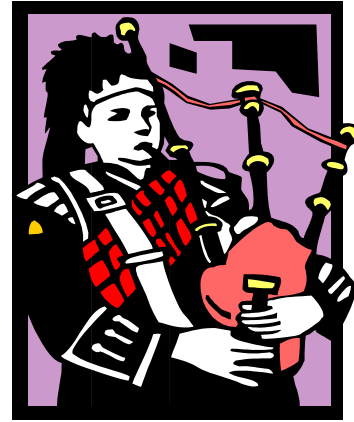


# February 2016

## The Piper

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church  
Monthly Newsletter



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### Sunday Worship Services

8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I spoken service  
9:00 am Adult Forum  
10:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II Choral Eucharist  
10:00 am Church School – *Sept.- May*  
11:10 am Coffee Hour

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The Rev. Robert C. Smith, Interim Rector  
Kathy Dilenschneider,  
Director, Children's and Youth Ministries  
Zachery von Menchhofen, *CAGO*  
Organist, Choir Director  
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### OUR VISION

To be a beacon in the community, calling our  
members and our neighbors to:

Worship – Giving thanks for Christ's Love  
Education – Learning about Christ's Love  
Leadership – Demonstrating Christ's Love  
Community – Coming together in Christ's Love  
Outreach – Serving others through Christ's Love  
Music – Glorifying Christ's Love  
Evangelism – Spreading Christ's Love  
Stewardship – Responding to Christ's Love

**Our Mission:** St. Andrew's is a joyful community  
of God's faithful people transforming lives by  
growing in Christ's love and shining His light into  
the world through prayer, worship and service to all.

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7-EPIPHANY V

Adult Forum 9:00 am  
Choir 9:00 am  
Treble Choir 9:15 am  
Church School 10:00 am  
Pancake Breakfast 11:00 am

### FEBRUARY 10 – ASH WEDNESDAY

Services 12 Noon/7:30pm

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14 LENT I

Adult Forum 9:00 am  
Choir 9:00 am  
Treble Choir 9:15 am  
Church School 10:00 am

### SUNDAY – FEBRUARY 21 LENT II

Adult Forum 9:00 am  
Choir 9:00 am  
Treble Choir 9:15 am  
Church School 10:00 am  
Pizza Bingo 5:00 pm

### SUNDAY- FEBRUARY 28 LENT III

Adult Forum 9:00 am  
Choir 9:00 am  
Treble Choir 9:15 am  
Church School 10:00 am

**From the Interim Rector  
The Rev. Robert C. Smith**

**A SEASON FOR INWARD JOURNEYS**

Lent traditionally is thought of as a quiet time of reflection in the church year. But that shouldn't mean that it isn't busy. The busyness, though, might more likely be inward, a time of actively searching reflection, rather than scurrying to accomplish things in the world—although such accomplishments do have a place in the lives of Christians that's equal to prayer and contemplation.

Borrowing from the Christian writer Elizabeth O'Connor, I've called these spiritual tasks the Inward Journey and the Outward Journey. It's inevitable that terms like these imply a false precision: we all have responses and instincts about our lives in Christ that combine the inward and outward concerns and pursuits: we pray, we meditate, and we seek to do what the gospel would have us do, all of us in our own times and in our own ways.

The Lenten season gives us a chance to direct our attention to the inward journey in our daily lives. In our **Adult Forum** gatherings, beginning on Sunday, Feb. 7, we'll spend three weeks on a revealing guide to deepening our inner lives: *Sabbath: Finding Rest, Renewal, and Delight in Our Busy Lives*, by Wayne Muller. He shows us in many challenging and inspiring ways that we can do more to achieve spiritual equilibrium in our lives. The first sentence of *Sabbath* plainly states what inspired him to write the book: "In the relentless busyness of modern life, we have lost the rhythm between work and rest."

