



January 2019



St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

The Tartan

A Message to the Parish

by Fr. Martin Yabroff



Dear Friends,

This past year 2018 was difficult for many. But we finished the year, here at St. Andrew's, with wonderful Christmas services and a fine celebration (Dec. 29) of the life of Betty Bishop. Thanks especially to all who brought together a great Children's Pageant; to Sandy Dick and all who offered hospitality and arranged flowers; to Naomi, our Choir, glory and Praise, and special musicians; to our Altar Guild; and all whose faithful ministries brought forth such beautiful services and welcomed so many new and long-time friends and seekers.

We begin 2019 by blessing our Curate, the Reverend Meghan Mullarkey, as she goes to St. Columba's, Kent to serve as Associate Priest. Meghan's year and a half with us brought many blessings, and we are very thankful for her curacy. Her last Sunday with us will be January 13.

This coming year will be a new time for ministry, for seeking God's guidance and new ways to serve together through St. Andrew's. Our Annual Meeting will be an important gathering – mark your calendars for Sunday, January 27, beginning with a single worship service at 9:00 am, and continuing downstairs for a meeting lasting no more than one hour. We will elect Vestry and other leaders, hear financial and budget reports, and talk together about God's presence among us.

Yours in Christ,
Martin+

Blessed God, who makes all things new: Grant that this community of Word and Sacrament may be leaven for the world's bread, and wine of delight for hearts in need; a gathering strong for service and glad in praise; and a people listening and responding to your presence in their midst; through Jesus our redeemer and steadfast companion. Amen.

From our Curate—by The Rev. Meghan Mullarkey

Leaving and transition is never easy, but it is of course inevitable and a part of life. We change and grow and with that come new opportunities, new leaderships, and new ways of being in the world. Just as my arrival brought disruption in the way things usually go at St. Andrew's so will my leaving. I hope that this will be a time to continue to reflect on the community of St. Andrew's and your role in it. There are two newer gatherings at St. Andrew's that I want you to pay particular attention to as I depart. Our family and friends game night and our younger adult gatherings.

Liz Herriges and Colin McDaniel will continue to support family and friends game night. I encourage you to attend, find ways to support Liz and Colin in this endeavor and invest in our young families. These gatherings are wonderful opportunities to get to know one another and include our children in our fellowship!

Jessica Richards and Zach Tanaid have agreed to take on the leadership of gathering our younger adults. This is another area that I hope you will consider supporting, whatever age you are. Reach out to Jessica and Zach and see how you can support them. No matter your age we are one community and need to continue to figure out how to stay connected and show our care and support for one another.

There are two other areas I want to draw your attention to as spaces where you could be more involved or bring some of your own input and that is Adult Education and Small Groups. If you are seeking deeper community or deeper spiritual growth these are two places where you could go deeper. I will no longer be here to structure and facilitate small groups, but if you have an idea for a small group or want to try and gather a group of people to meet weekly there is now some structure and institutional knowledge for that to happen at St. Andrew's. If you are interested in leading a group please discuss further with Father Martin.

I hope that my coming and my leaving has allowed for the community of St. Andrew's to reflect on how you want to be the church. To understand further different ways that you can welcome and support people who walk through those red doors. And all the ways that you can go out in the world to not only bring the light of Christ, but to find the light of Christ. Many prayers and blessings to the St. Andrew's community as you continue to know Christ and to make Christ known. I will miss this place and all the people who make St. Andrew's such a special place!

Friends and Family Game Night

Friends and Family Game night will be January 26th 5:30pm at St. Andrew's. This event will be geared for all ages. All are welcome to come and play bingo with prizes. Please bring your friends as well! We ask that all families bring a take 'n' bake pizza and if you are a single person coming please bring a beverage of your choice to share with everyone. For more information contact Liz Herriges.

Thank you from our Youth Group—*Sunshine DeGennaro*

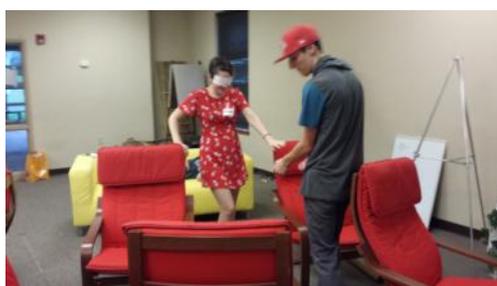
A big thanks to all of you who supported the car wash ticket sales so our Youth can support clean water world wide. We still have a few tickets left to sell if you are interested just contact Sunshine DeGennaro for information.

This last month found our Youth Group busy with both community support and Diocesan Youth activities.

