



NEWSLETTER OF THE
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SAINTS ANDREW AND
MATTHEW

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Celebrating **10** Years Together



The
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Sts. Andrew & Matthew

SsAM's 10th Anniversary Kicks Off

Planning for activities to celebrate SsAM's 10th Anniversary is underway.

The Steering Committee is co-chaired by Max Bell and Sandy Johnson. Members include Walt Cheatham, Kitty Esterly, Carolyn Haon, Joe and Karen Johnson, David Julius, Bob Richmond, and Lu Soukup.

A logo for the 10th Anniversary has been designed by Sue Zimmerman. Look for it throughout the *Vision* where it is used to indicate articles and events related to the anniversary.

Team Leaders have been designated, and the committees are now forming.

Volunteers are needed for each team, so look at the list below and contact the team leader for the one(s) you are interested in joining.

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SsAM Hosts 221st Diocesan Convention

SsAM will be the host parish for the 221st Diocesan Convention, March 24-25.

The theme for the 2006 Diocesan Convention is "I Believe in the Holy Spirit." The preacher for the convention Eucharist will be the Reverend James Forbes, senior pastor of the Riverside Church, New York City. Topping the convention agenda will be a report from the Steering Committee of the Diocesan Mission Study.

All convention activities on Friday, March 24 will be held in the Bank One Center on the Riverfront. The Convention Eucharist and Business Sessions on Saturday will be held at SsAM.

Volunteers are needed at SsAM to assist on Saturday, March 25, beginning at 7:30 a.m. All types of help are needed: welcoming hosts and hostesses, runners, people to give directions (both inside and outside), parking lot security, and assistance in the kitchen.

Contact Lucia at 656-6628 ext. 304 to volunteer.

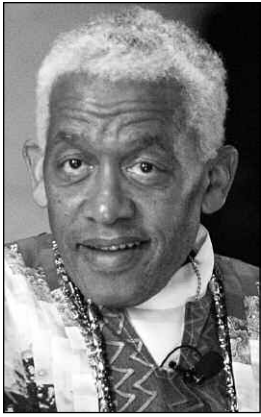
A Prayer on the Anniversary of the Founding of our Parish

Eternal God, graciously receive our thanks this day for the Church of Saints Andrew and Matthew.

We bless you for all of those your servants who, guided by your Spirit, labored mightily to bring this parish to birth. May we, inspired by their vision and encouraged by their faith, continue and build upon the work which they have begun.

We pray that through our abiding witness, your people in this and generations yet to come, may experience the peace, justice and abundant life which you promise through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Happy Tenth Anniversary!

On April 26, 1996, The Episcopal Church of Saints Andrew and Matthew was accepted into the Convention of the Diocese of Delaware as its newest parish. Some of you were present at that convention, and

many more of us heard about it. It took place at St. Barnabas Church.

They tell me that when the matter of Saints Andrew and Matthew came up on the agenda, it wasn't simply introduced in the routine (and often boring) manner of someone making a speech at the podium, then a motion being offered, seconded and passed.

As I heard the story, delegates and members from St. Andrew's, carrying colorful banners, streamers and placards, processed into and around the meeting room from one entrance, and delegates and members of St. Matthew's, with similar banners, streamers and placards entered and processed from a door on the opposite end. The two processions walked down either side of the room, then they came together, forming one procession up the center aisle to the front.

Apparently, this action electrified the place, and the whole convention rose in standing ovation and cheers as Bishop Quentin Primo declared adopted, the motion to receive the new parish.

Whenever SsAM members who were there tell me about this, I feel their excitement and I become a part of that history too. Obviously it was an exciting day. I wish I had been there.

Another powerful experience is hearing SsAM members from the two historic parishes describe the process that led up to that great day.

You will hear about a period of working together on issues of common concern like homelessness in Wilmington. You will hear of praying and worshiping together at each other's services; of tentative discussions about the possibility of union. Also, you will hear of fear, tension and disagreements. Above it all, you will hear of profound faith that, in spite of everything, they were following the leading of the Holy Spirit.

They were hearing and responding obediently to God's call to step out from their respective places of segregated comfort, to tear down and cross over ancient walls of racial division, and be reconciled, as a new creation in Christ. They were being inspired to worship God with all of their hearts, and in all of their diversity. They were being guided to commitment to the mission of Christ, as an instrument to share God's healing justice and reconciling love in Wilmington and beyond.

Moreover, they were being called anew, as disciples of Jesus Christ, to offer to others the peace and joy of living within Christ's loving embrace and mission.