The book explores many ways to restore that rhythm and that balance. Some of the book's approaches include finding rest and deep life in nature, prayer, and *lectio divina* (deep reading of scripture); creating happiness, through the practice of gratitude, daily rituals, carving out your times to rest and recharge; and, as they say in brazen sales pitches, much, much more. (Copies of *Sabbath* are available in the entryway to the Upper Hall, for \$14, cash, check, or I.O.U.)

Our next set of three Adult Forum meetings, beginning on Feb. 28, will take up prayer and Christian meditation, emphasizing practice.

One of the powerful passages in Isaiah (58: 9b-14) emphasizes the need to blend the Inward and Outward Journeys into the fullness of our lives:

*If you remove the yoke from among you,  
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,  
if you offer your food to the hungry  
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,  
then your light shall rise in the darkness  
and your gloom be like the noonday.  
The Lord will guide you continually,  
and satisfy your needs in parched places,  
and make your bones strong;  
and you shall be like a watered garden,  
like a spring of water,  
whose waters never fail.  
Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;  
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;  
You shall be called the repairer of the breach  
The restorer of streets to live in.*

Faithfully,

Bob

**Rectors Warden  
Margie Gebert**

As we open this issue of the Piper I wonder if there is any snow left on the ground. I suspect there are piles left in parking lots and roadsides. Now, as I write we still have quite a bit of snow on the ground and schools have been closed across the area.

After our own snow delay the annual meeting should take place on January 31<sup>st</sup>. At which time we will elect new members to vestry.

I would like to thank those completing terms on vestry. Susan Berry-Gorelli has represented music and offered sound advice to the vestry throughout her term and especially during this past year of transition. Kimberly Camp has worked tirelessly to support our current members, share St. Andrew's with the wider community and to welcome new members. Bill Koch has been a strong advocate for outreach and shared the history of St. Andrew's having served in leadership roles here for over 20 years. On behalf of the congregation thank you for your time, and prayerful consideration as you led St Andrew's.

I am very excited for the future of our congregation. The search committee has worked steadily throughout the past eight months under the leadership of Frank Dilenschneider and Lisa Sordilla. Christine Whaley led us through the creation of a parish profile. Although the search committee edited your work, you wrote the profile and readily incorporated our suggestions into the document. You have captured our gifts our challenges and hopes for a new rector that we voiced as we came together last October.

We are grateful to the members of the search committee for their commitment. You have committed to dedicating much of time and energy in the coming year to discerning the next rector of our parish. We are grateful to the vestry as you lead us and hopefully call our next rector this year.

Our thanks to Father Bob for his leadership throughout this time. You are helping us to discern the future of St Andrew's, leading us in worship and adult education as you introduce of to some of the possibilities for the future of this parish. It has been my pleasure to know you, Lorene, Laura, Zoë Mica, and now Gracie.

I have enjoyed serving on vestry these past three years, having worked with many extraordinary individuals including parishioners, staff, vestry and search committee. Many thanks to our dedicated staff who not only work hard but care so much for this parish and as I am learning get an awful lot done behind the scenes. Although I may miss being a part of the year ahead I have every confidence in the current vestry members, those slated for election on January 31<sup>st</sup>, the search committee and our wonderful staff to lead us through 2016.

## Search Committee News

Our parish profile and ministry portfolio are published to the National Episcopal Church website “Office for Transition Ministry”. We have begun to receive candidate names and have started the assessment process. As you’ve heard in our recent reports and in the last Piper article, all information about candidates, assessments and the status of any candidates will be held in strict confidence. For this reason, from this point forward updates to the congregation and the vestry will be general and only describe where we are in the overall process. That also makes articles like this a lot shorter! The good news to date is we are on track but early in the receiving process.

You can help with the search process by spreading the word and telling others to spread the word that we are now receiving candidate names for rector. If you know of someone, please point them to the profile on our website and the National Church’s Office of Transition Ministry website. If they believe they are a good match, they would then need to submit three pieces of information to Jenn Cordivari at the special email address we’ve created for just this purpose ([standrewssearch2016@gmail.com](mailto:standrewssearch2016@gmail.com)). They are a cover letter, a resume and their own ministry portfolio. They should not send this or any information to anyone else or another email address.

