



THE CROSSROADS

From the Desk of the Rector

June 22 was the sixth anniversary of my installation as rector of St. Andrew's. When the Lackey family arrived there were only three of us. Ian was 6 months old and Kathryn would not be born until the following March. Ian is entering first grade in a few weeks and Kathryn will be starting kindergarten. A lot has changed for the Lackey family with the joys and pains that inevitably come with growth and the passage of time. But families who understand who they are at their core and remain committed to each other withstand the passage of time. The same can be said for a church family.

Many of the members of our parish family who were here when I came have died, moved on to other locales, or simply wandered away. Others have been born into or joined our family. Many of the issues, ideas and priorities that seemed oh so important to St. Andrew's and its new hot-shot rector six years ago have come and gone and may have even slipped from our memories by now. Different ideas and priorities emerge and are the topic of prayer and discernment for our family.

And yet we remain a family, specifically, the family of God. When we understand ourselves as such, there are certain ideas and priorities that always remain, whatever other circumstances may come and go. Here are some of the Gospel priorities that I consciously embraced when I became your rector and which I have tried to continue to keep in mind as we work together.

The Great Commission As a parish, our primary purpose is to go into the community beyond our doors and share the Good News of Jesus Christ and invite those who are not

already members of a church family to come be a part of ours, baptizing them and passing on to them the catholic and apostolic faith of the church.

Keeping the Great Commandment (part 1) Loving God with our whole being Worship of God is the primary reason that we gather week by week as a parish family. Loving God and serving God with our whole being is best expressed as we gather to do liturgy or *leitourgia* (Greek for "the work of the people").

Keeping the Great Commandment (part 2) Loving and serving our neighbors as ourselves St. Andrew's continues to try to develop outreach ministries locally through our payee program, local service projects and support of the Lyon County Restricted Emergency Fund. We support national and international outreach through special offerings. And most excitingly, we have several members of our parish who have committed to go to Kenya next summer with the diocesan-wide Kansas2Kenya ministry.

Evangelism Episcopalians don't typically knock on doors and knock people over the head with Bibles and doctrine. However, we should never be embarrassed to commend the faith that is in us or be afraid to let the larger community know who we are and what we are about. The way the church can do evangelism in the 21st century looks very different than in past times. One example is our shield logo. St. Andrew's was one of the first parishes in the diocese to have a logo that has been used to promote public awareness of our parish. In the past six years

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**Fr. Kelley J. Lackey II,
Rector of St. Andrew's**

Parishioners enjoy Trinity Sunday Eucharist and picnic



The Eucharist on June 19 was held in the columbarium and was followed by a Fathers Day picnic with water activities and games. Abigail Jacob, Kathryn Lackey and Lance Moore enjoy lunch after splashing in the water. Nolan Jacob climbs the water slide.

Big Jungle Adventure! Vacation Bible School is open to everyone

A "Big Jungle Adventure" awaits children at this summer's Vacation Bible School, which kicks off Sunday, July 24, at the Emporia Presbyterian West Campus. St. Andrew's is joining with St. Mark's Lutheran, Emporia Presbyterian and First Baptist churches for this annual event.

The adventure begins with a kick-off potluck at 5 p.m. on July 24. This is a time for church families to get to know one another. The leadership committee will bring main dishes and meat dishes and rely on participants' randomness for the rest of the meal. Table service will be provided, but folks will want to bring serving spoons or forks for their dishes.

Adults are welcome to participate in any of the VBS activities, including a discussion group led by Fr. Kelley and the pastors of the other congregations.

There's an enrollment sheet on page 7 and on the table in the foyer. Also on the table, you'll find a sign-up sheet for volunteer opportunities. Leaders are already assigned, but they need nightly volunteers for storytelling, music, games, snacks (each church will take one of the nights for snacks but the leader will tell us what to bring in), walking-leaders, and adult discussion volunteers.

No nursery during summer; care-giver sought

For the summer months there will be no nursery care during the 10:45 liturgy.

If you know of someone who would like to tend our youngsters in the nursery beginning in the fall, please let Fr. Kelley know. We would like to hire someone from outside the parish so that all our parishioners may worship together.

Fill the shopping cart

Shop for canned meats during July

The shopping cart in the foyer outside the parish hall is the collection point for our contributions to the community food bank.