To those of you who were a part of that history, let me say

this to you, on behalf of the rest us. As we look back over the first ten years of our parish life and celebrate our many accomplishments, we thank God that we are able to stand on the shoulders of such a great cloud of witnesses. Your faith, vision and sense of mission are an inspiration to all of us.

I hereby encourage any of our newer brothers and sisters who came to membership apart from that history, that when you encounter anyone from St. Matthew's or St. Andrew's, that you offer them a special word of prayer and thanks. Praise be to God, it is their shoulders upon which we stand.

I suspect that the exhilarated response given to our founders at that convention in 1996 was an expression by the other delegates present, of their own deep longing, within themselves, for reconciliation and for the fulfillment of such an awesome mission.

As we look ahead to very many future years as a parish, my prayer is that the Church of Saints Andrew and Matthew, and each of its members, always will be guided by the vision, faith, hope, courage and commitment of our founders.

Peace,

Interfaith Concert a Success

Dear Lloyd,

On behalf of Pacem in Terris, I wish once more to thank you for the uplifting evening of beauty and peace that you offered each one of us at the wonderful Interfaith Concert of Peace on Martin Luther King Day this year. You and David put together such an inspiring assemblage of talented performers and religious leaders. Each section of the program was so moving, so representative of a particular faith tradition, yet so universal in its yearning for peace. It was a great blessing to be there and to experience the power of God's love.

It was truly an evening apart, filled with the benediction and the embracing reality of the oneness of the human family. It was the Beloved Community made real. No wonder I look forward to it each year with such joyful anticipation.

Please accept our profound gratitude to you, David, Tina Betz, all of the others who sang, drummed, danced, mimed, chanted, and shared words from their sacred texts. The concert was a great gift to the community and to us. That such a beautiful evening was also a benefit for Pacem in Terris, is just mile-high icing on the cake! I am so deeply, deeply grateful.

I want you to know how much I admire the work that you are doing at SsAM. You have truly shepherded the congregation into being a beacon and presence of the Beloved Community in Wilmington.

With all good wishes,

Sally Milbury-Steen

Executive Director, Pacem in Terris



Lenten Lunch committee is ready to serve you. Front row, left to right: Nancy Ware, Dot Dorsey, Betty Townsend; back row, Susan Murphree, Carolyn Haon, Gloria Conner-Bungy.

Photo by Ken Francis

Tuesday Lenten Lunches Begin March 7

Submitted by Susan Murphree

Every year in January a group of women here at SsAM start enthusiastically planning for the annual Lenten Lunches.

It is with this same camaraderie that the lunches began at the old Saint Andrew's over sixty years ago. At that time, they were served five days a week for fun, fellowship and fundraising and in order to give the downtown workers a delicious home-cooked meal.

Oyster stew and scallops were among the early dishes. As the years progressed, it was gradually cut back to serving just one day a week due to all the work involved.

The new church of SsAM has continued this tradition. Lunches are served on Tuesdays in Lent with prep work such as making soup stock and baking pies done on Monday morning at the church. Tuesday morning the food is finished, and serving begins at 11:30 a.m. and ends at 1:30 p.m.

Some of the popular items include the tuna, chicken, and egg salad, and fresh baked turkey sandwiches. Chicken with rice and cream of mushroom soups, as well as lemon meringue, key lime, and pecan pies are also favorites.

It takes many volunteers to complete all of the tasks. There are people from other churches that have been helping through the years and there are church newcomers as well as members that have been volunteering for over fifty years, and

a group of retired men that also help serve and bus the tables.

If you would like to volunteer to work or donate a home baked dessert please contact Dot Dorsey (chairperson) or one of the other committee members. Betty Townsend (co-chair), Nancy Ware, Gloria Conner-Bungy, Carolyn Haon, and Susan Murphree comprise the remainder of the planning committee.

The lunches complement the noontime worship that is comprised of short musical meditations of voice and organ as well as inspirational messages from The Reverend Canon Lloyd S. Casson on the theme "Faith for These Times." Even if you don't have time to help out, please plan on coming to SsAM each Tuesday during Lent to enjoy homemade lunches as well as the service.

Next *Vision* Deadline

The copy deadline for the May/June *Vision* is April 10. Please contact Barbara Henry at soupgal@comcast.net or at 475-0998 evenings to discuss story ideas or photos. Please put "Vision" in the subject line of all emails.

