



SAINT ANNE'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The Weekly Messenger
*news and announcements for
the week of November 27, 2022*

Community Thanksgiving Day Dinner
Thursday, Nov. 24 - 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM in the Great Hall



Everyone is welcome to share in this delicious feast! The meal is a traditional home-cooked Thanksgiving Dinner with turkey, ham, and all the sides with plenty of desserts. Everyone is invited to dine in the Great Hall, or take meals out.

This dinner is made possible through the generosity of our church and greater community. Below are a few of the volunteers, including the coordinator, Jessie Ventura. Thank you to all who generously contributed food, time, and donations to make this event possible.



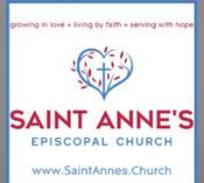
Decorations
created by our
Children

Advent Wreath Building

Sunday Nov. 27th, 2022
Immediately following the
9:30 service in the
Great Hall!

Supplies will be provided.
Bring your own frame if you have one
from a previous year. Frames will also
be available if needed.

All are invited and welcome!



2023 Pledge Campaign

As we approach the New year, we ask church members to make a financial pledge to support Saint Anne's in 2023. Your financial pledge is a promise and sign of your commitment to and membership in the church, and it reflects the total monetary amount you will give to support Saint Anne's in 2023. In discerning your pledge amount, please consider how important Saint Anne's is to you, our church family, and the neighbors and communities we serve and support. And if you pledged for 2022, we hope you will pledge again and increase your pledge for 2023 as you are able. To submit your pledge, please choose one of these two options:

- 1) Complete a 2023 Pledge Card and drop it off or mail it to the church in a self-addressed stamped envelope (available at the church).
- 2) Email your 2023 pledge to Finance@SaintAnnesChurchDE.org and designate if your pledge amount is weekly, monthly, quarterly, or annually.

Please return your financial pledge as soon as possible so the Vestry can prepare the 2023 church budget. If you have questions about pledging or the church, don't hesitate to contact us. Thank you for your commitment to and support of Saint Anne's Episcopal Church, our Christian home.

Choir Rehearsal Change – Sunday morning beginning at 10:45 AM

Saint Anne's is looking for interested singers and musicians to be a part of our Music Ministry. Rehearsals are changed to Sundays following the 9:30 AM worship service in the Sanctuary. If you are interested in being a part of the Saint Anne's Music Ministry, please contact our Minister of Music, Damien Jones, Music@saintanneschurchde.org.

Family Christmas Gifts Project

Dear People of Saint Anne's,

This Christmas, Saint Anne's is once again collaborating with parishioner Erin Rideout and the Delaware Coalition Against Domestic Violence to support mothers and children affected by domestic violence. Our church has adopted 65 families, which altogether includes 65 mothers, 135 children, and one dog, and agreed to provide Christmas gifts—both practical and playful—for each of these 65 families.

If you would like to adopt one of these families, please contact me—Julie Quackenbush—by text, phone call, or email and let me know what size family you would like to adopt. Family sizes range from a mother with one child (2 people) to a mother with seven children (8 people). I will do my best to accommodate your requests, but please understand that I may not be able to offer you the size family you request.

Once you have adopted a family, I will send you their Christmas wish list. Please do not purchase violent toys (e.g., toy guns, knives, video games, etc.) or clothes with violent images. Also, please do not purchase expensive electronics (e.g., game systems, phones, music devices, etc.). If you have questions about the appropriateness of a gift, please contact me.

Please combine your gifts into a box or large bags, ensure that your family number is securely attached to the box or bags, and drop them off in the Great Hall no later than Tuesday, December 13th. Please do not wrap the gifts. You may provide the wrapping paper, ribbon, and tape with your gifts.

If you cannot adopt a family but would like to support this ministry, please make a financial contribution to Saint Anne's and write "Christmas Gifts" in the memo line or on the envelope.

Please get in touch with me if you have questions. Thank you for helping each of these families receive a Christmas blessing.

Faithfully,

Julie Quackenbush

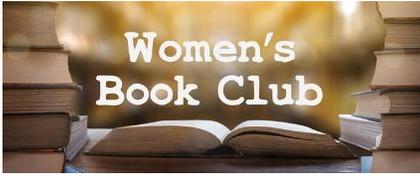
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You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. - 2 Corinthians 9:11-12



Women's Book Club – *will resume Tuesday, November 29*



The Saint Anne's Women's Book Club will be meeting on Tuesday, November 29, at 7:15 on Zoom. We will be discussing the first 19 chapters of *The Four Winds* by Kristen Hanna, the story of a woman and her family living in the time of the Dust Bowl in the 1930's. If you would like to join us, please contact Barbara Masterson: 302-378-4449 or bjmasterson1@verizon.net.

Be still and know that I am God.

