

The Carillon

February

"Sharing God's Love"

2024

Worship Schedule

Sunday Morning Prayer or Ante Communion

9:30am Worship on [Zoom](#)

Sunday Holy Eucharist

8:30am In-person Rite I

10:30am In-person Rite II

Click here for our [Zoom](#) link.

Mtg. ID: 766 598 8948

Call in number 646.558.8656

Ash Wednesday Services:

February 14, at noon:

In-Person Ash Wednesday service with music and Imposition of Ashes.

February 14, at 7pm: Ash

Wednesday Zoom service.

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: Office Closed

Tuesday-Thursday: 9am-2pm

Rector's Reflections

Dear Church,

Since Advent of 2019, St. Andrew's has been intentionally making efforts to engage in the work of dismantling racism. We have taken educational field trips to exhibits like "Undesign the Red-Line" at Trinity Cathedral and justice-centered offerings at the Cleveland Art Museum. We joined our partners at the Urban League to read and discuss the 1619 project. We met in small groups to read books by authors such as Dr. Howard Thurman and Dr. Kelly Douglas Brown. We formed a Sacred Ground group which spent over a year engaged in the Episcopal Church's curriculum for Building Beloved Community and combatting racism. We have incorporated prayers and music and images in our worship and study that further this important work. We have joined in the diocesan observances for Absalom Jones and most recently for Bishop Barbara Harris. As a church, we adopted a statement of our commitment to this work.

I share this list with you, not to aggrandize our efforts but to give testimony to the intentionality with which we have engaged in this work. To show how we have taken it seriously and put effort and attention toward it. Quite early in the process I became deeply convicted of the reality that this will, for me, be life-long work. It was as though the more I learned, read, paid attention, the more I discovered that I didn't know, hadn't read and did not see clearly.

Beloved, St. Andrew's, this is life-long work for us all and life-long work for our parish. What we have done has been helpful, but we need to keep learning, studying, confessing and advocating. We need to keep praying and protesting and standing with and stepping up. In 2024, I will be forming a group whose task will be to keep this work of justice, ever before us as a parish, integrating it into our common life of worship, work, and ministry. I ask for you to prayerfully consider if you might be called to be a part of such a leadership group. For all of us, I ask that we, once again, commit to the work of dismantling racism so that we can all live into the call of our baptism "to seek and serve Christ in all persons."

Grateful to be on mission and in ministry with you.

-Mother June



MESSAGE FROM THE SR. WARDEN Kathy Kerber

I am honored to begin serving as the Vestry's Senior Warden, and I realize I have big shoes to fill. Amy Kellogg has been an incredible leader, steadfast in her support of the mission and members of St. Andrew's of Elyria. Her careful analysis of parish business, clear transparent communication, and appreciation of the importance of fun have made the St. Andrew's community of faith stronger. Thank you, Amy!

I am a nurse, and this is my first Senior Warden Carillon article. Therefore, I am sharing information about parish health initiatives.

Did you know that St. Andrew's has an automatic external defibrillator (AED)?

This life saving device is in a wall-mounted cabinet in the hallway near the main office. Ventricular fibrillation is an abnormal heart rhythm that is associated with pulselessness. Early defibrillation with an AED can restore the heart to a normal rhythm. If someone asks you to get the AED, remember it is in the wall-mounted cabinet in the hallway near the office. Special thanks to Glynis Laing who prepared the grant to obtain the AED and to Hans Van Wormer who facilitated the purchase and installation of the cabinet.

Did you know that St. Andrew's in collaboration with Mercy Health offers blood glucose and blood pressure checks?

Diabetes and hypertension are cardiac risk factors that can be modified or controlled. Know your risk! Be on the lookout for the next clinic date! Special thanks to Deb Schwan who leads this Community-Based Parish Nursing Project.

"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge" -Hosea 4:6

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper Intergenerational Formation Event **February 13, from 5pm-7pm**

Please join us on Tuesday, February 13, from 5pm-7pm for a Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper!

Shrove Tuesday marks the end of the season before Lent, and the tradition of pancakes comes from consuming all the things that will be given up for Lent.

Enjoy some delicious pancakes as well as Shrove Tuesday/Mardi Gras themed activities!



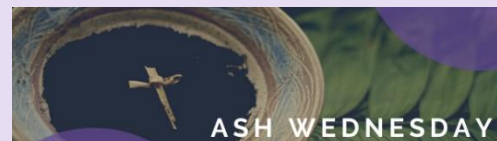
Ash Wednesday is February 14! **Service Schedule as Follows:**

February 14, at noon: In-Person

Ash Wednesday Service with music and Imposition of Ashes.