Wilmington Garden Day Returns May 6

Wilmington Garden Day is fast approaching. This annual house and garden tour is 59 years old and was the brain child of Mrs. Charles Richards and the Women of St. Andrew's. Over the years, many members of our parish have headed committees and provided the manpower for this tour, which has traditionally provided funding for various children's organizations. The beneficiaries of this year's tour will be St. Michael's School and Debnam House.

The tour will take place on Saturday, May 6, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. This year's general chairman is Mary Henderer, and several members of SsAM are heading major committees: Pat Hampton and Sandy Holt, volunteer coordinators; Tracy Lea-Dorsey, treasurer; Susan Murphree, ticket sponsorship; Trudy Shipp, posters and brochure distribution; and Geoff Sawyer and Alice Smith, corporate sponsors.

The committee can use your help in any of the following areas:

- to serve as a host or hostess at various garden sites during the day of the tour (contact Pat or Sandy).
- to deliver posters and informational brochures to various businesses in New Castle County (contact Trudy).
- to sign up your business as a corporate sponsor for a minimal donation (contact Geoff).
- and, finally, to purchase tickets for the tour: \$18 in advance or \$20 on the day of the tour.

For more information on any of these ways to help, contact Pat Hampton at 764-7907 or Sandy Holt at 652-7254. More information about Garden Day can be found on the website: <http://www.gardenday.org>.

Jazz Ahead Concert in April

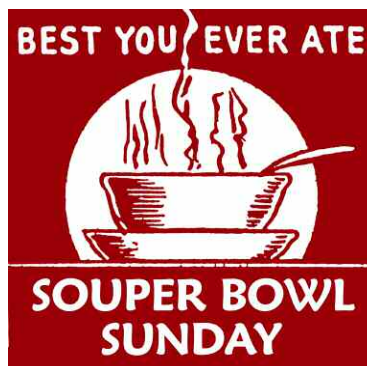
SsAM will host a Jazz Concert on Saturday, April 22 at 1:00 p.m.

The concert will feature young performers who have just completed Betty Carter's Jazz Ahead program at the Kennedy Center in Washington, DC.

The Jazz Ahead program identifies outstanding, emerging jazz artists in their mid-teens and twenties, and brings them together under the tutelage of experienced artist-instructors who coach and counsel them, helping to polish their performance, composing and arranging skills.

The concert is free and open to the public.

A Super Time at Souper Bowl Sunday



Souper Bowl Sunday proved to be a rousing success with 14 soups being contributed by some of the best cooks in our parish (we hope they will contribute the recipes to the parish cookbook being organized by the ECW). Kudos to the following contributors:

Gloria Conner-Bungy (four bean), Dot Dorsey (vegetable beef), Carol Scott (kielbasa), Carolyn Haon (corn, pepper, leek), Barbara Henry (Minnesota wild rice chowder), Susan Murphree (taco soup), Betty Townsend (pea soup), Pat Griffin (Maryland crab), Alice Smith (chicken corn chowder), Cynthia Oates (navy bean with ham), Jenna Christy (two soups - lentil and carrot), Karen Johnson (mushroom pumpkin), and Retha Fisher (lima bean).

As a result of all the soup that was purchased, the Community Advocacy Committee raised \$205 which will be used for outreach efforts.

Special Offerings for "Apostles in Mission"

Every 1st and 3rd Sundays the ushers pass baskets for a second collection, and we mention that this is an "AIM Sunday," but perhaps not everyone knows what this means. This collection goes into a separate fund administered by the Community Advocacy Committee and provides funds for a number of needs.

Often, the Rector's Discretionary Fund calls upon the AIM Fund to help both parish members and individuals in the community with special and urgent financial problems. It has also provided funds in response to appeals from missionaries, from the People's Settlement House to enable them to hold holiday dinners, and from Limen House which provides transitional housing for those recovering from addiction.

Much good work of mercy is done by this fund and you are encouraged to give generously.

SsAM's Outreach Partner Spotlight: Sojourners' Place



In a recent newsletter published by Sojourners' Place, executive director Sister Jeanne Cashman wrote about the continued success of this program, which is an outgrowth of

the "firehouse ministry" first started by the former St. Matthew's and St. Andrew's congregations to help the homeless. SsAM continues to provide financial support to this organization through the Community Outreach Committee. Here are some of Sister Jeanne's comments:

"...Welcome to Sojourners' Place, your shelter provider for 16 years...(we) are bursting with pride over the 1,000 people who have left Sojourners' Place successfully during this time.

"The good news is that we continue to provide our residents with the tools they need to leave us with jobs and the psychological, emotional, and spiritual means to live independently. Elsewhere in the newsletter, you'll read about our folks who are active and well and about how our programs continue through each new generation of residents and alums. Here, briefly though, I must share other news of "homegoing." In August, Darlene Kimmey, a current resident, died after suffering both a massive heart attack and a stroke.

