

# THE NETWORK

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*St. Andrew's: Witnessing to the Good News of God in Christ.*

Dear friends:

Let us pray:

*O Lord, support us all the day long, until the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then in your mercy, grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last. Amen. (BCP, p. 833)*

This prayer, attributed to John Henry Newman, was added to the Prayer Book in the 1928 edition. It is my favorite prayer from our Prayer Book. As a personal prayer, it expresses many of my deepest hopes and desires. The problem is, I don't pray it often enough. Somehow, the time seems to get filled with other things.

Something that is not lacking in most of our lives is having things to do. A brief look through this newsletter or the announcement page of the Sunday bulletin will affirm that reality. Add to that school and work obligations, family and social commitments, plus the things we do just for ourselves, and our own little world becomes quite a busy place. Then there is Christmas and the other holidays that mark the coming end of the year, and life takes on a fevered pitch. While there is nothing wrong with any of these activities and responsibilities, the pace with which we engage in them can make things like a sense of home, rest and peace seem elusive. But they needn't be.

God has hard wired into our bodies and our world times and cycles of activity and rest, yet few of us keep those in perfect balance. Our culture encourages not to, and rewards us when we don't. The price we pay for not heeding our God-given need for balance is high, and continues to climb with every passing year. And what do we have to show for it?

We are entering into a season that is for many the most frenetic time of the year –The Holidays. But this year, due

to the economy, I have heard many people say their usual holiday routines will be scaled back. Fewer gifts, modest parties, staying home rather than hitting the road or the airport, or some such belt tightening will be part of this year's observances in most households. I want our economy to improve as much as anyone. Instead of these cutbacks being viewed as a bad thing, can they become an opportunity to reexamine why we are celebrating, what it is we are thankful for, and a realization of just how blessed we are? To paraphrase a bumper sticker: Can Christ come back into Christmas? Can we find true thankfulness in our hearts?

But why stop there? If economic reality has caused us to spend less, can we find a way to do less? Or at least less of the things that are not truly important? (N.B. Church Is Truly Important!) If you are not spending your time shopping for presents, or taking a trip, or whatever you might normally do, don't fill the time with another activity unless it is an activity that feeds your soul.

One activity I highly recommend is prayer. None of us, myself included, do that enough. When I look at the things that fill my days, some of them look pretty silly when compared with my need to pray. I am grateful to Cardinal Newman for his short prayer that speaks volumes. It's a good place to start and it can remind us of an ancient spiritual truth: a few words offered in prayer can say a lot. If we can pray ourselves into the holidays then they are bound to be filled with holiness. I hope that will be true for you and those you love.

Happy Thanksgiving, a blessed Advent and merry Christmas to you,  
*Fr. Alan*

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## St. Andrew's Service Schedule:

### Sundays

Holy Eucharist: 8:00, 10:00 am  
Family Service: 9:15 am (*Chapel*)  
Compline 8:00 pm

### Wednesday

Holy Eucharist: 7:00 am (*Chapel*)  
Evensong: 6:00 pm (*Chancel*)

### Thursdays

Holy Eucharist and Healing: 5:30 pm

### Fridays

Holy Eucharist: 12:15 pm

### First Saturday of the Month

Oasis Evensong: 5:30 pm

Childcare is available 9:00–9:45 am in the Kindergarten room (207) on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. A Nursery for infants through children aged 2 years is available during the entire 10:00 am service, located in room 204 (2<sup>nd</sup> floor). The older children are in class from 9:45 am until they join their families for communion later in the service.

## Upcoming Events

### November 8: Outreach Sunday

What does outreach mean to us? How do we do it? Who does it? And how do we listen to the Holy Spirit leading us in outreach at St. Andrew's? Please join us for a special service devoted to outreach at St. Andrew's. Jim White will preach at both the 8:00 and 10:00 am services. The Outreach Committee is seeking input on possible new projects, and will have an opportunity to chat with committee members during coffee hour.

There will be a **food collection** for Food Gatherers of Ann Arbor on **Sunday, November 8**, following the services. Please take grocery bags with lists home with you in the weeks to come and don't forget to bring non-perishable items on November 8.