February 14, at 7pm: Ash Wednesday Zoom Service.

After you've enjoyed pancakes at the Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper, we hope you'll join us the day after for either of our Ash Wednesday services as St. Andrew's marks the beginning of the Lenten season. Let us go together into this time of Repentance, Prayer, and Giving.



Midweek Coffee Hour **Begins on February 8**

Come gather with parishioners who usually worship at the 8:30am service for a time of fellowship, prayer and conversation. February 8, at 9am at Rubin's Restaurant in Chestnut Commons. Upcoming Midweek Coffee Hour dates are March 7, April 4, May 2 and June 6. All are welcome.

“Happenings” with the Congregational Development Commission

Help the Family of a Local Teen Battling Cancer

A great big thank you to the many St. Andrew's parishioners who have helped the Moore family as they deal with the struggles of their son battling cancer. The opportunity to help this family of 10 is still ongoing. The best way we can help is by donating gift cards the family can use for gas and groceries to help offset transportation costs to and from medical appointments in Cleveland and to help the family with day-to-day needs such as food.

Warming Shelter Donations

Another thank you to those that have been donating personal care items for the Warming Shelters. The second collections of products have been blessed by the congregation at the Annual Meeting and were picked up by Place to Recover who will be distributing them to Warming Shelter guests. However, the need for personal care products is ongoing. We are collecting donations of personal care products such as body wash, wipes, toothbrushes, toothpaste, hair care products and feminine hygiene products. A collection container is in the rear of the sanctuary.

Community Freedge

We continue to accept donations for the Community “Freedge” (free refrigerator). We have three faithful and committed shoppers that have been shopping and stocking the “Freedge” on a weekly basis. Monetary donations to help support the Freedge ministry are always welcome.

Community Meals

The Community Meals program continues. Take home meals are served by St. Andrew's on the fourth Wednesday of each month. This month we began hosting a time of hospitality beginning prior to the meal and lasting until the meal is done being served. Guests were invited into the Parish Hall where we all had a chance to enjoy a beverage and connect in conversation. This ministry will be ongoing. Volunteers to help serve the meals and to oversee the hospitality time are always needed and welcomed, contact Jesse V. at the office if you'd like to volunteer

-Greg Hebble

Annual Meeting Summary

The results of the elections for Vestry, North Central Mission Area Council delegates, and 2024 Convention delegates are as follows:

Vestry

Jon Quisenberry, Amanda Nagy, and Lindsey Varga were elected to Vestry. Kathy Kerber was elected as Sr. Warden, and Hans Van Wormer was elected as Jr. Warden. To support the work of the Vestry, Doug Skladan was elected Treasurer, Jane McDonald was elected Assistant Treasurer, and Myki Van Wormer was elected as Clerk.

North Central Mission Area Council

Lee Kauffman and Retta Reynolds were elected as our delegates.

2024 Convention

Judi Hudnutt, Matthew Van Wormer, and Matthew Skladan were elected as our delegates to the 2024 Convention, with Jane McDonald and Lee Kauffman elected as alternates.

Wandering Through Lent Sunday Morning Faith Formation

Beginning on Sunday, February 11, Ben Holcomb and Harry Finkbone will co-facilitate a weekly reflective Lenten formation gathering. Open to adults and youth, our focus will be the Sunday lectionary Gospel readings along with the daily devotional cards from “A Sanctified Art.”

Reflection cards and Gospel readings will be available for pick-up beginning February 11, and will be located on the square table in the gathering space. We ask that you spend some time during each week reflecting on the weekly reading and looking over the daily prayer cards. We will meet in Conference Room C (2nd floor) from 9:40 to 10:20am every Sunday throughout Lent. Signing up is helpful, but not required; the signup sheet will be by the reading materials in the gathering space. We look forward to Wandering Through Lent with each and all of you.

Music Memos: February 2024 Edition By Music Director, Mark Skladan

Organ Restoration

Work continues on the Skinner Organ restoration. Please enjoy some pictures at the end of this article of the work being done at Leek Organ. In February, the organ will be slowly re-assembled piece by piece with completely refurbished, polished and cleaned couplers, keyboards, and new stops. All the new electronics have been designed into the instrument which will allow for new combinations of sounds and the ability to record and listen to what is played on the organ. The next deadline for progress is the end of February. At that time, we will have an idea if the organ will be up and running for Palm Sunday/Easter.