"Fortunately for her mother, Darlene had reestablished contact with her in recent months; her mother, her brother, and her daughter traveled from Gettysburg to the hospital and visited us at Sojourners' Place after that. After meeting with us and hearing some of the good things Darlene had

accomplished in her time here, her mother said that she was so glad that if Darlene could not have been with them, that at least she had spent her last months with so many people who had loved her. Of course, we wished Darlene had pulled through, but we were so touched that her mother had picked up what we are all about."

If you would like to meet some of the residents and staff or learn more about this program supported by our parish, consider attending Sojourners' Place annual fundraiser, "Light up the Night." The event will be held on Thursday, April 6, at the DuPont Country Club. This year, individual tickets to the event will be \$50 per person. Corporate tables are also available. For more information, call 302-764-4713.

Get Ready for Diocesan Visitors – Volunteer Work Day on March 11



There will be a work day on Saturday, March 11 in preparation for the Diocesan Convention.

Some projects that need to be done include replacing stained and damaged ceiling tiles, replacing burned out bulbs, cleaning windows, cleanup of gardens and grounds, mulching, etc.

Snow or rain date is March 18.

March Birthdays	15	28	5	20
3	Harvey Jones	Alice Sawyer	Linda Julius	Leroy Ames
Robert Myers	16	Susan Scott	John Young	Louise Spaulding
5	Shannon Ames	Gwen Walker	6	Nancy Ware
Christa Heyward	17	Shawn Dorsey	Lionel Hampton	24
Don Scott	18	Sara Hengel	7	Maggie Roberts
Tom Roberts	Audrey Butler	30	Les Roberts	Jacob Zimmerman
6	20	Tyler Hastie	Lisa Smith	Stefan Zimmerman
Deborah MacKelcan	Rachel Gaskell	31	13	25
8	23	Carolyn Sawyer-Casey	Erwin Polk	Michael Faulk
Sylvia Banks	Myrdis Dyton		14	26
Mary Elizabeth Feasel	25		DeVere Patton	Marion Gibbs
10	Steven Hengel		Paulyne Webster	29
Paul Ellison	Orlen Washington	April Birthdays	17	Elizabeth Nicholls
11	27	1	Rod Welles	
Mary Young	Steven James	James Linderman	18	
		Lori Williams-Fistzgiles	Retha Fisher	
			Cecil Gordon	

Join Us on the Lenten Journey to Easter



The Lenten Journey to Easter begins on **Ash Wednesday**, March 1, 2006.

The Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion will be offered at 8:15 a.m., 12:15 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Choral Eucharist is at 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAYS IN LENT

Lenten Lunches 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. featuring homemade soups, salads, sandwiches, desserts and beverages.

Musical Meditation and Sermon Series 12 noon

A brief musical presentation followed by The Reverend Canon Lloyd S. Casson speaking on "Faith for These Times."

Meditation Class 7:00 p.m.
"Be Still and Know"

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

Healing Service 12:30 p.m.

Laying on of Hands, Anointment and prayer with Holy Communion.

THURSDAYS IN LENT

Prayer and Meditation 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Intercessions for Peace 12 noon

Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

The purpose of Holy Week is to provide experiences which enable us to be present in the final events of Jesus' life. Through processions, story and dramatic liturgy, in darkness and light, the past and the present are joined. We are there; then becomes now.

PALM SUNDAY - Sunday, April 9

8:00 a.m. - Holy Communion and Homily

10:30 a.m. - Choral Eucharist and Sermon

Dramatic presentation of the Passion according to St. Mark
Music by the Adult Choir and Choral Scholars

This service features a festive beginning with the blessing of palms and procession, re-enacting Jesus' triumphal and final entry into Jerusalem amidst happy cheers of the crowds; then shifts to a poignant, dramatic presentation of the Gospel account of the arrest, trial and crucifixion of Jesus.

MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK - April 10

12:15 p.m. - Holy Eucharist and Homily

7:00 p.m. - Stations of the Cross

The service of the Stations of the Cross adapts an ancient custom observed by Christian pilgrims in Jerusalem since the fourth century: the offering of prayer at a series of places in that city which are traditionally associated with the events of Jesus' sentencing to death, his agonizing walk while bearing his cross through the streets of Jerusalem, and his crucifixion, death and burial. As participants process around the church, they stop at each of the fourteen Stations of the Cross for scripture readings, prayers and meditation.

TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK - April 11

12:15 p.m. - Noonday Prayer

7:00 p.m. - Guided Meditation

This quiet period of guided meditation begins our gradual descent into the depths of Holy Week, and into ourselves.

WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK - April 12

12:15 p.m. - The Ministry of Healing and Holy Eucharist

7:00 p.m. - Tenebrae

Music by the Men of the Adult Choir with musical improvisation by Ana Hernandez and Ruth Cunningham

Tenebrae is a Latin word, signifying "darkness," "shadows." The name is taken from the words from the Gospel describing the scene at Jesus' death: *Tenebrae factae sunt*: Darkness covered (the whole land when Jesus was crucified). Throughout the service there is a progressive extinguishing of all lights in the church except one candle. Psalms, lessons and prayers form a prolonged experience of abandonment, judgement and death, with an obscure hint of resurrection symbolized by the remaining candle.

Upcoming Musical Events

Abraham and Isaac (Canticle II) by Benjamin Britten
Sunday, March 12 - 10:30 a.m.

A special staged musical presentation at the 10:30 a.m. service will be presented as the sermon
Philip Doucette, tenor as Abraham
Dan Bubeck, countertenor as Isaac

Choral Evensong and Pot-Luck Supper
Saturday, March 25 4:30 p.m.

Celebrating the Feast of the Annunciation, music by the SsAM Choral Scholars and Adult Choir
Free-will offering

THURSDAY IN HOLY WEEK - April 13

12:15 p.m. - Holy Eucharist and Homily

7:00 p.m. - Maundy Thursday Liturgy

Washing of Feet, Holy Communion and Sermon, Stripping of the Altar
Music by the Choral Scholars

The name for this Thursday comes from the Latin *mandatum*, meaning “commandment,” after the traditional reading at this service from the Gospel of John: “This is my commandment: that you love one another even as I have loved you.” On this night, we re-enact Jesus’ washing of the disciples’ feet, as he did at his last supper with them; and following his mandate, we wash one another’s feet. At that same supper, Jesus shared with his disciples the bread and wine as his Body and Blood, and commanded them: “Do this in remembrance of me.” We commemorate this Institution of the sacrament of the Eucharist with solemn simplicity. (The consecrated bread and wine from this service is reserved in a temporary shrine, before which worshipers may pray and meditate for a time during the hours following the service.) At the end of the service, all candles are extinguished, the altar is stripped bare and the church rendered austere, reminding us of Jesus’ sudden arrest. The church remains bare and without candlelight all day Friday and Saturday, except for a large, crude wooden cross.

FRIDAY IN HOLY WEEK - April 14 GOOD FRIDAY

12 noon - 3:00 p.m. - The Three Hours - Sermons on the Seven Last Words of Christ

Guest Speakers - to be announced

Music by the Adult Choir

The Three Hour service is a very recent descendant of the Passion Plays, such as in Oberammergau, Germany, and held on the day and time traditionally considered as the actual hours during which Jesus hung on the cross. During these hours we hear and reflect upon his final words spoken from the cross. In its shadow, he speaks to us through sermons, prayers, hymns, anthems and silence. At the end, the church bell tolls thirty-three times for each year of Jesus’ life.

7:00 p.m. - Good Friday Liturgy - Veneration of the Cross

At the evening service, the ancient Good Friday Liturgy includes the Passion reading and solemn prayers for the whole world, and features the special rite in which each person present may express devotion to the cross by kissing, bowing, kneeling or lying prostrate before it. “We glory in your cross, O Lord, for by virtue of your cross, joy has come to the whole world.” Communion is administered from the Reserved Sacrament from the Maundy Thursday Shrine.

SATURDAY IN HOLY WEEK - April 15

12:00 p.m. - The Service for Noon Day

1:00 - 4:00 p.m. - Rite of Reconciliation

The Service for Noon Day is a time of prayer and silent meditation as Christ rests in the tomb. At the Rite of Reconciliation (the Sacrament of Penance), opportunity is given for those who wish to make a personal and private confession.

7:00 p.m. - THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

Music by the Choral Scholars

On Easter Eve, “this most holy night, in which our Lord Jesus passed over from death to life,” we celebrate the most ancient of all of these services. Exiting slowly from darkness into the brilliant light of the resurrection, we experience anew the victory over the powers of darkness that is ours in the Light of Christ. In the early church, this was the traditional time for baptizing new Christians, symbolizing their passage from an old life of sin to new life in the Risen Christ. The service begins in darkness with the kindling of new fire and the lighting and procession of the Paschal Candle. Chanting of Psalms and readings from scripture in candlelight are followed by Holy Baptism or the Renewal of Baptismal Vows. Then, with sudden bursts of light, shouts of “Alleluia,” hymns and anthems, the first Eucharist of Easter is celebrated.