### Fall Welcome Dinner

The Welcome Committee will host the Fall Welcome Dinner on **Thursday, November 19** from 6:00-8:00 pm in Parish Hall. All are welcome. This event will provide a special opportunity for us to get to know folks new to St. Andrew's during the past year. While new members will receive individual invitations, **all parishioners are encouraged to attend** (and bring a side dish to share). We ask that you stop by the Welcome Table to sign-up if you can join us. Let's show our new members a little St. Andrew's hospitality!

**Don't Forget:** Everyone is encouraged to wear name tags during Sunday services to help create a welcoming church. Also, the Welcome Committee is seeking new

members. If you have interest in joining please contact Kay Wilson or Dan Barry at wilsonbarry@comcast.net.

### Silent Auction

St. Andrew's will host it's annual **Silent Auction** to benefit the Breakfast at St. Andrew's in Parish Hall on **Sunday, November 22, following the 10:00 am service**. Lunch will be provided by J2A for a nominal fee.

### Adopt-a-Family

Once again this year, members of St. Andrew's will sponsor area families through an adopt-a-family program. Working with the Ann Arbor Community Center, we will be able to share our holiday spirit and gifts with others.

Gift tags and family wish lists will be available for pickup in the lobby outside the lounge after both services on Sunday, November 29 and Sunday, December 6. The ingathering of gifts will take place on **Sunday, December 13**. We need assistance with transporting the gifts to the Community Center after the 10:00 am service on December 13. If you can help, please contact Liz Sweet at 665-8472.

### Save the Date:

On **Friday, January 15 at 8:00 pm**, Alan Gibson, baritone and Deborah Friauff, piano will perform Schubert's song cycle, *Winterreise*.

### Rotating Shelter

St. Andrew's will be hosting the Rotating Shelter from Monday, January 25 through Sunday, February 7. Volunteers are needed! More information on the shelter and how you can help will be available in the January/February issue of the *Network*.

## Holiday Services

**Thursday, November 26**

10:00 am: Holy Eucharist

**Sunday, December 20**

4:00 pm: Lessons and Carols

**Thursday, December 24**

4:00 pm: Holy Eucharist and Christmas Pageant

10:00 pm: Festival Choral Music

10:30 pm: Festival Choral Eucharist

**Friday, December 25**

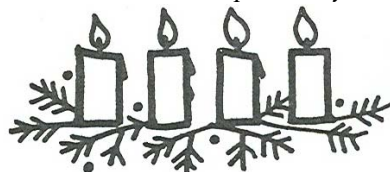
10:00 am Holy Eucharist

**Saturday, December 26**

10:00 am: Holy Eucharist

**Monday, December 28**

5:30 pm: Holy Eucharist



## Finance

### Operating Revenue and Expense January 1 to September 30, 2009

	Actual	Budget	Over/Under + / (-) ATD Actual vs. YTS Budget
<u>Income</u>	Year-to-Date	Year-to-Date	
Plate Offerings	26,418	28,150	-1,732
Pledge Payments	544,580	541,500	3,080
Other Income	5,052	11,050	-5,998
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>576,050</b>	<b>580,700</b>	<b>-4,650</b>
<u>Expenses</u>			
Diocesan Pledge	60,986	60,986	0
Other Outreach	28,471	29,025	-554
Church Programs	43,285	39,900	3,385
Salaries and Benefits	338,934	347,336	-8,403
Maintenance/Overhead	115,205	119,806	-4,600
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>586,881</b>	<b>597,053</b>	<b>-10,172</b>
<b>Net</b>	<b>-10,831</b>	<b>-16,353</b>	<b>5,522</b>

### Capital Campaign Financial Status Report as of September 30, 2009

<u>Income:</u>	<u>Since Inception</u>
Pledge payments	2,144,504
Memorial gifts	4,970
From special funds	237,203
Grant	4,615
Investment Income	33,526
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>2,424,818</b>
<u>Expenses:</u>	
Consultant/Architect	301,943
General Contractor	1,434,207
Other Project Costs	77,323
Windows Restoration	227,718
Other Contractors	163,066
Administrative & Miscellaneous	75,664
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>2,279,922</b>
<b>End of Month Fund Balance</b>	<b>144,896</b>

## Stewardship

### 2010 St. Andrew's Annual Giving Campaign

St. Andrew's needs you. We need your response to the opportunity for supporting the ministry that the 2010 St. Andrew's Annual Campaign represents. We cannot do anything without your continued, even increased support.

