



July 2023

Sundays

9:30a.m. Holy Eucharist
Alternating between Rite I and Rite II

Wednesdays

No Healing Services for the summer

Coming Up

July 1	Men's Club	8:00a.m.
July 9	Search Committee	10:30a.m.
July 10	Collection for Backpack School Supplies	
July 11	Finance	6:00p.m.
June 13	Lion's Club	6:30p.m.
July 16	Sunday Brunch	10:30a.m.
July 17	Search Committee	5:30p.m.
July 19	Vestry	6:00p.m.
July 21	Meals on Wheels	10:00a.m.
July 27	Lion's Club	6:30p.m.

Independence Day in the Episcopal Church

Commemoration of the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. It is a legal holiday in the United States. The 1785, General Convention directed that a service be drawn up for this day, and "That the said form of prayer be used in this Church, on the fourth of July, forever." The Proposed Book of 1786 contained, "A Form of Prayer and Thanksgiving to Almighty God for the inestimable Blessings of Religious and Civil Liberty" to be used on the Fourth of July. The presiding officer, William White, was opposed to the service since many of the clergy had been Loyalists and were against the Revolution. The General Convention of 1789 supported White, and the service was withdrawn from the 1789 BCP. Propers for this day were published in the 1928 Book of Common Prayer, but it was not a major feast. The 1979 BCP (p. 17), lists Independence Day as one of the "Other Major Feasts," and provides a collect for the day (pp. 190, 242). Eucharistic propers are provided as well as propers for the Daily Office. The collect, "For the Nation" may be substituted for the collect for the day. A copy of the prayer and thanksgiving is included on page 2 of this newsletter.

Lord God Almighty, in whose Name the founders of this country won liberty for themselves and for us, and lit the torch of freedom for nations then unborn: Grant, we beseech thee, that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain these liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Book of Common Prayer, p. 190

H Y M N S T O R Y

How firm a foundation Hymn #637

In 1787, Dr. John Rippon published A Selection of Hymns from the Best Authors as a supplement to Isaac Watts' classic Psalms and Hymns. The book was an immense success. "The remarkable feature of the book," writes Louis Benson, "is the great number of original hymns secured by him and there first printed." Among these original hymns was the title, "How Firm a Foundation."

In the original publication, Rippon attributed the authorship simply to "K——." He says in the preface that such attributions meant either that the author was unknown or that the hymn had undergone significant revisions for publication.

Later studies have revealed that the "K——" almost certainly referred to R. Keene, who was at one time a song leader in Dr. Rippon's church and is also known to have authored the hymn's melody. Apart from this, we have no further information about its writing.

Features:

Perhaps the most noteworthy and appreciated feature of this hymn is how closely it resembles the words of the Bible itself (which is fitting, given that its theme is the solidity of the word of God). Consider, for example, how stanza 2 compares to Philippians 4:12-13:

In every condition, in sickness, in health;
In poverty's vale, or abounding in wealth;
At home and abroad, on the land, on the sea,
As thy days may demand, shall thy strength ever be.

I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound.
In any and every circumstance,
I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need.
I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

Or how stanza 3 echoes Isaiah 41:10:

Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen and help thee, and cause thee to stand
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.
Fear not, for I am with you;
be not dismayed, for I am your God;
I will strengthen you, I will help you,
I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

A lot of fun was had at VBS this year! Thank you to all who helped out and to the parents/grandparents who got the children there!



Transition Workshop Summary

On Sunday June 18th, St Andrews conducted a “Transition Workshop” as part of our search for a new Rector. A wonderful pre-workshop brunch was served by the Men’s club! The Workshop was led by The Canon for Transition Ministry, Catherine Massey, and The Rev Canon Cathy Deats. The goal of the workshop was to solicit input from the parishioners regarding qualities, characteristics, interests, and talents of our next Priest and Spiritual Leader. Attendees were asked to answer 5 questions and then share the answers with the group. It was a thought provoking, revealing, and fun process!

The 5 questions were as follows:

Describe a time when you felt St Andrew’s was doing God’s work.

Identify 3 things you love about St Andrews.

Describe the characteristics of a priest who helped/supported you in a time of need.

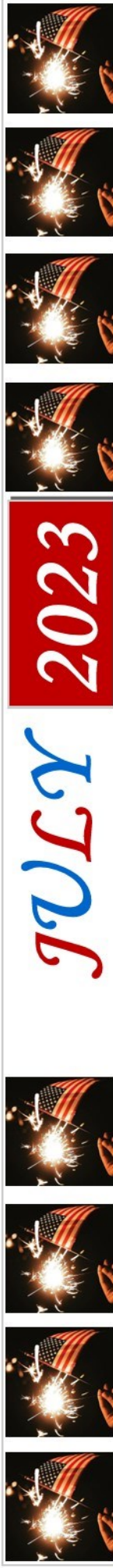
Move ahead 3 years into a new Rector’s term.


What do you envision is happening at St Andrew’s?

What makes a good sermon?

The answers to these questions are being compiled and will be shared with the entire parish. The search committee will use much of the information to develop our Parish profile and create a “position description”. Thank you to all of those folks who attended!