--Psalm 46:10

**Advent Centering Prayer
and Shared Reflection
via Zoom**

Facilitated by The Rev. Celeste O. Cox
Tuesdays in Advent 6:00 PM
November 29; December 6, 13, 20



Art by Francis Dutil, CSJ

Advent is an especially appropriate season to explore practices of waiting, watching, hoping, and rejoicing. Each session includes an Advent Devotion with intercessions; twenty minutes of silent centering prayer; then shared discussion on brief written meditations or verse sent to participants the day before by email invitation.

No experience necessary.

You are invited to any or all one-hour sessions.

To receive the weekly Advent invitation with Zoom link, or if you have questions, send an email to Celeste Cox at Clergy@SaintAnnesChurchDE.org

Food Bag Ministry



Saint Anne's collaborates with Our Daily Bread (ODB) to support their weekly food distribution ministry. ODB now accepts perishable foods: ½ gal milk, 1 lb. packages of ground beef, chicken (whole or parts), white bread, apples, oranges, and vegetables. In addition: gallon zip-loc bags, large black trash bags, bottles of water, individual packets of sweet snacks, and wipes. Please drop off items on Sunday mornings, or during Church Office hours. ODB serves lunch weekly on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:00 to 1:00 PM and dinner on Mondays through Fridays from 5:00 to 6:00 PM. Thank you for your continued support.

[Click Here to view Bishop Brown's Advent Message](#)



Rector's Phone Number Change

To contact the Rector, Russ Bohner, please call **302-229-3037**.

Rector's Office Hours

Tuesdays and Wednesdays between 11:30 AM - 2:00 PM. To schedule time to talk to Russ, please click on this link and then follow the easy instructions; https://calendly.com/rev-russ/office_hours. If you want to meet with me but are not available during my posted office hours, please email or call me, and we will find a mutually convenient time to meet. Russ+

Visit the Saint Anne's Website, www.saintannes.church
And Follow Saint Anne's

Facebook: www.facebook.com/saintannes1705/
and Instagram: www.instagram.com/saintannes1705

Fr. Russ' sermons are available to view or listen to on his YouTube channel:

Rev Russ Sermons. To access his YouTube channel, click on this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/RevRussSermons>.

Parish Prayers

We pray for Meta Barrow, David Beck, Jim Bernieri, Mary Crandall, Maria Cruz, Marna Diassi, Andy Dill, Mark Ferguson, Adley Francisco, Rollyn Freeman, Barbara Hickey, Marty Hipp, Joan Hyer, Velma Johnson, Katherine Lind, Rachel Machulski, Ott Menzen, Sue Osborn, Delores Seip, Ron Truitt, Janet Vines, Esther Ward, Phylcia Wittock, Alex, Andrea, Phyllis, and Sarah. We pray for Henry George Russell and Cynthia who have died.

In the Episcopal Church in Delaware, we pray for Saint Anne's and Saint Andrew's Schools and All Clergy in the Episcopal Church in Delaware, Active and Retired

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the Nippon Sei Ko Kai.

Christmas Plant Donations

If you would like to make a Memorial or a Thank offering toward Christmas plants, please fill out this form and place it in the offering box on Sunday or bring/mail it to the Church Office by Monday, December 13.



in memory of in thanksgiving for

Donor's Name:

Phone:

Please make a \$25 check payable
to Saint Anne's Church and note
"Christmas Plants" on the memo line.

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: Diane Dudderar

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Church Calendar for the week of November 27, 2022

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Sunday, Nov 27 – The First Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist: Rite I—8:00 AM

Holy Eucharist: Rite II—9:30 AM

This service is in-person and Broadcast Live through the Church Website & Facebook Page

Parish Event—Advent Wreath Making and Fellowship

Immediately following the 9:30 service in the Great Hall

Choir Rehearsal—10:45 AM—Sanctuary

Youth Group High School—6:00 PM

Tuesday, Nov 29

Deliver food to Our Daily Bread—9:30 AM

Centering Prayer by Zoom—6:00 PM

Saint Anne's Women's Book Club by Zoom—7:15 PM

Wednesday, Nov 30

Bell Choir Rehearsal—6:00 PM—Sanctuary

Thursday, Dec 1

Bible Study by Zoom—8:00 AM

Holy Eucharist: Rite II—5:30 PM—Chapel

A Bible Study of Holy Baptism—6:00 PM—Great Hall

Sunday, Dec 4 – The Second Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist: Rite I—8:00 AM

Holy Eucharist: Rite II—9:30 AM

This service is in-person and Broadcast Live through the Church Website & Facebook Page

Fellowship—*immediately following the 9:30 service*—Great Hall

Children's Sunday School—10:45 AM to 11:15 AM—*downstairs classrooms*

Choir Rehearsal—10:45 AM—Sanctuary

Youth Group High School—6:00 PM