On Sunday, October 11, Father Alan launched this year's campaign, which is the primary source of the funding necessary in 2010 to support the clergy and staff, continue the ministerial services and outreach of the parish, church school, the choirs, and the physical operations of St. Andrew's. Your support, whatever it may be, goes a long way to serve the Lord in sustaining and improving the parish community and continuing those activities that St. Andrew's has identified as Christian priorities.

The 2010 Annual Giving Campaign is highlighting the three principal ministries of our Christian faith: Worship, Formation, and Outreach.

The 2010 Annual Giving Campaign is focusing on two goals:

- The goal of \$875,000, which will provide the funding necessary to maintain the services of the church and respond to the new challenges we face.

- The goal to increase the number of financial commitments. Many parishioners have either never made a commitment before or not done so in a while. We are reaching out to you to participate. Remember, the amount of your commitment is not as important as just making the commitment.

During Sunday services in September and October, members of the parish have shared their heart-felt thoughts about the value St. Andrews adds to their life. In very personal and unique terms each described the special richness and fullness our Christian community brings to their life and their relationships. Each person also explained why they will continue their commitment to St. Andrew's. This campaign offers all of us the opportunity to respond to the unique and personal value we receive from our involvement in this Christian community.

Each of us is personally asked by Christ to build and sustain the foundation he laid. The stewardship of Christ's church is the responsibility of all Christians. Christ revealed to us his genuine commitment through his love and resurrection. Likewise, your pledge of financial support is your sincere commitment to provide much-needed love and support. We are witnessing a need greater than we have ever seen in our lifetimes, a need with an impact that is real and felt across all socio-economic levels.

Your financial support and commitment is personal. It's your private prayer. Your support will help the mission of St. Andrew's, and your gift will deepen your relationship with God. Indeed, everyone's participation and pledge is essential and will be so deeply appreciated by those St. Andrew's serves.

Please respond thoughtfully and generously to this opportunity for ministry, your ministry.

## Christian Formation

### Food, Glorious Food!

The J2A'ers will have an active November in the kitchen! They will hold the annual Thanksgiving Pie Sale. All pies are \$10 and orders for these delicious desserts will be taken for several Sundays before Thanksgiving. An order box will be on the Church School information table or you can place orders with Carol Ferguson (maincoonkat55@yahoo.com). The **deadline for orders is Wednesday, November 18**. On Sunday, November 22, the pies will be ready to take home for your Thanksgiving feast. The proceeds from the sale will go to the J2A Pilgrimage Fund.

Also on November 22, J2A group will prepare and serve a delicious brunch as part of the Silent Auction.

### St. Andrew's Youth

Thank you to our J2A youth for their good stewardship efforts, as well as their involvement in the life of St. Andrew's.

Rite 13, J2A, and YAC all participated in CROPWalk on October 18 as well as students in grades 4 through 6.

Rite 13 and J2A work at the Breakfast Program monthly. YAC meet twice a month and members serve as Church school teachers and assistants, acolytes and choir members.

The Church School classes are also helping out by preparing baskets to be auctioned at our Silent Auction on November 22.

We want you to know that we have a great group of young people at St. Andrew's, as well as dedicated adult leaders.

### Safeguarding God's Children

The Episcopal Diocese of Michigan will host the "Safeguarding God's Children" workshop at St. Andrew's on Saturday, December 5, from 9:00 am – 12 noon.

The teaching staff at St. Andrew's have all either taken the workshop on line or are attending this important workshop. If you wish to join us, please call Kathy McPherson in the office for more information.

Have you noticed the ways in which we are attempting to protect the health and safety of our children at St. Andrew's?

- A fire drill for the whole church took place in October.
- All our classrooms have windows installed in the doors to allow for a more open environment.
- Hand sanitizers are available in each classroom.
- Our toys and classrooms are being cleaned and our toys disinfected as a volunteer opportunity for persons with special needs in Washtenaw County through the Community Support and Treatment Service. We thank them most sincerely for this meaningful service.

### St. Nicholas Party

Be sure to join us for our annual St. Nicholas Party on **Sunday, December 6**, in the Parish Hall at 11:00 am. Come meet St. Nicholas as he passes out goodies to the children. Help make ornaments and decorate the Christmas tree we share with our Breakfast guests. Enjoy lunch and fellowship as well!

