



# THE CROSSROADS

## From the Desk of the Rector

St. Andrew's will be starting two new chapters in our life over the next few weeks. They are particularly exciting to me as your parish rector because they show two very good signs of a congregation's faithfulness to our Lord, not to mention our vitality and future health. One chapter indicates that we are looking ahead. The other chapter indicates that we are looking beyond ourselves.

On November 6, John Gilmore will be convening our first youth gathering in many years. Over the past few years, thanks to Sue Wilson and several other members of our parish family, we have shored up a consistent Sunday School ministry for the kids of our parish. However, our young people in grades 6 through 12 require a very different setting for their continued growth in a Christian community. More than once this congregation has seen children start their spiritual lives here only to fall away at puberty. This is a tragedy and getting a youth ministry up and running provides a place for our youth to be in Christ-centered fellowship together.

A vibrant youth ministry will take time, resources and your prayers to build. While John will be the person primarily responsible for organizing and gathering this fellowship, that in no way relieves any of us of our responsibility "to do all in our power to support these persons in their life in Christ." (BCP 303) This new part of our parish life is one that has the potential to have implications beyond our current lives and is a sign that our parish is clearly future-oriented and serious about our commitment

to help form our youth into mature Christian adults. Who knows, some of them may be future rectors, wardens, or altar guild members in this congregation long after we are gone. One thing is for sure: they will have a firmer foundation for their life in Christ.

On December 3, St. Andrew's will begin its first consistent parish-based outreach ministry since the start of the payee program several years ago. The Loaves and Fishes ministry will feed a hot nutritious meal to people in the Emporia community who would otherwise go without. Many children in this community only get healthy meals at school; many adults suffer from a lack of healthy food as well. Abundant Harvest, an excellent Christian-based feeding program in Emporia, feeds the hungry Monday through Friday, but is closed on the weekends. Our Loaves and Fishes ministry is meant, not to compete with this established good ministry, but to work in harmony with it. Our kitchen ministers will prepare and serve a meal every Saturday from noon to 1:30, following worship at 11:30.

The thing that has been most exciting has been the way that it has taken off. It seems apparent to me that the Holy Spirit is moving in this endeavor and that we have a responsibility to embrace it. There are many members of our parish, as well as the larger Emporia community, who want to be a part of this ministry. Deborah Cotterman is coordinating kitchen ministers and publicity. Don Bailey is organizing menus and supplies. With a \$10,000 gift from a parishioner, the kitchen will receive some much needed improvements to make this ministry more

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## **Two new ministries beginning!**

### ***Parish set to serve free lunches to Emporia's hungry***

*Loaves and Fishes ministry to start Dec. 3*

The beginning of Advent 2011 will bring a new and exciting ministry to St. Andrew's: We'll be offering no-cost lunches to the community each Saturday in the parish hall. The meal will be served at noon, following worship at 11:30 a.m.

The Loaves and Fishes ministry will provide simple but satisfying meals on a day when the Abundant Harvest kitchen is closed. Don Bailey and Deborah Cotterman have stepped forward to lead this ministry, but they need volunteers from the parish and the community to assist with preparation, serving and cleanup.

Don will be in charge of "St. Andy's Kitchen." He plans to do a lot of the food preparation on Fridays, to make Saturday chores go more smoothly. Deborah is serving as volunteer coordinator, ensuring that enough people are on hand – probably four each week – to put the finishing touches on the food, greet the guests and straighten up the kitchen after the luncheon is over. Each Saturday shift will probably last about four hours, 10 a.m.- 2 p.m.

If you've got time to share on Fridays or Saturdays, please get in touch with Deborah. She's set up a Facebook page, so all Facebookers can "friend" St. Andrews Kitchen, which includes a link to a Google site, St. Andrews Loaves and Fishes Emporia. You can reach her at 913-829-4585 or leave a message at the Facebook page and tell her you want to be a volunteer.

If you're not able to volunteer but you want to help, cash contributions are welcome. The project is getting underway with a generous donation from a parishioner, but every bit of help will be appreciated. Checks should be made out to St. Andrew's, with Loaves and Fishes in the memo line.

### ***St. Andrew's has something especially for older kids!***

The teen years are a special time for kids – and for the parents who love them. Now, St. Andrew's will be able to offer a program aimed at getting sixth- through 12<sup>th</sup>-graders together for fun, fellowship and faith.

John Gilmore is the parish's new youth director, a post approved by the vestry at their October meeting. John's talents as a musician are familiar to everyone who attends the 10:45 a.m. Eucharist, where he often plays the drums or vibraphone. (His wife, Erin, is our choir director.)

