



# THE CROSSROADS

## From the Desk of the Rector

Episcopalians are usually misunderstood by most other Christians. It has been that way since the emergence of Anglicanism as a distinct branch of the church during the Protestant Reformation almost 500 years ago. The other Protestant branches have names of particular theologians attached to their movements. Lutherans have Luther. Calvinists have Calvin. Mennonites, or Anabaptists, have Menno Simons. The Swiss Reformation had Zwingli.

But Anglicanism had no particular leader and no specific doctrinal axes to grind with Rome. Most of these movements can point to a specific era, or even a specific date, to mark their beginning. Not so with Anglicans. Our distinctive flavor of Christianity can be seen long before the Reformation and it continued to evolve over several hundred years.

While it is popular to believe that Henry VIII founded Anglicanism, Henry's split with Rome is only one misunderstood link in the long chain of Anglicanism. While Anglicanism shares a lot of similarities with other reformed traditions, as well as with the Roman Catholic Church, don't try to nail us down as being just like any of these other groups.

So if we don't have a specific doctrinal basis like the Protestants and no Magisterium like the Roman Catholics, what is the unifying mark of Anglicans? What gives us shape and coherence?

*Lex orandi, lex credendi* is a Latin phrase that loosely translates to mean, 'The order (law) of our prayer shapes the order (law) of our belief.' Anglican identity and practice is directly connected with our prayer life, both corporately and privately. We are shaped over time, like pebbles in a stream, by regularly engaging in the corporate worship of the congregation's liturgy. The entire Eucharist is a prayer and when we pray the words of the rite we are reminded of that by the fact that the word "Amen" appears so often. And we are shaped by our daily practice of private prayer and scripture reading.

A well-rounded prayer life includes seven different types of prayer, which can all be found in the course of our Sunday Eucharist as well as in the Daily Prayer Offices found in the prayer book. Here is what a balanced prayer life includes. I'll list them in the order that seems to be most natural to most challenging to us.

1. Prayer of intercession: In intercession, we bring before God the needs of others including our loved ones, our enemies, our church, and the world around us.

2. Prayer of petition: We bring before God our own needs, with the understanding and petition that God's will be done, in our lives "as it is in heaven." Prayers of petition and intercession are not offered so much to nag at God and change God's will, as much as they are offered to conform our lives and desires to what God's will is for us.

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## **10:45 is the time to remember**

### **Get yourself to church on time**

As of Sunday, Sept. 12, the bell to signal the beginning of the second Sunday-morning Eucharist will ring at 10:45 a.m. The “traveling” service, which moved from 11 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. for the summer, will settle on 10:45 and remain there – at least for the foreseeable future.

The new time reflects parishioners’ desires for an earlier starting time, while it allows our organist, Sue Seeman, time to make the trip from St. Mark’s, where she also plays the organ, to St. Andrew’s, so we can have music for our worship.

## **Donations, workers still needed for Sept. 11 event**

### **Sale preparations underway**

A peek inside the Parish Hall gives a sneak preview of the goods to be marketed on Sept. 11 at the St. Andrew’s rummage sale, part of the citywide Great American Market, set for Sept. 11.

There’s still time to donate your gently used (or never used) items for the sale. If you can price them before you bring them to the foyer, you’ll be helping the workers who will be setting up tables and handling the sale.

Nancy Romine has stepped up to take charge of this annual event, which helps support the ministries of St. Andrew’s in Emporia and elsewhere. If you can lend a hand getting ready for sale day – or on the day itself – please talk with her.

## **Event will honor minister, friend of St. Andrew’s**

CROP Walk, a project to help people stay warm and healthy, is Sunday, Sept. 26. Registration will start at 1:30 p.m. in the west parking lot of First United Methodist Church.

The official start of the walk will include dedicating the walk to the memory of the Rev. Allen Epp, a strong supporter of the CROP Walk. The Rev. Rob Claussen and the Rev. Andrew McHenry will greet participants and offer the invocation before the walk begins.

This year’s CROP Walk will include new activities so that those who would like to walk, but can’t, can also participate. Three or four praise bands will be playing during registration and participants can hear presentations by members of the Emporia community who have been involved in mission work abroad and within the United States. The Rev. Charity Sandstrom will share her experiences in Burundi; Fr. and Carolyn Lackey will talk about their trip to Kenya; Gary Mason will talk about his work with Mother Teresa; and several people who have been to the site of Katrina and to Greensburg will tell of their experiences.

This year, those who are walking will also be picking up trash and litter along the route from 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue down the streets and alleys of Merchant, Commercial and Mechanic streets.