During July, we're collecting canned meats, such as tuna or chicken, to help neighbors who are facing difficult times in the economic downturn.

When you shop for your household, please add an extra item or two to your shopping basket – then add it to the cart at St. Andrew's.

Looking ahead

- Sunday, July 3 Loose change and designated checks in the offering will help support Jezeel Marie, our “adopted” child in the Philippines. Parish Life has planned a festive pre-Fourth celebration for coffee hour this day.
- Monday, July 4 Independence Day. The office will be closed.
- Thursday, July 14 The monthly vestry meeting is cancelled. The next meeting is planned for August 11.
- Tuesday, July 19 The women’s luncheon, at which men and children are welcome, will begin at 11:30 a.m. at RiYu, 1113 Commercial St.
- Sunday, July 24 Vacation Bible School begins at 6 p.m. at the Emporia Presbyterian West Campus, 1702 W. 15th Ave. Classes continue at 6 p.m. Monday through Wednesday. All ages, including adults, are welcome. St. Andrew’s provides refreshments for a potluck on Sunday, July 24.

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 fellowship – and sometimes a movie.

St. Andrew’s thanks ...

... *Marged Amend*, who from time to time surprises the Wednesday night folks with her wonderful homemade cookies.

... *Nick and Ann Jacob*, who handled the grill and kitchen tasks for our Fathers Day cookout, and *June Hubert*, who set up and supervised lots of wet-and-wonderful games for our little ones.

... *Nancy Romine*, who enlisted a daughter and granddaughter to prepare a celebratory feast to congratulate *Stanford and Antonia Felix* on their 25th wedding anniversary – and to say farewell to the Felixes before they move to Minneapolis.

KSM offers summer classes; register by July 5

The Kansas School for Ministry is offering three educational opportunities in July that are open to everyone in the diocese. They are:

Faith and Film, taught by Dr. Don Compier. Participants will watch and discuss several films that will help them look at cinema as an opportunity for theological reflection, as well as equip them to use films as part of a parish spiritual formation program.

New Testament Greek, taught by Dr. Jim Lewis. This course will offer a very basic introduction to the grammar, structure and interpretation of the Greek used in the New Testament, as well as an understanding of various classes of New Testament manuscripts. The class will focus on the gospel of John.

The “Missional” Church, facilitated by the Rev. Dr. Andrew Grosso. Participants will explore literature that looks at how the church can retool itself along “missional” lines, and what that concept means.

Classes meet July 15-16 at the Bethany Place Conference Center in Topeka, from 5:30 p.m. Friday until 6 p.m. Saturday. The cost is \$100 per course, plus books. The registration deadline is July 5. To enroll, or for more information, contact the Rev. Andrew Grosso at (913) 367-3171 or rector@trinityks.org.



And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give knowledge of salvation to his people by the forgiveness of their sins. By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.”—*Luke 1:76-79, the prophesy of Zechariah concerning his son, John the Baptist, whose nativity is celebrated July 24.*

Milestones

*In our daily prayers
we celebrate*

July 19

Sara E. Smith
Thomas B. Welch

July 20

Dean F. Allen
Richard Barnes
Sally Mason

Births

July 2

Anthony Joseph

July 21

Flora O.A. Kopke

July 4

Kelby Harrell

July 24

Ruby C. Gallagher

July 7

Bill Barnes

July 26

Cynthia Beitz

July 12

Nancy Toms

Jeffrey Beitz

July 18

Lance Moore

William Lindsay White

July 23

Barbara MacGregor

July 27

Annette Vincent

July 26

David Walker

July 28

Jill Bannon

July 28

Collin Moody

July 29

Henry Schoap Jr.

July 31

Mary Mingenback

July 30

Ralph E. Purviance

July 31

Walter Tyson

Baptisms

July 13

Gary Mason

July 20

Diana Moore

July 21

Donna Eudaley

Confirmations

July 26

Ann North

Bill North

Marriages

July 18

Jim and Judy Heasley

July 23

Richard and Jacque James

We remember

July 2

Jane Ballard

Beverly Hartsook

Robert Hollingshead

Mattie K. Jones

July 3

MayBelle Gideon

July 5

Paul F. Bailey

July 6

Giles E. Russell

July 7

Harriett Brown

July 8

Cornelia H.C. Stauffer

July 10

Bruce Perrin

July 12

Betty Badger

July 17

Leona Wortman

If a date that's important to you hasn't been included in this calendar, please notify the church office at office@standrewsemporia.org or (342-1537).

