



St. Andrew's Tidings

A Message from Margaret,

HANGING CROSS, PROCESSIONAL CROSS, AND CHANDELIER

Artist, Colleen Green, in concert with metal artist, Thad Cofer, has designed a (1.) new hanging cross to be suspended in front of the new crystal window. The cross contains the St. Andrew's shield in the center, (see shield to the left) and surrounded by olive branches to be in concert with the new baptismal font. Please see the beautiful framed renditions on the table in Byrne Hall. If you would like to honor someone, or would like to give this cross in memory of someone, the cost is \$4,000. (2.) There will also be a new processional cross that will echo the hanging cross that you may subscribe to, as well. (3.) The third item is a chandelier for the center of the church. It will be a circle with lots of little lights, looking like stars. The cost is \$3600. All of these items will only be installed as they are subscribed to by individuals. These are wonderful ways to honor loved ones. If you are interested, please call the office, or speak with Margaret+





A BayLights Thank You!

Thanks to all of you who attended Baylights at Beckwith! It was a wonderful, albeit, cold weekend. All 22 of our parishioners had a delightful time. Our own Belle Casler won a quail hunting trip for four!

Thank you to all of you who bought tickets! The income from the weekend will go to Beckwith for scholarships for children going to camp, for various programs for you to enjoy, and to other needs of our beautiful Beckwith.

Thank you to all of you who donated wine. A great time was had by all listening to the Modern Eldorados and seeing which wine was the best!

Eleanor Reeves recapped the weekend this way:

BayLights 2014 Recap:

282 tickets sold 240 hamburgers served
200 + attended BayLights
126 bottles of wine donated
100+ feet on the dance floor
88 volunteers sold tickets
80+ attended the Diocesan Ultreya
61 attended All Saints' Service
50 overnight guests Saturday
48 raffle prizes awarded
29 youth campers and counselors
7 generous sponsors
4 handsome Modern Eldorados
1 extremely happy grand prize couple





ADVENT, CHRISTMAS AND EPIPHANY

Dennis Bratcher

Historically Christmas commemorates the birth of Jesus of Nazareth to a young maiden from Galilee. Theologically, Christmas is the celebration of the incarnation of god in Jesus the Christ, the self-revelation of god to the world in human form for the reconciliation of humanity to God. All the details of the various accounts concerning Jesus' birth revolve around that central truth.

While we most often think about Christmas as a single day, it is actually a season of the year. In its popular sense, it extends four weeks before Christmas Day and for two weeks after. However, the time before Christmas is a special season called Advent, comprising the four Sundays before Christmas Day. While the entire season of Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany can be seen together, they each have distinctly different roles in the Church year.

The term "Advent" means "coming" and is a season of expectation and hope, the time of waiting for the coming of the Messiah that is celebrated at Christmas. This time of waiting symbolizes the waiting throughout the Old Testament for the new act of god that would bring deliverance to God's people. For Christians this season of expectation also symbolizes the waiting in anticipation for the Second Coming of the Christ when he will return and restore all things.

Contrary to advertising campaigns that tout Christmas as beginning with Advent—or maybe just right after Halloween!- the actual Christmas Season in the Anglican tradition begins at sunset on Christmas Eve, December 24, and lasts through January 5th. Since this time includes 12 days, the season of Christmas is known in many places as the Twelve Days of Christmas. January 6 is usually celebrated as epiphany-the Baptism of Our Lord.

OFFICE PHONE



When calling the office, the phone will ring five times if there is no one at the front desk. It then recycles to the other phones. Please be patient, as someone may be at one of the other 4 phones. If the message comes on, then and only then, does it mean that no one is there.

Chairs

The Chairs are \$240 each. We now have 75 chairs that have been purchased. If you would like to purchase a chair in honor of or in memory of someone, please see Anne Staley following the service.

GROCERY CART MINISTRY

During November we are collecting canned vegetables, *especially green beans and corn.* All donations will be taken to the food pantry at St. Andrew Baptist Church for distribution in our community. When you are shopping for your family, please remember to pick up canned vegetables for our needy neighbors.





SOCK IT TO 'EM



As we approach winter one of the challenges many people face, especially the homeless, is keeping their feet warm and dry. St. Andrew's serves Supper at Grace on **December 18th** and we would like to give each of our guests a pair of **NEW CREW** socks. Our goal is to collect 100 pairs of men's socks, 25 pairs of women's socks, and 25 pairs of children's socks. If you can help with this ministry by purchasing socks, pick up a "foot" from the display in Byrne Hall. Keep the foot as a reminder first to purchase socks and then to pray for the welfare those who will wear the socks. Please return all socks by **November 30th**. We will be gift wrapping socks on Wednesday, **December 10th** at 9:00 AM in Byrne Hall. Join us if you can!

Current Sock Count

- **Men 38 Pair**
- **Women 22 Pair**
- **Children 15 Pair**

St. Mary's Guild

When: Nov. 18, 2014, 10:00 am

Where: Byrne Hall

Program: Just 1 month before Christmas and Valerie will join us to make a scarf or scarves to help us with our Christmas lists. All ladies welcome and please bring a friend if you'd like!

Hostesses: Vera Lansing, Snookie Raines and Julie Cheshire

Columbarium

Our construction is moving along and it will not be too much longer before completion. If you would like to take advantage of the lower price of \$500 per niche in the Columbarium, please call the office, or send in the Columbarium form. If you do not have one, extras are on the round table in Byrne Hall. Upon Completion, the cost will be \$1,000 per niche.

*Don't
Forget your
Pennies from Heaven
For Living Stones*



Please keep the following in your prayers : Warren, Ruth Ann, Iva, , Jeremy, Rosemary, Kiley, Maggie, Patricia, Anne, MaryLou, George, Walt, Susan, Mary Jane, Sammy, Rick, Jane, Joy, Ryan, Virginia, Laura, Pam, Ashley, Hazen, Mary, Anna, Diane, Sara, Debbie, Sarah, Robin, Tammy, Alex, Betty, Jim, Mikey, Larry, Gary, Jonathan, Pat, Marty, Rita, Eric, Stephanie, Elijah, Dorothy

We pray for our men and women in the Armed Forces at home and abroad: Jeff, James, Andrew, Kenneth, Evan, Ryan, Joe, Nate, Richard, David, Brian, Jason, Billy, Colin, Todd, Brett, Jordan, Jeremiah