

THE VERY REV. GREG POWELL,
DEAN OF TRINITY CATHEDRAL,
EASTON MARYLAND TO PREACH AT
ST. ANDREW'S MAY 14TH



St. Andrew's is looking forward to having The Very Rev. Greg Powell as our preacher May 14th. Greg is the son of Diane Richmond and Jerry Richmond.



As Father John explained in his sermon Sunday, “*the dog you feed is the dog that wins.*” Thursday, June 1st at 6:00 PM, we will gather in Byrne Hall for a SHAIRING FAITH dinner. We will be joining with churches across the diocese to “feed” our spirits by sharing our own stories of personal faith and hearing others talk about the presence of God in their lives.

“We have a story to tell, a story filled with hope and love and God’s grace and mercy,” says Presiding Bishop Michael Curry. “We’ve got a story of God in our lives, a story of ways that Jesus has already been working in our lives sometimes without our even knowing.”

Please sign up by the Greeters station in Byrne Hall by May 28th to share a catered meal and “feed” your spirit.

Contact Anne Staley 850-624-0844 or Diane Tate 850-769-0941 with any questions.

From the Front Door to the Kitchen

*FRONT DOOR: EXPLORE/ATTENDANCE Foyer: LEARN/PARTICIPATE
FAMILY ROOM: GROW/COMMITMENT KITCHEN: SERVE/EMPOWERMENT
Consequently, we are adding two new greeters – one listed as *The Front Door* (In front of Byrne Hall; and *The Kitchen*- In front of the new Narthex.) You are simply greeters, showing in particular new comers where the entrances are, the nursery, the restrooms etc. Thank you for serving!*

Mark your Calendar

Molly and Michael (it's not Mike) will arrive July 1st. Her ordination to the priesthood is set for August 19th, at 11 a.m. here at St. Andrew's

STOP BEFORE YOU THROW AWAY YOUR PLASTIC GROCERY SHOPPING BAGS. LUCILLE MOORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL USES THE BAGS FOR ITS BACKPACK PROGRAM. PLEASE FOLD THEM FLAT AND LEAVE THEM ON THE SNACK COLLECTION TABLE IN BYRNE HALL.

ALSO ON THE TABLE IS A LIST OF PRODUCTS WHICH PARTICIPATE IN THE 'BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION' PROGRAM. WHEN YOU PURCHASE THESE PRODUCTS, PLEASE CLIP THE BOX TOP SYMBOLS AND BRING THEM TO THE SNACK TABLE. THE SCHOOL RECEIVES 10 CENTS PER LABEL. THERE IS A HANDOUT ON THE TABLE SHOWING BRANDS THAT PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM.

? ASK KATHLEEN TURNER



Backpack Program at Lucille Moore



What a great response to the Backpack Program!!
Please Keep Up the Good Work.

"HELP feed the children - Lucille Moore elementary school's backpack program is nearly depleted. They are in need of individual size items for the children to take home on the weekends. This is the only food source for some of these children on weekends.

Items needed include:

Fruit cups and applesauce

Individual servings of mac and cheese

Individual servings of chef boyardee/spaghettios Granola bars Individual bags of microwave popcorn Individual size canned meat/Vienna sausages

Please bring your donations to church. We will have a collection basket and Kathleen Turner will deliver them from to the school. THANK YOU!!!!"

St. Andrew's Directory

Please look at the draft of the new church directory and put a check by your entry. Also, make any changes that are necessary. The copy is located on the table in Byrne Hall just before you enter the Narthex. The will be the last opportunity for any changes.

Vestry Minutes

March 15, 2017

Holy Eucharist

Margaret conducted Eucharist to begin our meeting. In attendance Rev. Margaret Shepard, Tom Brewer, Junior Warden Tania Watts, Barbara Sontag, Richard Smith, and Nancy Young.

Approval of Minutes

The February minutes were reviewed and a motion was made by Richard Smith to approve as written, seconded by Tania Watts, motion carried.

Senior Warden's Report

Tom Brewer gave an update on Project Resource and the timelines for the upcoming year. The next phase of Project Resource was to create a case of support for the ministries done at our church. A video provided by Saint Thomas' in Greenville Alabama was shown to the vestry. It was a great promotional video of the yearly happenings at their parish that was used to create a spirit of commitment and giving. The idea of doing something similar for Saint Andrews was discussed and the vestry felt it was something we could imitate for our campaign too.

Junior Warden's Report

The choir room now has a new air conditioning unit similar to one placed in the nursery. Quotes had been let for replacement of the roof over the sanctuary and choir room with Anderson Construction selected as the best choice primarily based on the excellent work they did with the renovations and responsiveness. They proposed an aluminum room versus shingles due to the durability and its ability to better withstand hurricane forces. The roofing is .032 gauge thickness and carries a 14 year guarantee. The vestry unanimously voted to proceed with Anderson as soon as possible.

Rector's Report

Project Resource - See Senior Warden's report above.

Evangelism Matters – A second potluck luncheon was held and a presentation by The Rev Canon Stephanie Spellers which was followed by a practical exercise on evangelizing.

