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## From the Rector's Desk

#### The Reverend Dr. John B. Pollock, Rector

he one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. For we are God's servants, working together: You are God's field, God's building." *First Corinthians 3:8-9* 

In this passage to the church in Corinth, Paul reminds them... and us... that we are a part of God's work in this world; working together for God's purpose. This passage keeps coming back to me as I think about our one hundred years of ministry as a church. It is a humbling thing to know that I serve as rector one hundred years after the first priest and small group of faithful worshipers gathered to start this church. We are here as a result of God's work, and the faithfulness of those people in Morehead City who heard the call of God to serve Christ by planting a church. They planted, others watered. Now we too are a part of this ongoing work of God we know as St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Morehead City.

We are servants of God. This church is not ours, it belongs to Christ. It occurs to me that we tend this church... this garden... not for our benefit; but out of service to God and to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ here in this place. We also have a responsibility for those who will be St. Andrew's Episcopal Church long after we are gone. We are to do our part, and others will do theirs. And it is all God's work.

We here at St. Andrew's believe that no one comes to this church by accident. We are here because God is working in and through our lives. No matter where we are on our journey of faith, we are welcomed and encouraged to join in the work that God is doing. We are a part of God's purpose. We cannot know what the next one hundred years will bring. There will be challenges; and there will be joyful successes in the building of God's Kingdom. While we are here, we do our part. I am grateful for you and the work for Jesus that you are a part of. I am humbled to be a part of this "God's field; God's building..." By the grace of God we are the latest in a long line of good and faithful servants, doing our part in God's work.

Blessings on the Journey!

John

**IN CELEBRATION OF 100 YEARS OF MINISTRY** 

# St. Andrew's CRAFTFAIR

Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> 10:00am – 4:00pm



**Funds will benefit the Saint Andrew's Choir School.** St. Andrew's Episcopal Church 2005 Arendell St, Morehead City, NC 28557



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## A Hymn to Celebrate 100 Years of Ministry

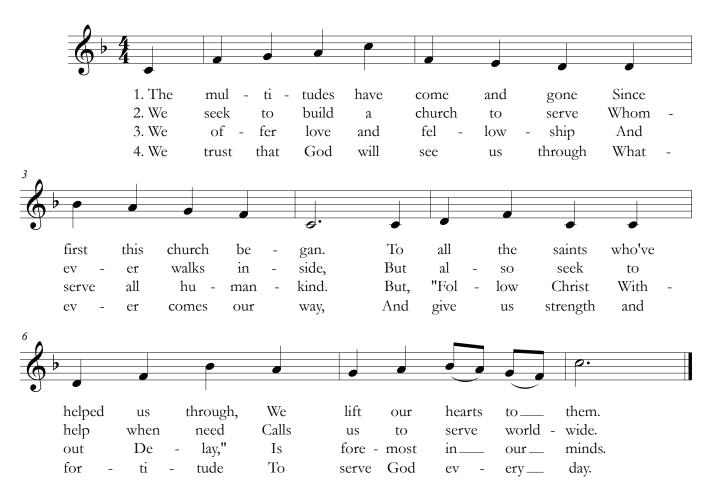
Matthew Hill, Director of Music

Back in June we charged the congregation with writing a new hymn text to celebrate the 100 years of ministry for St. Andrew's.

This charge came in the form of a contest with several rules and guiding the construction of this new text. The new hymn text is paired with a new hymn tune, called Shephard's Point, written by our Organist and Director of Music, Matt Hill. We are pleased to announce the winner of the hymn text contest: Mrs. Joan Sabiston. Please take a moment to read through the hymn and make sure to be present at its premiere on October 30, 2019 at the Festival Eucharist celebrating 100 years of ministry in Morehead City.

### The Multitudes Have Come and Gone Tune: Shepard's Point

Music: Charles Matthew Hill Text: Joan Sabiston





Dr. George W. Lay

## Oct. 30, 1919

Dr. George W. Lay, Priest in charge (1924)

On Friday morning September 26, 1919 I arrived in Beaufort to begin my ministry of Saint Pauls church and to do what was possible in Morehead City as a missionary under the direction of the bishop.

So far as I can discover there had not been any regular services of the episcopal church in Morehead City before I came, but there had been occasional services by the clergy living in Beaufort and New Bern and perhaps by others.

There were very few resident communicants and many of these had committed themselves with one of the other religious bodies, owing to the absence of any services or regular pastoral attention by our own clergy. I can only count five who add *"communion with in three years"* who attend our services during the first year or two, i.e. Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph H. Dowdy, Mrs. SS Willis, Mrs. Pearl Bell, and Mrs. George Henderson, Junior. Several others were most interested and helpful in starting our work in Morehead.

Our first meeting was held at the residence of Mrs. C. B. Wade October 30, 1919. There after I had a service with instruction at 7 PM every Thursday in a room over the Marine Bank. Later, by request, I had services on one Sunday in the month at 3 PM successively in the movie theater, in a room at the First Baptist Church, and in the Directors room of the Marine Bank. The first episcopal visitation to Morehead City was on the afternoon of March 11, 1923 when Bishop Darst confirmed five persons.