We again supported the Salvation Army by gift wrapping at the mall with a combined volunteer time of over 25 hours! Way to go youth members! We also helped with gift wrapping at Skyline Elementary. The donated gifts were wrapped for Santa to deliver. The local fire department escorted Santa with his gifts to deliver them to the children and their families at an evening event.

Thank you to St. Columba's for hosting the Advent Party for the youth. Many games were played but teams competing to create the best 'Christmas tree' was a fun way to get to know others. Kyle and his team won! In another game Annah was Santa going through a maze (fog) while Rudolph (Zach) had to guide her though - she of course made it. Our next Diocesan even will be held late winter/early spring in Puyallup, so more information later on this.

For January, the Youth will be holding a toy drive. New toys will be accepted, but really we are looking for the **used** ones. The used toys we gather will go to the Toy Rescue Mission to help replenish their shelves. All used toys donated are sorted, cleaned and packaged for gift giving. Not only does the Toy rescue mission give out toys for Christmas, they offer for birthdays and Easter too. It's a wonderful program to support children ages birth to 15 and seniors. The Toy Drive will run from Jan 6 to Jan 27. If you would like more information about the toy Rescue Mission check out their web site <https://www.toyrescuemission.org>



St. Andrew's Scholarship Opportunities—by Judy Nelson

The Outreach Committee is pleased once again to offer educational scholarships. Scholarships may range in amount from \$100 to \$1,000, and are awarded annually. Any currently enrolled or potential student is eligible to apply. Classes may be for high school, college, vocational school, continuing education, re-training or additional degrees.

Priority will be given to the St. Andrew's community. Application packets are available online and in the church office. Each application must be completed according to the instructions contained inside the packets or they will be disqualified.

Please note: Incomplete packets, or packets received after the deadline will NOT be considered for funding. All information provided to the committee will be held in strictest confidence and will not be released without specific written permission from the applicant. Successful applicants will be notified in May, 2018 and dispersed in June, 2018 for educational programs taking place between June, 2018 and May, 2019.

Questions? Please email Judy Nelson at scholarships@saintandrewstacoma.org

Heart of Wholeness Weekend—by Reberta Skinner

The Order of St. Luke is pleased to host a teaching weekend featuring

The Rev. Dr. Sharon Lewis at the
Church of the Good Shepherd, Vancouver, WA

Topic: Be Made Whole

February 1 and Feb 2 starting at 7:00 PM on the 1st.

Plan on coming to be a part of this community-wide weekend and bring a friend! Attending the teaching weekend is a great way to begin 2019 full of fellowship, prayer, worship and community building. Pick up a registration form in the Ada Webb room or go to their website for more info, <https://www.goodshepherdvancouver.org/osl-weekend/>

In the past this has been a very good teaching weekend, I attended one a few years ago and planning to attend this one. The International Order of St. Luke the Physician is an ecumenical organization dedicated to the Christian healing ministry. Members meet in local chapters to study Scripture, specifically the biblical stories of the healing miracles, as well as additional books on Christian healing. Members also engage in healing prayer, often with the laying-on of hands.

January Birthdays

3	Anna Strausbaugh
4	Kurt Johnston
11	Kathy Arthur
13	Bill Lubken
18	Cascade Mullarkey
20	Eric Younger
27	Colin McDaniel
31	Evalynn Bolles Wayne Mannie



January Anniversaries

1-3-1994	Megan and Steve Parsons
1-6-2007	Bob and Michelle Beckham
1-6	Greg and Ingrid Gaub

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Office Closed 10:30am AA 7:45pm AA	2 Noon Eucharist	3 7pm Choir	4	5 7am SA Epiphany Lunch at St. John's, Gig Harbor
6 8/10 Holy Eucharist	7 1pm Bible Study 6pm AA Business Meeting 7:30pm Men's Al-Anon	8 10:30am AA 7:45pm AA	9 Noon Eucharist	10 7pm Glory and Praise Choir	11	12 7am SA 10am-Noon Daughters of the King
13 8/10 Holy Eucharist 8:45-9:45am Parish Nurse on Duty	14 1pm Bible Study 7:30pm Men's Al-Anon	15 10:30am AA 7pm Vestry 7:45pm AA	16 Noon Eucharist	17 1pm Finance 7pm Choir	18	19 7am SA
20 8/10 Holy Eucharist	21 1pm Bible Study 7:30pm Men's Al-Anon	22 10:30am AA 7:45pm AA	23 Noon Eucharist	24 7pm Choir	25	26 7am SA 5:30pm Family Game Night
27 9am Holy Eucharist (One Service Only) Followed by our Annual Meeting	28 1pm Bible Study 7:30pm Men's Al-Anon	29 10:30am AA 7:45pm AA	30 Noon Eucharist Office Closed 5-7pm Jackson St. Food Bank 5-7:15pm Youth Group	31 7pm Choir		

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