Money Counters – We have changed the process for counting the monies collected during the weekly offering. The counters will be added to the monthly servers list.

Sharing Faith Dinners – This event will occur on June 1st in unison with the diocese and greater Episcopal Church. Sharing Faith dinners invite people to gather around a meal and participate in life together. At each dinner, a moderator will prompt participants to share stories of their faith journey with printed questions. Sharing Faith provides a welcoming and safe way to engage one another, articulate our faith and build relationships. We are needing people to volunteer to be table host and simply decorate for this event. Anne Staley and Dan Finley are our coordinators for this event.

Spring Shape Up – The church grounds are in need of some basic attention and a proposed spring shape up day needs to be scheduled to make our grounds look neat and tidy. More to come at next vestry.

Office for Molly – It has been proposed to consolidate the computer room and the financial offices for Fran’s needs and convert the computer room into an office for Molly. There are some things that need to be done to refresh the office to be more functional for a new priest. The vestry agrees with this and needs to be completed by mid-June before her arrival.

Van for Discipleship Day – A 15 passenger van has been reserved for transportation to Niceville on March 25th. This will be more convenient and give a chance for everyone to be together for greater fellowship.

Financial Oversight Report – Art Wimpenny gave the financial oversight report on March 26th after church due to his absence at vestry. As of that time the church operating balance reflected a \$5,000 deficit which would be rectified by April’s collection of monthly tithes next week. Expenses were trending as usual, nothing alarming with the notable exception being a significant improvement with our electricity bills being substantially lower.

Next Meeting Date – Next Vestry meeting is moved from the third Wednesday of the month to April 26th at 4:45pm due to the Bishop’s clergy conference.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Brewer
Acting Clerk

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Other news from the Vestry: Ted Broome was elected to fill Nancy Young’s unexpired term for the rest of this year. He can then be nominated to run for vestry in 2018.

The door between the worship space and Atrium will be replaced by Anderson Construction-thus keeping in the cool air!

A new roof will be put on the church in the near future. An aluminum roof of .032 thickness with a 14 year guarantee was recommended by Anderson Construction.



The Mustard Seed

For 20 years, our church has supported the food pantry at St. Andrew Baptist Church. We have watched it grow from serving a few families a week to its present capacity of sixty families a day. We helped plant a seed which has thrived under that congregation's vision to become a mighty tree. At its last meeting, our Vestry voted unanimously to withdraw from this flourishing ministry and direct our efforts to the nascent backpack program for the needy students at Lucille Moore Elementary school. This program involves sending food home with children for weekends when they are not able to get breakfast and lunch at school. Presently it is serving about 90 children at an approximate cost of \$20 per week per child.

St. Andrew's response is three-fold. First, there is a basket in Byrne Hall for you to bring food/snacks for the backpacks. A list of suggestions is available by the basket. Kathleen Turner will take our offerings to the school each week. These gifts help reduce the cash needed to purchase food. Secondly, the St. Andrew's Foundation voted to provide a grant of \$2,000 to support the program pending approval of the vestry. Most importantly, we ask prayers for the teachers, parents and children at Lucille Moore.

Please join us as we begin this new ministry.

BONDEAU PROJECT

Bondeau Haiti is one of the poorest rural areas in Haiti. In 2010, the Bondeau Project identified this community as a place to grow the Kingdom of God. Together with community residents, the project has worked to bring education, healthcare, solar power, and clean water to over 2,000 men, women, and children.

August 21-25, Rev. Clelia Garrity, deacon at St. Simon's on the Sound and Jennifer Knight, ARNP-CP are leading a medical mission team to Bondeau. Together with a Haitian medical group, the team intends to treat over 400 women and children.

DEACON CLELIA AND JENNIFER NEED YOUR SUPPORT

They need Tylenol & Ibuprophen, Tums, Children's cold medicine and pre-natal vitamins.

Contributions can be placed in the box in Byrne Hall "Bondeau Project". If you want to make a monetary contribution, please make check payable to St. Simon's on the Sound with Bondeau Project on the memo line. There is an envelope in the collection box. We need to take donations to St. Simon's on June 1st so if you are able to help, please bring your items by May 28th.

There is a report about the Bondeau Project posted on the bulletin board in Byrne Hall. If you have other questions please ask Diane Tate, Mary Johnson or call Clelia Garrity 561-271-2890.

Please keep the following in your prayers: Bob, Virginia, Warren, Ed, Nell, Sandra, Bill, Dawn, Rick, Mary Lou, Donna, Pat, Colleen, Courtney, Michael, , , Josh, Debra, Elizabeth, John, Nell, Mary, Tim, Octavia, William, Dwayne, Oscar, Barbara, Doris, Liam Irene, Richard, Hannah, Jim, Carol, Charlie, Harry, Cynthia, Megan, Katherine, Melinda, Ki, Hank, Marcella, Roy, Elizabeth, Rick, Laverne

*We pray for our men and women in the Armed Forces at home and abroad:
David, Jason, Billy, Colin, Todd, Jordan, Jeremiah, Richard. James*