As described in the last Piper article, once we receive names, the assessment process begins. It includes evaluation of material submitted by the candidates, Skype interviews, researching the candidate’s background, reference checks, background checks and in-person site visits by SC members to finalist locations. Our plan continues to be receiving names until the end of February. At that point we’ll judge whether or not to continue to receive names based on the number and suitability of candidate submissions received by then.

As always, please contact any member of the search committee should you have any questions.

*Frank Dilenschneider*



**Accounting Warden  
Chris Bastian**

**December income statement:**

- Total Revenue in December was **\$34,846**
  - \$35,736 was Giving
  - \$50 was Building rental
  - (\$940) was Investment Loss
- Total Expenses in December were **\$32,900**
  - \$17,328 was Personnel
  - \$5,982 was Building & Grounds
  - \$2,248 was Programs & Administration
  - \$6,900 was Outreach
  - \$442 was New Rector Search
- The monthly surplus (Revenue minus Expenses) was **\$1,946**
- The year-to-date surplus (January to December) was **\$11,985**
- This year-to-date surplus compares to last year's surplus of \$12,471

*Thank you so much for all your pledges!*

**December balance sheet:**

- Total Assets are **\$3,658,502**
  - \$92,149 in Checking
  - \$88,137 in Money Markets
  - \$727,814 in Long Term Investments
  - \$2,750,402 in Land & Building
- Total Liabilities are **\$11,480**
  - \$661 in Accounts Payable
  - \$10,819 in Other Current Liabilities (e.g. accrued expenses)
- Total Fund Principal (Total Assets minus Total Liabilities) is **\$3,647,022**

## **Outreach**

### **Brief History and Current Update of Our Efforts in Guatemala**

#### **Background:**

As a result of the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania's commitment in 1996 to create a companion relationship with the Diocese of Guatemala, St. Andrew's responded with a request for assignment of Guatemalan parishes with whom we could begin a relationship.

The mission of our companion relationship is to:

- To strengthen ties of clergy and lay people in the Anglican Communion through shared experiences across cultural and geographical boundaries within the Body of Christ.
- To build relationships in which each partner both gives and receives through parish-to-parish relationships, exchange visits, youth involvement, and shared prayer lists.

At the start, St. Andrew's was assigned five parishes, but over time, for various reasons, we now partner with two parishes:

- San Esteban (St. Stephen's) in Mariscos
- Santissima Trinidad (Holy Trinity) in Coteles

Outreach Committee member Martha Thomae, our representative on the The Companion Diocese Committee has taken the lead on our participation in the program. Through the relationship Martha developed, we learned that children were at the greatest risk because of their lack of education opportunities and simple medical care. Many Guatemalan children have no access to primary and secondary education. Since the Guatemala public school system requires tuition fees after the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, children whose families cannot afford school fees, uniforms, and supplies do not get an education.

The Guatemalan parishes requested that we focus our support around education and health initiatives. So now, our contribution supports students, who otherwise would not be able to attend school; libraries; computers and water purification filters. We directly supplement 12-15 students per school year, and we have indirectly supported many families in the region through library improvements, computers and collaboration with the local manufacturer of a household water purification device.

Since the inception of the Companion Diocese program almost 20 years ago, Martha Thomae has personally funded her travel to lead envoys, or go solo, to call on our two sister parishes (among others), two to three times every year. Delivering the check from St. Andrew's is the least of her undertaking. The main purpose of her dedication to the program is to build relationships of giving and receiving faith, culture and knowledge of a people so foreign, with whom we share the most durable of bonds – our faith in God.

