



MAY 2017

NEXT SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS MAY 21ST

There with Pastoral Care

Rappin' with the Rev by Pastor Dave Milam



My minister colleague and friend, Rev. Dr. Jeff Krebbiel, passed away last night. It wasn't something any of us in the National Capital Presbytery had anticipated two months ago. Jeff and his wife, Cheryl, had just moved to Chicago at the beginning of 2017. Jeff had served as the Pastor at Church of the Pilgrims near DuPont Circle in DC for fifteen years or so. He was taking on a new and exciting job and found himself with pancreatic cancer. Jeff had been our Presbytery Moderator and was a friend to many, many of us. Because ministers are members not of the local congregations we serve but of the presbytery instead, this young man's death has hit us hard. For ministers, our presbytery is our congregation. And so we are consoling one another within our fellowship.

Jeff's passing is a reminder how all of us are touched by moments of need and that giving support to one another is an essential calling. In the St. Andrew fellowship, we have rallied around one another when love ones have passed away, when illnesses have come, when new marriages and births occur leading into a joyous celebration of the continuing gift of new life. Along with the Deacons, Pastor Jessica and I find it a privilege to come alongside of St. Andrew members and friends to stand with them in

prayer at moments of transition and challenge. Might I let you all know about our availability?

Hospital Visits

If I hear that a St. Andrew member is in the hospital, I make it a priority to be there with you to pray and give support. Twenty years ago, I ended up in the hospital for a couple of days, having broken my ankle. When another minister friend stopped to visit and to pray with me, I felt my spirits lifted and my burden eased. A study shows that when church people get visits in the hospital it makes a tremendous difference. Average stays in hospitals actually drop from three to two days because of such visits. That's not to say that we are miracle workers, but the healing of community, care and prayer energizes people toward new strengths and ability. As your pastor, I take seriously my calling to be a healing presence for those in need, and seek to be a part of the whole team bringing help. Please let me know if you are in such a situation of need. I am committed to help.

I am also so proud of our deacons and congregation who have gone way beyond saying prayers. I have witnessed the meals, the rides, the caring stays with those

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Vacation Bible School

Ministry Musings by Pastor Jessica McClure Archer



VBS 2017: Rome! Paul and the Underground Church – June 25-29

As the weather warms up, we know what is coming shortly....SUMMER! And, with summer, also comes our Vacation Bible School week. This year we are headed to ROME for an adventure with the Apostle Paul and the early, underground church. We will explore the Roman Marketplace to hear about this Jesus, who has been raised and the folks who have come to believe and follow after him. We will hear Paul's travel stories. We will sing songs and play Roman games, too! Each night will feature a meal at the Roman Café, too.

So, who can participate?

Children 3 years old through **completed** fifth graders.

When will it happen? Join us June 25-29 (Sunday–Thursday evenings) Dinner is served nightly at Rome Café beginning at 5:15 pm, followed by the VBS Program at 6 to 8 pm.

What fills the night? Participants will visit the Marketplace and shop at the many Roman establishments like leather-making, wreath-making, food shop, the scribe and much more! They will also visit with Paul and members of the early church and

break outside for some game time!

How can you sign up? Visit the VBS table in the entrance-way or complete online registration via <https://vbspro.events/p/events/sapcvbs2017>.

How can you help? Volunteer to keep a shop, serve on the drama team, lend a voice or instrument to the music team, help make or clean up dinner or provide for the games. Teen volunteers are needed to serve as Roman Crew Leaders to guide our children through their experience.

Can't volunteer, but still want to help? We are always in need of donations. Keep checking the VBS table for needed donated or borrowed items to help make VBS a super success!

Pastor Jessica

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who have had needs or who are newly home with babies. We have gone to extraordinary lengths to care for one another – and that is one of the ways Jesus Christ dwells among us.

Availability

Of course, the ability to be helpful and present in time of crisis comes from developing good relationships on an ongoing basis. Sometimes I have free time just to make a visit or get together for a meal or some other shared experience. I find it a joy to spend time with my good friends at St. Andrew. Many have busy schedules and it isn't easy to open up the occasion to connect, but the effort to do so is often wonderfully rewarding. Fostering friendships as a church is one of the special reasons to be a part of a church. Feel free to reach out to me to schedule a time to get together, if you would like. I am glad to make such meetings happen as quickly as I can. I am also more than happy to have you say hello when I am in my office at the church throughout the week, as well.