Stay tuned for the March Carillon to find out more information! We are getting closer. We are very close to our contribution goal, if you wish to make a contribution please send a check or talk to the treasurer or myself.

Last Sunday After Epiphany

The 10:30am service on February 11, will feature many hymns that include "Alleluia"! This will be our last chance to sing or say Alleluia until the holy season of Lent has passed. There will be many joyous hymns on this day to celebrate the last week of Epiphany.

Music for Lent

Ash Wednesday noon service - The Lenten season begins with the Ash Wednesday service at noon on February 14. This service will include hymns centered around the liturgy of Ash Wednesday.

Sundays in Lent will feature new service music for the season. The choir will be singing many poignant anthems as we reflect on this season of devotion.



A Message from Ben Holcomb,
Director of Youth
and Children's Ministry

Siblings in faith,

I cannot believe it is already a month into 2024! Where is the time going? I pray all of you have begun your year under the mercy of Christ. This past month has been chock-full of blessings, changes, and chances.

It can be overwhelming, starting a new year, with new opportunities on the horizon as far as you can see. With those opportunities come the unknowns of life. We truly don't know what every day will bring. Whether it be full of blessings or fraught with danger, there is no way we can ever know what the future holds. This can be scary.

The beginning of the year is always hard for me because I look at these unknowns out of worry and anxiety, but I am learning to look at each day as an opportunity to grow, change, and heal. I challenge each of you this month to do the same. Wake up every morning and think to yourself, "How can I find blessing today?" It can be something simple, like a cup of Starbucks. It could be something lifechanging, like a promotion at work or a new family member on the way. Whatever it is, keep that hope that every day can bring joy as much as it can bring anything else.

Speaking of joy, I am so happy at the turnout and the reception that the January 28, Youth-Led Worship Service received. The youth worked so hard to make sure all the moving pieces were put where they were supposed to, and all of them were fully committed to making worship formative, but also a new experience. I think they succeeded. Thank you all for supporting them through that experience, which none of them had ever done.

It's joys and blessings like that that can be around every corner. Don't look down at your feet! Look up, or you'll miss it! Look for joy this month. Look for God.

God Bless,
Ben

Acolyte Service
Schedule for
February 2024

February 4

Hans Van Wormer
and Ivan Nagy

February 11

Karen Hahn and
Nandi Badat

February 18

Bill Hebble and
Mary Millender

February 25

Hans Van Wormer
and Jolene Adkins

My faith is my lighthouse
I feel this is true
My faith is my own
My heart resolute

I look at history
How faith has been used
To control other people
Pre-determine their views

Don't believe this
You must believe that
Follow these rules exactly
Do not question or chat

You must go to church
Or some other nomenclature
Pressure mounts on
To fit into their picture

When I look all around
All religions are true
Love one another
Care for others above you

How simple a message
Not directive or complex
No rules, no walls
Just love at its best

I love my faith and my God
For this simple reason
Love conquers all
No matter the season

Like snow on the ground
Peaceful and calm
My faith is my lighthouse
And I soldier on

-Untitled poem by Jay Snider

Heather Campbell
Reich Community
Meals

St. Andrew's volunteers next serve on Wednesday, **February 28**. Please contact Jesse V. by email at office@standrewselyria.org to make sure we have enough volunteers.

Thank you to everyone who volunteers and helps make this important ministry happen!

RESCHEDULED: A Night in Japan
New Date: Friday, February 23, 2024,
from 5:30pm-8pm

"A Night in Japan" is an intergenerational fellowship event featuring culturally rich and immersive experiences that bring together elements of Japanese traditions, cuisine, entertainment, and arts. Reverend June went to Japan in the summer of 2023 and wants to share some of her experiences with St. Andrew's.

All are welcome!

Rector's Annual Report for 2023

2023 marks my tenth year of ministry as Rector of St. Andrew's. For the past 10 years, we have been engaged in mutual ministry as we seek to know, follow, and discern God's leadership for our parish life and mission. St. Andrew's is blessed with strong and committed lay leadership, a generous welcome for all, dedication to ministry with children and youth and an active sense of call to the larger community. We are known throughout the community and the Diocese of Ohio for our hospitality and continue to build partnerships in the local community with groups including the Urban League and Place to Recover (P2R.) We are a faith-community of learners, willing to ask the hard questions and show up to ask and engage those questions.

