



# THE CROSSROADS

## From the Desk of the Rector

For those of us who have been in the Episcopal Church for a longer period of time, it is easy for us to get comfortable with the routines and assumptions about our faith and our religious practices. Time passes and then at some point we have lost touch with the basics. Worse yet, we start to universalize our own positions and confuse the practices of our particular congregation with those of the broader church.

Beginning at 10 a.m. on Sunday, October 4, adult Christian education will look again at the basics about the Episcopal Church. "EC 101" will run through early December and will be a user-friendly refresher course for Episcopalians who have been sitting in pews for a long time. It will also be an opportunity for newcomers to get to know the Episcopal Church without feeling the pressure to sign up for confirmation classes. It is also an opportunity to bring in friends and neighbors who may have asked you questions about your faith or church community.

I will be basing our conversations on *Welcome to the Episcopal Church: An Introduction to Its History, Faith, and Worship* by Christopher Webber. Webber does a good job of outlining our history, worship, teaching, church structure and use of scripture without going into lots of boring theology jargon. While you are most welcome to

order the text online, it is not necessary as I will be outlining Webber's main themes week by week and looking at his discussion questions as a focus for our discussion time together.

As part of "EC 101" the 11 a.m. Mass on November 18 will be instructional in nature. Please be thinking of questions you have about all things *Episcopalian* and anything specific you would like to know about the Holy Eucharist and submit your questions to me no later than November 8 for inclusion in our instructed Eucharist on November 18.

Also, please mark your calendars for Saturday, October 24 at 10:45 am to be at Grace Cathedral in Topeka for the Holy Eucharist to celebrate the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Diocese of Kansas. The Most Reverend Katherine Jefferts Schori, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, will be the preacher and celebrant and I would be very happy and proud to see St. Andrew's well-represented at this diocesan-wide celebration. If you would like to arrange transportation, please contact the parish office.

Pax,  
Kelley+

## October 2009

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Rector of St. Andrew's

## Stewardship Drive 2010

Although stewardship is always with us, October is the month when we focus on the monetary aspects of it. It is our plan to devote this October to the effort of raising funds for the continuing operation of St. Andrew's Church.

Each year the vestry crafts a budget. We are operating under a bare-bones budget and will continue to do so. The goal of the stewardship drive is to secure funds through your pledges for the 2010 operation of St. Andrew's Church.

St. Andrew's is blessed by its members and their sense of community: caring for and about one another. We all need to know we have a place where we belong and are a part of a larger community that cares for one another. Thus we have an opportunity to be the best we can be and live in grace. For me, this is St. Andrew's Church, and I hope it is for you also.

These are harsh economic times and families and individuals must make difficult decisions. Please make St. Andrew's a top priority.

—*Jacqueline Heckman James*

Chair of the Stewardship Committee

Bill Barnes, Deborah Cotterman, Jim Heasley, Rick Mitchell, members

## St. Andrew's thanks ...

... Bill and Gay Barnes, June Hubert, Pat Adams, Nancy Romine, Jim and Ruthann Resch, Elaine Edwards, Adam Dye and everyone else who pitched in to help with the September garage sale.

... Eddie Gilpin and Rick Mitchell, who got the new ovens and cooktop installed in the kitchen in time for the after-confirmation potluck.

... Cori Anderson and the Children's Chapel children, who did a great job putting out the food for the potluck and acting as young hosts and hostesses for parishioners and visitors.

... Andrea, Sue and the choir members, who were out in force (and great voice) to make the confirmation Eucharist special. They truly make a joyful noise!

## Bless the beasts

Another St. Andrew's tradition, the blessing of the animals in honor of St. Francis of Assisi, is planned for Wednesday, Oct. 7, as part of the 6 o'clock Eucharist. It's time to bring your companion critters for a blessing; just be sure that they're under your control. Although most of the animals who'll be on hand to be blessed will probably be dogs or cats, previous blessings have included snakes, a skink, a horse and one extremely well-behaved chicken.

The usual Wednesday supper will follow the Eucharist. If you'd like to bring a dish or make a monetary contribution, please let Karen know in the office (office@standrewsemporia.org or 342-5317).

## Hey, Charlie Brown!

### *It's time to visit the Pumpkin Patch*

St. Andrew's annual visit to the Roga Pumpkin Patch is set for Friday, Oct. 2. The evening features hayrack rides and a bonfire and, of course, plenty of pumpkins! This is an activity for everyone – individuals, families, friends and neighbors – and it's a great way to introduce folks to our St. Andrew's family.

If you missed signing up, it's not too late to give the office a call and let Karen know so she can tell the pumpkin patch people how many to expect. Karen can even coordinate rides, so if you need a ride or can give a ride, let her know. The suggested donation for the evening is \$2 a person.