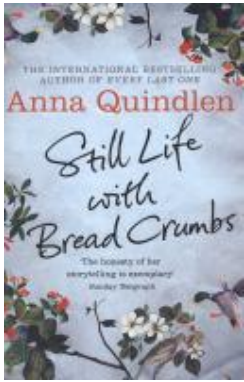
Part of the program involves Guatemalan Episcopalians visiting their sister parishes in America – the "South to North Encuentro." St. Andrew's has participated as a host twice by furnishing funds for visa applications and airline tickets for a young man from San Esteban, Henry Martinez. A year later, Rev. Hugo Padilla and his wife, Berta came for a one-week visit.

#### **What Now?**

In Guatemala, the school year runs from January to October, so Martha visits in February (a smart way to escape the snow). This year she will be going in the first week of February – solo again. No doubt, Martha will gain an even better understanding of the lives of those in the communities she visits. The needs in such a poor country never wane, so surely Martha will return with a catalogue of their challenges.

Martha will share her past experiences and discoveries on January 31 during both Sunday services. After Martha's return from Guatemala on March 13, the 10 a.m. Coffee Hour will be "Guatemala Day," where all in the congregation will have a chance to hear the stories from Martha's trip and share in the culture (while drinking the world's best coffee). This will be an opportunity for our parish to learn and understand what more we can do as a parish to further the mission of our companionship with those in Guatemala.

**Wednesday Night Book Group**  
**Pam Bennett**

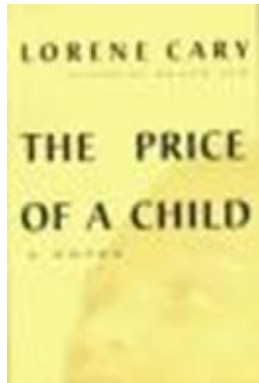


On February 3, 2016 we will discuss the *Still Life with Bread Crumbs* by Anna Quindlen.

*Still Life with Bread Crumbs* is a wry and knowing portrait of Rebecca Winter, a photographer whose work made her an unlikely heroine for many women. Her career is now descendent, her bank balance shaky, and she has fled the city for the middle of nowhere. There she discovers, in a tree stand with a roofer named Jim Bates, that what she sees through a camera lens is not all there is to life.

Copies of *Still Life with Bread Crumbs* will be distributed from a *Henrietta Hankin Branch Library Book Club Bag* at the January meeting for everyone returning a copy of *The Vacationers*.

Please forward any questions or comments to Pam [prbcallig@verizon.net](mailto:prbcallig@verizon.net) or Anne [algayl@verizon.net](mailto:algayl@verizon.net), and we will look forward to seeing you at 7:00 pm in the Werner Room



On March 3, 2016 we will discuss the *The Price of a Child*, a novel by Lorene Cary.

In 1855, a Southern slave abandons her child to obtain freedom. She is Ginnie of Virginia, who escapes while with her master in Philadelphia. The novel portrays her as hiding from slavecatchers, agonizing over the son she left behind and reinventing herself as Mercer Grey to become a famous abolitionist.

Copies of *The Price of a Child* will be distributed from a *Chester County Library System* at the February meeting for everyone returning a copy of *Still Life with Bread Crumbs* from *Henrietta Hankin Branch Library Book Club Bag*. Thank you.

Please forward any questions or comments to Pam [prbcallig@verizon.net](mailto:prbcallig@verizon.net) or Anne [algayl@verizon.net](mailto:algayl@verizon.net), and we will look forward to seeing you at 7:00 pm in the Werner Room.

## **Building and Grounds Committee**

### **Jeff Herrera**

Our mild winter has made up for itself with a doozie of a winter storm! Despite getting more than two feet of snow over the course of 24 hours of continuous snow through Saturday evening, we managed to get dug out in time for 10 am service which was held for a handful of hearty souls. Fortunately the snow is already beginning to melt away and the building did not suffer any damage as a result. Now that the blizzard is behind us, we can look forward to other repairs we have on the way. Of note, we are looking repair the bleach stain on the hallway carpet with a dye of a comparable color. Our hopes of matching the color are metered, but it should be less noticeable and over time should blend with wear and tear. When the weather breaks, we will also be moving ahead with the gravestone repairs and some landscape improvements outside the church.