THE SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION EASTER DAY - April 16

8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist and Homily with Hymns

10:30 a.m. - Festival Choral Eucharist and Sermon

Music by the Adult Choir and Choral Scholars



With great solemnity, music and fanfare, the Church proclaims the Good News: “Alleluia, Christ is risen!” “The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!” Celebrating with joy the principal festival of our faith tradition, we acknowledge the very foundation of our existence. This festival begins the Fifty Days of Easter concluding with Pentecost. During this season, we reflect on the meaning and implications of this faith for our lives as individual Christians and as the Body of Christ in the Church and in the World.

ECW Is Publishing a Cookbook!

Celebrating
10 Years



The Episcopal Church Women are publishing a cookbook to help celebrate SsAM's 10th anniversary. The cookbook will feature recipes of long-time members of the former St. Andrew's or St. Matthew's, as well as recipes from Lenten Lunches, our potluck dinners, and some of the delicious dishes cooked by men of the parish.

The cookbook committee is comprised of Karen Johnson, Dot Dorsey, Gloria Conner-Bungy, Laverne Cheatham, and Alice Smith. Working with Morris Press Cookbooks, the ECW plans to produce a cookbook that is attractive and easy to read. It will be produced as a three-ring book, so you can

add other recipes later. In addition, the cookbook will feature a stand to hold the it while in use.

The tentative sale price for the book will be \$12 (subject to change based upon publication costs). Plan to buy several copies to use as gifts for birthdays, anniversaries, or Christmas gifts. Pre-orders will aid the committee in knowing how many to order, so see any member of the committee if you wish to reserve several copies.

If you wish to contribute a recipe to the cookbook, contact one of the committee members for a form. Recipes should fit into the following categories: Appetizers & Beverages, Soups & Salads, Vegetables & Side Dishes, Main Dishes, Breads & Rolls, Desserts, Cookies & Candy, This & That.

Focus on Our Members: Ty and Dot

Samuel Ewing, affectionately known as "Ty," was born in Wilmington and attended the public schools here, including A.I. DuPont High School. Just prior to graduating from high school, World War II broke out and instead of completing high school, he enlisted in the Army Air Corp. He remembers the date clearly – August 19, 1941. He was honorably discharged in 1945.



When he returned to Wilmington, he went to work for Maurice Clark, a photographer in Wilmington known for his pictures of weddings and family groups. In those days, the photographer went to the home to take pictures. As studio photography became more popular, it sounded the "death knell" for the "visiting" photographer and Mr. Clark went out of business. Ty then went to work at Wilmington Blue Print and retired from there.

In the early 1950s, he met and married Martha Williams in New Jersey at a friend's home. St. Andrew's was Martha's home church and he has been a member ever since. He has served as an usher for many years and has always supported his wife's ministries. Mrs. Ewing was very active at St. Andrew's Church and at SsAM, and died on September 30, 2000.

Ty's hobby is painting, which he does very well. At a 2001 Art Slam at SsAM, his art work was displayed and was very well received by all who viewed it. As a matter of fact, he gifted one of his paintings to Canon Casson. Ty celebrated his 86th birthday in November.

Dorothy Pettyjohn Dorsey, "Dot," is a native of Wilmington and attended the public schools here. She graduated from Howard High School in 1953. She graduated from Wilmington College with a double degree in banking and finance. She retired from Wilmington Trust Bank after 33½ years of service. At that time, she was supervisor of the Trust Department.



At the age of 14, Dot was invited to attend a worship service at St. Matthew's Church by Pat Sadler Griffin and her family and she never left. Prior to that, she attended Christian Science services with her grandmother. In 1956, at St. Matthew's Church, she married her childhood sweetheart, Curtis. They have two daughters, Dr. Shelia Dorsey and Angela Dorsey Fowler, two grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Over the years, Dot has served in both parishes as a member of the Altar Guild, an usher, and a lector. She has been chair of the Lenten Luncheon Committee, a member of the Bible Study group, and provides the "card ministry" for the Pastoral Care Team. Her hobbies are cooking, collecting recipes, sewing, knitting, crocheting, and gardening. She enjoys the spirituality of church work and hopes to always be doing God's will.

