

THE EVANGELIST

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EASTERTIDE GREETINGS!

Eastertide Greetings!

Not too long ago, I was able to take a little peek into the lower level as work began in earnest. The experience was a little strange, to be honest. It wasn't unfamiliar to me as I've worked in construction. It wasn't because I hadn't been downstairs in a while, as the staff had recently been down there moving things to our storage pods. No, it was equal parts exhilaration and fear. It was exciting to see the beginning stages of the actual remodel, an idea that resulted from a flood almost two years ago. But that old enemy fear wasn't that far behind the excitement. It wasn't fear for my safety or anything like that, rather it was an amorphous sense that we've missed something in the run up to the work.



The Rev. David Bumsted, Rector

After taking a few minutes to examine this feeling, I was glad we recently heard from the First Letter of John. In a memorable section in the fourth chapter, St. John reminded his community, and therefore reminds us, that to love one another and keep Christ's commandments is how we maintain our closeness with him; how we abide in him to use John's words. Further, John shows us that fear is not a part of a perfected love. By implication fear (in this case meaning something more like terror rather than awe or respect), actually produces the wrong posture towards what God means for his people in judgement. John would have us stand in the boldness of perfected love rather than cowering in terror. Perfect love, he writes, casts out fear. I recalled this while walking around the church a bit to clear my mind and thought, well, Bumsted, there's some room to grow in the perfected love department.

But then, the very next verse comforted me. Perfect love casts out fear, yes, but with all my distractions, business, worries, yes even my trespasses, I know that my love isn't quite yet perfect. That's why John can write, "We love because he first loved us." What a wonderful gift that morning! To be reminded that Christ loves us first, that he loves perfectly, and that despite my mess, my fear, even my imperfect love, he yet means for us to be caught up in his love first. A bit of courage returned, and I was filled with gratitude for all God has done for me and all that the Lord is providing for us these days.

I pray you are likewise comforted and encouraged today, beloved. Therefore, let's approach the weeks ahead with gratitude, ready to boldly approach what God has for us. To that end, I hope you'll join us for our celebration of the Ascension on May 9th. And, of course, I hope to see you as we bid farewell to our dear brother Joseph Arndt on Trinity Sunday, May 26. We'll enjoy one final Evensong with him and then bid him farewell after the service. In all things, in all transitions, may Christ's perfect love cast out all fear and make perfect our love for God and one another!

Your brother,

SENIOR WARDEN

Eastertide is busy and beautiful here at Saint John's! Our grounds are gorgeous, thanks to the hard work of Mike Reif and the garden and grounds volunteers. Thanks to the hard-working hospitality team, the kitchen is packed up and ready for its facelift, and contractors are set to begin our long-awaited renovations soon. Many thanks as well to the Flower Guild, Altar Guild, Chancel and Chamber Choirs, lay ministers, readers, acolytes, staff, and all who dedicated their efforts to making our Holy Week and Easter Day so lovely and meaningful.

Spring is a season of new beginnings, and this year, it is our **Senior Warden continued on page 2.**



Senior Warden continued...

Music Department that will soon reflect with much gratitude on the tenure of Joseph Arndt as he departs for his new position at the Church of St. Michael & St. George in St. Louis. His new parish had its beginnings in 1913, and I am told it is one of the largest Episcopal churches in the country.

I am thrilled for Joseph and this wonderful new opportunity, and deeply grateful for the blessings of music, liturgy, and friendship that we have enjoyed during his time with us. His hiring in St. Louis is a testament not only to his talents, expertise, commitment, and hard work but also to the resulting reputation for excellence in sacred music that has become a hallmark of Saint John's in our city and the wider region due to the support of so many parishioners and friends. We are also incredibly fortunate that Joseph is leaving our music program prepared to make such a smooth transition to the leadership of Dr. Zach Malavolti.

One way that parish communities often honor ministry upon a minister's departure is by collecting a purse or voluntary offerings from parishioners to honor and thank the departing minister. This was done upon the retirement of Dr. Michael Bedford from the same post, who, he recently reminded the Vestry, also concluded his role at Saint John's on Trinity Sunday. To that end, the Vestry has approved the collection of a purse for Joseph.