July Server Schedule

	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31	August 7	August 14
Chalice bearer	P. Davis	J. Runge	P. Kelley	G. Garcia	R. Mitchell	J. Runge	G. Garcia
Priest server	P. Kelley	S. McKinney	R. Mitchell	S. McKinney	P. Kelley	R. Mitchell	S. McKinney
Crucifer	P. Davis	J. Runge	P. Kelley	G. Garcia	R. Mitchell	J. Runge	G. Garcia
Torch 1	S. Harbaugh	C. Amend	S. Harbaugh	S. Harbaugh	C. Amend	S. Harbaugh	C. Amend
Torch 2	G. Mason	-open-	G. Mason	C. Lackey	G. Mason	A. Mitchell	G. Mason
Lector	L. Bonney	L. Bonney	J. Brownlee	N. Romine	L. Bonney	B. Clamurro	J. Brownlee
Inter-cessor	N. Romine	M. Harrell	L. Bonney	P. Kelley	-open-	B. Barnes	N. Romine
Nursery 1	_____none_____						
Nursery 2	_____none_____						
Greeter 1	J. Hubert	-open-	A. Brownlee	L. Bonney	N. Romine	B. Clamurro	A. Brownlee
Greeter 2	-open-	-open-	-open-	P. Kelley	J. Hubert	-open-	-open-
LEV 1	B. Barnes	J. Hubert	J. Hubert	P. Kelley	J. Hubert	B. Barnes	G. Mason
LEV 2	-open-	-open-	G. Mason	-open-	-open-	-open-	-open-
Altar Guild	Pontius/Mai	Gilpin/Basler /Weidert	Mitchell /Mitchell	Garcia/ Barnes/Bailey	Pontius/Mai	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.

our shield has appeared on coffee mugs, t-shirts, brochures, ink pens, newspapers, fliers, LED screens and even a billboard. However, while publicity is a factor in evangelism, it only works to support your work in carrying out the Great Commission by inviting your friends and neighbors into our common life.

Radical Hospitality: Jesus reminds us that when we welcome the least among us, we are welcoming him. He broke bread with Temple leaders, prostitutes, Roman soldiers and tax collectors alike. We try to keep our doors and hearts open to everyone, regardless of age, income, physical traits, abilities, sexual orientation, or political affiliation. We don't always succeed, but we continue to try to be as expansive in our embrace of outsiders as Jesus is in the Gospels, and that I believe God is to each of us. And we continue to love and support each other as one family despite, or perhaps, because of, our differences.

Families grow and change. Members are born into and die off from every family. Times, issues and ideas come and go. But families who understand who they are at their core and remain committed to each other withstand the passage of time, regardless of the circumstances that face us. We are the family of God! We are St. Andrew's!

Pax,
Kelley+

If you've always wanted to host coffee-hour...

Here's your opportunity!

For many Episcopalians, Sunday morning wouldn't be Sunday morning without coffee hour. Our weekly gathering is an opportunity to get together and enjoy the fellowship of our parish family.

If you haven't had the opportunity to be a host for coffee hour, please consider signing up for one Sunday this summer. The sign-up book is on the kitchen counter and parishioners are certainly welcome to team up to share the duties. If you aren't able to manage kitchen duty, perhaps you'll decide to team up with someone else and contribute a tasty treat to share with fellow parishioners.

Folks who are new to being coffee-hour hosts may visit with a Parish Life team member to get answers to any questions about coffee hour – team names are in the notebook.

Budget concerns continue

As we move into the second half of 2011, St. Andrew's continues to deal with budget matters. Parishioners are meeting their pledge promises – but we are working with a deficit budget. If everyone fulfills their pledges, our parish will still fall short of the budget we approved at our annual meeting in January.

Please give prayerful thought to the question of increasing your pledge – or to pledging, if you haven't done so.

Our treasurer, Mary Mingenback, has begun including helpful information about our financial status in each week's bulletin. Vestry members, who wrestle with financial questions each month, are eager to keep everyone informed about parish finances, hoping that increased awareness will make everyone more mindful of budget concerns.