The portable chapel erected for use during the world war was the... In Wilmington being no longer used, we were allowed to move it to Morehead City and Mr. CHARLES S WALLACE a Methodist, kindly allowed us the use of a very suitable lot. As recorded in the record book of the trustees, the congregation was organized under the name of Saint Andrews mission.

The first service in Saint Andrews chapel was held at 3 PM Sunday, April 6, 1924. Present 85. There after services have been held each Sunday afternoon.

On Thursday and holy week, April 17, at 4:30 PM there was a... Service and instruction and on Easter Tuesday, April 22 we had our first communion service at 7:30 AM present and receiving 16.

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## St. Andrew's

A brief history

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Morehead City, North Carolina can best be described as resilient; resilient beyond the expectations of many. The roots of this congregation began in 1919 and have persisted valiantly to the present. Beginning as a mission church, and remaining so for almost half of its history, St. Andrew's is a story of strife, survival, and, most importantly, success. The history found here is taken from previously written histories, church records, personal journals, public and court records, and various other archives. The first organizational meeting of what would become St. Andrew's Episcopal Church was held on October 30, 1919 in the home of Mrs. C. B. Wade in Morehead City. According to his entry in the Parish Registry of St. Andrew's Mission on July 4, 1924, the Rector of St. Paul's (Episcopal) Church in Beaufort, the Reverend Dr. George W. Lay, was present and conducted the first missionary service; a service of Holy Eucharist (Communion). The Rev. Lay writes:

"On Friday morning, Sep. 25th, 1919, I arrived in Beaufort to begin my rectorship of St. Paul's Church, and to do what was possible in Morehead City as a missionary under the direction of the Bishop.

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"Our first meeting was held at the residence of Mrs. C.B. Wade October 30th, 1919. Thereafter I had a service with instruction at 7 PM every Thursday in a room over the Marine Bank." It is not known how many were present at that first meeting, but it is clear from the historical evidence that this group of Episcopalians grew.

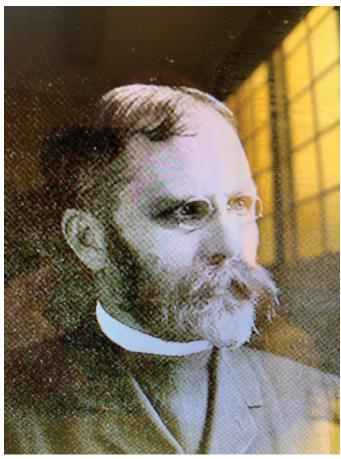
Less than four years later, on March 11, 1923, the first class of the Rev. Dr. Lay's mission was presented for the sacrament of Confirmation to the Right Reverend Thomas C. Darst, Bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina. Because the mission did not have a permanent building, the Confirmation service was held at the First Baptist Church. Later in the same parish registry entry from July 4, 1924, the Rev. Lay writes:

"Later, by request, I had service on one Sunday in the month at 3 PM successively in the Movie Theater, in a room at the First Baptist Church, and in the Directors' Room of the Marine Bank.

"The first Episcopal visitation to Morehead City was on the afternoon of March 11th, 1923 when Bishop Darst confirmed five persons.

Shortly thereafter in 1923, a portable chapel was donated by the Shipyard at Wilmington, North Carolina. This chapel had been used at the Shipyard during the First World War. It was transported to a lot owned by Mrs. Charles Wallace. In his same entry, the Rev. Dr. Lay tells us that with this new chapel, his mission was organized under the name of St. Andrew's Mission.

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Recorded July 4th, 1924 George W. Lay, Priest in Charge We have record of a bible presented to St. Andrew's Mission from The Rev. Dr. Lay in 1924. The bible is a George E. Eyre & William Spottiswoode Holy Bible (printing date unknown). The inscription in the bible reads:

"This Bible

was presented to

St. Andrew's Mission, Morehead City, North Carolina

In 1924

By The Reverend George W. Lay D.D.

"The bible formerly belonged to the Reverend Doctor Lay's father Henry Champlin Lay, Missionary Bishop of Arkansas from 1859 to 1869

"After the War between the States he became Bishop of the Diocese of Easton, located On the Eastern Shore of Maryland, in 1869 Where he worked until his death. He was buried in Easton in 1885 "Doctor George W Lay has since passed to

his reward. He died in 1928 and was buried in Chapel Hill, North Carolina." Between 1924 and 1928, the new mission continued its work as an Episcopal presence in Morehead City. In 1928, the City of Morehead City annexed the Wallace lot to be used for the site of the new City Hall. St. Andrew's Chapel was then moved to a lot donated by Mrs. W. T. (Rebecca) Brown. With Mrs. Brown's approval, this lot was exchanged for another lot that was owned by Mr. and Mrs. Luther Hamilton. According to a registry entry by Rev. Dr. Lay, when the deed to the lot was recorded, a conditional stipulation was inserted stating that if the lot were not used for the purposes of the church, it would revert ownership to Mrs. Brown. However, Mrs. Brown objected and relinquished this right by a registered deed on June 27, 1928. The Rev. Dr. Lay wrote, "The Trustees therefore now own a clear title."