Gifts to a purse are purely voluntary and are not tax-deductible gifts given to the church. Instead, the church acts as a conduit for these gifts. If you would like to contribute to this gift for Joseph, please either send a check made out to Saint John's Episcopal Church with "Joseph Arndt Purse" clearly noted in the memo line, or go to our website, sjtulsa.org, click on the Give button at the top right, and note "Joseph Arndt Purse" in the Note/memo line. These funds will be aggregated and given to Joseph as one check on his last Sunday with us, Trinity Sunday, May 26.

We will miss Joseph and send him into the future with our very best wishes for personal and professional success and fulfillment as he begins this new season.

Susan Walker

JR. WARDEN

I hope this letter finds you well this May as the weather begins its noticeable warming trend towards summer.

On our Transfigure project, we completed the emptying of the kitchen and basement of all the items we wished to save during the demolition of the two areas. Thanks to our staff and volunteers, we moved all the items we wanted to save to three pods located in the North parking lot. In the basement, we were fortunate to be able to donate some of the salvageable furniture to a local charity called City Serve. This non-profit organization focuses on bringing aid to families in the midst of crisis by responding with household items, furniture, appliances, clothing, and food. The rest of the items were cleaned out to make way for our demolition. Our construction contractor, Ascend, began demolition in late April after some asbestos was abated from the flooring of the basement. That abatement caused a slight delay in the start, but we should be tracking to a good deadline in November at this point in the basement.

All the Best, *Marc McCaw*

TREASURER'S REPORT

Operating Revenue and Expenses thru March Combined

Total income of \$449,218 is <\$4,974> under budget for the year to date. Total pledges are over budget for the year by \$56,230. Contributions & Plate of \$90,036 are \$32,536 over budget for the year to date. Miscellaneous Income of \$25,848 (which includes transfers from our Investment Account) is <\$93,740> under budget.

Expenses of \$399,234 are \$54,154 under budget for the year to date.

Net income is \$49,984 vs. budgeted Net Income of \$804.

William Chevaillier

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY NEWS

VBS - This year's VBS will be July 22 - 26! Our theme will be exploring the Church Year, in which we will show children Church holidays and why we celebrate them. If you wish to sign up or want more information, email info@sjtulsa.org or contact the main office.

Sunday Morning Formation - Sunday Morning Formation meets in Powell Hall on Sundays following the 10 am service. This is a formation experience based on our Storymakers Curriculum for children in PreK-5th grade. Children will learn how they are a part of God's story, will receive snacks, and will have opportunities to earn prizes through memory verses! If you would like more information, please visit our website.



Nursery - As some of you know, we have changed rooms for the nursery! Our nursery is located in Fox Library. Kids 0 - PreK are welcome to stay there during the 10 am service. The nursery opens at 9 am and is open until the end of service.

Children's Chapel - Children's Chapel meets on Sundays at 10 am. Parents are welcome to drop off children - PreK through 5th grade - in Powell Hall before heading in for worship. The children will be led to the Nave to join their families for Communion during the time of the Peace blessing.

Youth Group and Kids' Night - Summer is almost here, and we are excited about it! We have a lot of fun nights planned for you all who meet with us on Wednesdays. So, here are the days we will meet throughout the summer:

- May 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29
- June 5, and 26
- July 10, 17, and 31
- August 7, 21



Acolytes - Are you or your children interested in helping out during the Sunday services? Then join the Acolytes! Our Acolytes are a group of children, teens, and adults who help in multiple roles throughout the service. Acolytes are allowed to start as early as eight years old! If you are interested, speak to Josh for more information.

Josh Corsaro

Choristers - Our Choristers will sing for Mother's Day, May 12, for the 10 am service. Dr. Zach is preparing them to sing John Rutter's "A Clare Benediction". After this service, we will go on a Summer Break and return to practice after Rally Day.