Although I am tempted to write a nice piece about the upcoming break in weather and approaching spring, I realize that we still have a ways to go. Instead I will take this time to reflect on the peacefulness of our church and community. Through the many difficult challenges and changes St. Andrew's has faced over the years, I have been impressed to see that the St. Andrew's family has taken it all in stride and has risen to the challenge with a strong fortitude and with joy (much like the Whos of Whoville!). There is an inherent peacefulness knowing that the church will be there for you in times of need, and that you have the opportunity to be there for the church to help others when they are in need. The one nice thing about being snowbound for a day or two is it gives you a chance to be around family in ways you typically aren't and it gives you a chance to reflect on the blessings in your life. Peace be with all of you. God Bless.

## **Membership Kimberly Camp**

As I am writing this, the snow has piled up tremendously! It was a beautiful sight to behold. I hope you all found something beautiful to celebrate. I know it brings cold but it is an amazing scene when nature coats everything in white. I hope everyone stayed safe and warm during the Blizzard of 2016.

I am wonderfully excited about the member who accepted my challenge to become the next head of Membership for St. Andrew's. Cici Lebling has graciously accepted the opportunity to take on this ministry. I feel that God really had a hand in this outcome. Cici is the perfect fit! She is sweet and kind, giving and caring and also has a background in marketing in her past life. I could not be happier that she is willing to share her time with us.

Membership will continue to grow and thrive under her leadership. We are facing a huge change coming and I hope that you will feel welcome to bring to light any issues or concerns about membership with her. We are going to have a new leader of the church and that will be hopefully a wonderful transition to a more permanent lifestyle here at church. We will do our best to show the surrounding community what we have to offer and spotlight our new Pastor.

Thank you members for allowing me to serve St. Andrew's these past three years. It has been my privilege and honor. I have enjoyed it and loved all of the new friendships I have made along the way. Many Blessings



**Children and Youth Ministry**  
**Kathy Dilenschneider**



**Pre-Lenten Pancake Breakfast**

Join us on **Sunday February 7<sup>th</sup>** after the 10 a.m. service for our annual parish pancake breakfast. Our confirmation class youth will be serving up delicious pancakes, bacon, fruit and beverages. The cost is \$5 per person. Children ages 5 and under are free. Net proceeds will be donated to The Lord's Pantry. Tickets are on sale through Wednesday February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**The Jedi Council Requests Your Presence**



**Pizza Bingo 2016**

**Date: Sunday February 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Time: 5:00 to 7:30 p.m.**

**Cost: \$5 per person; \$25 max per family**

**May the Force Be With You...Sign Up Today**

**Pizza Bingo prizes** – We are on the lookout for prizes suitable for adults and children. If you have an item you would like to donate, please contact Kathy Dilenschneider.

**Junior Church** will be held on **Sunday February 14<sup>th</sup>** during the 10:00 a.m. service for all children in 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade. Our worship focus will be on the season of Lent. All other children/youth will have class as usual.

**Upcoming March Events:** Youth Sunday March 6<sup>th</sup> – grades 6-12  
Bowling Party – elementary age and up- Sunday March 13<sup>th</sup>

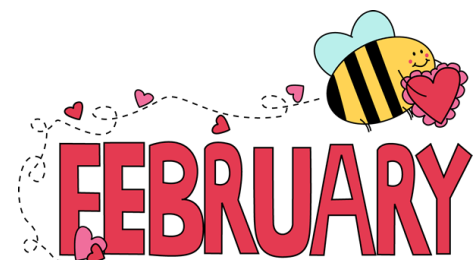
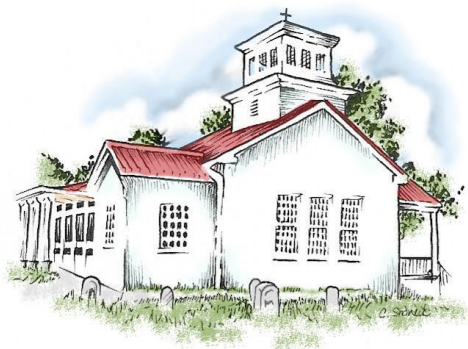
# Worship Leaders –February

