



Spring Forward in Faith

I recently moved to an area that has seasons and it's a whole new experience for me. I've been mesmerized by the changing leaves, watching them as they shift from green to fiery reds and oranges, and just recently the trees that spent the whole winter with bare branches have sprouted small, white flowers. It's truly beautiful to watch winter melt into spring. I go outside and feel the sun bring new warmth. It's familiar but new all at once.

Isaiah 43:19 NIV says, "See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland."

Sometimes in order to come into a new season and spring forward in faith, **we have to let go of the old season.** Isaiah 43:18 NIV says, "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past." One of the many lessons life teaches us is to let go. We can't hang on to past hurts, past struggles, and past relationships. And, sometimes this means we have to give ourselves time to grieve in order to move forward. We may have to let ourselves feel the loss, be sad for a little while, and talk to someone who cares. After we've grieved, we can pick ourselves up and start looking ahead once again. As spring starts to surface and the trees begin to bloom, we can see God's reminder to align our hearts to the new thing He's doing. Let us go to prayer, asking Jesus to help us embrace all the "new" he has in store for us:

Dear Lord, Thank you for developing me into the person You want me to be. I have to admit, Jesus, that sometimes I find it hard to let go of old things even when I know they are holding me back. Help me, Lord, to truly see this spring season for what it is: a lovely reminder of how beautiful change can truly be. As flowers begin to adorn the trees once again and fresh grass rises up from the ground, renew in me the strength to let go of the past and move forward in my faith journey with You. Amen

Andrea, Day Spring

May 2024

Sundays

- 8:00a.m. HE Rt. I
- 9:15a.m. Adult Christian Ed.
- 10:30a.m. H.E. Rt. II
- 10:30a.m. Children's Chapel

Wednesdays

- 10:30a.m. Healing Service

Coming Up

- May 1 Scott Bailey Applications Due
- May 4 Men's Club 8:00am
- May 6 St. Elizabeth's Guild Tea 12:00pm
- May 8 Book Club 10:00am
- May 9 Preschool Graduation
- May 15 Painting Party 6:00pm
- May 16 BBQ Plates 11am-1pm
- May 17 TRCC Spring Concert 7:00pm
- May 18 Supper and Auction 6:00pm
- May 19 Youth Sunday 10:30am
- May 22 Vestry Meeting 6:00pm
- May 26 Rite I Service 9:30a.m.

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

This hymn has been called the "National Anthem of Christendom". The lyrics, written by Edward Perronet, first appeared in the November, 1779 issue of the *Gospel Magazine*, which was edited by the author of "Rock of Ages", Augustus Toplady.

The song was heavily altered for the Unitarian hymnal, which was also licensed to the hymnal of the Unity Church: "All Hail the Power of Truth to Save from Error's Binding Thrall."

Edward Perronet (1721 – 2 January 1792) was the son of an Anglican priest, who worked closely with Anglican priest John Wesley and his brother Charles Wesley for many years in England's eighteenth century Christian revival. At the time, persecution of Methodists was common. John Wesley once noted in his diary that Edward himself "was thrown down and rolled in mud and mire" at Bolton.

Though considered a capable preacher, Perronet was uneasy about doing so in front of John Wesley, despite Wesley's persistent urging. After wearying of his requests, Wesley simply announced one day that Brother Perronet would speak. Edward cleverly managed to escape Wesley's intention by mounting the pulpit, declaring he would deliver the greatest sermon ever preached, and proceeding to read Christ's "Sermon on the Mount"; after which, he immediately sat down.

During his life, Edward published three volumes of Christian poems, including a poetic rendering of the Scriptures. Shortly before he died, 2 January 1792 in Canterbury, Kent, England, he uttered these last words: "Glory to God in the height of His divinity! Glory to God in the depth of his humanity! Glory to God in His all-sufficiency! Into His hands I commend my spirit."



Mary Ruth Anderson

Those who have enjoyed our Saint Andrew's book club wish our friend and leader Mary Ruth Anderson a joyful move to Greenville. Her wisdom and guidance have led us for 14 years, and we wish her happiness in this new "chapter" of her life.

Thank you and love from each of us.



Three Days in May for Kitty and Bill



As we all know, Kitty and Bill Hudgins have had many battles to fight during the last three years. We want to show them our love by raising \$15,000 for them to use as they need to help with their expenses. Our community here at St. Andrew's, along with friends from Bill's home town of Enfield, have decided to have a fundraiser to help with these needs.

Beginning on Wednesday, May 15th there will be a Painting Party from 6:00 to 8:00 PM in our Parish Hall led by Martha Lamm. Tickets will be \$35 and will include food, drinks, and all paint supplies. Everyone can be an artist with Martha's lead!

On Thursday, May 16th, the Men's Club is selling BBQ take-out plates from 11 AM -1 PM. This is going to be some of Tommy Parker's delicious home cooked BBQ and the tickets will be \$12. If you order 10 or more, you can have these plates delivered. What better way to enjoy a home-cooked meal!!

Our grand finale on Saturday, May 18th will be a dinner with a cocktail hour beginning at 6:00 PM featuring a Silent Auction. A delicious dinner will be served and a live auction, with our own Wooten Lamm as auctioneer, will follow. These tickets will be \$50 per person.

