated for the Lessons.)

The First Lesson: 2 Samuel 7:1-14a

When the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you."

But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following

the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 89:20-37

20 I have found David my servant; *

with my holy oil have I anointed him.

21 My hand will hold him fast *

and my arm will make him strong.

22 No enemy shall deceive him, *

nor any wicked man bring him down.

23 I will crush his foes before him *

and strike down those who hate him.

24 My faithfulness and love shall be with him, *

and he shall be victorious through my Name.

25 I shall make his dominion extend * from the Great Sea to the River.

26 He will say to me, 'You are my Father, *

my God, and the rock of my salvation.'

27 I will make him my firstborn *

and higher than the kings of the earth.

28 I will keep my love for him for ever, *

and my covenant will stand firm for him.

29 I will establish his line for ever *

and his throne as the days of heaven."

30 "If his children forsake my law *

and do not walk according to my judgments;

31 If they break my statutes *

and do not keep my commandments;

32 I will punish their transgressions with a rod *

and their iniquities with the lash; 33 But I will not take my love from him, *

nor let my faithfulness prove false.

34 I will not break my covenant, *

nor change what has gone out of my lips.

35 Once for all I have sworn by my holiness: *
 "I will not lie to David.
36 His line shall endure for ever *
 and his throne as the sun before me;
37 It shall stand fast for evermore like the moon, *
 the abiding witness in the sky.' "

The Epistle: Ephesians 2:11-22

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" —a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as able for the Sequence.)

Sequence Hymn*

LEVAS 109 "What A Friend We Have In Jesus" by Scriven and Converse

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People: Glory to You, Lord Christ.

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Celebrant: The Gospel of our Savior. People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

(Please be seated for the Sermon.)

Children's Sermon
The Sermon

Ben Holcomb Minister Blake Furcon

Nicene Creed (Please stand as able.) We believe in one God. the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God. begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life. who proceeds from the Father and the Son. Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. Who has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People (Form III)

You are invited to read the role of the intercessor as you are led. If more than one voice reads the same lines, please listen to one another and read simultaneously. The People's response is the text in bold.

Celebrant: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Intercessor: Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

People: That we all may be one.

Intercessor: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Intercessor: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Intercessor: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Intercessor: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People: That our works may find favor in your sight.

Intercessor: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Intercessor: Give to the departed eternal rest. **People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Intercessor: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; **People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Celebrant: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. (Please add your own prayers aloud or in silence.)

Celebrant: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin and Absolution (Please kneel, sit, or stand as able.) Celebrant: Let us confess our sins to God. (Silence may be kept)

All: God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you. (Please greet one another with the Peace of the Lord.)

Welcome, Announcements, and Special Prayers (Please be seated.)

Offertory Sentence

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Music*

"Doxy" perf. Jeff Meyers Quartet

(Please stand as able for the Presentation of Gifts)

The Great Thanksgiving (Enriching Our Worship Prayer 2)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you. Celebrant: Lift up your hearts. People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise. Celebrant: We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life

abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we say:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

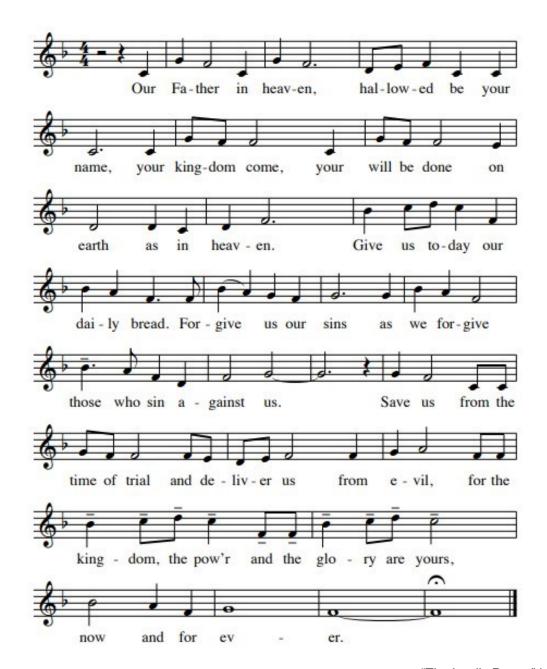
On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Andrew and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now sing:



"The Lord's Prayer" by David Haas

Breaking of the Bread Fraction

LEVAS 270

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the suns of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the suns of the world: grant us peace.