The youth group's first meeting is planned for 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 6, at St. Andrew's. Parents, grandparents and guardians are welcome to attend with their teens and tweens. Supper is included.

The parish is also looking for a volunteer (or two) to be part of the meetings. Yes, it's diocesan policy to have more than one adult present when working with kids – but this new ministry, which St. Andrew's has long needed, promises to be fun, too.

## Looking ahead

- Wednesday, Nov. 2** Evening Prayer will begin at 6 p.m., with the usual Wednesday supper afterward. Fr. Kelley will be in Wichita from Nov. 1 through 3 for the bishop's Gathering of Presbyters.
- Thursday, Nov. 3** Emporia State University's Woodwind Quintet will perform at 7:30 p.m. at St. Andrew's. Parishioner Bill Clamurro is part of this ensemble.
- Sunday, Nov. 6** All Saints Sunday. At the 10:45 a.m. Eucharist, we will read the necrology of loved ones who have been part of our Christian journey.
- Pledge cards for 2012 will be blessed at the 10:45 a.m. Eucharist. If you haven't already returned your pledge card, you may drop it by the office this week or place it in the collection plate on that day. If you haven't received a stewardship letter and pledge card, please let Karen in the office know.
- The first meeting of "tweens and teens," a new group for sixth- through 12<sup>th</sup>-graders, will begin at 6 p.m. John Gilmore, St. Andrew's new youth director, has planned a supper for young people and their parents, grandparents, guardians – and friends!
- Daylight Saving Time ends; set your clocks Saturday night so you don't miss any of these activities.
- Thursday, Nov. 10** In Fr. Kelley's absence, the monthly meeting of the vestry has been cancelled. (Our bylaws require that the vestry meet ten times a year.)
- Sunday, Nov. 13** Fr. Kelley will be away and Michael Bell, campus missionary for the diocese, will celebrate the Eucharist in his stead. There will be no worship service at the Presbyterian Manor on this Sunday.
- Wednesday, Nov. 23** We will celebrate a quiet Thanksgiving Eve Eucharist at the regular time, 6 p.m., so appropriate, since "eucharist" means "thanksgiving" in Greek. No dinner follows.
- Thursday, Nov. 24** Thanksgiving Day. The office will be closed.
- Sunday, Nov. 27** First Sunday of Advent. A new liturgical year will begin, as we prepare for the Incarnation of Our Lord.
- Wednesday, Nov. 30** St. Andrew's Day. We'll celebrate our patronal feast day with a Eucharist at 6 p.m. and a lasagna supper afterwards. (Yes, we know that lasagna isn't Scottish, but we're pretty sure that Andrew would approve.) Check the parish hall doors for a sign-up sheet to help with the feast.
- Saturday, Dec. 3** Grand opening of St. Andy's Kitchen! We'll serve our first Loaves and Fishes luncheon, the parish's new outreach ministry. There is worship at 11:30 and then the meal will be served in the parish hall at noon. To find out how you can help, see the article on page 2.

Morning Prayer is read at 7 a.m. each Wednesday. Evening Prayer is read at 5:30 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. A casual Eucharist begins at 6 p.m. each Wednesday, followed by dinner and fellowship.

*Please note:* The women of St. Andrew's will not gather for their monthly lunches in November or December. The lunches (at which men and children are always welcome) will resume in January.



...He who is true God is also true man, and in this union there is no deceit, since the humility of manhood and the loftiness of the Godhead both meet there. —From the writings of St. Leo the Great. He was an advocate for the temporal as well as spiritual needs of his flock and is perhaps most famous for persuading Attila the Hun to abandon his plans to sack the city of Rome (452). His feast day is celebrated Nov. 10.

If a date that's important to you is missing from this calendar, please notify the office at office@standrewsemporium.org or 620-342-1537.

### ***In our daily prayers we celebrate***

#### ***Births***

Nov. 2	Gould Garcia
Nov. 3	Donna Eudaley
	Trish Weidert
Nov. 6	Anna Brownlee
Nov. 9	Ian Lackey
	Ashley Mitchell
Nov. 10	Helen Call
Nov. 11	Zoë Dyer
Nov. 13	Norma Gilpin
	Chuck Moore
Nov. 14	Leigh Ann Crofoot
	Elizabeth First
	Craig Marriott
Nov. 15	Brian Dyer
Nov. 17	Renee Flott
Nov. 21	Tom North
Nov. 26	Clifford Stewart
Nov. 27	Daniel Hendricks
Nov. 28	Hannah Harder