### Supper Theatre: "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever"

This funny and poignant play will be presented in the Parish Hall on **Saturday, December 12**. The supper will be prepared by J2A to support their pilgrimage. The meal is at 6:00 pm followed by the play. There is no charge – the evening is our Christmas gift to you – but there will be a free-will offering basket available for the J2A Pilgrimage Fund.

### Christmas Eve

The annual (traditional) Christmas Pageant will be presented during the 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist. Afterwards we invite everyone to the Parish Hall for our punch and cookie party. Please use the sign-up sheet at our Church School information table to offer cookie donations. We greatly appreciate your help.

**Interested in participating in the Christmas Eve Pageant?** Come for a short meeting at 11:30 am on Sunday, November 29, in the chapel to find out how you can be a part of it!

### Advent Offering

As you may know, for almost 50 years St. Andrew's Church School has continually sponsored a Foster Child through an international organization. This fall our current brother, Nickenson Confident, of Jacemel, Haiti, celebrates his 18th birthday, and will leave the PLAN program. We have requested another child to sponsor and will soon learn who that may be. We will continue to raise \$350 each year during Advent and Lent for this purpose. This special offering from the children will be received at the 4:00 pm Christmas Eve service.

**Remember:** We have Church School every Sunday of the school year **EXCEPT** the Sunday after Christmas Day (December 27) and Easter Sunday (April 4)

Faithfully, Nancy Heusel



## From the Deacon's Bench

As I sit down to write this, it is not so close to St. Martin of Tours Day, November 11, but by the time you read this, it will be much closer. That is the Feast Day in the Church when we remember the Roman soldier who shared half of his cloak with a poor man on the road, only to see in his dreams that night, Christ in the very same cloak.

It is a story that has always moved me, and has indeed played out in my life as we are able, at the Breakfast, to share whatever we have. I must admit, that I have never in my dreams seen Christ in a pair of red mittens, but mysteries abound.

Can you share a pair or two of warm mittens or gloves that we will give out to our guests on the morning before Christmas? There will be a mitten tree outside the church office and a basket to receive all that you can offer to be shared with our guests. God bless you all and happy dreams!

Merry Christmas,

*Svea*



## Parish Life

### Nominations for Vestry and Deanery/Diocesan Convention Delegates

Nominations are now being received. Any adult communicant of the parish is eligible for nomination. The Vestry meets monthly and is responsible for the care and management of all the temporal affairs of the congregation. Deanery/Diocesan Convention Delegates represent the congregation at two meetings of the Huron Valley Deanery, and one meeting of the Diocesan Convention each year. If you would like to make a nomination for one of these offices, please speak with a member of the **Nominating Committee**: Steve Jones, Moe Fitzsimons, Mary Eldridge, Claire McLaughlin, Suzanne Ross, George Watson, or Christine Wendt.

### Coventry Suppers

During World War II the beautiful cathedral at Coventry, England was nearly destroyed by bombs. The parishioners held evening suppers in their homes as a way of keeping their community together. This practice is now known as a 'Coventry Supper'

St. Andrew's has adopted this concept in an effort to have our community get to know each other better. Those who sign up will be placed in groups of eight or ten that will gather for potluck suppers during the year. When the groups are assigned, one person will agree to call the others to arrange the first gathering. The caller will host

the first supper, provide the main dish and the others will each bring a dish for the meal. The idea is for each person to host the group during the year. This is a supper and the purpose is fellowship; not intended as an occasion to drag out the fine linens and silver! Each group will decide how often they will gather, but it is suggested that it be at least every six to eight weeks.

It is my hope that many of you will join us. There are sign up sheets at the Welcome Table. The supper groups will be assigned by the end of November with the intention of beginning soon after the holidays. Questions?? Call Sharon MacBride at 810-231-3449 or email [pkmacb@charter.net](mailto:pkmacb@charter.net).

### Thanks From the Saint Andrew's Players

The Saint Andrew's Players presented "Arsenic and Old Lace" to a large audience in October.