Zach Malavolti

ADULT FORMATION AND ACTIVITIES

Wednesday Evening Formation - Our Wednesday evening classes will start The Book of Jonah. Join us in the Common Room at 6:30 pm to learn about the start of Christianity told from those who walked with Christ.

Sunday Morning Formation - Our Sunday morning formation opportunities are at 9 am in the Common Room. Join us to hear about a variety of subjects, including the Old Testament, Church History, and why we do things the way we do them.

Dead Theologians Society - Our Dead Theologians Society group meets in two sections, alternating Wednesday mornings at 9:15 a.m. and Thursday evenings at 6:15 pm the following week. We will continue reading St. Augustine's Enchiridion on Faith, Hope, and Love. Keep an eye on our Church E-News to see where we are meeting. If you wish to join, please reach out to Zach Malavolti.

Iron Gate - Our church has a volunteer crew that serves at Iron Gate on the first Saturday of every month. Iron Gate is a feeding ministry located in downtown Tulsa, and it aims to provide food and housing assistance to our neighbors who are experiencing insecurity in those areas. Our team gathers at Iron Gate at 8 am and serves until 10:30 am. We would love to have you join us on the first Saturday of May. If you're interested in being a part of our team, please send an email to jcorsaro@sjtulsa.org.

Young Adults - Happy Hour at Tina's: Last month, our Young Adults met at Bird and Bottle and had a great time! So, this month, our Young Adults group will meet at Tina's for some food and fellowship. We will meet there on May 16th at 6:00 pm. If you have any questions or wish to let us know you're coming, contact Joshua Corsaro or Zach Malavolti.

Drillers' Game - On Saturday, May 18th, at 7:00 pm, the Tulsa Drillers will be playing at ONEOK field, and this year, we were able to reserve one of the suites! We have 20 tickets available for free, so if you are a young adult interested in joining us on the 18th, please let us know.

Josh Corsaro

JULY 22 - 26, 2024



Rejoice And Be Glad!



Take me out to the ball game!

MUSIC NEWS

Dear Members and Friends of Saint John's,

I give thanks for nine years of music ministry among you. I treasure the transformational friendships I have made here. We have sung God's praises, and we have shared life-changing music with the Tulsa community. So many memories have been made and we have welcomed new parishioners who first came to one of our many concerts.

Together, we raised the funds and installed a new chancel organ built by Schoenstein & Co. in 2018. The Music Society has displayed tremendous generosity, making so many things possible. These include performances of Handel's Messiah, cantatas of Johann Sebastian Bach, and numerous internationally acclaimed guest musicians and speakers. The Music at Midday series has brought the best out of some of our parish volunteers. In its earlier seasons, a large group of parishioners prepared a homemade lunch. Even after the switch to catered box lunches, the sense of community in this series remains strong.

I will always be thankful to God for blessing me in these nine years at Saint John's. If you ever find yourself in Saint Louis, I hope you will visit me at The Church of Saint Michael & Saint George.

Warm regards,

Joseph Arndt

Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing - 1 Thessalonians 5:11

May is a busy month for our music department. We hope you will make every effort to join us for a full month of incredible services featuring some of our favorite Anglican church music. Firstly, our colleague Tim Brown will be returning for a visit on May 5th where he will direct our choirs in both the morning and evening services. Tim is an esteemed interpreter of early music and will be showcasing English music of both the Renaissance and Early Baroque at these services. Next, please save the date for our Choral Eucharist on The Feast of the Ascension. This service on the evening of May 9th will feature the sweeping music of notable English composer Gerald Finzi, a colleague of Howells. The following weekend, May 12th, we will feature our choristers singing the music of John Rutter for our Mother's Day morning Eucharist. Finally, we invite everyone to join us for Joseph Arndt's final Choral Evensong on May 26th. We are programming a grand musical service with larger canticles and anthems by Herbert Howells and John Stainer for both our Chamber and Parish choirs. A reception will follow the service to thank Joseph for his musically rich tenure at Saint John's!