Celebrant: The table of bread and wine is now made ready.

All: It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom Jesus identified himself. It is the table of communion with the earth, in which Christ became incarnate. So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; You who have been here often and you who have not been for a while. You who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed;

Celebrant: Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

The Holy Communion (All are welcome to receive from God's Table)

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words:

Eucharistic Minister: The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. *Amen.* Eucharistic Minister: The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. *Amen.*

Communion Hymns*

"The Glory Of Love" perf. Jeff Meyers Quartet "I'm Beginning To See The Light" perf. Jeff Meyers Quartet

Post Communion Prayer (*Please stand, sit, or kneel as able.*) Celebrant: Let us pray.

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Life is short. We don't have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God almighty, the holy and undivided Trinity be with you and those you love this day, and always. **Amen.** -Adapted from — Henri-Frédéric Amiel

(Please stand as able.)

Recessional Hymn*

LEVAS 130 "Glory, Glory Hallelujah" © Carl Haywood

Dismissal (The children are invited to help with the dismissal)

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude* (please sit and listen if you have time)

"Take The A Train" perf. Jeff Meyers Quartet

We welcome as our guests in worship at the 10:30 am service today, camp counselors serving at Bellwether Farm this summer. We are grateful for their ministry with the children and youth who attend camp and pray God's blessings upon them as they continue this important work.

St. Andrew's Prayer List:

Our Spiritual Leaders
Michael, our Presiding Bishop
Sean, our Presiding Bishop Elect
Anne, our Bishop
June, our Priest
Jane, our Deacon
Mark Skladan, our Music Director
Joan, our Music Director, Emerita
Ben, our Director of Youth
and Children's Ministry

Our Friends
Christ Church, Oberlin
Church of the Redeemer, Lorain
Avon United Methodist Church
Redeemer Lutheran Church, Elyria
Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Elyria
The Original Glorious Apostolic Church
Elyria First United Methodist Church

Active-Duty Military: John Able, Stephanie Bacskay, Rose Buttle, Luke Colcough, Aaron Colcough, Dylan Donnelly, Charles Kellogg, Kim Reich, Gavin Schwan, Ryan Sumner, Ashley Augustine

Churches in Our Mission Area: St. Paul's, Bellevue; St. Paul's, Fremont; Christ Church, Huron; Redeemer, Lorain; St. Paul's, Norwalk; St. Thomas, Port Clinton; St. Paul's, Put-in-Bay; Grace, Sandusky; Old Trinity, Tiffin; Christ Church, Oberlin

Long Term Illnesses/Injuries: Kathy Inderrieden (Karen Blair's daughter), Pauline McKenna (Karen Blair's daughter) Paul Tanner (partner of Jolene Adkins), Scott Holcomb, Shelly Perkins, Margaret Roach, Deshawn (and family), John Palermo, Judie Housel

At Home: Virginia Larson, Donna Quisenberry, Sally Ruth, Barbara Tobin, Patricia Pozywak, Taffy Valassis. Ruth Smith

Those Who Have Died: Wayne Emmanuel, Rob Hutchins, Shirley Schmid, Fred Beiswenger, Naaman Torres (husband of Marilyn Torres), The Rev. Janet Long, Garfield "Chip" Johns (Glynis Laing's brother), Alison Ricker, Bob Hardy, Tina Cassara, Leisa Napier, BobbiHolliday

Other Concerns: Mavis Hardy, Trevor Gosh, Kendra and Kendall, Pam Pudar, Wesley Stewart, Tom Heinz, John Torres, Karen Blair, Kathy Hawkins Tobin, Rich and Messiah, Linda and Tom Pennington, Mary Ann Hursky (Amy Kellogg's aunt), Sean and Natalie Prior, Lee Kauffman, Julie Joy and the Joy Family, Terry Brady, John Kellogg, Tommy Winton, Linda Wilbert, Molly Richeson, Steven Laing, Russell Panchak, Karl Kirk, Brian Deagan, Carleen Hornack Simmons, Bob Sharkody, Ryan Palermo, Bruce Checefsky

Welcome Back Minister Blake Furcon!