As St. Andrew's weighs our role in future years, we need to make sure that we can cover our day-to-day expenses as we prepare our parish to witness to our faith in the years ahead.

And speaking of the future ...

Have you talked with a vestry member?

In June's "Crossroads," our junior warden, Rick Mitchell, invited parishioners to think about the future and chat with a vestry member about three important questions:

- What does our parish do well?
- What do you see the parish doing in the future?
- What would you like to see for the future of St. Andrew's?

Vestry members are:

Nick Jacob, senior warden	Jordan Kline
Rick Mitchell, junior warden	Sue McKinney
Brian Dyer	Nancy Pontius
Jacque Heckman-James	Sue Wilson
Patrick Kelley	

Pick up the phone; send an email; write a letter; buttonhole a vestry member during coffee hour. Let any of these vestry folk know what you see as the strengths of St. Andrew's and what you hope our parish will be doing in 5, 10, 25 – even 50 years. Don't be afraid to dream big. Let the Holy Spirit guide you.



VBS REGISTRATION FORM • July 24-27, 2011

Emporia Presbyterian, First Baptist, St. Andrews, St. Marks

Name:
Parents Name:
Address, City, State, Zip:
Phone, Alternate Phone:
Email address:
Grade entering this fall:
Emergency Contact, Name & Number:
Person(s) allowed for pick-up:
Allergies or other medical conditions:
Home Church:

Use your scissors (be careful!). Parents – you may want to ask your kids for help!



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Dear Parents, Families, and Friends,

Thank you for the opportunity to share a Big Jungle Adventure: A Faith Journey with Jesus with your child. Our Jungle Leaders have planned many wonderful experiences for the whole family. **** Please keep this bottom portion of your registration form as a 'Jungle Map' for a successful adventure! ****

What: Big Jungle Adventure VBS Faith Journey with Jesus

When: July 24 – 27, 2011

Where: Emporia Presbyterian West Campus, 1702 W 15th

Why: To share God's Message and have some fun

Who: YOU

Mission: Salvation Army Food Pantry



Vacation Bible School

July 24 – 27, 2011

Emporia Presbyterian, First Baptist,
St. Andrews, St. Marks

Sunday, July 24 JUNGLE KICK-OFF @ 5PM - We will kick-off the Big Jungle Adventure with a family potluck dinner at 5PM. This year we have four churches participating (Emporia Presbyterian, First Baptist, St. Andrews, and St. Marks). In order to get to know one another we will share a true potluck dinner and fellowship with VBS activities beginning at 6PM and wrapping up at 8PM. Parents and families are welcome to stay for any and all of the VBS activities or feel free to join Pastors Davis, Sorsen, Clausen, and Fr. Kelley for the adult VBS discussion group nightly during VBS activities.

Monday, July 25 and Tuesday July 26 @ 6PM - VBS activities will continue nightly from 6 – 8PM with Jungle Adventure activities. Adventuring to learn more about Jesus' love through singing, crafts, storytelling, games, and snacks. Families **are** encouraged to attend together and invite friends and neighbors (everyone needs a separate form, please).

Wednesday July 27 @ 6PM – 8:15PM ICE CREAM SOCIAL SEND-OFF - On our last night of activities we invite parents and families to enjoy a lively slideshow of the weeks events and a tasty ice cream social. The Ice Cream Social and slideshow will begin at 7:45.

More about the Mission - This year we would like to invite children and families to bring non-perishable canned goods and food items for the stocking of the Salvation Army Food Pantry shelves. Each evening our Jungle Service Learners (grades 7 and up) will be collecting the items and delivering to the pantry on the last evening of service.

How to Register by July 18, 2011: Call 620-342-1537; email office@standrewsemporia.org; put form in church offering plate; turn into your church office; give to a VBS Leader; mail form to: St. Andrew's, 828 Commercial St, Emporia, KS 66801

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Visit the parish website at
www.StAndrewsEmporia.org

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday, 9-noon
other hours by appointment

You may contact the secretary at (620) 342-1537 or
office@standrewsemporia.org. You may also leave a
message through our website at StAndrewsEmporia.org.

July 20 is the deadline for
information to be included in
the August Crossroads. Please
drop off any information at the
church office or e-mail it to
office@standrewsemporia.org
by noon.



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