Zach Majavotti



You can access the Weekly Musical Vlog through our Facebook page or your inbox by subscribing to our e-newsletter. Stay tuned for our upcoming vlogs!

JOIN US ON
Trinity Sunday, May 26
 FOLLOWING EVENSONG
 IN THE COMMON ROOM

FOR A RECEPTION
 HONORING
 JOSEPH ARNDT

GETTING TO KNOW MICKAYLA ROBISON

Q: What is your job title, and what would you say are the topline topics that you work on/main services you provide on the second floor? - As a youth and family associate at Saint John's Episcopal Church, I work with Joshua Corsaro and David Stibbs to nurture and expand our children, youth, and family ministry. My role revolves around guiding our young ones on their journey of faith through our Wednesday evening and Sunday morning programs that are Christocentric and Scripturally focused. Overall, I serve with a deep passion for spiritual growth, community building, and sharing the love of Christ with all who enter our doors.



Q: Tell us a little bit about your Christian journey. - Having been born and raised in Western Michigan, I experienced a religious landscape similar to that of Tulsa, with churches around every corner. When I was younger, my family "church hopped" a bit, but by the time I was in middle school, we found our church family at Lifestream, a Wesleyan church. Our motto is, "Go live and share the story of God." Growing up in church, I had developed a consistently inconsistent back-and-forth relationship with God. But everything changed for me the summer before my sophomore year of high school when I was soul-searching and researching the validity of our faith. God truly showed up for me both intellectually and personally. Since then, Jesus has continued to show his renewing and redeeming grace in my life, and for Him, I am forever grateful.

Q: What is an unusual talent, interest, or experience that your fellow staff members, or the congregation, might find surprising to learn about you? - Something about me that I would like to share with you all is that I love discovering and exploring music, new and old alike. If anyone ever comes across a song that resonates with you, I'd love to hear your recommendations! Feel free to send them my way anytime.

Q: We heard you are pursuing your Bachelor's Degree, so tell us what you are pursuing and why? - I am pursuing a degree in Ministry and Leadership with a concentration in Church Operations. I chose this major and concentration because I am passionate about making Church a healthy place, and I eventually hope to work in a role where I can help cultivate creative solutions for holistic staff health!

Q: What are you most excited about? - I am most excited to get to know this church family! I appreciate all of you for being so welcoming, it means so much to me! If I haven't had the chance to meet you yet, feel free to introduce yourself. I'd love to meet you!

Q: What is your favorite Scripture? - My favorite scripture is John 15-17. When you realize these are Jesus' final words to His disciples before going to the cross, His words pierce all the more deeply into our hearts. I encourage you to read this passage and read it slowly, imagining what it must have been like for the disciples to hear these precious words from Jesus.

Q: What is your favorite movie? - My favorite movie is Pride & Prejudice, specifically the version with Keira Knightley. It is such a beautiful story that shows the limit of our assumptions and the value of love over social expectations.

Q: Any books you recommend? - If you are looking for a new book to read, I would highly recommend The Reason by Lacey Sturm. Lacey Sturm has been a songwriter and artist for Flyleaf for several years and now works as a solo artist. This book is about how Jesus saved her life in a very real way and radically transformed her life. I first read this book when I was about 15 years old, and it changed my perspective forever because I discovered the beauty of having a personal relationship with Jesus through her story. Highly recommend!

Q: What is your favorite pastime activity? - When I have free time, I love spending time with friends and loved ones! Whether it's to grab a cup of coffee, go for a walk, or make a phone call, I love conversation and connection!

Q: What has been your favorite college course? - It is so difficult to pick a favorite, but one course I have really enjoyed this semester has been Global Leadership. It has expanded my mind to think globally and culturally and be open-minded to different ways of accomplishing the same goal. For example, church may look very different cross-culturally, but we worship the same God in Spirit and in Truth. Despite being a large class, we have had several open-ended discussions this semester. Our professor is experienced in global leadership, so learning from him has been especially rewarding and engaging.

