

The Weekly Messenger for SAINT ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE

News and Announcements for the week of January 16, 2022

Our rector has a new cell phone number:

(302) 314-9375

Please update your contact information.

You may call or text Russ on this new number.



Sunday Worship Services

8:00 AM In-Person Holy Eucharist: Rite I

8:50 AM Children's Worship - Broadcast Live through the Church Website

9:30 AM In-Person Holy Eucharist: Rite II with Music

The 9:30 service is livestreamed on the Church's website and Facebook page.

Saint Anne's Episcopal Church Annual Meeting

Sunday, February 6 at 10:45AM

The Zoom link will be provided in the February 6 bulletin and The Messenger.

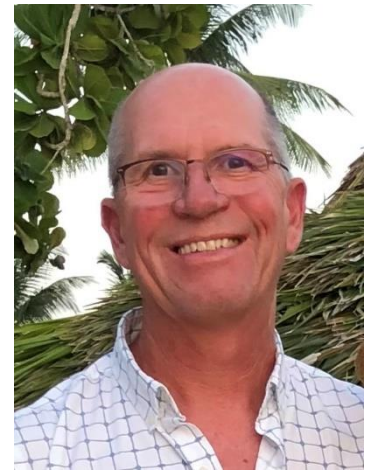
Please plan to attend this annual meeting of the whole church at which we will discuss the 2021 & 2022 church finances and share important information about the worship, mission, and ministries of Saint Anne's Church. Diane Dudderar, Greg Pronnicki, and Jodi Stark-Thorpe are parishioners in good standing and have been nominated and have agreed to serve a three-year term on the Vestry. Jamison Delaine has agreed to be the Youth Representative. Additional information will be in the future bulletins and *The Messenger*. If you have any questions about the Vestry or these Vestry candidates, please contact the Rector, Russ.

MEET THE VESTRY CANDIDATES



Diane Dudderar - After being received into the Episcopal church in 2002 at Saint Anne's, Diane has thoroughly enjoyed this wonderful congregation! Over the years, Diane has served on the Vestry and as a lector, Eucharistic minister and a ringer for the Bell choir. Currently, she helps with Altar Guild and organizes the *Sacred Ground* and *Sacred Conversation* Zoom gatherings. Diane lives in the town of Middletown, is a practicing dentist, and has two children John, 24 and Elizabeth, 23. Diane is honored to be chosen for this challenge and looks forward to serving as a Vestry member on our mutual journey to share God's love with the world!

Greg Prontnicki and his wife Cathy are transplants to Delaware, as of 2017. Prior to that, they lived in many parts of NJ where life kept him busy working originally in engineering and ending his career as a Sea Captain. Upon moving to Middletown, they visited many churches in the area, and knew they were home when they found beautiful Saint Anne's and have since then grown to love this church for many reasons. Greg was raised as a Catholic, but he is so appreciating how Russ and Celeste help him to understand Scripture and the elements of faith in ways that he had not previously considered. Their sermons are so grounding and enlightening. Greg and Cathy are enjoying free time for the first time in their lives and are filling it with attempting golf, making new friends, traveling in their motorhome and being active grandparents to their 9 grandchildren in Lancaster, PA and Medford, NJ.



Jodi Stark-Thorpe moved to Delaware from New Jersey almost 15 years ago and joined the Saint Anne's family. She lives with her husband, Allen, in Middletown. She is a Special Education/Art teacher and has served the church working in the Sunday School program, as well as other behind the scenes committees. Jodi was raised in the Episcopal Church and has worked within youth ministry most of her adult life, including serving on the NJ Diocesan Youth Council as an Adult Leader. Jodi has a love for photography and can often be found helping to tell the story of the Saint Anne's community. She is excited to serve the church community as a member of the Vestry.

Saint Anne's Women's Book Club

Women's Book Club will be "chatting" this week. On January 25, we will be discussing the first ten chapters of "Where the Lost Wander," written by Amy Harmon, and we will chat on February 1st. If you would like to join us or learn more about the group, please contact Barb Masterson: bjmasterson1@verizon.net or 302-378-4449.



