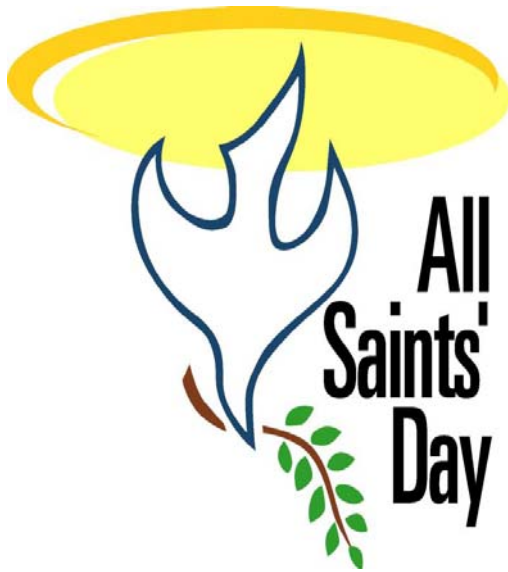




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November 2012 Newsletter



We give thanks to you, O Lord our God, for all your servants and witnesses of time past: for Abraham, the father of believers, and Sarah his wife; for Moses, the lawgiver, and Aaron, the priest; for Miriam and Joshua, Deborah and Gideon, and Samuel with Hannah his mother; for Isaiah and all the prophets; for Mary, the mother of our Lord; for Peter and Paul and all the apostles; for Mary and Martha, and Mary Magdalene; for Stephen, the first martyr, and all the martyrs and saints in every age and in every land. In your mercy, O Lord our God, give us, as you gave to them, the hope of salvation and the promise of eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the first-born of many from the dead. *Amen.* (BCP838).

It is fitting that my last Sunday with you is All Saints' Sunday. This is the service when we stop our normal practices and celebrate the lives of those we loved and see no longer as well as those who have been part of our journey to this time and place.¹

All the persons named in our prayer above -and so many more- have helped shape who we are and what our church is today. They have given us great examples of what it means to be faithful followers and in right relationship with God.

I give thanks for each of you, for the witness to the love of Christ that you exemplify in your presence and your ministry. My prayers are with you as you continue your discernment and selection of the next rector.

This parish has so many possibilities to be a beacon of light and life in Greencastle and neighboring communities! But none of those possibilities will come to fruition without you. Ministry does not happen in a vacuum. Ministry happens when people step up – sometimes in fear and trepidation to love and serve the Lord. You can do it. You have done it. You will do it.

¹ Each Sunday in the Prayers of the People we remember those who have died. All Saints Sunday we name out loud those who have most recently died. **This is the reason we do not simply print last year's list and repeat.** The list we read out loud is intended to reflect a moment we stopped and thought about those who had died most recently.

Yes, ministry today is not quite the same as it was when Bill Wieland retired. It is not quite the same as when I leave. It will be different as the new rector arrives and you determine how best to be the hands and feet of Jesus in this time and place. Remember the words of the angels: “Do not be afraid.” God is with you in this journey.

It has been my privilege to be part of your faith journey for awhile. It is now time for me to move on to work with another parish as they discern their future. Know that you are and you will continue to be in my heart and in my prayers. Remember that each of you is part of the “great cloud of witnesses” that we remember of All Saints Day and All Saints Sunday.

“Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.” (Hebrews 12: 1-2)

Welcome!

The Rev. Tanya Vonnegut Beck was the second woman regularly ordained in the Episcopal Church. She has served in a variety of places and in a variety of roles since then. Tanya was the Search Coach for our Search Committee during the beginning

phases of their work. She has served as Interim Rector and as Priest-in-Charge for a number of parishes including among others: Christ Church Cathedral, St. Alban’s and All Saints in the Diocese of Indianapolis. Tanya offered this reflection to St. Alban’s when she was priest-in-charge there:



There is a beautiful oriental rug covering the floor of an enormous baronial hall. In the middle of the rug a caterpillar is laboriously working his belly-wise way towards some destination of which he seems not too sure. Progress is slow and confused because this particular species is strangely susceptible to the influence of color. He is crawling through the midst of a seemingly endless and intricate design of many colors. His travel is, of necessity, so close to the design that he cannot possibly see its contour, point, or purpose. Confusion conquers perspective.

Life to him is a series of surprises, many of which are unpleasant. First he finds himself in the midst of a cobalt blue, and he responds with a spell of feeling blue; next he is in the yellow which makes him feel bright and well again; crawling on, he finds himself in a patch of brown,

in which he feels achy and tired all over; now he turns to red in the design and he fairly burns up with emotional un-control which so over-stimulates his emotional glands that his confusion soon turns to biliousness. He wanders on into a stretch of green, and so life continues—a meaningless combination of confusions. In the midst of life he is in pleasure, pain, sadness, joy, sickness, and finally, in despair. Life goes on for our friend out in the middle of the vast rug; he proceeds with heavy heart, an irritable disposition, a hyperacid stomach, and complete disillusionment. After long nights of insomnia, he finally drops off into a deep sleep—for how long he does not know. When he awakens he is suddenly aware of a change in his life; something has happened.