GETTING TO KNOW DAVID STIBBS

Q: What is your job title and what would you say are the topline topics you work on/the main services you provide on the second floor? - My official job title at St. John's Episcopal is Youth and Family Associate. In my position, I work directly with Josh Corsaro and Mickayla Robison and assist them in Youth Ministry, Acolyte Duty, and any other form of spiritual formation/preparation that the church needs! On any given Sunday and Wednesday, Josh, Mickayla, and I will be encouraging and leading the youth of Saint John's into liturgical and scripturally focused lessons and activities.



Q: Tell us a little bit about your Christian journey. - My personal Christian journey, meaning that of consistent piety, started several years before coming to university here in Tulsa, OK. Beginning in a non-denominational church and then transitioning into a liturgical high church, my personal journey in Christ has allowed me to appreciate, value, and adore the different traditions found in biblical Christianity.

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The liturgy at St. John's drew my fiancée and I to begin attending and participating in the many services that the church offers throughout the week. The Lord continues to highlight the path going forward, enriching my life with the experience and knowledge of him through study and community! St. John's is becoming a major part of my life more and more everyday and I feel so blessed to work and serve alongside my fellow brothers and sisters in the Lord!

Q: What is an unusual talent, interest, or experience that your fellow staff members, or the congregation, might find surprising to learn about you? - My unusual interest would be my fascination with ancient and modern languages! I am currently studying and engaging with several ancient languages and look forward to practicing and learning more of them in the future!

Q: What are you most excited about? - I am most excited to see our youth at St. John's grow into the young adults and adults that the Lord is desiring them to become. We have such a great group of youth currently, and I know Jesus is present and faithful to bring them into all the wonderful things He has for them!

Q: What is your favorite Scripture? - My favorite Scripture is easily John 17:3, "And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent." This verse is the hope of my life, to know God, and Christ who he has sent.

Q: What is your favorite movie? - Although the word movie does not properly articulate this cinematic masterpiece, the Philadelphia classic, Rocky, my favorite movie of all time.

Q: Do you recommend any books? - I recommend Orthodoxy by G.K. Chesterton for every Christian.

Q: What is your favorite pastime activity? - Recreational baseball and football are my two favorite sports to play for fun, but at the end of the day, traveling is my favorite thing to do even if it's only a small day trip somewhere new.

Q: What has been your favorite college course? - Biblical Hebrew has been my favorite college course so far. This class above all others has ignited a desire to read the Holy Scriptures and study them with a fine-toothed comb.

EASTER AT SAINT JOHN'S



The Daily Office

You are invited to join us every weekday
at 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. as we pray.

HOSPITALITY NEWS

THANK YOU, Hospitality Teams and Ministry Groups, for delicious Sunday Snacks in March. Your generosity in providing wonderful snacks every Sunday is so appreciated! THANK YOU!

The Hospitality Team welcomes anyone interested in helping with Sunday Snacks. Our enthusiastic and creative teams bring delicious food to share and create an atmosphere of Christian fellowship and hospitality. We enjoy one another and bond with our shared vision of providing warm hospitality at Saint John's. Want to learn more? Call, text, or email Kathleen Moss: Kathleen.moss@me.com or 918-633-8881.



SUNDAY KIDS TABLE

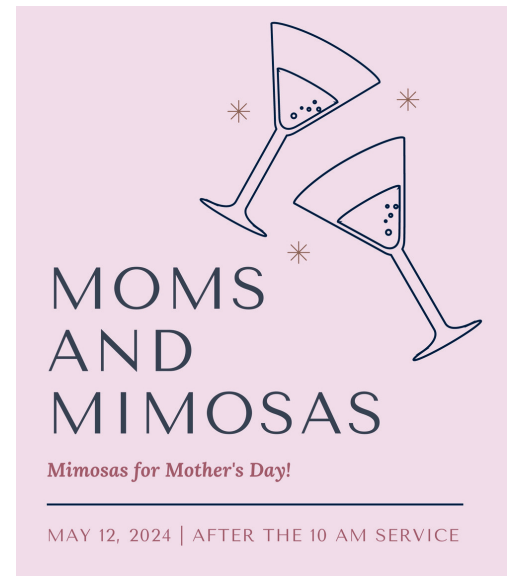
Whitney Moss and Torrey Ross have done an outstanding job of presenting a kids' table once a month after the 10:00 am service. Parents, they welcome your ideas and creativity and help bring fellowship and fun to our very popular kids' table.