#### ***Baptisms***

Nov. 1	Shanda Henricks
	Collin Moody
	Lucas Moody
Nov. 4	Nolan Jacob
Nov. 6	Elijah Williams
	Julia Williams (reaff.)
	Kevin Williams
	Kira Williams
Nov. 13	Bob Basler
Nov. 19	Eli Fowler
Nov. 22	Grady Fowler
Nov. 30	Amy Williamson

#### ***Confirmations***

Nov. 15	Shirlee Ebberts
Nov. 19	Dobby Bailey
	Don Bailey
Nov. 29	Leigh Lingenfelter
Nov. 30	Seth Fowler
	Mark Harder
	Patrick Kelley
	Tom Resch
	Tom North

## **Milestones**

### ***Marriages***

Nov. 18 Eric and Renee Flott

### ***We remember***

Nov. 2	Gertrude Behymer
	Clair Bowen
Nov. 5	James Walker
Nov. 6	Guy Sickler
Nov. 9	Jeannette Price
Nov. 10	Liz Hollar
Nov. 12	William Larkin
Nov. 14	Floy Johnson
Nov. 18	Marian Koger
Nov. 19	Jay Lynn Mendenhall
Nov. 20	Thomas Harris
Nov. 22	Ora Belle Blevens
	Cheryl Ann Waller
	Jerri Lynn Waller
Nov. 23	Fannie Klinkenberg
	Letilia Mullinex
Nov. 24	Loraine (Betty)
	Mendenhall
Nov. 25	Jim Teichgraeber
Nov. 26	Roger Samuelson
	Lucile Uhley
	Perl Walker
Nov. 27	James Davis (JD) Sims
	Drew Warren
Nov. 30	Esther Larkin

## **Sunday readings for Nov.**

Nov. 6, the Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost Wisdom of Sol. 6:12-16, Ps. 70, I Thess. 4:13-18, Matt. 25:1-13

Nov. 13, the Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost Zeph. 1:7, 12-18, Ps. 90:1-8, I Thess. 5:1-11, Matt. 25:14-30.

Nov. 20, the Last Sunday after Pentecost Ezek. 34:11-16, 20-24, Ps. 95:1-7a, Ephes. 1:15-23, Matt. 25:31-46.

Nov. 27, the First Sunday of Advent Isaiah 64:1-9, Ps. 80, I Cor. 1:3-9, Mark 13:24-37.

# November Server Schedule

	Oct. 30	Nov. 6 All Saints	Nov. 13	Nov. 20	Nov. 27	Nov. 30 St. Andrew's	Dec. 4
<b>Chalice bearer</b>	G. Garcia	P. Davis	G. Garcia	P. Davis	J. Runge	P. Kelley	P. Davis
<b>Priest server</b>	S. McKinney	R. Mitchell	P. Kelley	S. McKinney	P. Kelley	R. Mitchell	S. McKinney
<b>Crucifer</b>	G. Mason	P. Davis	G. Mason	P. Davis	-open-	C. Amend	P. Davis
<b>Torch 1</b>	A. Mitchell	C. Amend	A. Mitchell	C. Amend	A. Mitchell	G. Mason	A. Mitchell
<b>Torch 2</b>	-open-	J. Crofoot	C. Lackey	G. Mason	-open-	-open-	-open-
<b>Lector</b>	M. Amend	J. Brownlee	C. Amend	M. Amend	J. Runge	J. Brownlee	N. Romine
<b>Intercessor</b>	-open-	M. Harrell	N. Romine	B. Barnes	-none-	L. Bonney	M. Harrell
<b>Greeter 1</b>	D. Mai	A. Brownlee	N. Romine	L. Bonney	D. Mai	A. Brownlee	N. Romine
<b>Greeter 2</b>	S. Mai	-open-	-open-	P. Kelley	S. Mai	B. Clamurro	-open-
<b>LEV 1</b>	S. McKinney	J. Hubert	P. Kelley	G. Mason	S. McKinney	-none-	P. Kelley
<b>LEV 2</b>	G. Mason	-open-	L. Bonney	-open-	-open-	-none-	L. Bonney
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Gilpin/Basler /Weidert	Mitchell /Mitchell	Garcia/Barnes/ Bailey	Pontius/Mai	Gilpin/Basler /Weidert	Gilpin/Basler /Weidert	Mitchell /Mitchell

**Please remember that you are responsible for finding a substitute if you are unable to serve**

## **From the Rector, cont.**

effective. An additional \$2000 has been given by another parishioner for the initial food supply.

As your rector, I want to say how proud I am of St. Andrew's! This parish family continues to excite and delight me in your willingness to step up and be faithful members of the Body of Christ. Looking ahead and looking beyond is a sign of your faith in Christ, the one who calls us beyond ourselves into a new and more abundant resurrection life!