As noted in the inscription in the gifted bible, the Rev. Dr. Lay died in 1928. Based on the records available to us, we know this to have occurred between June 27, 1928 and the end of that year. In October 1928, The Rev. Jean Vache was named as the Rector of St. Paul's in Beaufort and became the Priestin-Charge of St. Andrew's Mission. The Rev. Vache's tenure was just over three years following his retirement, in November 1931, the Rev. Worth Wicker was named as Priest-in-Charge of St. Andrew's Mission.

In 1932, St. Andrew's received a gift that would probably be the most impactful gift in the 100 years of its existence. As is recorded in the St. Andrew's Book of Remembrance, on May 2, 1932, a deed was recorded by G. V. Cooper (Cowper) who was the Trustee for Mr. Larry B. West of Kinston, North Carolina and Chattanooga, Tennessee. This deed transferred ownership of Lots 11, 12, and 13 in Square No. 35 in Morehead City to the Trustees of the Diocese of East Carolina of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the construction of a church or place of



Ground Breaking 1952

worship and for the purpose of church use. Verbal accounts tell us that this deed came with a conditional stipulation that if the lot was not used for its specified purpose in 20 years, ownership would revert back to Mr. West. This land is where the present St. Andrew's Episcopal Church now stands.

While 1932 brought great gifts to St. Andrew's Mission, 1933 brought the first major crisis to the mission. In September 1933, a major hurricane brushed the coast of North Carolina. While it was reported that damage was the worst in the New Bern area, wide spread damage from wind and flooding occurred in Carteret County with many of the communities left devastated. In North Carolina, there were 21 reported deaths, mostly from drowning, over 1,000 people left homeless, and the estimated cost of the storm was \$4.5 million, which would translate to approximately \$87 million today. In the midst of this chaos, the St. Andrew's Chapel was destroyed. In the aftermath of the storm, a difficult decision was made; the St. Andrew's Mission would begin worshiping, once again, with the Beaufort parish of St. Paul's until money could be raised to build new facilities. While in previous years, this would have been a great burden to the people of Morehead City, the town now had a bridge connecting it to Beaufort making travel between the two towns much easier. The members of St. Andrew's Mission carried on this way for 18 years.

In September of 1951, residents of Morehead City who had been attending St. Paul's met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earle Mobley; The Right Reverend Dr. Thomas H. Wright, Bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina, was present. Having been noted that Morehead City was the largest town in the diocese without an Episcopal Church, Bishop Wright granted permission for this group to organize a new missionary congregation in

Morehead City. Then, on September 21st, at a meeting at the Morehead City Hall, Bishop Wright gave his official approval for the missionary congregation to begin.

1952 to 1957 saw a flurry of activity for the newly revitalized congregation. The first service was held on Sunday, January 6, 1952, the Feast of the Epiphany. This service, held in the home of Mrs. Herbert Thornton at 608 Bridges Street in Morehead City, was attended by 35 people. Mr. Stanley Woodland, a Lay Reader in the congregation, conducted the service. Mr. Woodland would go on to be a stalwart force in the congregation for many years. Just two weeks after the service, on January 20th, the Rev. Daniel W. Allen, who was the Executive Secretary of the Diocese of East Carolina, was appointed Priest-in-Charge of the missionary congregation. On that day, the Rev. Allen celebrated Holy Communion at 7:30 PM with 44 people present of whom 40 took communion.

Furthering the work of the revitalized mission, under the leadership of Mrs. Mary Woodland Shockley, the church women founded the St. Andrew's Thrift Shop opening on April 1, 1952; the shop is still in operation today. Working with a mission to provide clothing at lower prices, this was the first store of this type in the area. Later, on April 20th, the first service of the newly renamed St. Andrew's Mission was held in the Hospital Annex on Ninth Street. At the Convention of the Diocese of East Carolina on May 7, 1952, the convention body granted permission for the St. Andrew's Mission to become an independent congregation with the name of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. Following the status change, Bishop Wright celebrated his first service with the newly independent church on June 1, 1952 in the home of Mrs. Thornton at 11 AM. A service of Holy Communion on the Feast of Pentecost was attended by 55 people and 35 received communion. According to the parish registry, "the weather was clear and warm."

Groundbreaking on the present church building began on June 16, 1952 and Bishop Wright and the Rev. Allen conducted the Ceremony of the Laying of the Cornerstone on October 9th. The site of the church is on the land deeded to the Diocese by G. V. Cooper (Cowper), trustee for Mr. Larry B. West. Later, on November 10th, 1952, as is recorded in the St. Andrew's Book of Remembrance, Bishop Wright, as Bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina, gave his official consent for the construction of the church and conveyed ownership of lots 11, 12, and 13 in Square No. 35 in Morehead City to the Vestrymen of St. Andrew's Church. This property was given in accordance to the original gift of the land to the diocese.