Text Whitney Moss at 918-812-8437 and Torrey Ross at 405-550-8439.

ST. BARBARA'S GUILD

St. Barbara's Guild is a group of women dedicated to the study of the Bible, service projects, fellowship, and support of each other and Saint John's Episcopal Church. Meetings are on the third Thursday of the month at 11:00 am in the Common Room. Bring a sack lunch and your Bible. Beverages of water and coffee are provided.

Please join us at our May meeting on Thursday, May 16th at 11:00 am in the Common Room. Father David will continue our study of the Book of Esther. Want to learn more about St. Barbara's Guild? Contact: Kathleen Moss - 918-633-8881 by phone or text.



SHE OPENS HER MOUTH WITH WISDOM, AND THE
TEACHING OF KINDNESS IS ON HER TONGUE.
PROVERBS 31:26

Kathleen Moss

LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Deacon Carson Webb is now the clergy advisor for LEV. We are delighted to have his strong organizational skills added to the LEV ministry. Also, many thanks to Father David for his encouragement and advice as we have worked to get this ministry restarted. LEV had a quick meeting with Deacon. Carson on March 19 to check on our progress in getting certification. Several of us are bogged down in the Safeguarding God's People computer program. We need to have faith and press on to conclusion.

LEVs take the Eucharist to shut-ins in our congregation. It is a chance to know someone who was very active in the life of our parish.



DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

The Daughters took Father David to lunch following our April 4 meeting. We ate at Charleston's and a good time was had by all. On April 21, we gathered to prepare birthday cards for June birthdays. D.O.K. is concerned with prayer, service, and evangelism. We pray for our congregation of St. John's every day.

We are seeking new members. *Sharon Bell*



LEM

LEM-Lay Eucharist Ministers. We read the lessons and share the cup in Communion. We also have the opportunity to help at the altar with the preparation for Communion.

Please let us know if that is something you are interested in. We can always use new help. It is a special way of sharing God's words and Jesus's life. Please let the office and/or me know if this is something you would like to explore. Call or email Diana Carter in the office or me, Lynn Kimmel, 862-202-9874, or Lynnkimmel71@gmail.com. Thank you for being a part of the Saint John's family. *Lynn Kimmel*

THE PRAYERS & SQUARES

The Prayers & Squares quilt ministry has been busy sewing for your needs. In the first quarter of 2024, we presented 15 quilts to fulfill this parish's requests. Please don't hesitate to request a quilt for someone you know who has medical issues; our only requirement is that the recipient agree to receive their quilt along with the prayers that come with it.

To request a quilt, please email Landrum.peggy@yahoo.com and provide enough detail to help us choose an appropriate quilt for the recipient and enough information to be included in the Sunday bulletin.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, April 10th, at 1:30 pm. if you would like to join us. *Peggy Landrum*

Need a Prayer Quilt?
Contact Peggy Landrum at landrum.peggy@yahoo.com

Prayers & Squares
The Prayer Quilt Ministry

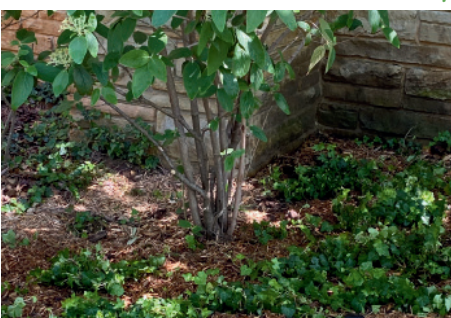
GARDEN & GROUNDS



Easter plants which decorated the sanctuary and alter areas have been repurposed for the outdoors landscape. Ivy was planted in a heavily shaded bed by the front steps which will markedly improve the front entrance appearance. White azaleas were planted in the bed north of the front entrance. Kwanzan cherry trees have been donated and will be planted in the bare area created by the oak tree removal. The spring color they provide will complement tulips which have already been ordered for fall planting.