## The flock will be fed

Bolstered by the success of the first "feeding of the flock," the unstoppable Cori Anderson is organizing another flock-feeding event, set for Sunday, Oct. 4, after the 11 a.m. Eucharist. This replaces coffee hour with a meal-cook-out in the parish hall. Anyone who wants to help out is welcome to talk with Cori, who says that future such events are in store.

## Adult Christian class to focus on Episcopal Church

The history, faith and worship of the Episcopal Church will be in the spotlight for eight weeks of adult education, beginning at 10 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 4, in the parish hall. Fr. Kelley will lead the lessons, which will continue until Advent. All adults are welcome.

## Looking ahead

- Oct. 2** St. Andrew's visits the Roga Pumpkin Patch. (See separate article.)
- Oct. 3** Episcopal Church Women holds its annual gathering in Overland Park.
- Oct. 4** Christian education course for adults begins. Another feeding of the flock. (See separate articles.)
- Oct. 7** Blessing of the animals. (See separate article.)
- Oct. 8** The vestry will meet at 7 p.m. in the conference room. All parishioners are welcome to attend vestry meetings.
- Oct. 22** Women's luncheon begins at 11:30 a.m. at a restaurant to be announced.
- Oct. 24-25** Diocesan Convention in Topeka. Everyone is welcome to the Eucharist on Saturday morning, at which Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori will celebrate and preach.
- Oct. 28** Halloween party follows the 6 p.m. Holy Eucharist.
- Nov. 1** All Saints' Day. There will be a baptism this day. If you would like be baptized, please let Fr. Kelley know right away.

## Bishop visits St. Andrew's to confirm, preach

The Right Rev. Dean E. Wolfe visited St. Andrew's on Sunday, Sept. 27, confirming five new Episcopalians (pictured right with Fr. Kelley and Bishop Wolfe): Lucas Moody, Lisa Moody, Amanda Orndorff, Michelle Pauley and John Brownlee. Accompanied by the Venerable R. Charles Pearce, archdeacon for the west portion of the diocese, Bishop Wolfe presided at the confirmation and the Eucharist.

His sermon focused on the day's Gospel, Mark 9:38-50, in which Jesus cautions his disciples that losing a part of the body that causes one to stumble is better than the fate that might await someone who place stumbling blocks in the part of those who believe in him.

Saying, "You move toward your most dominant thoughts," Wolfe reminded listeners that we should work to rid ourselves of anything that gets between us and our relationship with Jesus. He said Jesus does not belong to us, but rather we belong to Jesus and that thought should be our focus.

Speaking directly to the confirmands (but allowing everyone to listen in), he told them that they would surely be disappointed at some time, by people in authority in the church – from committee heads to bishops. "Pray for us and forgive us," he said.

After a potluck luncheon in the Parish Hall, Wolfe took a moment to bless the new ovens and cooktop in the kitchen. He remarked that the Book of Common Prayer includes many opportunities to thank God for the blessings that come to each of us every day.

Look for John, Lisa, Lucas, Amanda and Michelle – and welcome them to the Episcopal Church and the St. Andrew's parish family.





Grace and gift have this difference. Grace properly is God's favor, benevolence, or kind mind, which of his own self, without deserving of us, he beareth to us, whereby he was moved and inclined to give Christ unto us, with all his other gifts of grace. Gift is the holy ghost, and his working, which he poureth into the hearts of them on whom he hath mercy, and whom he favoereth.

—From the Prologue to the Epistle of Paul to the Romans, by William Tyndale, first translator of the Bible into English (1526). His feast day is Oct. 6.

## Milestones

### *In our daily prayers we celebrate*

#### **Births**

Oct. 2	Janet Ayers
Oct. 4	Andrew James Troyer
Oct. 8	Kelley Fowler Eddie Gilpin
Oct. 9	Mark Harder
Oct. 10	Larry DeBauge
Oct. 11	June Hubert
Oct. 13	Douglas Amend
Oct. 14	Judy Calhoun
Oct. 16	Jenny Harder
Oct. 17	Dobby Bailey DeLores Johnson
Oct. 19	Brian McCracken
Oct. 21	Nancy Cordill
Oct. 23	Ben Harbaugh John McCracken Shirley Schoap
Oct. 27	Nancy Wilhelmson
Oct. 30	Chad Anderson Patrick Davis Jaimee Foster Carolyn Martin
Oct. 31	Jack Dougherty

#### **Baptisms**

Oct. 7	Nancy Pontius
Oct. 11	Terri Conger
Oct. 13	Bob Basler
Oct. 17	Ruthann Resch
Oct. 28	Gloria Stewart