1953 saw more activity with the first Confirmation class of the newly independent church. On May 8, 1953, the Fifth Sunday after Easter, Bishop Wright presided over a service of Confirmation where 15 people were Confirmed. This service, held in the Hospital Annex on 9th Street, was attended by 70 people. On October 22, 1953, the Rev. E. Guthrie Brown was called to be the first Rector of St. Andrew's and he celebrated his first service of Holy Communion on October 25, 1953 at 11 AM in the Hospital Annex. There were 60 people present with 49 receiving communion. According to the parish registry, "The weather was clear and warm." On the 20th of December, the Fourth Sunday of Advent, at 11 AM, the first service was held in the newly constructed church. This service of Morning Prayer was attended by 120 people and the Rev. Brown preached. The Rev. Brown writes in the parish registry, "The weather was beautiful." However, while services were being held in the church, the official dedication of the new church and memorials was not held until February 14, 1954, St. Valentine's Day with Bishop Wright as the dedicator. At this service of Morning Prayer, held at 11 AM, Bishop Wright preached for a congregation of 260 people. Within less than two years, construction began on the East Wing of the Parish House with construction lasting from 1956 to 1957.

We have notes about several of the services that took place in the first year of the new building:

- On March 5, 1954 at 11 AM, St. Andrew's hosted World Day of Prayer for the first time. The service was conducted by the "Ladies of All Churches of the Community" and 160 people were present. The weather was described as cold and clear.
  - On Tuesday, March 23, 1954 at the Litany Service at 5 PM, the furnace of the church began smoking. The Rev. Brown was the preacher and 16 people were in attendance. The weather was described as cool and clear.

One service of particular note occurred on October 12, 1958, the 19th Sunday after Trinity. Morning Prayer was presided over by the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, the Very Reverend Henry Sherrill. 114 people attended the service and the parish registry notes that a movie of "Address at Layman's Convention" was shown.

Very little is recorded about activity over the following years from 1958 to 1999. We do have the following information:

- From 1962 to 1968, the Rev. I. Mayo Little served as the second Rector.
- From 1968 to 1974, the Rev. Raymond W. Storie served as the third Rector.
  - In 1974, the Rev. C. King Cole was called as the fourth Rector. The tenure of the Rev. King Cole is remembered as a time of great change and chaos and will be written about later in this history.

- From 1976 to 1977, the West Wing of the church facility was constructed. This wing housed church offices and Christian education rooms.
- In approximately 1997, with the consultation of Parish Organist and Choir Director, Lawrence Stith, a new hybrid digital and pipe organ was installed at St. Andrew's.

By 1999 the winds of change were already sweeping through some of the Episcopal Church. The 1974 decision to ordain women to the priesthood, the subsequent Book of Common Prayer revision of 1979, and the new Hymnal in 1982 began to cause discomfort among those who were not as adaptable as others in the church. In the latter part of the 1990s, these discomforts were being felt among the people of St. Andrew's. At an extraordinary meeting called between the 9 AM and 11 AM services on March 12, 2000, Senior Warden, Dr. Richard W. Wray, announced the vestry decision that St. Andrew's Episcopal Church would separate from the Diocese of East Carolina and align with the Bishop of Rwanda. As announced by Dr. Wray, the church and other properties would remain with the dissenting group. The vestry sent a letter with supporting documents to The Right Rev. Clifton Daniel, Bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina, stating "parochial ownership of the properties and real goods of St. Andrew's to the vestry." The letter also purported, "Legally, these documents will stand the test of any litigation and we will retain our properties."

In April of 2000, Bishop Daniel held a meeting at St. Paul's in Beaufort with those remaining active members of St. Andrew's who wished to regain their church and properties. At this meeting, a three-member vestry was selected: Nick Theuner as Senior Warden, Harriet Gruber as Junior Warden, and Dorothy Raney as a vestry member-at-large. Bishop Daniel had appointed The Rev. Bill Brettmann to serve as the interim priest for a period of six months, and on June 11th, the remaining members of St. Andrew's had their first service since the dissenting faction had taken control of the building. Sixty-two people were present.

What followed was a period of lengthy court battles, a period of uncertainty, and publicity for the parish. There were now two congregations called St. Andrew's in Morehead City: St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Diocese of East Carolina and St. Andrew's Episcopal Church of Rwanda.

- **December 7, 2000:** Judge Russell J. Lanier, Jr. denied a Motion for Summary Judgement brought by both the plaintiff and defendant.
  - **July 9, 2001:** A jury trial begins with Judge John Lewis presiding.
- **July 14, 2001:** A mistrial is declared by Judge Lewis due to the inability of the jury to reach a verdict.
- September 3, 2001: St. Andrew's Episcopal Church,
   Diocese of East Carolina meets for the first time in
   the former Centura Bank building located at 3003
   Bridges Street in Morehead. Fifty-three parishioners
   attended and the Rev. Brettmann officiated.
  - January 11, 2002: St. Andrew's Episcopal Church,
    Diocese of East Carolina is granted a Summary
    Judgement by Special Superior Court Judge, John
    Jolly. The dissenting group announces its intention to
    appeal the decision.
    - **February 18, 2003:** The Honorables Robert Hunter, Wanda G. Bryant, and Richard Elmore of the

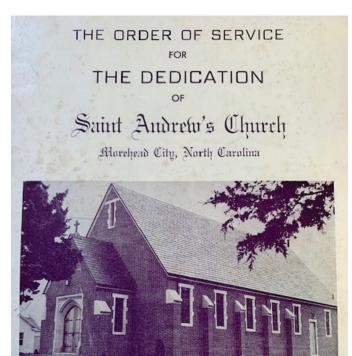
NC Appellate Court hear the case between the two church groups.