This year the parish engaged in a track of programs and activities that paralleled my Clergy Renewal Leave explorations. Through contemplation, connection, and creativity, we prayed, studied, played and made, as we invoked our wholeness in God. One of the last themes of the 2023 Advent theme was, "A Weary World Rejoices by Trusting Our Belovedness." Recognizing ourselves and one another as beloved by God and fully trusting that belovedness is a theme that I see leading us into the coming year.

As I look back over 2023, gratitude is the thread that is woven throughout the year. I am grateful for the Wardens, Vestry, Clerk, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer and Bookkeeper who work diligently to uphold their canonical responsibilities of leadership and accountability. They do this with a visible sense of devotion to God and love for St. Andrew's.

I am grateful for the Commission Chairs and Commission members who meet regularly to plan, evaluate, and facilitate ministry activities and events, always seeking to be faithful and always seeking to do well the work to which they are called.

I am grateful for the church staff who work in their areas of ministry and also join together to help each other and the whole parish. Bishop Anne often says, "we are better together" and she describes well the way the church staff works.

I am grateful for those who stepped into leadership roles during my time away, leading in contemplation, connection, creativity, administration, supervision, communication, pastoral care and worship. I am grateful for newcomers and visitors and inquirers who have come to St. Andrew's this year, especially for those who have stayed and made St. Andrew's their spiritual home.

I am grateful for all who gather and lead in worship because worship is the central and grounding activity of our church. The cumbersome nature of the Sunday morning schedule and the experimental and creative nature of some of our services, give testimony to your faithfulness. Many Sundays in the intercessions, I give thanks for "the amazing faithfulness of St. Andrew's." I am grateful for your careful care of the financial life and building of St. Andrew's. Your perspective is theologically informed and demonstrates your own gratitude for what God has provided and your trust in God and one another for how it will be used and shared. I am grateful for the community groups with which St. Andrew's engaged during 2023. Nearly a dozen groups with a variety of missions found a home base at St. Andrew's and were offered a place to serve.

We live in a time when the landscape of the world and the landscape of the church is changing. It could be a cause for trepidation but with you, and as your Rector, it produces a call to anticipate God's imagination, creativity, and faithfulness. I am so very grateful to be your Rector and be on mission and in ministry with each and every one of you.

The Rev. June Hardy Dorsey, Rector
Jan. 2024

February Birthdays

Tilisha Frazier	5
Ellen Otis	11
Mark Skladan	12
Piper Varga	16
Barb Prior	17
Abigail Skladan	22
Barbara Tobin	23
Gwen Frazier	25
Rylie Harris	27
Jazlyn Frazier	28



March Birthdays

Jerry MacBeth	1
Jason Quisenberry	1
Caren Quisenberry	5
John Hunt	8
Margo Reich	26
Dakota Squire	26
Amy Kellogg	28
Genevieve Barkhurst	28
Catherine Secaur	29
Nandi Badat	30

Send us your news!

If you have information you would like included in the weekly e-news or in the monthly Carillon, please send by email to

office@standrewselyria.org

Deadline for the March issue of the Carillon is **Tuesday, February 20.**

(Inclusion in either publication is at the discretion of the editor)

St. Andrew's Prayer List:

Our Spiritual Leaders

Michael, our Presiding Bishop
 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
 Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Elyria
 Elyria First United Methodist Church
 Avon United Methodist Church
 The Original Glorious Apostolic Church
 Redeemer Lutheran Church, Elyria

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, Garfield Johns, Shelly Perkins, Margaret Roach, Fred Beiswenger, Deshawn (and family), John Palermo, Ed Vaflor

At Home: Virginia Larson, Donna Quisenberry, Sally Ruth, Barbara Tobin, Patricia Pozywak, Bobbi Holliday, Taffy Valassis, Robert Anderson, Ruth Smith

Those Who Have Died: Joyce Priest, Wayne Emmanuel, Rob Hutchins, Shirley Schmid

Other Concerns: Bob and 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, Laurie Stephens, John Kellogg, Tommy Winton, Linda Wilbert, David Dorsey, Megan Kovacik (Emily Holcomb's sister), Rance and Elaine Hutchins, Marilyn Schmid and Molly Richeson

We pray...

For racial equity and justice
 For our nation and those who serve in city, state, and national government.
 For the unemployed
 For the Heather Campbell Reich Community Meals Ministry
 For the Homeless in Lorain County
 For those harmed by gun violence
 For those who are travelling
 For the renewal in the city of Elyria
 For the LCCC Ministry Partnership
 For those who are ill and those who care for them
 For peace in the Holy Land, Ukraine, other war-torn places