As in the past, 25 percent of the proceeds from the walk will stay in the Emporia community. Lyon County Restricted Emergency Fund and Abundant Harvest-Emporia Rescue Mission are the agencies the committee selected.

You can get your pledge envelopes from June Hubert and join us either walking or listening to the speakers and the praise bands.

*—June Hubert*

## Looking ahead

- Thursday, Sept. 9** The vestry will meet at 7 p.m. in the conference room. All parishioners are welcome to attend.
- Saturday, Sept. 11** St. Andrew's will hold our annual rummage sale as part of Emporia's Great American Market.
- Sunday, Sept. 12** Feed the Flock Sunday.
- Sunday, Sept. 12** **Rite II Eucharist time shifts to 10:45 a.m.** Adult forum is from 10:00 to 10:30. Children's Christian education classes also begin at 10:45.
- Sunday, Sept. 26** CROP walk for hunger. Registration begins at 1:30 in the parking lot of the First United Methodist Church. See article on previous page.
- Tuesday, Sept. 28** Women's luncheon begins at 11:30 a.m. at Amanda's in downtown Emporia. Drop in as your time allows for lunch and conversation.
- Saturday, Oct. 2** ECW annual gathering at St. John's Episcopal Church in Parsons. All Episcopal women are ECW members, welcome to join in this get-together, which will feature the Rev. Gail Greenwell, rector of St. Michael and All Angels in Mission. Check the bulletin board in the foyer for details.

## Wednesday evenings vital to parish

*Suppers, worship help fulfill Christian mission*

Supper-table evangelism has become an important part of the week at St. Andrew's. On Wednesday evenings, parishioners gather with college students for a come-as-you-are Eucharist, then stay to share a family-style supper. The suppers in the Parish Hall are put together by a small, but faithful, cadre of parishioners who could use some helping hands in preparing food for the events. Some congregations, in Emporia and elsewhere, have developed standing committees of folks who prepare food for student gatherings; St. Andrew's prefers to get assistance from those who are willing to donate main dishes or side dishes. Cash is welcome, of course, but a hand with food preparation would be most appreciated.

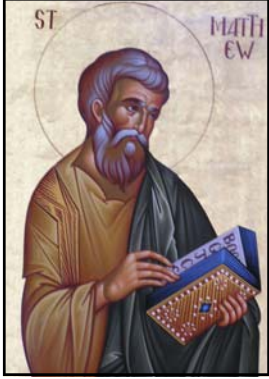
These dinners, which have been going on for several years, have provided a welcome to Episcopalian students and a friendly atmosphere for those from other faith traditions. For a number of students, we have been their introduction to Christianity. Some of "our" students remain in the parish after graduation. Others are working outside Emporia or continuing graduate studies, but still maintain active ties with their "home" parish.

It's a great way to practice evangelism, often an uncomfortable topic for Episcopalians. There's no knocking on doors, no handing out pamphlets. This is a way to do a couple of things St. Andrew's does best: practicing culinary skills and welcoming young people.

Anyone who'd like more information or who already wants to join in may talk with Sue McKinney or Lawrence and Donna Eudaley. And everyone is welcome on Wednesday evenings.

### 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.



We thank you, heavenly Father, for the witness of your apostle And evangelist Matthew to the Gospel of your Son our Savior; and we pray that, after his example, we may with ready wills and hearts obey the calling of our Lord to follow him; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
—The Collect for St. Matthew, whose feast day is celebrated Sept. 21.

## Milestones

### *In our daily prayers we celebrate*

#### **Births**

Sept. 3	Cole Anderson
Sept. 5	Kelsey Hendricks Bob Johnson
Sept. 6	Shanda Hendricks
Sept. 9	Ann Jacob
Sept. 10	Bob Basler
Sept. 15	Robert Graves
Sept. 16	Diana Moore
Sept. 19	Michael Mallek
Sept. 26	Susan Mai
Sept. 30	Pat Adams Julia Williams

#### **Baptisms**

Sept. 21	Chuck Moore
Sept. 28	Jim Resch

#### **Confirmations**

Sept. 16	Keith Foster
Sept. 17	Nick Jacob Jacque Heckman-James (received) David Mai Susan Mai Cody O'Mara Julia Williams Kevin Williams
Sept. 27	John Brownlee Lisa Moody Lucas Moody Amanda Orndorff Michelle Pauley Steve Schwenn