The Episcopal Church of Saints Andrew and Matthew Membership Classes for Adults—Spring 2006*

MONDAY EVENINGS (March 26 - June 19, 2006) 7:00 - 8:30 P.M.
and Saturday morning, June 24, from 10:00 - 11:15 a.m.

“EMBRACING LIFE IN FAITH”

discussions for inquirers on the history and traditions of the Christian Faith,
scriptures, spirituality, and ethics for daily living

March 27	Class I “What do you seek?” - Exploring our personal mission.
April 3	Class II “At the Center:” Encountering Jesus of Nazareth
April 10	Class III - Monday in Holy Week “At the Center:” Encountering Jesus of Nazareth- Part II
April 17	Monday in Easter Week NO CLASS
April 24	Class IV “The Christ of the Church:” The Creeds
May 1	Class V “A great cloud of witnesses:” A brief history of the Christian Church and our Anglican heritage.
May 8	Class VI “On these shores:” The Episcopal Church in the United States of America and the Episcopal Church of Saints Andrew and Matthew.
May 15	Class VII “Divine Inspiration:”The Holy Scriptures
May 29	Memorial Day NO CLASS
June 5	Class VIII “The Body of Christ:” Holy Baptism, Holy Eucharist and the Book of Common Prayer
June 12	Class IX “Servants of God, Ministers of the Church:” Laity, Bishops, Priests and Deacons
June 19	Class X “Go forth into the world..” Christian Discipleship. Our place in the church and the world.
June 24 (Saturday)	Class XI “The Visitation of the Bishop:” Preparation for the service

*These classes are for anyone wishing to inquire about the Christian Faith, the Episcopal Church and the particular mission of the Episcopal Church of Saints Andrew and Matthew. They are required for adults seeking baptism, confirmation, reception, or reaffirmation of baptismal vows, to take place at the Bishop’s Visitation, Sunday, June 25, 2006, 10:30 a.m.

Register by March 17, 2006, by contacting the office or registering online at www.ssam.org

Get to Know the Choral Scholars: Tina

The Choral Scholars consists of eight professional singers who sing weekly at SsAM's 10:30 a.m. Sunday liturgy as well as in concerts and special liturgies throughout the season. They serve as the professional core of the SsAM Adult Choir.



Tina Betz, contralto, has been a Choral Scholar at SsAM since 2001. She has performed musical theater roles from Boston to Florida, from Palm Beach to Atlanta. She studied musical theater at Boston University and at H. B. Studios in New York City. Tina's first role in regional theater was Queenie in *Show Boat*. Other roles have included Helene in *Sweet Charity*, The Bird Lady in *Sweeney Todd*, Mary

Magdalene in *Jesus Christ Superstar*, and Bloody Mary in *South Pacific*. In the Delaware Valley area, Tina has performed with Opera Delaware, The Delaware Children's Theatre, City Theatre Company and the Arden Theatre Company in Philadelphia.

Tina serves as the Director of Cultural Affairs for the City of Wilmington. She is responsible for founding the Clifford Brown Jazz Festival in 1988, TheatreN, and the Wilmington Independent Film Festival. In 2002, Tina established an annual performance of Duke Ellington's Sacred Music which has become a highlight of the DuPont Clifford Brown Jazz Festival. She currently serves on the board of a number of Wilmington arts organizations including The Wilmington Music School, City Theatre Company, The Delaware Symphony Orchestra, and The Historical Society of Delaware. She serves as the Board Chair for the Wilmington Treble Choir.

10th Anniversary Launched on Sunday, February 19

"It is important to remember and it is important to forget." With these words, Canon Casson reminded those listening to his sermon on Sunday, February 19, that we should honor the past but move into the future.

At the luncheon following the service, some of what was remembered was people complaining, ten years ago, when the two churches of Saints Andrew and Matthew came together to form our present parish.

"That's not the way we did things at St. Andrew's!"

"That's not the way we did things at St. Matthew's!"

"Why do we always do things *their way*?"

The members of each church had liked the way they did things in their former churches, loved them, but they had to change. Not everything had to change, but much did, including many things they held dear, customs and traditions closely held but surrendered, to pursue the vision of a racially diverse church proclaiming the forgiveness and reconciling love of Jesus Christ in downtown Wilmington.

Max Bell, Sandy Johnson and the Rev. Jeanne Linderman remember what it was like ten years ago. Max and Sandy were senior wardens of their churches. For months they talked daily. Then they brought the two Vestries into conversation. Then the congregations began talking together, producing, as

Max says, "a tangible transformation of the people involved."

Numerous names were considered, such as "The Episcopal Church of Wilmington." Sandy's young son, Matthew, pleaded with his mom, hoping those choosing the name for the church "would remember his name." As it happens, they did.