A BIG Thank You from coordinator Nancy Heusel to the dear people who worked so hard to bring you an entertaining evening and raise money for pew cushions and the J2A Pilgrimage:

**Cast members:** Barbara Mackey, Lucy Gauvin, Lesli Weston, Joella Bennett, Norm Richert, Roger King, Chris Bickley, Jim WesselWalker, JJ Bennett, Dan Brown, Erik Hildinger, Joe Medrano

**The Saint Andrew's Players Trio:** Elizabeth and Erik Hildinger, Larry Tweedle

**The J2A class and their leaders:** Carol Ferguson, Mary WesselWalker, Nancy and Gib Upchurch

and to you, our **wonderful audience!**

### Book Discussion Group: 2010 Selections

The Book Discussion Group meets quarterly for a one-night discussion. Unless otherwise noted, the evening begins with a pot-luck supper at 6:30 pm in the Lounge. (For the two Wednesday evenings, plan to attend Evensong at 6:00 pm in the Church). Over dessert and coffee the discussion will begin at 7:15 pm. Please join us for one or all of these evening.

**Wednesday, January 20, 2010**  
"Ann Arbor Reads" selection  
(to be announced)

**Sunday, March 21, 2010 at 11:30 am**  
"The Last Week"

by Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan

What do the Gospels really teach us about Jesus' final days in Jerusalem? Using Mark's gospel as the starting point, Borg and Crossan attempt to tell the story of this Holy Week against the backdrop of the forces of institutional religion and imperial power. This story, which is familiar to all of us, comes into a new light in this examination. Reading and discussing this book at the end of Lent will be an excellent way to prepare for Holy Week, which begins the next week with Palm Sunday on March 28. Feel free to bring a brown bag lunch.

**Wednesday, June 16, 2010**

**“Abide with Me”**

by Elizabeth Stout

In this novel set in a New England town during the 1950s, Reverend Caskey struggles to carry out his ministry following a family tragedy. His five year old daughter has retreated into silence and his parishioners question his leadership. In Caskey’s darkest hour, a startling discovery will test his parish’s humanity and his own will to endure the trials that sooner or later we all must face.

**Tuesday, September 14, 2010**

**“Three Cups of Tea”**

by Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin

In 1993, mountaineer Greg Mortenson found himself in a remote Pakistani village. Moved by the hospitality he received, he later returned to build the first of fifty-five schools in Pakistan and Afghanistan, especially schools for girls. This story, set in the same part of the world that gave rise to the Taliban, speaks to the strength of the humanitarian spirit to persevere in spite of daunting challenges.

## Music

### All Souls Commemoration

**On Sunday November 1, at 4:00 pm**, we will observe the commemoration of all the faithful departed with a special Choral Evensong in the church, featuring the *Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis* by Healey Willan and, as a special anthem, portions of the beautiful work *Lux Aeterna* by Morten Lauridsen, sung by the St. Andrew’s Adult Choir. We will then process to the memorial garden to honor all of those laid to rest in that holy ground. Please join us for this beautiful afternoon of solidarity with the church triumphant.

### Feast of Saint Andrew and St Cecilia

**During the 10:00 am service on Sunday November 22**, we will celebrate both the Feast of our Patron, Saint Andrew and also of Saint Cecilia, Patron Saint of Music. To enrich our celebration, the St. Andrew’s Choir will present Franz Schubert’s *Mass in G* as the ordinary responses during the service, accompanied by Chamber Orchestra. We will also have our traditional festive appearance of members of Ann Arbor Pipe and Drum. What a joyful day of music and worship is in store!

### Lessons and Carols

The tradition continues on **Sunday, December 20 at 4:00 pm!** Beginning with the angelic child’s voice floating down from the rear gallery in the first verse of *Once in Royal David’s City*, your heart will open to the wonder of the incarnation through the beloved hymns, anthems and voluntaries of the King’s College Service. The St. Andrew’s Adult, Handbell, Junior and Cherub Choirs will present settings of carol favorites.

## Introducing the Music for Contemplation Series

### Series I: Advent 2009

Each Sunday evening at 7:15pm during Advent, a short organ recital of music for the season will provide a beautiful backdrop for personal contemplation. To finish the experience, please stay for the service of Compline at 8pm. Series II will be presented during the season of Lent on Sunday evenings at 7:15 and will feature a variety of vocal and choral music for the season.

### Sunday November 29 at 7:15 pm

**Aaron Tan**, is a passionate engineer, pianist, violinist, and organist. In 2004, he began his organ studies with John Tuttle. In 2007 he moved to Ann Arbor, Michigan, and is currently under the tutelage of Marilyn Mason. He is a winner of the Barwell Piano Student Scholarship, the Toronto RCO Young Organists Competition, the RCO’s National Organ Playing Competition and the Charlotte Hoyt Bagnall Scholarship for Church Musicians. Aaron has also been a prize winner in the Arthur Poister, West Chester University, Wells, and Osborne organ competitions.