Today we welcome back Minister Blake Furcon to St. Andrew's, and thank him for sharing both his talents and time. Min. Furcron is a graduate from Elyria High School, went to Ashland University, and is currently employed as the Education and Youth Development Coordinator at the Lorain County Urban League.

Committed to God and the church, Blake has served as an Usher, choir member, and presently as the Sunday School teacher and Associate Preacher of True Vine Primitive Baptist Church here in Elyria. Min. Furcon is supported in his spiritual calling by his wife Mickayla and their two children, Kayden and Sophia.

Announcements

Blood Pressure Clinic –Today!

There will be Blood Pressure readings done today in Room B on the 2nd floor after both the 8:30am and 10:30am services.

Lorain County Urban League School Supplies Drive

We are collecting donations of bookbags and/or boxes of pencils to donate to the Lorain County Urban League who will pass them out to local children in need at their annual block party. Donation tags are on the round table in the gathering space; take a tag with the picture of the item you will be purchasing. You are welcome to take more than one tag, but please note that we are only collecting backpacks and pencils.

All donations must be brought back to the church no later than July 28, where we will bless them as a congregation at the 10:30am service. The donation box will be on a pew next to the red doors to the sanctuary.

"The Glenville Scholarship Show" Murder Mystery Dinner: July 27, at 6pm Join us at 6pm on July 27 for "The Glenville Scholarship Show," a murder mystery dinner presented by Andy's Players, St. Andrew's new theater group!

It's finally the night of the big award ceremony where one of our lucky high school seniors will be awarded the coveted Glenville Scholarship. But this big night turns into a big night mare when someone ends up dead! Dress up as a member of one of the "cliques" (nerd, jock, goth, etc.) and root them on in this fun, interactive high school themed murder mystery show. Admission to the show is a suggested \$15 donation. If interested, please write your name on the sign-up sheet in the gathering space. Admission to the show is a suggested \$15 donation. If you're interested in attending, please put your name on the signup sheet in the gathering space; we are trying to get an approximate headcount.

<u>Murder Mystery Volunteers Needed</u>

We are seeking volunteers that would like to help us make our first production a success. We will need help in the kitchen with meal preparation (spaghetti and meatballs), serving the meal, and cleanup. There is a sign-up sheet in the gathering space where you can sign up to help. Please note that this show is a fund-raising event that will help the group purchase theatrical equipment (lighting, props, etc.) and help to refinish the stage for future performances.

Christmas In July Special! St. Andrew's Christmas Ornaments

It's never too early to get into the Christmas spirit by purchasing one of these beautiful St. Andrew's Christmas ornaments, especially at such a great price! These pewter ornaments are being sold for \$14.80 each (\$5 off the original price) and measure 2" wide and 2.5" tall. There is a limited supply, so if you would like to purchase one, please contact the church office as soon as possible.

Volunteers Needed to Help with Breakfast and Lunch for Sci-Fi Summer Camp We need volunteers to help with shopping, food preparation, and cleanup. The camp is from Monday, July 29 through Friday, August 2. Breakfast is from 8:30am-9am and lunch is 11:30am-12:30pm. Volunteers will need to arrive around 30mins before to prep and make the meal, and then around 15mins after to help clean up. To sign up please use the sign up sheet in the gathering space.

Parish Retreat 2024 - Save the Date: August 23-24

Save the date for the 2024 Parish Retreat at Bellwether Farm! From Friday, August 23 to Saturday, August 24, all of St. Andrew's is invited to come and spend time in nature, spiritual reflection, and fellowship.

Changemaker's Lab VBS—Sundays at 5pm on Aug. 4, 11, 18, 25, and Sept. 1 In the spirit of experimenting and trying new things, beginning August 4, and continuing through September 1, each week on Sunday evenings we will offer one module of Changemakers Lab. This format continues our intergenerational faith formation emphasis and is for all ages. Changemakers Lab will be a place where we will discover that everyone can make a difference in the world! The five Bible stories in this curriculum explore examples of people who experienced and brought about change in the world around them. These people provide a model for asking hard questions, working together to solve problems, reaching across differences, caring for all people, and imagining a new world. Through worship and drama, Bible study, STEAM activities (science, technology, engineering, art, math), and active games, we are invited to see and experience the transforming love of God. Grounded in God's love, we can use our unique gifts to make a difference wherever we go! Come to all of the sessions or pick and choose what works best for you.