Food Bag Ministry



Please bring one or more of the food items listed below to church with you on Sunday or drop off food at the Church Office-located at the side entrance on S. Cox Street - Monday through Thursday between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM. Items most needed are jelly, canned pasta, canned soup, canned vegetables & canned or dried fruit. Other nice to have items: 'instant style sides' such as mashed potatoes, rice, noodles. *Our next Food Bag distribution will be on Tuesday, February 8.* Please drop off food on Sunday morning or at the Church Office during office hours. Thank you for your support in this important ministry to our community.

"SPREAD LOVE - NOT GERMS"

Pick up a NEW Saint Anne's Face Mask next time you are at church.



A Time to Act, A Time to Pray

[Click here](#)

An ecumenical service for Racial Reconciliation and Healing

January 16, 2022, 7:00 p.m. | webinar format



Preacher:

The Rev. Dr. Jacqui Lewis

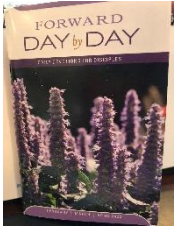
Dr. Lewis is Senior Minister at Middle Collegiate Church in New York City. In her activism, preaching, speaking, writing, and teaching, Dr. Lewis advocates for racial justice, gun control, economic equity, and LGBTQIA+ rights. She has

written several books, including the most recent, *Fierce Love*.

Website: jacquijlewis.com

The Episcopal Church in Delaware, the Rt. Rev. Kevin S. Brown, and Christian leaders across the state join together in extending an invitation to this ecumenical service of racial reconciliation and healing, scheduled on, the eve of Martin Luther King, Jr., Day, January 16.

Details and information can be found on the website here: delaware.church/healing-service



Forward Day by Day - Saint Anne's Church subscribes to this daily devotional and the February / March / April edition is available to pick up in the Sanctuary or from the Church Office.

Parish Prayers

We pray for Ed and Louise Barber, Meta Barrow, David Belitskus, Susan Bennett, Pam Brown, Nancy and Jim Florian, Rollyn Freeman, Eileen Gurecki, Paul Hollo, Velma Johnson, Russell Joseph, Monica and Ted Klimashko, Bryson Masten, Jean McGinnis, Sue Osborn, Lisa Raker, William Raker, Jr., Ricky Seip, Robin Shupe, Anthony Smith, John Stavlas, Mary Trejo, Nancy Trejo, Christine Tschampel, Janet Vines, Zachary Whalen, Alan White, Robert Willoughby, Karen Zak, Chris, & Phyllis.

We pray for Nolan Witman who has died.

In the Episcopal Church in Delaware, we pray for Saint Anne's and Saint Andrew's Schools, and Christ Church, Milford.

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for The Church of England.



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Parish Staff and Leadership

Rector: The Rev. Russell Bohner, TSSF

Minister of Music: Damien Jones

Minister for Children & Youth: Mandy Catalfamo

Senior Warden: Gary Stover

Treasurer: Mark Cavanaugh

Priest-in-Residence: The Rev. Celeste Cox

Minister for the Office: Nancy Koenig

Sexton: Cindy Cruz

Junior Warden: Julie Quackenbush

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Church Calendar for the week of January 16, 2022

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<https://www.facebook.com/saintannes1705/>

Sunday, January 16 - The Second Sunday After The Epiphany

Holy Eucharist: Rite I—8:00 AM

Sunday Children's Worship—8:50 AM

Broadcast Live through the Church Website

Holy Eucharist: Rite II—9:30 AM

This service is in-person and broadcast live

Youth Group 7th & 8th—6:00 PM—Sanctuary

Youth Group High School—7:00 PM—Sanctuary

Tuesday, January 18

Centering Prayer by Zoom—6:00 PM

Saint Anne's Women's Book Club by Zoom—7:00 PM

Wednesday, January 19

Vestry Meeting—6:30 PM

Thursday, January 20

Bible Study by Zoom—8:00 AM

Bible Study LIVE—10:00 AM

Bible Study by Zoom—6:30 PM

Sunday, January 23 - The Third Sunday After The Epiphany

Holy Eucharist: Rite I—8:00 AM

Sunday Children's Worship—8:50 AM

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