Receiving his ARCT diploma in Piano Performance from the Royal Conservatory of Music in Toronto, Canada at the age of twelve, he went on to earn his Licentiate and Fellowship diplomas in Piano Performance from Trinity College of Music (London, England) at 13 and 15 years, respectively. When he was 18, Aaron completed his ARCT diploma in Violin Performance. More recently, he has completed both his ARCCO and FRCCO diplomas in organ, and obtained a B.A.Sc. in Engineering Science (Nanoengineering) from the University of Toronto in 2007. Aaron is currently Organist and Choir Director at First Presbyterian Church of Ypsilanti, and is pursuing a doctoral degree in Materials Science and Engineering at the University of Michigan.

### Sunday, December 6 at 7:15pm

**Deborah Friauff** performs professionally as a soprano, organist, conductor, and Music Director and Organist at St. Andrew’s. A native of Traverse City, she graduated with honors from Interlochen Arts Academy, as an organ major under Robert Murphy, and also studied viola and voice with David Holland and Kenneth Jewell, respectively. After completing Bachelor and Master of Music degrees at the University of Michigan under Marilyn Mason, Dr. Friauff was awarded the Georges Lurcy Fellowship for study with renowned recitalist Marie-Claire Alain at the Conservatoire Nationale de Région in France, concentrating on the works of Jehan Alain, and was awarded the Premiers Prix d’Orgue with the felicitations of the jury. She was also a prize winner in the Chicago Club of Women Organists Gruenstein competition, and the International Undergraduate Organ competition in Ottumwa, Iowa. Dr. Friauff completed her DMA degree at the University of Michigan under Robert Glasgow.

Dr. Friauff has performed across the country in venues such as the San Anselmo Organ Festival in California and the Piccolo Spoleto Arts Festival in Charleston, South Carolina, as well as for Conventions of the American Guild of Organists and the Organ Historical Society. Her performance at the 1995 National Convention of the Organ Historical Society has been issued on the OHS label. As a singer she has studied with Frances Brockington at Wayne State University and coached with Jane Heirich, Wendy Bloom, and Ellen Hargis, and has sung soprano in the professional early music ensemble *VOX*. She has directed many early music ensembles, including Sine Nomine of East Lansing, the Ann Arbor Grail Singers and the St. Thomas Schola Gregoriana. She has also served as Adjunct Professor of Organ at Eastern Michigan University.

#### Sunday December 13 at 7:15pm

Keen on astute aural perception, soul-connecting creativity, and translucent sound, Dr. **Pamela Ruiter-Feenstra**, organist, harpsichordist, clavichordist, conductor, composer, and recording artist, authors books on improvisation pedagogy and composes liturgical vocal music for adults and children. From 1989–2008, she served as Professor of Music at Eastern Michigan University and Bethany College, and from 1996–2002 as Senior Researcher at the Göteborg (Sweden) Organ Art Center. Ruiter-Feenstra currently performs solo recitals throughout North America and Europe, early music concerts with *Voci dell' Anima*, teaches intensive university improvisation courses on historical instruments nationally and internationally, and is building a Montessori-based music curriculum for children. Her recordings are featured on the Loft/Gothic label, and her books, *Bach and the Art of Improvisation* and *Improvisation Encounters* are forthcoming.

#### Sunday December 20 at 7:15pm

**Timothy Tikker** obtained his Bachelor of Music degree, magna cum laude, in Organ Performance at San Francisco State University, and his Master of Music degree in Organ from the University of Oregon where he studied with Guy Bovet. Through a Ruth Lorraine Close Award he studied in Paris with famed organist-composer Jean Langlais, who called Mr. Tikker “one of the most gifted temperaments I have ever encountered.”

His concert career has included performances throughout the United States, as well as tours in Germany and France. He has performed as featured soloist with the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra and the Charleston Symphony Orchestra. He has recorded for Arkay, OHS and Raven Records, and his improvised accompaniment for Cecil B. DeMille’s silent film *King of Kings* has been released on DVD by the Criterion Collection.

Mr. Tikker won First Prize in the National Improvisation Competition in the San Anselmo Organ Festival in 1987, the Holtkamp-AGO Award in Organ Composition in 1993, First Prize in the UNESP Organ Composition Competition (Brazil) in 1997, and a Finalist award in the Aliénor Harpsichord Composition Competition in 2000.