Where can you possibly find better entertainment for such a good cause!

To make all this happen, we need the help and support of everyone in the church. You may give in many ways. We need manpower! We need auction items! We need contributions to help cover expenses! Most importantly, we need you to attend some, if not all, of these events!

You may call Gaye Mucci at 252-266-5685 or Pete Armstrong at 252-903-5179 to offer your help or obtain more information.

We know that with your help, we can make this happen!!!!





May 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Healing Service 10:30am Scott Bailey Scholarships Forms Due to the Office	2 Tar River Children's Chorus 5:00-7:00pm	3	4 Men's Club 8am
5 8:00am HE Rite I 9:00am Parish Breakfast 10:30am HE Rite II 10:30am Children's Chapel Welcome Rev. Pat Grace	6 St. Elizabeth's Guild Tea party 12pm TRAC 6-9:30pm	7 Food Pantry 9-11am Lion's Club 6:30pm	8 Food Pantry 9-10:30am Healing Service 10:30am	9 Food Pantry 9-11am St. Andrew's Preschool Graduation Tar River Children's Chorus 5:00-7:00pm	10	11
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19 Youth Sunday 8:00am HE Rite 1 9:15am Adult CE 10:30am HE Rite II 10:30am Children's Chapel 11:45am Food Pantry Bags Welcome Rev. Pat Grace	20 TRAC 6-9:30pm	21 Food Pantry 9-11am Lion's Club 6:30pm	22 Food Pantry 9-10:30am Healing Service 10:30am Vestry 6pm	23 Food Pantry 9-11am	24	25
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May

LAY/LEM READERS

- May 5
8:00 Albert Corinrh
Tim Knapp
- 10:30 Matt Smith
Elizabeth Pope
Martha Lamm
- May 12
8:00 George Earp
Ramona Orzell
- 10:30 Linda Hutcheson
Sandy Suggs
- May 19
8:00 Ramona Orzell
Tim Knapp
- 10:30 Youth Sunday
- May 26
9:30 Leslie Hall
Martha Lamm



ACOLYTES

- May 5
Walker Wells and Jack Lea
- May 12
Lauren and Megan Renck
- May 19
Mericle Family
- May 26
Landon Newcomb



Elements

- May 5
Strandberg Family
- May 12
Keeter Family
- May 19
Jones Lea and Caroline Keeter
- May 26
Pons Family

How many are your
works, Lord! In wisdom you
made them all; the earth is full
of your creatures.
Psalm 104:24

Pantry Distributers

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

Pantry Volunteers

Rita Coggins
Rosemary Clark
Missy Filliettaz

Kitchen Clean Up

Sean Gippe
Pam Parker



USHERS

- May 5
Linda Hutcheson
Jan Arnold
- May 12
Dan Melnyk
Don Mucci
- May 19
Jim Royal
Angela Reid
- May 26
Billy Suggs
Steve Thurkill

GREETERS

TBD

Easter Story and Egg Hunt with St. Andrew's Youth



Too much fun was had and Georgie Rollings decided he needed to take a nap during the service.



Youth Sunday

Let's Celebrate Pentecost and our Youth on Sunday, May 19th at the 10:30am worship service! This will be our last Christian Education Event for both our adults and children. The youth will read our lessons, serve as ushers, sing some songs, and spread joy among us!



Put on your **RED** clothes and come out to share in the celebration of the gift of the Holy Spirit. After our worship Service, join us in the side yard where we will feast with a cookout served by the Men's club! We also will have a bouncy house and activities for the children.



KID'S PAGE



Family fun at the Rivah!

Saturday, June 29th

10am-3pm

Swim, paddle board, sail, boating

Bring a change of clothes and side dishes/snacks!

Drinks, hot dogs, and hamburgers provided!

Please call or email the church office to sign -up! 252-443-2070



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Our Parish Family



Let Light Perpetual Shine

Elsie Crisp

June 15, 1931– March 30, 2024

Mother to Teresa Parker

Mother-in-law to Tommy Parker

Barbara Brown

Died April 14, 2024

*Survived by husband Johnny Brown
 and two sons.*

Three Days in May for Bill and Kitty

May 15th: Painting Party from 6-8pm in the Parish Hall led by Martha Lamm. Tickets are \$35 per person.

May 16th: Selling BBQ plates from 11am-1pm with Tommy Parker's homecooked BBQ. \$12 a plate.

May 18th: Grand Finale: Cocktail hour starts at 6pm followed by a dinner and live auction with Wooten Lamm. Tickets are \$50 per person.



The Men's Club is meeting Saturday, May 4th at 8am.

St. Elizabeth's Guild will host a tea party on May 6, 2024 at 12pm in the Parish hall.

All the ladies of the church are invited!

Bring a favorite tea cup and saucer and maybe a story regarding its history. No white gloves, but wear a hat.

Please call or email the office at 443-2070 to make a reservation.

Parish Directory Update with Pictures

If you have moved, changed your number, or your name please send your new information to Nancy Knapp at HUDSONPUPPY@earthlink.net.

We need everyone to send in photographs to put in the directory!



St. Andrew's book club will meet on Tuesday, May 14th at 10 am in the Church parlor. We will be discussing Saving CeeCee Honeycutt by Beth Hoffman.