#### **Marriages**

Sept. 13	Kelley and Carolyn Lackey
Sept. 27	Chris and Cori Anderson

### **We remember**

Sept. 1	Beatrice McClure
Sept. 2	James D. Jones
Sept. 4	Vergil Ferrbee
Sept. 6	Helen Bailey
Sept. 8	Mary Ella Peak
Sept. 12	Louise Throgmorton
Sept. 16	Suzie Teichgraeber
Sept. 17	Bill Heller
Sept. 18	Catherine Neill
Sept. 20	George Randall
Sept. 21	Matthew Perry Day
Sept. 23	William Gerard Price Jerry Keller
Sept. 24	Bertha Kufahl
Sept. 25	Agnes Hancock
Sept. 26	Clay Howerton Granville Holmes Wayne Cuff
Sept. 29	Edna Stowe

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

### **Help us find our soldiers**

The St. Andrew's prayer list includes the names of several loved ones who are serving in the U.S. military. If you know any of these soldiers, please get in touch with the church office.

We'd like to collect a bit more information about them, including their mailing addresses, their birthdates and their duty stations, so we can remember them more personally on special occasions.

# September Server Schedule

	Sept. 5	Sept. 12	Sept. 19	Sept. 26	Oct. 3	Oct. 10
Chalice bearer	P. Kelley	R. Mitchell	G. Garcia	G. Garcia	P. Davis	R. Mitchell
Priest server	R. Mitchell	S. McKinney	S. McKinney	R. Mitchell	P. Kelley	S. McKinney
Crucifer	C. Lackey	G. Mason	G. Garcia	G. Mason	P. Davis	R. Mitchell
Torch 1	Christopher Anderson	--open--	Chad Anderson	A. Mitchell	Christopher Anderson	C. Lackey
Torch 2	A. Mitchell	J. Crofoot	G. Mason	J. Crofoot	--open--	J. Crofoot
Lector	J. Brownlee	M. Amend	B. Barnes	J. Brownlee	M. Amend	B. Barnes
Inter-cessor	L. Bonney	J. Runge	M. Harrell	B. Barnes	L. Bonney	M. Mingenback
Nursery 1	S. Brinkman	N. Jacob	S. Brinkman	J. Hubert	N. Jacob	J. Hubert
Nursery 2	--open--	A. Jacob	--open--	--open--	A. Jacob	--open--
Greeter 1	A. Brownlee	J. Runge	D. Mai	B. Clamurro	D. Mai	N. Romine
Greeter 2	B. Clamurro	J. Hubert	S. Mai	A. Brownlee	S. Mai	--open--
LEV 1	J. Hubert	S. McKinney	S. McKinney	B. Barnes	P. Kelley	S. McKinney
LEV 2	B. Barnes	G. Mason	J. Hubert	G. Mason	L. Bonney	J. Hubert

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

## From the Rector, *cont.*

3. Prayer of penitence: In penitence, or confession, we acknowledge all of the ways we have failed to serve God and love our neighbors as ourselves. We promise to set things right where we can and to work to change our lives so that we are not likely to act in the same sinful ways again.

4. Prayer of oblation: In oblation we offer up to God our lives, our abilities and the fruits of our labors that God may use us toward building the Kingdom of God in our midst. In some ways this may be the most frightening of prayers for us. In offering our lives and our resources to God, we relinquish our false sense of control over our lives and recognize the real source of all that we are and have.

5. Prayer of thanksgiving: We give thanks to God for everything God has given to us, including our very existence and our redemption in the life, death and resurrection of Christ. The word "Eucharist" comes from the Greek *eucharistica*, which means "to give thanks." Count your blessings see what God has done.

6. Prayer of praise: We praise God, not because God's ego needs to be stoked, nor in exchange for what we might be able to get out of God. But because when we are living in a prayerful way, the very nature of God's being draws us to give God praise. This is roughly equivalent to proclaiming to God, "I love you just because..."

7. Prayer of adoration: Perhaps this is the most difficult type of prayer for most productive Americans. In adoration, we take the time to simply raise our hearts and minds up to God and rest in God's presence. No words need be spoken. Indeed, words may get in the way. We allow ourselves to simply enjoy being aware of God's presence in our lives. However, given enough time in adoration, we may be surprised at the ways the Holy Spirit can transform us and our perception of the world around us.

Keep a well rounded prayer life both corporately, week by week, and privately, day by day, and chances are, you are a good Anglican.

Pax,  
Kelley+

## 'Avalanche Ranch' VBS nurtures fellowship, learning

The Vacation Bible School program, a traditional part of summer activities, brought an average of 47 children for each night of "Avalanche Ranch" fun and learning.