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From 1996-2000 he was Organist at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Charleston, South Carolina. He is currently College Organist at Kalamazoo College, Organist and Director of the Schola Gregoriana at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Ann Arbor, and Adjunct Professor of Organ at Eastern Michigan University.

### Parish Health

During **National Donor Sabbath weekend**, faith communities throughout the country honor those who have given the gift of life through organ, tissue and eye donation. This weekend is the time to talk to your family about organ, tissue and eye donation. One donor can save and enhance the lives of up to 50 people! Sign up on the Michigan Organ Donor Registry: visit [www.giftoflifemichigan.org](http://www.giftoflifemichigan.org) or call 800-482-4881. Additional information will be available at the church on November 15.

Thanksgiving is the sixth annual **National Family History Day**. Over the holiday or at other times when families gather, the Surgeon General encourages Americans to talk about, and to write down, the health problems that seem to run in their family. Learning about their family’s health history may help ensure a longer, healthier future together. Information will be available at the church the Sunday before Thanksgiving – November 22; or go to [www.familyhistory.hhs.gov](http://www.familyhistory.hhs.gov) Once you’ve obtained your family health history, share it with your primary care provider.

#### DON’T FORGET:

**Flu Shots:** Lounge, Sunday, November 1, 8:30 to 10 am.

**Drug Dump:** Lounge, Sunday, November 1.



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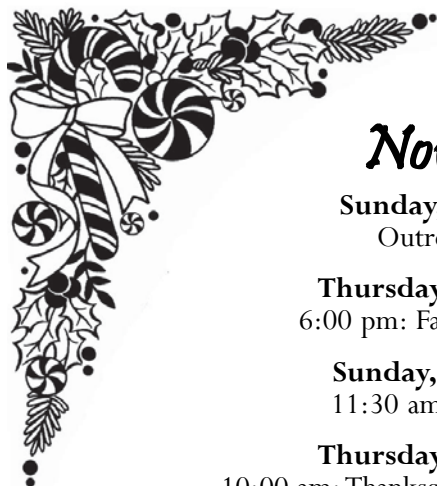
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## *Events at a Glance*

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Outreach Sunday

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**Sunday, November 22**  
11:30 am: Silent Auction

**Thursday, November 26**  
10:00 am: Thanksgiving Day Holy Eucharist

### *December*

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11:30 am: St. Nicholas Party

**Saturday, December 12**  
6:00 pm: Supper Theatre:  
"Best Christmas Pageant Ever"

**Sunday, December 20**  
4:00 pm: Lessons and Carols

### *Christmas*

**Thursday, December 24**  
4:00 pm: Holy Eucharist and Christmas Pageant  
5:30 pm: Candlelight Reception  
10:00 pm: Festival Choral Music  
10:30 pm: Festival Choral Eucharist

**Friday, December 25**  
10:00 am Holy Eucharist

**Saturday, December 26**  
10:00 am: Holy Eucharist

**Monday, December 28**  
5:30 pm: Holy Eucharist

**Tuesday, December 29**  
5:30 pm: Holy Eucharist

**THE BREAKFAST  
AT ST. ANDREWS**



**Since 1982**

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Serving a meal  
to anyone in need,  
7:30 am – 8:30 am daily  
in Parish Hall, for 27 years.

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November 2009

Dear Friends of the Breakfast at St. Andrew's,

We come to you at this Thanksgiving season, with the hope that you may be able to help us continue the work we began 27 years ago to serve breakfast to anyone in need in the Ann Arbor community. The need has continued to rise. As calculated by a friend of the Breakfast, we will reach 10,000 consecutive days of serving breakfast in January of 2010. That's a lot of oatmeal!

The City of Ann Arbor, due to financial cuts, is unable to continue our funding, leaving us now more dependant on individual donors and gifts.

To leave you on a happy note: On February 26, 2010, we will be holding a benefit concert for the Breakfast at the ARK. "BreakFEST" will feature four different artists representing four different musical styles. Please stay tuned for further details and join us in the celebration.

We appreciate your financial help in any amount. Our guests and volunteers thank you for your generosity!

Deacon Svea Gray

P.S. Remember, your donation to the Breakfast qualifies for the Michigan Homeless Shelter/Food Bank Credit on your Michigan State Tax Return. The credit is 50% of the amount of the donation with a \$100 limit (\$200 for joint returns). Be sure to consult your tax advisor if you have questions.