Every once in a while, I also need to reiterate what my renewal time is, perhaps. I am available on Mondays when there are emergencies. If I don't

know that there is a need, I feel chagrined not to have been called on to be faithful to my pastoral ministry. But I also am glad to set aside Mondays as a day of rest and renewal when no emergencies loom on the horizon. Pastor Jessica seeks the same on Fridays. These are our Sabbath days, to use a biblical phrase. Having two different days off, we seek to make sure that someone is available when there is a pastoral need in the congregation.

Prayers

Know that you are also in our prayers. Thank you for sharing not only prayers for your own health and well being, but also for family members, coworkers, friends and also for concerns throughout the nation and world that tug on your hearts. We find a wonderful sense of being in covenant with God when we belong to one another in our congregation. Know that you are dear to us.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Dave

Officers of the Class of 2020

During the April 29th worship service, the new officers for St. Andrew were ordained/ installed. The new officers are as follows;

Elders: Anthony Semiao, Frank Diehl, and Clark Seipt

Deacons: Melissa Macdonald, Kathi Hottinger, Sally Gehl, Betty Willis, Scottie Hill (youth for 2018) and MK Ntantang (youth for 2018)

Trustees: Daniel Faubert, Tom Hill, Mitch Seipt, Meagan Butkus

Class of 2019: Josh Shields and Eric Sassak

Class of 2018: Kim Griffith and Brad Morrell

Phoebe's Sisters

This women's group meets the fourth Saturday of the month from 8:30 to 10:30 am at a member's home for breakfast, fellowship and Bible study. All women of the church and friends are invited. For the 2017-17 session, the group will be discussing Who is Jesus: What a Difference a Lens Makes. The next meeting is May 20th. If you are interested in attending the next meeting, please contact Bonnie Milam at 540 454-7816 or bonmilam@aol.com.

The St. Andrew Book Club

This group meets monthly outside the church. The next meeting is May 27th at Lynn Krepich's house. They will discuss In the Garden of Beasts by Eric Larson. Please contact Zoe Sowers at 540 338-0999 or zsowers@gmail.com to join the discussion.

Brunch Bunch

This group meets the second Monday of each month from 10:00 to 11:30 am in the church basement. The next meeting is May 8th. For more information, contact Carolyn Bousman at 540 338-9508 or bouser540@comcast.net.

Lovettsville Group

This group is currently meeting every Sunday evening for desert and discussion of the Lenten book On the Road to the

Cross by Rob Burkhart. The meeting place rotates among the members of the group. Contact Debra Gutenson at 540 882-3205 or gutenson50@loudounwireless.com for more information.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Please join Pastors Dave and Jessica every Tuesday at 10:30 am as they take us through the passage that will be featured in the next week's services, and explore the deeper meaning of God's Holy Word. No reservations are required. All are welcome!

FP4H

First Place 4 Health, a faith-based weight loss program, meets every Monday evening at 7 pm. Contact Ally Fetch at 336 508-2610 or afetch@gmail.com or Deborah Hill at 540 751-9818 or momscully@earthlink.net. See page 4 for more detailed information,

Men's Group

This group meets the first Saturday of the month in the fellowship hall. Coffee starts at 7:30 am and breakfast/fellowship at 8:00 am. The next meeting is May 6th. All men of the church are invited. To join, contact Jeff Kauffman at jnk@thekauffmangroup.com.



The laying on of hands during Elder and Deacon Ordination.

Photo courtesy of Raye Ann Kauffman

Children and Youth News



The HOT MESS

May 5th - HOT Mess Party

Who: Youth/Teens
Where: Harmony Methodist, Hamilton
When: 5 to 8 pm
What: Prepare to get messy with paint twister, slip-n-slide, sloppy joes, s'mores and messy worship!

Join us - RSVP with Pastor Jessica

As the school year winds down, we look forward to special celebrations, year end parties and summer events. Stay connected and get plugged in this May and June!



Mother's Day May 14th

Donuts before Worship

Celebrate Mom with a special Donut Breakfast before worship on Sunday, May 14th, beginning at 9 am to 9:45 am.

Sponsored by the Connect Team!