**June 3, 2003:** The NC Appellate Court unanimously rules in favor of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Diocese of East Carolina.

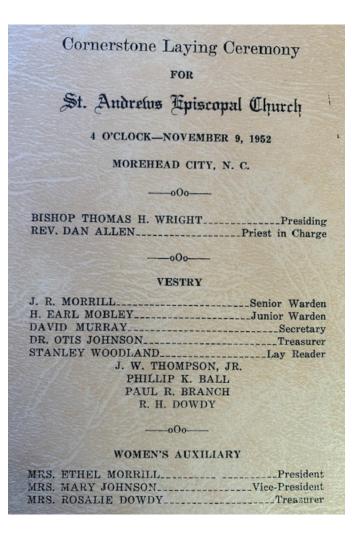
After lengthy court battles, the struggle to return to its home was finally over. On August 13, 2003, in the presence of more than 300 people, Bishop Daniel celebrates a Festival Eucharist in the church building. There was participation by clergy from all over the diocese and the Episcopal Church Women groups from St. Paul's, Beaufort and St. Francis, Salter Path provided a reception following the service.

On February 9, 2004, the Rev. John B. Pollock was called to be the new Priest-in-Charge and celebrated his first services in the church. Within a year, Fr. John was called to be the Rector of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. On June 19, 2005, a celebratory service followed by a pig-pickin' is held in honor of Fr. John's ministry. While called Fr. John by most parishioners, he earned a Doctorate of Ministry from Virginia Theological Seminary in May of 2011. Then, within a short time, the Rev. John Gaskill is called to be the Deacon at St. Andrew's and retired priest, the Rev. Tom Midyette was called as the new Organist and Choir Master.

What has followed is a period of growth and renewal for the parish. In September of 2008, the Carteret County Historical Society included St. Andrew's on its registry of historical buildings in the county. In 2010, through the generous bequest of a parishioner, St. Andrew's added a new children's playground behind the church. This playground was dedicated and blessed by the former Presiding Bishop, The Most Rev. Frank Griswold.



By The Right Reverend Thomas Henry Wright, D.D. The Episcopal Bishop of East Carolina Septuagesima Sunday, The Fourteenth Day of February The Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred Fifty-Four



In 2017, the St. Andrew's Thrift Shop celebrated its 65th year of continuous ministry. 2017 also saw the beginnings of a decisive effort to engage in long-range planning for St. Andrew's. After intense discussion and research, a new long-range plan was unveiled in 2018. This plan is currently being implemented and work continues to bring life to the parish.

2018 saw a minor set-back in the building but saw a vibrant blossoming of life in the parish programs. In July of that year, after a long period with an interim director and supply organist, Mr. Matt Hill was hired as the new Organist and Choirmaster. In August, Ms. Debbie Butcher was hired as the new Coordinator for Youth and Children's Ministries. Both have restructured their respective programs and the number of participants has soared. With all of the blessings of 2018, there came a bit of disruption. In September of 2018, Hurricane Florence wreaked havoc in Carteret County and the church basements flooded. St. Andrew's was without power for weeks and it took more than a month to pump the water and seal the basement. Humidity from the hurricane also caused significant damage to the organ in the church.

2019 is shaping up to be a wonderful year. While the parish mourned the retirement of Deacon John, we look forward to new ministry in our future. Under the direction of Matt Hill, in January 2019, the St. Andrew's Choir School was founded with seven choristers and the program has grown to have 16 choristers by the time of this history. The Choir School even has plans for a choir tour to New York City in June of 2020. Additionally, a committee was also formed to explore obtaining a new organ for the parish. Debbie Butcher has restructured and revitalized the youth programs at the church and started new Confirmation groups. We end this portion of our history at the Celebration of 100 Years of Ministry starting on October 30, 2019 with a Festival Eucharist sung by the choirs of St. Andrew's and of St. Paul's and celebrated by our current Bishop, the Right Rev. Robert Skirving. This service, one in a number of events planned for the coming year marks the beginning of the next century of life for the parish; a life that will have ups and downs but continues in its service to God. A MOMENT OF CALM IN A HECTIC WORLD

# Evensong

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## SCHOLA CANTORUM

The Choir for the Diocese of East Carolina

SUNDAY, NOV. 10TH AT 5 PM Reception following the service.



## Lemonade

Nancy Stoller, Welcome Committee Member

Phil Gerolstein, chair of the Welcome Committee, asked me to include one of my paintings with the article for this month's Sounder. I picked this still life that I painted some years ago.

It reminds me of lemonade and the great fellowship times we had on the front lawn of St. Andrews last summer. I can't think of a better way to invite people into our community than lemonade on the lawn on a summer's Sunday.

Well maybe I can think of one. The other day I heard a story about my 7-year-old granddaughter who recently moved to faroff California from the old North State. She was very nervous about her first day in the second grade. When the morning arrived for her to head to her new school, she packed her bookbag dreading the day ahead. She and her mom anxiously drove to the unfamiliar school in what felt like a foreign land. To their great surprise, when they pulled up in front of the school, the principal was there at the door waiting specifically to welcome Eleanor to her first day of school in a new place. He showed her around the school pointing out the important areas like the lunchroom and playground. Then he introduced her to her teacher who gave her a welcoming hug. Her teacher then did a great thing, she introduced her to some other children in her class who instantly took her into their fold and even asked her to sit with them at lunch. After the genuine and authentic welcome from the first to the last, Eleanor didn't worry about her new school anymore or her ability to fit in.