Eventually it was decided, in Sandy's phrase, "that the serving clergy had gifts to give in other places." A search committee was formed. Working independently of the Vestry, they invited Canon Lloyd Casson to be the church's first rector.

A new church was born. Not everyone stayed. Some did not see the value in the merger. Some did not want to do the difficult work. Some could not stand losing so much of their heritage. And some would have moved on in any circumstance. Yet many did stay. And others joined.

Did people stop complaining? Of course not. For one thing, there's much at SsAM that could be better and will be better, by the grace of God—and by the willingness of its members to work with and love one another, to God's glory.

It is good to remember, as Jeanne says, that ten years ago there were "moments of despair, isolation, hurt and confusion." Those moments have passed and a caring community has flourished. What will the next ten years bring? It is important to remember and important to forget.



Canon Lloyd Casson, Sandy Johnson, Max Bell, the Rev. Jeanne Linderman on Feb. 19.

SsAM Soul Plans Many Activities

Happy New Year from the newly formed SsAM teen youth group, The SsAM Soul.

We met for our first event, the New Year's Kick-Off Pizza Party on January 8th. Attending were Katie Allen, Shaalih Brock, La'Erica Conner-Sims, Pere Gaddis, Philip Glass, Jordan Hastie, Tyler Hastie, Sarah Kuhl, Alex Oates, and teen advisors, Dr. Sheila Dorsey and Linda Jackson.

Pizza, hot wings, sodas and other snacks were enjoyed while we played games and listened to hip-hop, R&B and rap music. Game prizes included passes for two to the Regal Movie Theater, gift cards to Best Buy and Concord Mall, a gift card to Grotto Pizza and school supplies.

We also managed to find time to conduct business and voted on names for our teen group, "The SsAM Soul," our teen room/space, the "Teen Suite," and the teen newsletter, The SsAM Ambassador. The party was a huge success!

March promises to be very busy. Upcoming events include March 11 - Clean Up Day, March 12 - Hot Wings Party and March 24-25 Diocesan Convention.

Remember to look on the SsAM website www.ssam.org. Click on youth for the latest updates. What would you like to see on our web page? What links would you like to add? E-mail your ideas to Linron3@cs.com

For more information about teen activities including the newsletter, please contact the church office 656-6628, or Linda Jackson, linron3@cs.com or 762-2400.

We invite all SsAM teens and their friends to note these dates on your calendar and participate in as many events as your schedule allows.

Youth Calendar of Events

March

11	9:00 a.m.	Parish Clean Up Day
12	2-4:30 p.m.	March Hot Wing Party
25	9:00 a.m.	Diocesan Convention

Upcoming Event



In celebration of SsAM's 10th Anniversary, The SsAM Soul will sponsor the first 10th Anniversary Ten Block Walk on May 20 at 9:00 a.m. Meet in the church parking lot. More information will follow.

Spotlight on Alex Oates



Alex lives in Wilmington with his parents and sister Veronica. He is 13, an 8th grader and attends St. Paul's School. Alex enjoys playing softball and tennis. His favorite subject is social studies. Alex thinks the words that best describe his personality are cool, smart and athletic.

Alex spends his free time listening to music, studying and playing games.

He serves as an acolyte and recently traveled to National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. to represent SsAM during the National Acolyte Convention. Alex was confirmed last year by Bishop Wright and is active in the SsAM teen group.

Alex, you have the support of the entire SsAm faith community!



10th Anniversary bracelets are available from the youth.

Are you wondering what to wear during the SsAM 10th Anniversary Celebration?

Make sure your SsAM 10th Anniversary bracelet is part of your outfit. Bracelets will be available for sale beginning Sunday, February 19. The cost is \$3.00. Buy one for yourself and your friends!

Upcoming Activities & Events

March

- 1 Ash Wednesday services
- 5 10:30 a.m. AIM Sunday
- 11 10:00 a.m. ECW meeting
Work Day
- 19 AIM Sunday
- 24-25 Diocesan convention
- 26 2:00 p.m. Hockessin Hills
- 31 ArtSlam @ SsAM

April

- 1 Day of Quiet Reflection, Christ Church, Dover
- 2 10:30 a.m. AIM Sunday
- 8 10:00 a.m. ECW meeting
- 16 Easter Sunday
AIM Sunday
- 22 1:00 p.m. Jazz Concert
- 23 2:00 p.m. Hockessin Hills
- 28 7:00-9:00 p.m. ArtSlam @ SsAM

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