Mark Your Calendars -

June 4th Pentecost and Confirmation Sunday

June 4th - Family Event TBD

June 11th - Graduate Recognition

June 18th - Donuts with Dad before Worship

June 25 - June 29th - VBS ROME

Register for VBS NOW

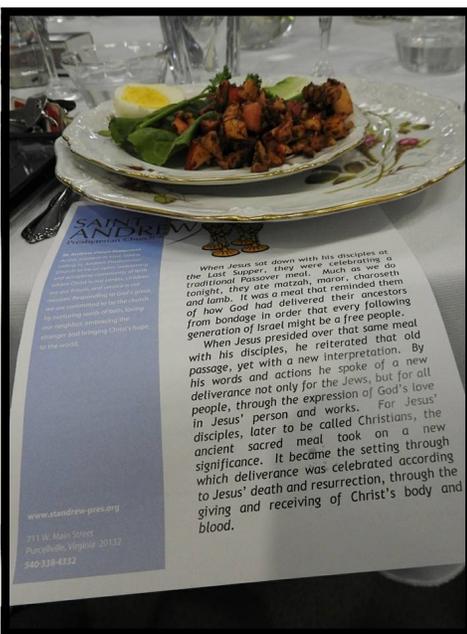
Kentucky Mission Trip (July 10-16)

Registration is On-going!

RSVP TODAY



The children from the Wednesday Afterschool Café (WAC) enjoyed an end-of-year party at the Purcellville Skating Rink.



On April 12th, St. Andrew hosted a Seder dinner. Shown above is the plate with all the elements of the dinner.

Photo courtesy of George Cassutto



On April 23rd, Serve Sunday, members of our congregation were commissioned to go into the community and serve.

Photo courtesy of John Howard

MAY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Happy Anniversary this month to:

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| 1 Josh and Kirsten Shields | 13 Thomas Ciolkosz |
| 13 Sam and Donna Myers | 14 Michael Reles |
| 15 Destry and Barbara Jarvis | 17 Ralph Immel |
| 22 Jim and Suzanne Wade | Georgia McGranahan |
| 23 Don and Ally Fetch | 19 Melanie Anderson |
| Milt and Nancy Gilmore | 20 Mike Wagers |
| 24 Chris and Dee Treptow | 22 Lindsay Semiao |
| 25 Tom and Deb Moler | 23 Leslie Dragon |
| 26 Tim and Susan Davis | Eli Seipt |
| 31 Mike and Carol Wagers | Kim Yager |

Happy Birthday this month to:

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| 1 Eugene Evans | 25 Carolyn Bousman |
| 3 Carl Christensen | Patience Garrett |
| Don Fetch | Matt Tinker |
| George Macdonald | 26 Emma York |
| 4 Ann Denison | 27 Terrie Combs |
| 5 Donna Myers | 28 Melanie Curtis |
| 7 Beau Kadilak | Destry Jarvis |
| 8 Emily Brenton | 29 Ann Gould |
| Abigail Wilburn | 30 J.C. Barnes |
| Josephine Yurish | Ashley Lutz |
| 10 Susan Milich | Bryan Lutz |
| 12 Lorie Faubert | 31 John Barbagallo |

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYERS

We lift up our concerns

Terrie Combs father, Robert Downey, passed away. We pray for Terrie and her mother, Millie. Prayers for Russ Smith and family on the death of his mother Dottie on April 29. Lisa, Shelby, Kitty Van Alstyn and their family following the sudden death of Donnie Van Alstyn. Ms. Susan, lead teacher at the NLC, whose dad William Ledrich will have surgery to amputate toes. Maureen asks for prayers for her daughter who refuses to go to church. The Diehl's grandson, Dimas. We lift up the Archer family at the celebration of Andy's grandfather, Bill's life and the Lowery family with the celebration of Ken's life. Victoria Zervakis is recovering from leukemia Dot Warner Hendricks, who suffered a stroke. We pray for those in military service. Kathi Hottinger's grandmother, Leotta Exline, 92, who suffered a stroke and is in Winchester Hospital waiting to go home with hospice. Sam Ryburn's brother Charles, in the hospital recovering from surgery for diverticulitis.