	<b>February 7</b>	<b>February 14</b>	<b>February 21</b>	<b>February 28</b>	
<b>Acolytes</b>	Ian Sordilla Harry Whaley	Eloise Gebert Ben Mason	Emma Campagna Parry Ryan	Luke Najim Rebecca Reese	
<b>Chalice</b> 8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Adam Rogers John Wenner	Bob Bardwell Chris Bastian	Matt Haverstick Frank Dilenschneider	Dave Killingbeck Kit Stanford	
<b>Lectors</b> 10:00 AM	John Wenner Martha Thomae	Chris Bastian Burt Todd	Frank Dilenschneider Pam Bennett	Kit Stanford John Wenner	
<b>Ushers</b> 10:00 AM	Chris Bastian John Rieder	Burt Todd Bill Koch	Mary Volk Jennifer Cordivari	Lee Erickson John Baur	
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Evie Baird Kathy Hassinger Judy Erickson Dru Kring Jennifer Hillegas	Martha Thomae Helen Mastony Mary Volk Lynn Elliott Julie Geer	Connie Happersett Nina Baur Charlotte Griggs Margie Gebert	Dotti Atwater Joan Bradford Christine Whaley Kathy Cobb	
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Pancake Breakfast	Jr. Church	Altar Guild		
<b>Counters</b>	Jackie Irey Lee & Judy Erickson	Don Castagna Geoff McConnell	Jackie Irey Judy & Lee Erickson	Don Castagna Geoff McConnell	

February 2016						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b>  <i>Sally Mohr</i>	<b>2</b> NA 7pm	<b>3</b> BOOK GROUP 7PM AA 7PM	<b>4</b> CHOIR PRACTICE 7PM	<b>5</b> MA 7pm  <i>Dave Killingbeck</i>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> Adult Forum 9am Choir 9am Treble Choir 9:15am Pancake Breakfast 11am	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> NA 7pm  <i>Vic Sordilla</i>	<b>10</b> ASH WEDNESDAY Services 12Noon/7:30pm AA 7PM	<b>11</b> CHOIR PRACTICE 7PM	<b>12</b> MA 7pm  <i>Talia Zuch</i>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> Adult Forum 9am Choir 9am Treble Choir 9:15am Jr. Church 10am  <i>Jennifer Moulder</i> <i>Charlotte Griggs</i>	<b>15</b>  <i>Ben Mason</i> <i>Rob Cordivari</i>	<b>16</b> NA 7pm	<b>17</b> VESTRY 7:15PM AA 7PM  <i>Charlotte Roumpz</i> <i>Jackie Irey</i>	<b>18</b> CHOIR PRACTICE 7PM	<b>19</b> MA 7pm  <i>Andy Zuch</i>	<b>20</b> ATKINSON DINNER 5PM
<b>21</b> Adult Forum 9am Choir 9am Treble Choir 9:15 am Pizza Bingo 5pm  <i>Jonathan Thir,</i> <i>Mac Caughey</i> <i>Susan Hudson</i>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> NA 7pm	<b>24</b> AA 7PM	<b>25</b> CHOIR PRACTICE 7PM	<b>26</b> MA 7pm  <i>Aliza Thir</i> <i>Barbara Berutti</i> <i>Annie Hurtt</i>	<b>27</b>  <i>Joe Sebastianelli</i>
<b>28</b> Adult Forum 9am Choir 9am Treble Choir 9:15am	<b>29</b>	<b>Notes: Birthdays in italics</b>				

**FEBRUARY 10 ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES AT 12 NOON AND 7:30PM**

*St Andrew's Episcopal Church  
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**Mark your Calendars**

**2/7 Pancake Breakfast  
2/10 Ash Wednesday  
2/20 Atkinson Dinner  
2/21 Pizza Bingo**