I am in need of volunteers to weed and deadhead spent flowers and planting an herb garden on the east side by the library entrance. Please contact me for details. (text 405-820-1404)

Mike Reif



Milestones

Birthdays

- 1 Beka Bumsted
Charles Edwards
Russell Ramzel
- 2 Paige Shelton
Riley Shores
- 3 Clara Sabo
- 4 Candace Graham
- 5 Luke Baum
Marilyn Palik
Drake Pavlik
- 6 Tennyson Brown
Delphine Thames
- 7 Lex Moeller
Peggy Woods
- 8 Doug Farquharson
Kelly Jezek
Briana Rizley
- 9 Craig Jenkins
- 13 Michael Bedford
- 14 Ryan Draper
- 17 Chase Boston
Sydney Soulsby
Nanci Williams
- 18 Jim Palik
Tanner Randall
Joe Wilkinson
- 19 Mark Husband
Moirav Pavlik
- 20 Phil Allen
- 21 Andrew Farquharson
Alexandra Kappers
Kyla Kappers
- 23 John Godwin
Kay Miller
Sue Young
- 24 Ellie Ed
Tom Edwards
Galt Tacker
- 25 Mike Cavert
Olivia Cline
- 27 Fran Little-Collins
Emily Ferguson
Emily Tidwell
Charlotte Vanderyt
- 29 Kathleen Moss
- 30 Jerry Hoopert
- 31 Susan Erwin

Baptisms

- March 31
Andrew Lee Abercrombie
Lucy Helen Abercrombie
Mary Evelyn Abercrombie
James Hughes Hubbard
Walter Crocker Crawshaw Myrtle

Passings

- April 2
JoAnne Swan

OUTREACH COMMITTEE AND THE BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW

The Outreach Committee is joining forces with The Brotherhood of St. Andrew for their Annual Golf tournament on June 22. Proceeds from the golf tournament go to local agencies, including but not limited to, New Hope (children with incarcerated parents), Clarehouse (hospice), and South Tulsa Community House (food pantry, transportation assistance, access to medical services, and more for residents of the south Peoria area).

The Outreach Committee is seeking individuals who can donate items for baskets to be auctioned, such as homemade jellies, vegetables, salsa, mustard, vanilla extract, etc; quilts; artwork, calligraphy (on notecards, for example), needle point, crochet, knitted items, or any home-made goods. Please contact Janice Ingle at janiceingle@me.com or (918) 704-1443 if you have ideas or can donate items.

OUTREACH

In May, the Outreach Committee focuses on New Hope, an incredible nonprofit whose mission is to end generational incarceration through life-affirming after-school programs, community events, family celebrations, and summer camps at St. Crispins.

Oklahoma incarcerates nearly 1000 per 100,000 persons each year, giving our state the highest rate of incarceration in the world. This means that more than 26,000 children each day are enduring parental separation.

Our attention in May is providing for the children's summer camping needs. Campers will need new summer swimsuits, shorts, tops (boy and girl sizes 8-16), socks, towels, water bottles, sunscreen, hygiene products, bug spray, and individually wrapped snacks. Donations for a camper will also be appreciated if you prefer not to shop. A gift of \$375 (Payable to New Hope) will cover the needs of one camper (perhaps go in with another family for this option).

Let's help make this camping experience meaningful for these deserving children and end generational incarceration!

Janice Ingle

BSA TROOP 153 NEWS

Spring brings many exciting activities for Troop 153, and it is always a big camping season. This year, our extended spring break campout was at beautiful Mt. Nebo State Park near Russellville, AR. We had a great time hiking, biking, hammocking, playing baseball, eating, and enjoying campfires with friends. We also took a fun day trip to Ron Coleman Mine in Jessieville, AR, to dig for crystals. Thank you to all the adult volunteers who gave up vacation days and worked to make this trip such a success!