We continue to pray for

George Cassutto's sister, Hetty Haden, who lost sight in one eye due to glaucoma and who awaits a



kidney transplant. Jim Wiley. Kristen Shield's friend's (from Preoria) three-year-old son, Jackson, who was diagnosed with cancer and is at St. Jude's. Raye Ann Kauffman's friend Ann Livoti's cousin who gave birth, and is having severe health problems. The Shields' family friend, Catherine. Charlotte and Andy Miller. Bonnie Milam's cousin, Leslie Lesicka Paternoster. Owen Brown's cousin, Umberto Fiero. Lisa Garron. Mickey Rock. Leslie Dragon's brother, Todd. Russ Alizade. George Macdonald's dad Allan. Terrie Combs' grandson, Mason. Mary Parker's mom.

LOAVES AND FISHES

MAY MUSIC REHEARSALS

Choir Rehearsals, Wednesdays at 7 pm
Contact Zack Henderson, zackh900@gmail.com

New Song, Sunday mornings after the service
Contact Laurie Barbagallo 540 454-8215 or lauriewm85@hughes.net

St. Andrew Bell Ringers, Mondays at 7:15 pm
Contact Zoe Sowers 540 338-0999, zoesowers@gmail.com

Children's Choir, For Kindergarten through 5th grade.
Wednesdays at 6:15 pm in the Music Room.
Contact Zack Henderson, zackh900@gmail.com

Flower Calendar

Please consider signing up on the flower calendar in the entryway to provide a floral arrangement for Saturday and Sunday worship services.

If you have any questions, please call Nancy Gilmore (540-338-3154) or send an email to ngilmore5@verizon.net.



May Flower Calendar

6th/7th	Gricius	13th/14th	Kauffman
20th/21st	Open	27th/28th	Open

June Flower Calendar

3rd/4th	Open	10th/11th	Open
17th/18th	Wiley	24th/25th	Semiao

PRAYERS (CONTINUED)

Joys

Aiza and Brad Morell welcomed Hayden Jules Morell on April 18th. Hayden joins big brothers Bradley and Ethan. Congratulations to the Morell family. Chris and Katie Buttrick welcomed a baby boy, Alan Stephen Buttrick, on April 12th. Congratulations to the family and grandparents Marie and Steve Cahoon. Scotty Hill became an Eagle Scout. Eric and Sarah Sassak are pregnant with their second child. Sue Fay, whose Marine son is

coming home for two weeks and he is well. Raye Ann Kauffman announced that the family she announces for welcomed their second child, a healthy baby boy. Anna Broshkevitch, who will serve in Bolivia this summer. Adam Broshkevitch became an Eagle Scout. Marj Diehl and Melissa Kramer's mother, Anna Kramer, celebrated her 99th birthday in April. Mike and Sally Brenton's granddaughter, Madison, received her double lung transplant on April 28th.



The deadline for each issue of *Loaves & Fishes* is the **21st of each month**. The next deadline is MAY 21st. Please send your submissions to Sally Brenton at Communications@standrew-pres.org.

MAY SCRIPTURES AND SERMONS

“The Communion of the Holy Spirit”

May 6th/7th (Fourth Sunday in Easter; The Sacraments of Baptism and the Lord’s Supper)

Theme: The Spirit justifies us through grace

Scripture: Romans 1:16-17

Sermon: *“By Grace”* – Pastor Dave preaching

Liturgist: Bonnie Milam

Music: St. Andrew Choir

May 13th/14th (Fifth Sunday in Easter; Mother’s Day)

Theme: The Spirit calls women and men to all ministries of the Church

Scripture: Romans 16:1-4

Sermon: *“I Am Woman, Hear Me Preach!”* – Pastor Jessica preaching

Worship Leader: Laurie Barbagallo

Music: New Song

May 20th/21st (Sixth Sunday in Easter)

Theme: In a Broken and Fearful World, the Spirit Gives Us Courage

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Sermon: *“Ambassadors of Christ”* – Pastor Dave preaching



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The Rev. Jessica McClure Archer, Associate Pastor

Kimball Peele, Clerk of Session

The Gathering, Saturday at 5 pm

Blended Worship Service, Sunday at 10 am

Communion is celebrated on the first Saturday and Sunday of each month

Liturgist: Suzanne Wade

Music: St. Andrew Ringers and Choir

May 27th/28th (Seventh Sunday in Easter; Memorial Day Celebration)

Theme: We watch for God’s new heaven and new earth praying, “Come, Lord Jesus”

Scripture: Revelation 21:1-6

Sermon: *“Maranatha!”* – Pastor Dave preaching

Worship Leader: Tom Hill

Music: St. Andrew Choir