#### **Confirmations**

Oct. 8	Shirley Glasgow Crist
Oct. 20	Anna Basler Bob Basler
Oct. 21	Elaine Edwards Mary Mingenback Jim Resch Tom North Kevin Williams

#### **Marriages**

Oct. 1	Eddie and Nancy Gilpin
Oct. 5	Clifford and Gloria Stewart
Oct. 8	Harry and Eleda Bird
Oct. 15	Fred and Pat Adams
Oct. 20	J.R. and Nancy Wilhelmson

#### **We remember**

Oct. 2	William Dreasher
Oct. 3	Eddie Gray Sarah Frances Price Thomas
Oct. 4	Rebecca Johnson
Oct. 6	Jacob Rothfelder Emma Stowe
Oct. 9	Lena Hayes Jones Gladys Tibbals Pantler
Oct. 10	Marian Howard
Oct. 11	Isabell Copeland Gunkel
Oct. 13	Helen Samuelson
Oct. 15	Benjamin Lincoln Jones Esther Margaret Teichgraeber
Oct. 18	Deanna Hawes
Oct. 19	Mabel Olin
Oct. 20	Marge Frick
Oct. 22	Maggie Ackenhansen Ruth Humble
Oct. 25	Norma Jones Sylvester William Kufahl
Oct. 26	Ruth Hazel Jensen Patricia Jenuine
Oct. 27	Catherine Austin
Oct. 28	A.L. Lewis
Oct. 29	Betty Russell
Oct. 30	Francis Dotson Lydia McCullough

#### **Important date missing?**

If your special date in October hasn't been included in the calendar, please let Karen in the church office know so she can add it to our listings. Email: [office@standrewsemporia.org](mailto:office@standrewsemporia.org) or phone 342-1537.

# October Server Schedule

	Oct. 4	Oct. 11	Oct. 18	Oct. 25	Nov. 1 All Saints	Nov. 8
Chalice bearer	S. McKinney	G. Garcia	G. Garcia	J. Runge	R. Mitchell	J. Runge
Priest server	R. Mitchell	S. McKinney	S. McKinney	R. Mitchell	P. Kelley	S. McKinney
Crucifer	S. McKinney	G. Garcia	G. Garcia	J. Runge	R. Mitchell	J. Runge
Torch 1	Christopher Anderson	Chad Anderson	Chad Anderson	Christopher Anderson	Christopher Anderson	Chad Anderson
Torch 2	P. Davis	A. Mitchell	P. Davis	A. Mitchell	A. Mitchell	P. Davis
Lector	M. Harrell	M. Amend	M. Mingenback	B. Barnes	M. Harrell	M. Amend
Intercessor	B. Clamurro	R. Call	B. Clamurro	J. Runge	L. Bonney	M. Mingenback
Nursery 1	S. Brinkman	J. Hubert	J. Scheuerman	J. Hubert	S. Brinkman	J. Williams
Nursery 2	J. Scheuerman	J. Williams	L. Lingenfelter	J. Scheuerman	J. Scheuerman	L. Lingenfelter
Greeter 1	J. Hubert	G. Mason	N. Romine	D. Mai	J. Hubert	D. Mai
Greeter 2	B. Clamurro	TBD	B. Clamurro	S. Mai	N. Romine	S. Mai
LEV 1	S. McKinney	G. Mason	S. McKinney	B. Barnes	P. Kelley	G. Mason
LEV 2	B. Barnes	S. McKinney	B. Barnes	J. Hubert	L. Bonney	S. McKinney
Altar Guild	Garcia, Barnes	Pontius, Mai	Gilpin, Weidert, Basler	Garcia, Barnes, Bailey	Pontius, Mai	Mitchell, Mitchell

**Please remember that if you are not able to serve you are responsible for finding your own substitute.**

## From the Senior Warden

Do you ever look around the church and see a new face, or maybe two? The end of August, I caught sight of a pair of strangers sitting on the groom's side of the church, about half way down the aisle. After the service, they joined us in the Parish Hall and talked to several members of the congregation. Our visitors were Judith Greenfield and Peter Pannett, who had just dropped in from Brighton, England, traveling to Arkansas City to visit friends.

As I understand it, Judy and Peter, a couple of deacons in training, were taking a drive through Kansas towns, on their way to visit friends. They were driving through Emporia, making their way to Salina, happened to spy the little brick church with the red doors. Of course, they made a U-turn and came in.

Elaine Edwards and I were lucky to join Peter and Judy at Coach's later for lunch. Yes, I did ask embarrassing questions, such as: Was your church angry about Rev. Gene Robinson's installation?; Were you proud that we elected a black president? Do you kneel or stand during prayers? Do you think the U.S. is rude?