Order of the Arrow recently held their Spring Induction Weekend at Camp Hale near Talihina, OK. Troop 153 took a nice group of scouts with 1 new ordeal member, 2 new brotherhood members, and 5 scouts and adults serving on staff. Congratulations Arrowmen.

Our regular monthly campout was one of our favorites, Robbers Cave State Park, near Wilburton, OK. Some of our older scouts were able to do some backpacking, while the younger scouts had the opportunity to spend time fishing.

We are pleased to announce another Troop 153 Eagle Scout. Congratulations to Wyatt Fox!

Carolyn Davis



Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Golf Classic

June 22, 2024



About Our Beneficiaries:

New Hope Oklahoma

Dedicated to providing services to children with parents in prison, New Hope offers free community-based programs, weekend retreats, family gatherings, and case management services.



South Tulsa Community House

With a mission to strengthen the Riverwood area families and individuals, this agency leads initiatives to reduce hunger, combat poverty, and provide pathways to empowerment.



Clarehouse

A social-model hospice home in Oklahoma, Clarehouse provides person-centered, end-of-life care in a home setting. The home and staff provide dignity, peace, warmth, and love for dying people in need.



The Boy Scouts and Venture Crews of Troop 153

Founded in Britain in 1909, the Boy Scouts came to America in 1910, and soon the BSA and the Brotherhood of St. Andrew were recognized by Congress and President Teddy Roosevelt. Troop 153 is chartered at Saint John's Church.



TOURNAMENT DETAILS

1 p.m. Saturday, June 22, 2024
Battle Creek Golf Club
4200 N. Battle Creek Drive
Broken Arrow, Oklahoma 74012



Foursome Entry \$500
Tournament followed by a
Silent Auction and Barbeque Dinner
Check in from Noon - 12:45 p.m.

To register a foursome OR for a sponsored team, visit the church website's tournament page, sjtulsa.org, for a downloadable form.

This may be scanned and emailed to Doug Crews at dcrews@cox.net or mailed to Saint John's Church c/o D. Crews. Payment is requested at the time of registration, so please include a check or pay online at the Saint John's webpage.

To pay sponsorships online, go to www.sjtulsa.org and select the "Give" tab at the top right corner. Scroll down and click on the "Donate by Tithe.ly" option. Fill out the form and include "Golf Tournament Team".

Please consider using the "Cover Fees" option with this online payment option. For questions on paying, call the church office at (918) 742-7381.

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Sponsorships are available at many levels.

Help us host a fantastic tournament and get the word out about your generous organization! Levels of sponsorship range from \$100 to \$2,000 opportunities. Use the form to the right to submit a sponsorship, or visit the church website's tournament page, sjtulsa.org, for downloadable forms.

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 Verbal Recognition During Tourney & Dinner
 Four Player Registrations
 *Team fees will be subtracted from the donation

Eagle \$1,000

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 Name Recognition at the Registration Site
 Verbal Recognition at Tourney & Reception
 Four Player Registrations
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Birdie \$500

Name Recognition at Bonus Prize Hole
 Name Recognition at the Registration Site
 Verbal Recognition at Tourney & Reception

Tee Box \$250

Name & Logo at a Tee Box on the Course

Friend of the Tournament Sponsorship \$100

MAIL

Direct any mailed entry forms, sponsorship requests, and checks to:

Saint John's Episcopal Church
 c/o Debbie Ainley
 4200 S. Atlanta Pl.
 Tulsa, OK 74105



Please write "golf tourney fee" or "tourney sponsor" in the memo line of checks.

Team Registration:

Team Name/Organization _____

Player #1 Name: _____ Player #2 Name: _____

Address: _____ Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Cell: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____ Email: _____

Player #3 Name: _____ Player #4 Name: _____

Address: _____ Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Cell: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____ Email: _____



Battle Creek Golf Club

CONTACT

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