St. Andrew's joined forces with four other congregations – Emporia Presbyterian, St. Mark's Lutheran, First Baptist and Disciples of Christ – to put together a five-night program, which 64 children attended at least once. About 20 adult volunteers shared responsibilities each evening and more volunteers worked behind the scenes, donating time and materials for the classes.

The students decided to donate their collections, \$53.52, to the Lyon County Restricted Emergency Fund. They also brought in 42 different school-supply items that went to S.O.S. programs.

And the bill for the week's activity: \$94.26 for each congregation. Not bad, one of the organizers noted, for a memorable week.

Carolyn Lackey represented St. Andrew's as liaison to the organizing committee.

## Bishop to visit for 140th anniversary

Dean E. Wolfe, Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas, will visit St. Andrew's on Wednesday, December 1, to mark the 140th anniversary of our church. He will preach and celebrate. Dinner will follow the Eucharist. Watch for further news as it is available.



*Chris (left) and Curtis Wilhelmson, along with Fr. R.J. Bunday, got into the Independence Day spirit as St. Andrew's celebrated the country's Bicentennial in 1976. The members of the church participated in a special colonial worship service. As a community Bicentennial event,*

*costumed participants danced outdoors to a string ensemble.*

## From the Senior Warden

### *Children's Christian education expands*

Children's Sunday school begins at 10:45 a.m. on Sept. 12. The teachers will be Cori Anderson, June Hubert, Diana Moore and Sue Wilson. Our group will move upstairs, leaving the nursery to infants and young children up to 4 years of age. More adults will enable us to teach age-appropriate lessons in separate areas, rather than the "one-room school" approach of last year. We also plan to utilize the skills of the individual teachers in presenting lessons.

An Episcopal curriculum, "Living the Good News," corresponds to the readings of the Sunday worship service. The first week progresses from a story about the lost sheep, for younger students, to more challenging Bible verses for the older ones: Jeremiah speaks of God's judgment; Exodus shows God's forgiveness; Timothy reveals God's mercy; and Luke tells the parables of the prodigal son and the lost sheep.

If the lessons sound a bit serious, know that they are interspersed with games, arts and crafts and music – as the time allows. Also, some interesting memory, coloring sheets, and pencil-and-paper game ideas have been taken from the "What We Do in Church" activity book by Anne E. Kitch.

Your children will follow the banner upstairs, just before the First Lesson and return some time around the Peace – in time for Communion. June and I are merging with Cori, and Diana will also join in the instruction. We haven't quite decided on all points, but I think it is correct to say that we will continue with our Chapel service upstairs. We have our own little procession and everyone gets to take a part in the experience of crucifer, acolyte or carrying the banners.

We have two readers – just as we do in church. There is usually a colored picture to talk about and a more difficult text for older children. Prayers for the people typically center around news events (the flood in Pakistan) or our friend in the Philippines.

Cori is a good discussion leader. Diana and June are talented in music and theater and I like to make things out of "vinegar and brown paper" or some such silly thing. Together, I am sure, we will have a productive school.

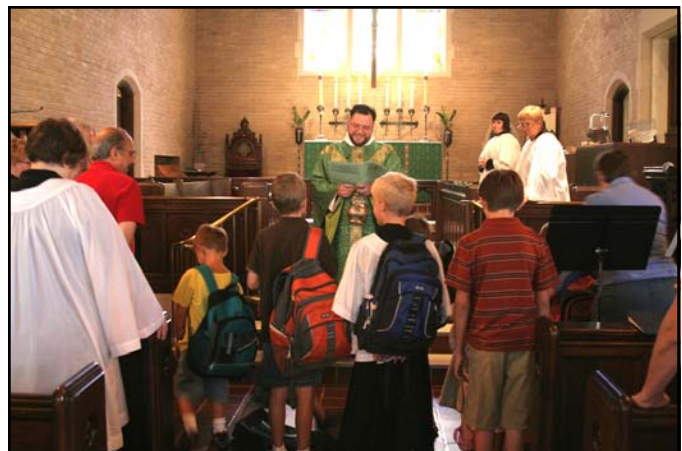
June and I would like to thank Cori, who had the original idea of Children's Chapel. Because the time seemed more conducive to attracting children, we asked to join

her. She moved over gracefully and let us bring some of our ideas along. We would also like to thank Diana for coming along so willingly to help out. As if that weren't great, Cori and Diana have even supplied most of the Sunday school children!

—Sue Wilson



*Jacob Moore helps his dad, Chuck, make a selection for lunch at the Feed the Flock meal following the Blessing of the Backpacks at the Eucharist on Aug. 8.*



*Teachers and students with backpacks and bookbags come forward during the Eucharist for a blessing at the start of the school year.*

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