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 9:30am H.E. Rite II Patricia Hanen EYC	 2 Office Closed I Love USA Camp	 4 Office Closed	 5 9:00—10:30am Food Pantry No Healing Service	 6 9:00—11am Food Pantry		1 Men's Club 8am
9 9:30am Morning Prayer The CAT Survey 10:30am Search Committee Gatekeepers	10 Backpack School Supplies Collection Starts Outer Space Camp	11 9:00—11am Food Pantry Finance 6pm Lion's Club 6:30pm	12 9:00—10:30am Food Pantry No Healing Service	13 9:00—11am Food Pantry	14	15
16 9:30am H.E. Rite 1 Patricia Hanen 10:30am Food Pantry Bags EYC	17 Search Committee 5:30pm Things that Go Camp	18 9:00—11am Food Pantry	19 9:00—10:30am Food Pantry No Healing Service Vestry 6pm	20 9:00—11am Food Pantry Meals on Wheels 10am	21	22
23 9:30am Morning Prayer Brunch at 10:30am	24 Going Green/ Recycle Camp	25 9:00—11am Food Pantry Lion's Club 6:30pm	26 9:00—10:30am Food Pantry No Healing Service	27 9:00—11am Food Pantry	28	29
30 9:30am H.E. Rite II Rev. Patricia Hanen	31					



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LAY/LEM READERS

July 2

9:30 Ramona Orzell
George Earp

July 9— Morning Prayer

9:30 Ramona Orzell—Homily
Casey Wells
George Earp

July 16

9:30 Tim Knapp
Tom Drew

July 23— Morning Prayer

9:30 Leslie Hall—Homily
Sandy Suggs

July 30

9:30 Janie Armstrong
Tim Knapp

Greeters

Sissy Duntton
Volunteer

ACOLYTES

July 2 TBD

July 9 Wade and Walker Wells

July 16 The Mericles

July 23 Landon Newomb

July 30 Wade Wells

Kitchen Clean Up:

Missy Fillietaz
Sheryl Love-Johnson

Pantry Distributors

Tuesday—Patty Kennedy
Wednesday—Tommy Parker
Thursday—Elizabeth Hunter

Pantry Volunteers

Lynn Ives
Terry Noble
Martha Lamm

*Live as people who are free, not using
your freedom as a cover-up for evil,
but living as servants of God.*

Peter 2:16



USHERS

July 2

Linda Hutcheson
Volunteer

July 9

Jan Arnold
Tom Drew

July 16

Billy Suggs
Steve Thurkill

July 23

Angela Reid
Jim Royal

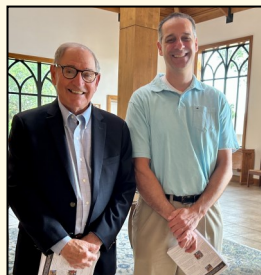
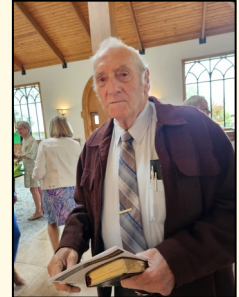
July 30

Billy Suggs
Steve Thurkill

HAPPY
4TH OF JULY



Celebrating Sundays' At St. Andrew's



St. Andrew's EYC

EYCs, thinking of service projects, decided to offer Ms. A's Day Care at St. Andrews some different games. Landon Newcomb enjoyed playing UNO Attack with the giggling, happy kids while Ms. Coggins took on his Twister game with the others. Older youth were teamed with younger children to teach the games by team approach. Plans are to do more of these Game breaks for the Day Care. Fun service!!



KID'S PAGE



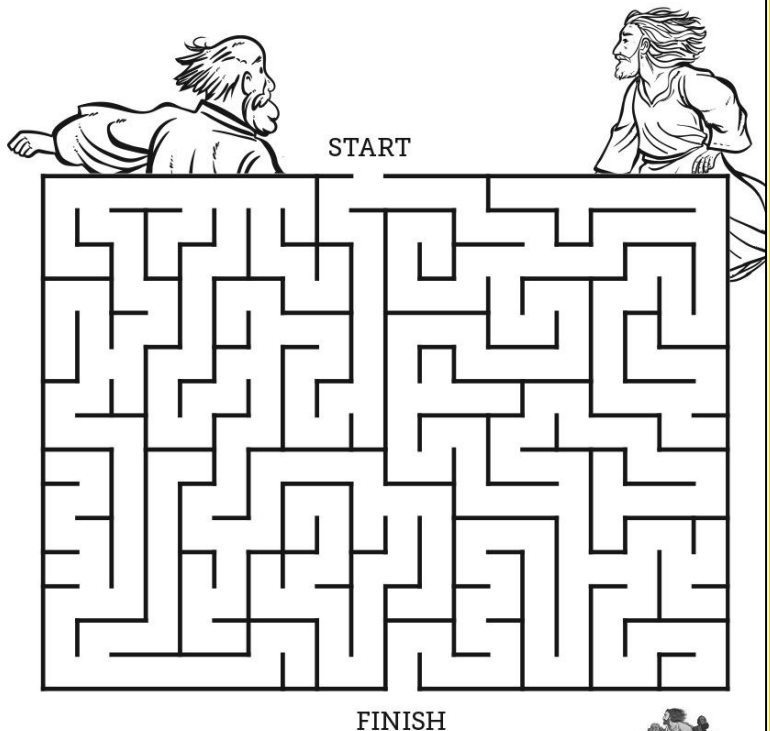
Why did Peter begin to sink as he walked toward, Jesus?

He didn't have enough faith.



JESUS WALKS ON WATER

Lead Peter across the water to Jesus.





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Our Parish Family



*May the Souls of all the departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in
peace.*

Vardie Eston "Pete" Wilson, III
April, 1940—June 11, 2023

Husband of Sue Wilson



We will pack food pantry bags
on July 16th after 9:30am
service.



Men's Club meets Saturday, July
1st at 8am in the Parish Hall.

Mark Your Calendars

Parish Brunch in the Parish Hall on
July 23rd after the 9:30am service.

Gatekeepers
July 9th-14th



Office Closed July 3-5

Carriage Court School Supplies

Beginning Sunday, July 16th through
August 13th, we will collect school
supplies for the kids at Carriage Court
Apartments. Please bring items to the
Commons by Sunday, August 13th. You
can find a full list of supplies in the
Commons.

