# The Piper

# **April 2024**



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# A Message from Father Martin

Dear Friends,

Holy Week and Easter were wonderful here at St. Andrew's!

- Palm Sunday we waved our palm branches in the church due to inclement weather, shared in a Dramatic Reading of the Passion, and prepared ourselves for the pilgrimage of Holy Week.
- On Tuesday in Holy Week, a lively discussion was had in Bible Study comparing the four Gospel accounts of Easter morning.
- Maundy Thursday a good turn-out of St. Andrew's folks ventured to Scotts Valley to observe that holy night with our friends at St. Philip's.
- Our Good Friday Community Prayer Service had a wonderful spirit. Pastor Clyde Vaughn of Boulder Creek United Methodist Church and Executive Director Andrew Templeman of Mount Cross Lutheran camp were our speakers and Pastor Rose Warren of Redwood Christian center offered a Pastoral Prayer. BC Community and Felton Presbyterian Churches also co-sponsored. And our Jesse McMilan played a powerful Rachmaninoff concerto as the musical offering.
- The evening Good Friday service was appreciated by those who attended.

Easter Sunday!! - so much to celebrate!

- Thanks to Jesse and our St. Andrew's Choir for a beautiful offering of "Now the Green Blade Riseth"
- Thanks to Myra Ratzesberger for organizing a wonderful Easter Egg Hunt for the large number of children present (which was itself a great joy).
- Thanks to Cathy Newfield and all our Altar Guild for all their work and inspiring presentations.
- Thanks to Ellen Terry *et al* for Easter Refreshments.
- Thanks to Rochelle Kelly and Steve Lafever for decorating the Parish Hall for Easter.
- And for all who participated or held us up with prayer thank you.
- ♦ Thanks be to God Christ is Risen!

Looking ahead, mark your calendars for our annual Chili Cook-off on Sunday, May 5. Sign-up on Sunday's in the Parish Hall to enter your favorite chili. See Coordinator John Postovit with any questions.

Our diocese will offer a Spring Renewal 2024 on May 17-18. It is open to all. More information at

https://www.realepiscopal.org/blog/spring-renewal-2024/? occurrence=568 I will be attending and am happy to offer rides. I would like to commend for your reflection as we begin the 50 days of Eastertide one of my favorite Collects, which appears 5 times in the Book of Common Prayer (can you find them all?):

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquillity the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Yours in Christ, Martin+

# **Prayer Team**

We have an active prayer team at St. Andrews led by Sue Roe. When a prayer concern is made known to Sue, she sends it out to the group so they can be praying for you. Please contact Sue if you would like some prayers.

Also, if you would like to be one of the pray-ers, let Sue know and she will be happy to add you to the group.

Please contact Sue at Phone 562-243-4080, or by email <a href="mailto:suemhr@aol.com">suemhr@aol.com</a>

# St. Andrew's Vestry Members

Rochelle Kelly, Senior Warden Cindy Garay Susan Greer, Clerk Sara Hector Sheryl Mello Judyth Suttle

John Woolliscroft, Junior Warden

If you have any questions, comments, suggestions, please forward them to any of the Vestry members. Vestry meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 1 pm in the Parish Hall.

# Garden of

# Catin'

# **Strawberry Parfaits**

## Ingredients

#### Cake

- 19 in yellow cake mix
- 2 teaspoons vanilla bean paste or vanilla

#### Honey Whipped Cheesecake Filling

- 1 8 oz tub of whipped cream cheese
- 2 teaspoons vanilla bean paste or vanilla
- 2 tablespoons powdered sugar
- 2 tablespoons honey

Dash salt

- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon lemon zest
- 4 oz whipped cream topping

#### Wine Soaked Strawberries

- 2 cups diced strawberries
- Splash of lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons rose wine
- 1 tablespoon honey



#### Instructions

Make the cake mix according to package instructions (but fold in the 2 teaspoons of vanilla pean paste). Bake it according to the box instructions and allow it to cool. Use a round biscuit cutter (you could also use a paring knife or a round container top) to cut out the cake in rounds. Set aside. Combine cut strawberries, wine, honey, and lemon juice, and marinate for at least 15 minutes. To make the cheesecake filling, combine the whipped cream cheese, vanilla bean paste, honey, powdered sugar, lemon juice and zest and salt and beat until light and fluffy, about 2-4 minutes. Gently fold in the whipped cream. Set aside.

Build the parfaits!! Layer the cake rounds, filling, and strawberries until the glass or jar is filled to the top. top with whipped cream and strawberries.

The Chili Cookoff is back! Are you interested in bringing chili?