Well, this delightful pair just seems to take things in stride. "Live and let live" seemed to pervade their answers to my questions. "Everybody does as they wish, we stand or kneel or do whatever we feel" and, no, they didn't think we were rude. THEY LOVE KANSAS.

Judy and Peter stayed in Emporia for another couple of nights, and visited the Tallgrass Prairie Reserve, as well as Cottonwood Falls, before going on to Salina.

Recently I received a note from Judy saying she had received a placement: Their own church is in Brighton and the placement at Hove. It was going to be difficult to keep up because of time and her studies. She asked for prayers to keep her going.

If you have a chance to say, "Hi," Judy is regularly on Facebook and you can find "Pee-tah" there also. Her e-mail address is: judy\_f\_greenfield@hotmail.com. Both she and Peter have great pictures of the U.S.A. and the U.K. on Facebook.

Here are some of the comments she wrote on Sept. 13:

"Greetings to you all from across the Pond! It was so lovely to be with you three weeks ago, when Peter and I were visiting Emporia. Thank you so much for the very warm welcome you gave us. It was an extra bonus that we got to have lunch with Sue and Elaine!!

"The weather is cooler now in UK and it is feeling as if Fall is around the corner. There has been a northerly wind today!

"It's good to read your news – and be able to picture what might be going on there at St Andrew's.

"Someone kindly suggested we look for Cottonwood Falls, which we did the next day ... and fell in love with it!! Thank you.

"Love and prayers to everyone at St Andrew's and to all the people we met in your lovely town."

*—Sue Wilson*

## New office hours in effect

The office at St. Andrew's is now open on Mondays and closed on Fridays. Office hours are 9 a.m. to noon. And it's always possible to leave a message at 342-1537 or on the website at [www.StAndrewsEmporia.org](http://www.StAndrewsEmporia.org).

## From the Treasurer

The following pledge receipts have been received for August 2009:

Pledge receipts for August 2	2,391.60
Pledge receipts for August 9	3,123.60
Pledge receipts for August 16	1,383.60
Pledge receipts for August 23	915.00
Pledge receipts for August 30	<u>1,124.60</u>
Total August Receipts	8,938.40
Amount needed to meet budgeted expenses	<u>\$14,488.75</u>
(\$2,897.75 x 5)	
Deficit for August	(\$5,550.35)

—Mary Mingenback

## Farewell to Larie Schoap

Larie Schoap, who is leaving Emporia for a new job in Manhattan, received the traditional “parting gift,” a framed drawing of the interior of St. Andrew’s. The presentation, during the luncheon, marked the second part of goodbyes that began during the Sept. 20 coffee hour.

## Convention just weeks away

*Presiding bishop will be featured guest*

Katharine Jefferts Schiori, presiding bishop, will celebrate the Eucharist at 10:45 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, at Grace Cathedral in Topeka. The Mass and a reception will be the culmination of the annual Diocesan Convention, which will convene Friday morning, Oct. 23. She will also be the keynote speaker for the Friday meeting. All parishioners are invited and urged to attend the Eucharist. The convention also has exhibits, which are open to the public at no charge.

Delegates Jim Heasley and Lynn Bonney will represent St. Andrew’s at the convention, which will consider a budget to fund the diocesan mission plan for next year.

### Our shopping cart needs more food and non-perishable items

When you’re shopping for your own pantry, think of the people in our community who are struggling to make ends meet, as food prices continue to rise. Please leave your non-perishable grocery items in the shopping cart outside the parish hall.

## Remembering our saints

Sunday, Nov. 1, is All Saints Day, a time for our parish family to remember those who have died in the past year and those who have guided us on our Christian journey. Everyone is invited to submit names to be read during the 11 a.m. Eucharist. And please consider being a reader, so we can have many voices to lift these names in prayer. Return this list to the church office by noon on Thursday, Oct. 22.

### Remembering our saints

**Please use this form to submit the names you wish to have read aloud on All Saints’ Day. We ask that you print the names and note any pronunciations that may be unfamiliar to a reader. We don’t use titles (Rev. or Dr., for example, or even Mr. and Mrs.). Each person has a given name and a surname. Place your name at the bottom, so we can call if there are questions. Please get your list to Lynn Bonney by noon on Thursday, Oct. 22, and note if you will consider being a reader.**

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_____	_____

Your name \_\_\_\_\_

Email or phone \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to be a reader? Yes      No

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**The Rev. Kelley J. Lackey II  
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October 20 is the deadline for information to be included in the October Crossroads. Please drop off any information at the church office or e-mail it by noon that day to [office@standrewsemporia.org](mailto:office@standrewsemporia.org).

**Visit the parish website at  
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