**Pax Christi,  
Kelley+**

## **A wee bit of lasagna for St. Andrew's Day? Why not?**

The Parish Life Committee is planning a lasagna dinner to celebrate Andrew, our patron saint, on Wednesday, Nov. 30. You can sign up to bring a main dish, bread, salad or dessert (or all four, if you'd like). The meal will follow the regular Wednesday evening celebration of the Eucharist at 6 p.m.

The bagpipes will be elsewhere that evening, but you can still wear something plaid.

## **Raise your voice! Sound the trumpet!**

Erin Gilmore, our choir director, is looking for children and adults to sing during worship. Rehearsals are Saturdays at 3 p.m., but the choirs do not sing every Sunday. Please contact her or sign up on the sheets on the parish hall doors (erinreilly12@gmail.com). No experience is necessary—just a desire to praise God through your voice.

If playing an instrument is more your style, and you would like to play at a worship service, contact Sue Seeman, music coordinator (342-6733).

## **Additional nursery help sought**

We are fortunate to have Dena Church to take care of the children while their parents join the adult forum at 10:00 and worship in community at the 10:45 liturgy. We are still looking for an additional child care worker.

If you can recommend someone, please let Sue Wilson, Jacque Heckman-James, or Fr. Kelley know.

## **We can all do something!**

As St. Paul reminds us, each parishioner has a gift to offer to further God's work at the corner of Ninth and Commercial – and beyond! Here are a few ideas:

### ***Complete your pledge card and turn it in by Nov. 6.***

Our treasurer and vestry are ready to work on the budget for 2012 and St. Andrew's relies on members' pledges to meet fixed expenses and maintain and expand our ministries.

***Consider being a candidate for vestry.*** In December, the call will go out for parishioners willing to serve on the body that guides and governs the parish. A variety of talents is needed, so please give prayerful thought to the skills you could bring to this ministry.

***Volunteer to take a turn leading our children in Christian education.*** Contact Sue Wilson if you feel called to a ministry to our children. (suewill5821@gmail.com)

***Lend your voice to the choir.*** Or offer your instrumental talents to Sunday worship. There are opportunities for children and adults.

***Sign up to be a coffee-hour host.*** It's easier than you think and provides the fellowship that's vital to our parish family – and to newcomers.

***Offer to provide a dish*** for the Wednesday night suppers for college students and parishioners. Join the 6 p.m. group if you can make it. You'll be welcome!

***Think about becoming a Lay Eucharistic Visitor.*** Our shut-ins rely on this ministry as a link between them and their parish.

***Help fill the market basket.*** Your non-perishable food contributions help keep the Food Pantry's shelves filled.

## Blessing of the animals

Weather permitted, so on Oct. 5, parishioners and friends brought their companion animals outdoors to be blessed in celebration of the ministry of St. Francis, beloved saint of animals and the environment.

Joining us were members of the First Congregational Church and their pastor, Andrew McHenry. Michael Bell, campus missionary for the diocese, was in town and also participated.



Brianna Dougherty brings her cat forward for a blessing from Fr. Kelley and Fr. Michael Bell.

## Looking for candidates for the vestry

There will be three vacancies on the vestry beginning in January. This body of nine members serves as spiritual and temporal leaders of St. Andrew's, working with the rector in implementing the mission of the church and overseeing our physical space and ministries. Members are communicants in good standing, at least 16 years old, who have made a financial pledge to St. Andrew's.

If you are interested in serving, please contact Fr. Kelley as soon as possible. The deadline is Dec. 31 for your name to be placed on the ballot at the annual meeting in January.

## MIQRA is approaching

*Weekend event brings kids, Bible together*

Students in sixth through 12<sup>th</sup> grades will be gathering in Topeka to start 2012 with the annual MIQRA weekend, a retreat that focuses on the Bible and how to read it.

Chad Senuta, diocesan youth minister, has announced that MIQRA is set for Jan. 14-16 at Grace Cathedral and St. David's Church in Topeka. For more information, check online at [www.episcopal-ks.org/youth](http://www.episcopal-ks.org/youth) or get in touch with Fr. Kelley.

This is an opportunity for youth to connect with other Episcopal teens and tweens, making new friends throughout the diocese and learning about the Bible.

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**Members of the Vestry:**  
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**Rick Mitchell—Junior Warden**  
**Brian Dyer**  
**Jacque Heckman-James**  
**Patrick Kelley**  
**Jordan Kline**  
**Sue McKinney**  
**Nancy Pontius**  
**Sue Wilson**

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**OFFICE HOURS**

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message through our website at [StAndrewsEmporia.org](http://StAndrewsEmporia.org).

November 20 is the deadline  
for information to be included  
in the December Crossroads.  
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