The event is planned for Sunday, May 5th, from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM. We'll set out a volunteer sheet and entry forms after the April 7th service. We'll be looking for people to bring chips, salsa, drinks and of course chil!

If you'd like to sign up before then, just let me know. Don't forget to give your chili a catchy name!

Thanks, John Postovit

Contact John at jspostovit@comcast.net

## **Community Outreach Committee**

St. Andrew's Community Outreach Committee proposed to the Vestry (who agreed) that of our first quarter Outreach giving (5% of parish income), \$700 would be sent to the Presiding Bishop's Good Friday Appeal for the Anglican Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East. From their website:

By supporting life-giving ministries in the Anglican Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East, including St. George's, Baghdad; the eye clinic in Ras Morbat, Yemen; the Al Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza; and numerous other institutions identified by their dioceses, you are ensuring that our siblings in Christ are not forgotten.

- ♦ Al Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza City provides critical medical care to all people, in peacetime and wartime alike.
- St. George's is the only Anglican church in Iraq, serving local Indigenous communities and displaced people through worship, schools, and medical care.
- Christ Church in Aden, Yemen, serves as the grounds of Ras Morbat Eye Clinic, providing critical medical care for all in a war-torn country.
- The Christian National Kindergarten at St. Philip's Episcopal Church, Nablus, in the West Bank, provides high-quality early education to all kindergartners, regardless of religion.

The balance of our first quarter contribution will be sent to Valley Churches United. (Balance to be announced when the March books are closed and approved.)

#### **Outreach Committee**

If you know of or support a non-profit organization and would like it to be considered for a grant from St. Andrew's, please provide information on its programs to the Outreach Committee. The members of the committee are Susan Greer, Joan McVay, and Ray Rischpater. We are also looking for additional committee members, so if you are interested, please contact Susan, Joan, or Ray. The committee meets after Bible Study, generally on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

*Mountain Community Theater* will be using the Parish Hall Monday thru Thursday, January 27 to May 2, 6:30—9:30.

*Girl Scouts* meet on the first Tuesday each month in the Parish Hall. *ACA* (Adult Children of Alcoholic and Dysfunctional Families) meet every Wednesday evening upstairs.

# St. Andrew's Birthdays April Birthdays

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*		Barbara Banke		Joan McVay

# **May Birthdays**

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2	Cindy Garay	12	Barry Holtzclaw
2	Sandi Lewandowski		Katie Garay
3	Cathy Newfield	21	Tim Caldelĺ
	Preston Boomer	22	Mike Banke
8	Janet Parske	28	Logan Hudson
8	Tricia Leslie		Mark deHass-Johnson
10	Jaden Ruff		

#### **Coffee Hour Organizers**

Jennifer Kennedy (831) 251-1471 April 7

Janet Parske (831) 246-1839 April 14

Eve Yabroff (253)-225-8683 April 21

Jane Pomeroy (408) 472-1586 April 28

Ellen Terry (415) 516-9123 May 5 — Also the Chili Cookoff

Shirley Greenwood (831) 423-8290 May 12 ...this is Mother's Day

Barbara Banke (831)345-2992 May 19 Jennifer Kennedy (831) 251-1471 May 26

If you are unable to serve on any date, please call someone else on the list and also call Sharon Fishel at 831-247-5572

### HeeHeeHee!!!

A priest is walking down the street one day when he notices a very small boy trying to press a doorbell on a house across the street.

However, the boy is very small and the doorbell is too high for him to reach.

After watching the boy's efforts for some time, the priest moves closer to the boy's position.

He steps smartly across the street, walks up behind the little fellow and, placing his hand kindly on the child's shoulder leans over and gives the doorbell a solid ring. Crouching down to the child's level, the priest smiles benevolently and asks, "And now what, my little man?"

To which the boy replies, "Now we run!"



### Early bird pricing is available until April 12th!

Don't miss the opportunity to join us for our annual in-person Spring Renewal on **May 17th and 18th** in Salinas. Unlike the Diocesan Convention, this event is open to everyone in the diocese.

# Friday evening 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm:

- Gathering and Social Hour
- Banquet and Honors
- Compline

## Saturday 8:00 am to 3:30 pm:

- Morning Prayer
- Session I with Bishop Hunn
- Session II with Bishop Hunn
- Lunch
- Session III with Bishop Hunn
- Conversation with Bishops
- Wrap-up and Eucharist

### Registration:

\$125 for the full event

\$60 for Friday night includes banquet dinner and awards program \$75 for Saturday includes lunch and program by Bishop Michael Hunn, Diocese of Rio Grande



Join us for Eucharistic Services on Sundays at 10 a.m. and the social hour after. The sermon may be watched on St. Andrew's Facebook page, if you are not able to attend in person.