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YES! I'd like to help the Breakfast at St. Andrew's!

\_\_\_\_ Enclosed please find my check for a contribution of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_ Please sign me up to receive information about participating as a volunteer.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to:  
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# St. Andrew's Calendar for the Month of November

## Weekly Events

<b>Sundays:</b> 8:00 am: Holy Eucharist (C) 9:00 am: Adult Forum (L) 9:15 am: Family Eucharist (Cpl) 9:45 am: Church School 10:00 am: Holy Eucharist (C) 11:30 am: Greek Bible Reading (Lib) 8:00 pm: Compline (C)	<b>Mondays:</b> 6:30 pm: Education for Ministry (L) 7:30 pm: Alcoholics Anonymous (PH)	<b>Thursdays:</b> 10:00 am: Bible Study (L) 5:30 pm: Holy Eucharist & Healing Service (Cpl) 7:15 pm: Adult Choir Rehearsal (CL)
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<b>1</b> 10:00 am: Flu Shots (L) 10:00 am: Holy Eucharist and Baptism (C) 11:30 am: SASA(L) 4:00 pm: All Souls Commemoration (C) 7:00 pm: Contemplative Prayer (C)	<b>2</b> 5:30 pm: Feast of All Souls Holy Eucharist (Cpl)	<b>3</b> 5:30 pm: Outreach (L)	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 5:30 pm: Oasis Evensong
<b>8 Outreach Sunday</b> 2nd Sunday Blood Pressure Readings 11:30 am: Church School Teachers Meeting (Lib)	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 6:00 pm: Finance (Cpl) 6:00 pm: EHM (L)	<b>11</b> 7:30 pm: History and Memorials Committee (L)	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> 2:00 pm: PFLAG (L) 7:00 pm: Contemplative Prayer (C)	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 6:30 pm: Vestry(L)	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 11:30 am: Altar Guild Coffee Hour (L) 11:30 am: Silent Auction (PH)	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26 Thanksgiving Day</b> <i>Church Office Closed</i> 10:00 am: Holy Eucharist (Cpl)	<b>27</b> <i>Church Office Closed</i>	<b>28</b>
<b>29 Advent I</b> Adopt-a-Family Tags Available 11:30 am: Traditional Christmas Pageant Meeting (Cpl)	<b>30</b>					<b>Legend</b> (C): Church; (Cn): Chancel; (CL): Choir Loft; (Cpl): Chapel; (PH): Parish Hall; (L): Lounge; (Lib): Library; (RR): Rainbow Room

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<b>6 Advent II</b> 11:30 am: SASA(L) 11:30 am: St. Nicholas Party (PH) 7:00 pm: Contemplative Prayer (C) 7:15 pm: Music for Contemplation Series (C) 	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 6:00 pm: EHM (L) 6:00 pm: Finance (Cpl)	<b>9</b> 7:30 pm: History and Memorials Committee	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 6:00 pm: Supper Theatre - "Best Christmas Pageant Ever"
<b>13 Advent III</b> Ingathering of Gifts 2nd Sunday Blood Pressure Screenings 11:30 am: Church School Teachers Meeting (Lib) 7:15 pm: Music for Contemplation(C) 	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 6:30 pm: Vestry Meeting (L)	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20 Advent IV</b> 2:00 pm: PFLAG (L) 4:00 pm: Lessons and Carols (C) 7:00 pm: Contemplative Prayer (C) 7:15 pm: Music for Contemplation Series (C) 	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <i>Church Office Closed</i> 4:00 pm: Holy Eucharist & Pageant 5:30 pm: Candlelight Reception 10:30 pm: Festival Choral Eucharist	<b>25</b> <i>Church Office Closed</i> 10:00 am: Holy Eucharist	<b>26</b> 10:00 am: Holy Eucharist
<b>27</b> <b>No Church School or Forum</b>	<b>28</b> <i>Church Office Closed</i> 5:30 pm: Holy Eucharist	<b>29</b> 5:30 pm: Holy Eucharist	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> <i>Church Office Closed</i>	<b>Legend</b> (C): Church; (Cn): Chancel; (CL): Choir Loft; (Cpl): Chapel; (PH): Parish Hall; (L): Lounge; (Lib): Library; (RR): Rainbow Room	