Some years ago, there was a book making its way around my community, entitled "All I really need to know I learned in Kindergarten". Perhaps our parishes trying to reach out and become more welcoming communities could use a book like "Everything we need to learn about welcome can be found in second grade." Simple, little things like being ready to welcome a new face; going out of the way to greet someone; showing a newcomer around and introducing her to people who are enthusiastic and excited to include her in conversations and activities; and sharing a meal or a snack.

At St. Andrews, we are a place of friendship where people are free to be themselves and not ever have to worry whether they will fit in. In God's economy everyone fits in. Our job is to make sure that the new ones among us know that. The lemonade is best when it's shared with friends.

## Ocracoke Strong

Margaret Poindexter, Welcome Committee

As I stood in Walmart, gazing at all the possibilities for disaster relief supplies, I found myself spinning. What could I buy for the folks in Ocracoke that would make the most difference? How could I utilize my limited resources in the most impactful way? How could the limited items that I could provide truly matter to someone facing the loss of almost everything?

I started to think back to a year ago, post-Florence, and those things that I discovered I needed and that were needed by others. I grabbed outdoor extension cords, contractor clean-up bags, and the coveted plastic storage totes. But still, when I maxed out my spending limit, the items in my cart seemed inadequate. When I arrived later that afternoon at our parish hall, I discovered that others had already delivered supplies, many of them having the same notions that I had about essentials. My two boxes of contractor clean-up bags went on a table where there was already a large stack. My box of Dawn dishwashing liquid was added to several boxes. And those totes—there were already others waiting.

As the afternoon went on, other folks arrived bearing donations. Our piles grew and overflowed onto additional tables. The categories of supplies expanded beyond cleanup to include personal hygiene and paper products. And perhaps most importantly, those of us there to both donate and to receive spanned all the corners of our congregation.

The next day, when I took our church's donations to TowBoatsUS to combine with other community donations to be trucked by ferry to Ocracoke, I was stunned by the accumulation of donations being assembled there. While I was unloading, the business' phone was ringing non-stop with others in the community arranging to deliver supplies. The volunteers at TowBoatsUS were photographing donations and messaging them to those on the ground in Ocracoke, so that donations could be sorted and sent based on priority needs.

I realized that my cart had combined with others' carts, into station wagons, into trucks, onto ferries, eventually into the lives of people most in need of those resources. We can't know where those donations ended up, but we can presume that when they were received by a person whose life has been forever changed by the storm, they made a tremendous difference in that person's life.

Such is the movement of faith. Each one of us at St. Andrews is charged every Sunday to carry the love of Jesus and our demonstration of faith out into our community and share it. We can't always know where or how or upon whom that love and that demonstration of our faith works. But we load our cart, and we go forth, in the knowledge and love of God.

## **October Schedule**

TUESDAY 1st

Bible Study – *6:00pm* Sierra Club – *6:30pm* NAMI – *7:00pm* 

#### WEDNESDAY 2<sup>nd</sup>

Bible Study – *11:00am* Holy Eucharist – *12:15pm* Choristers' Rehearsal – *4:00pm* Holy Eucharist – *5:30pm* Choir Rehearsal – *6:30pm* 

#### THURSDAY 3rd

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**FRIDAY 4<sup>th</sup>** Seafood Festival Parking Lot Fundraiser NA – **8:00pm** 

SATURDAY 5<sup>th</sup> Seafood Festival Parking Lot Fundraiser NA – 8:00pm

SUNDAY 6<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost Seafood Festival Parking Lot Fundraiser Holy Eucharist – 8:00am & 10:00am Adult Sunday School – 9:00am Children's Sermon – 10:00am Choristers' Monthly Rehearsal – 11:30am

**MONDAY 7<sup>th</sup>** EfM – *6:00pm* 

**TUESDAY 8<sup>th</sup>** Hospitality Meeting – 5:00pm Bible Study – 6:00pm

WEDNESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> Bible Study – 11:00am Holy Eucharist – 12:15pm Staff Meeting – 1:00pm Choristers' Rehearsal – 4:00pm Holy Eucharist – 5:30pm Choir Rehearsal – 6:30pm

**THURSDAY 10<sup>th</sup>** Centering Prayer – *5:15pm* AA – *6:00pm* 

**FRIDAY 11<sup>th</sup>** NA – *8:00рт* 

#### SATURDAY 12th

Faith In-Deed – *9:30am* Choir and Choristers 100th Anniversary Rehearsal – *10:00am* Possible Wedding – *5:00pm* NA – *8:00pm* 

SUNDAY 13th

18<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost
Holy Eucharist – 8:00am & 10:00am
Adult Sunday School – 9:00am
Children's Chapel – 10:00am
Investiture of New Choristers & Blessing of
Choir – 10:00am
Youth Confirmation – 4:15pm
Choral Evensong – 6:00pm

MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> Columbus Day Holiday Office Closed

**TUESDAY 15<sup>th</sup>** Stewardship of the Earth – *5:30pm* Bible Study – *6:00pm* NAMI – *7:00pm* 

WEDNESDAY 16<sup>th</sup> Bible Study – *11:00am* Holy Eucharist – *12:15pm* Choristers' Rehearsal – *4:00pm* Holy Eucharist – *5:30pm* Parish Supper – *6:00pm* Choir Rehearsal – *7:15pm* 

**THURSDAY 17**<sup>th</sup> Vestry Meeting – *6:00рт* АА – *6:00рт* 

**FRIDAY 18<sup>th</sup>** NA – *8:00pm* 

**SATURDAY 19<sup>th</sup>** Music Therapy Group – *10:00am* NA – *8:00pm* 

SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost Holy Eucharist – 8:00am & 10:00am Adult Sunday School – 9:00am Children's Chapel – 10:00am Youth Confirmation – 4:15pm EYC – 5:00pm

#### **SUPPORT GROUPS:**

NA meets each Fri. & Sat. – 8pm (Upstairs) AA meets each Thurs. – 6pm (Parish Hall) NAMI meets 1st, 3rd & 5th Tues. – 7pm (Parlor)

**МОNDAY 21**<sup>st</sup> ЕfM – *6:00pm* 

TUESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> Bible Study – *6:00pm* 

WEDNESDAY 23rd

Bible Study – *11:00am* Holy Eucharist – *12:15pm* Choristers' Rehearsal – *4:00pm* Holy Eucharist – *5:30pm* Choir Rehearsal – *6:30pm* 

**THURSDAY 24<sup>th</sup>** Centering Prayer – *5:15pm* AA – *6:00pm* 

**FRIDAY 25<sup>th</sup>** Set-Up for Craft Fair – *12:00pm* NA – *8:00pm* 

**SATURDAY 26<sup>th</sup>** 2019 Craft Fair – *10:00am* NA – *8:00pm* 

SUNDAY 27<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost Holy Eucharist – 8:00am & 10:00am Adult Sunday School – 9:00am Children's Chapel – 10:00am Youth Confirmation – 4:15pm EYC – 5:00pm

**МОNDAY 28<sup>th</sup>** ЕfM – *6:00pm* 

**TUESDAY 29<sup>th</sup>** Bible Study – *6:00pm* NAMI – *7:00pm* 

WEDNESDAY 30<sup>th</sup> 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Andrew's Bible Study – *11:00am* Holy Eucharist – *12:15pm* Choir & Choristers' Rehearsal – *4:30pm* Centennial Service & Reception with Bishop Skirving – *6:00pm* 

THURSDAY 31<sup>st</sup> Centering Prayer – 5:15pm AA – 6:00pm

## Service Participation Schedule

SUNDAY 6th

Children's Chapel

### 100TH ANNIVERSARY SERVICE WEDNESDAY 30<sup>th</sup>

Lay Reader: Alex Russell Chalicist: Sarah Mullikin Lectors: Vandy Cannon, Diane Warrender Acolytes: Christian Heden Ushers: Teddy Wimberley, Diane Warrender, Don Westbrook, Jon Covert Altar Guild: Joan Sabiston, Willa Dickens

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Vestry	Don Westbrook	Tad Whitaker	Sally Worrell	Rob Darden
Lector (8:00am)	Kathy Moorehead	Fred Odell	Vandy Cannon	Jack Simpson
Lay Reader (8:00am)	Iris Odell	Iris Odell	Kit Williamson	Kit Williamson
Lay Reader	Jackie Davis	Alex Russell	Melodie Darden	Rob Darden
Chalicist	Jon Covert	Melodie Darden	Sarah Mullikin	Charles Pringle
Lectors	Bob Kenward	Christy Willis	Judy Rochelle	Diane Warrander
	Katie Brown	Ariana Dominguez	Kayleigh Heden	Bennett Sanborn
LEV	Phil Gerolstein	_	Charles Pringle	_
	Judy Rochelle		Kit Williamson	
Acolytes	David-Owen Garner	Ariana Dominguez	Frances Boone	Bennet Sanborn
	Merritt Garner	Jorge Dominguez	Angella Noll	Noah Sanborn
	Olivia Orozco	Jack Woodard	Morgan O'Malley	Lukas Taylor
	Mya Narron		Arabella Taylor	Kay Taylor
Ushers	Team I	Team II	Team III	Team IV
Altar Guild	Sarah Mullikin	Willa Dickens	Vandy Cannon	Melodie Darden
	Mial Woodward	Joyce Livengood	Luellen Hardee	Kathy Davis
		Patricia Owen	Karen Westbrook	Joan Sabiston
Flower Ministry	Mial Woodward	Joyce Livengood	Luellen Hardee	Melodie Darden
	Andrea O'Connell			
Altar Flower	_	Sanborn Family	—	Vandy Cannon
Coffee Hour Host	_	—	—	_
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SUNDAY 13th

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## Monthly Announcements

### **Turkey Time**

#### Phil Gerolstein

Guess what, it's almost that time of year again - TURKEY TIME!

Once again we will help provide turkeys for needy families through Martha's Mission. The cost for one turkey is only \$10.00 but this year we once again will have the "St. Andrew's twofer" deal, 2 turkeys for only \$20.00. Simply write a check made payable to St. Andrew's with the word Turkey on the note line. We will be collecting donations through November 17th so that the turkeys can be purchased and delivered to the Cupboard the week before Thanksgiving.

This is our first year without our beloved "Turkey Man" Dick Geissinger watching over us. Dick passed way last March and is sorely missed; even more so at this special time of year. Please think of Dick and remember what a wonderful man he was as we collect for local needy families. Make Dick look down and cast a little smile our way by showing how much you loved and appreciated him by making this year's turkey drive a big success.

### Martha's Mission Cupboard

#### The Outreach Committee

Donation item(s) of the month (Any size):

- HAMBURGER, CHICKEN, OR TUNA HELPER;
- CANNED TUNA, CHICKEN OR OTHER MEATS;
- JELLO;
- LAUNDRY DETERGENT;
- BAR SOAP.

Thank you for your generous donations!

### **Submission Deadline**

If you would like to submit an article, photos, or place an announcement in The Sounder, the deadline for submission is **Monday, October 28th.** Articles and announcements may be sent to Cheri Collins, the parish secretary, **via email.** *standrewsadmin@bizec.rr.com* 

## 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service



On Wednesday October 30th, we will celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the first service for St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.

On October 30, 1919, the Rev'd Dr. George Lay, Rector of St. Paul's in Beaufort held a service for Episcopalians living in Morehead City in the home of Mrs. C.B. Wade. According to the record written by Dr. Lay, services were thereafter held weekly "with instruction at 7 PM every Thursday in a room over the Marine Bank." Later, by request, a service was added on one Sunday a month in the afternoon. Father Lay would be rowed across the water from Beaufort to Morehead City for the services.

Please mark your calendars for this special occasion: Wednesday October 30th at 6pm. Bishop Skirving is making plans to attend and celebrate with us.

## Church Directory

100th Anniversary Photo Directory

Our 100th Anniversary Photo Directory Project is underway. If you are a part of our church family, whether or not you are a member, we want your photo included in this special edition directory.

All participants will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 photo as well as a copy of the directory. Coupons for Military, 1st Responders, and Seniors for 20% off portrait packages will be available at the sign-in desk the day you have your portraits taken. We look forward to seeing all your beautiful faces in our special 100th Anniversary Directory.

## How to sign up

Find the link on our website or Facebook page: www.StAndrewsMHC.org

### In Person:

Come meet us in the parlor after church on October 20th and 27th.

### If you need assistance:

Contact Lela Faye Rich at (252) 726-4603, Rachel McGee at (252) 777-1027, or Cheri Collins in the church office at (252) 727-9093, who are serving as your on-line sign-up supervisors if you want to sign-up but are not computer savvy.

## **Sessions Schedule**

Photo sessions are scheduled on: Wednesday, November 6th | 1:00pm to 8:00pm; Thursday, November 7th | 1:00pm to 8:00pm; Friday, November 8th | 1:00pm to 8:00pm; Saturday, November 9th | 10:00am to 5:00pm;

### St. Andrew's Thrift Shop

1107 Arendell Street, Morehead City, NC 2855 **Telephone:** 252-726-4747

Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday, & Saturday 10AM – 4PM

Like St. Andrew's Thrift Shop on Facebook!



### Join Us for Worship

Sunday Schedule

	Rite I Eucharist Service
09:00 AM	Adult Sunday School
10:00 AM	Rite II Eucharist Service/Children's Chapel (Nursery Available)
10:00 AM	Children's Sermon the 1st Sunday of Each Month
04:00 PM	Evensong the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Each Month

Wednesday Schedule

 11:00 AM
 Bible Study

 12:15 PM
 Rite I Eucharist Service

 05:30 PM
 Healing Eucharist

+ All Are Welcome +

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### Happy Birthday!

1	Joan Sabiston Melodie Darden
2	John Flynn
5	Frances Boone
6	Kathy Davis
7	Billy Dickens Steve Broughton
8	Noah Sanborn
9	Linda Geissinger
10	Stephanie Evers
11	Mallory Mann
13	Paige Livengood
14	John Aldredge Parker Bradberry
18	Deborah Aldredge Sarah Mullikin
20	Teddy Wimberley
21	Gary Fetter
22	Billie Esther Seymour
25	Hazel Byrd
26	Kim Livingston
28	Harriet Holliday Iris Odell
29	Juli Saylor
31	Andy Haines

### Staff & Clergy

Rector – Rev. Dr. John B. Pollock Music Director – Matt Hill Children & Youth Ministry – Debbie Butcher Treasurer – Vacant Parish Secretary – Cheri Collins

### The Vestry 2019

Sr. Warden/Communications – Don Westbrook Jr. Warden/Buildings & Grounds – Ron Hardee Christian Formation – Tad Whitaker Evangelism – Rob Darden Worship – Willa Dickens Finance & Administration – Tommy Sutton Stewardship – Ashe Exum Hospitality – Sally Worrell Outreach – Dorothy Raney Clerk – Judy Rochelle