What is it? He sits up and takes a good look at himself, and wonder of wonders, he has become a butterfly. A beautiful yellow colleague swoops down over him and calls, —Come on up here and have a look. Our friend slowly spreads his wings. What power he feels! He takes off, uncertain at first, and then with mighty pulls he feels himself being propelled up and up. As he peers down upon the rug, he sees that all those painful colors which he kept getting into, without knowing why, are part of a great design. Now he realizes that when he had been in the midst of the rug he could do nothing but blunder from one event to another without reason or understanding. No wonder life on the rug was hell. In a flash life becomes clear to him and his problems are reduced to a new understanding.

From above he can see where he has been; the past is full of meaning; he can see where he was just seconds before. With a renewed spirit—put away the obstacles that present themselves when we are so close to the threads of our lives. Some elements to remember:

Putting It All Together: You cannot control the external circumstances of your life, but you can control your reactions to them. In trying circumstances, remember your choices:

- To reformat the situation as a challenge rather than a threat. In this way you acknowledge and nourish your own inner strength, your spirit, even as you face doubt and uncertainty. No one ever promised (or should have promised) that life is a rose garden. Adversity is the crucible in which the spirit is forged.
- Your breath (which is your spirit at work) is always with you, serving as the key to self-awareness and remembrance of your choices. In stressful circumstances it is easy to forget that while circumstances change, there is a changeless and peaceful place within you—the inner Self—that remains capable of observing the constant movies of the mind without becoming completely identified with them.
- Breathe in and let your spirit travel all the way out. The next breath comes automatically, and the diaphragm rests. Count down 10 to 1 or 5 to 1, or remember HUM-AS (I am the self that observes). The frequent use of such mini-relaxation responses throughout the day helps to reinforce the sense of control and choice.

Things change. Change is the only constant in life. If you have commitment, change is received with curiosity and openness, rather than with fear and doubt. If you feel resistant to change, try letting go and looking within. Remember —don't know? Allowing yourself to be confused allows your mind to remain open to possibilities. Trying to control the world by insisting that you know can be a potent prescription for suffering, and a real limit to experiencing —newness.

Your beliefs are incredibly powerful. Consider the following experiment. Women with morning sickness were asked to swallow intra-gastric balloons as an objective measure of their stomach contractions and associated nausea. They were then told that they would receive a powerful anti-nausea drug. Instead, they were given syrup of Ipecac, a powerful drug used to induce vomiting in cases of poisoning. Most of the women reported reduced nausea and had fewer stomach contractions—the power of their belief was stronger than the drug! Listen to what your mind tells you throughout the day and during your meditations. See what beliefs you hold and how strongly they can influence your perception of the world and of your health. Stay conscious of yourself!

Would you rather be right or would you rather experience peace? Ponder during your daily activities and interactions how much energy is used up in defending various positions that make you feel —right, worthy, OK. When you begin to realize your own precious, unique self-worth, the need to defend yourself will diminish, and your body will naturally relax.

Be patient. Patience means mindful awareness. The usual understanding of patience is really impatience pushed to the breaking point. Patience is actually mindful attention to life—letting go of the expectations that pull the mind into the past or the future, so that you can remain in the moment without judging or blaming. When you feel impatient, notice it and take a breath of letting go, coming back to the central point of the observer—the Witness that notices without getting carried away by past conditioning. PRACTICE MINDFULNESS. Each day remember to do some activity with full attention. This trains your capacity to be mindful in every circumstance.
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10th Anniversary Organ Dedication



On Sunday, November 4 at 5:00 p.m., the people of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church will present guest organist Richard Konzen in the 10th anniversary celebration concert of the Arthur Carkeek memorial organ. Konzen's recital on the 23-rank Joseph Zamberlan pipe organ, installed in 2002 in honor of DePauw professor and St. Andrew's organist Arthur Carkeek, is a special moment in the history of the church since it is the return of Konzen who was a former student of Arthur Carkeek, Professor of Organ at DePauw. Konzen was a freshman at DePauw when he sat as organist for the Consecration of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, November 31, 1971. At that time, Allan Harlan was the rector; and Arthur Carkeek was the guest choirmaster for the ceremony.

Richard Konzen is currently Professor of Music and College Organist at Grove City College, Grove City, PA, where he has been on the faculty since 1992. He is also the Organist-Choirmaster at St. John's Episcopal Church in Youngstown, Ohio, known for its annual Boar's Head Festival. At Grove City College, Dr. Konzen teaches organ, music theory, counterpoint, composition, and was the college orchestra director for 19 years. Dr. Konzen holds degrees from DePauw University and Yale University.



Active in a number of professional organizations, he served as the Instrumental Music Reviewer for the Journal of the Association of Anglican Musicians for seven years, and currently serves as the Dean of the Youngstown Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

Music for the one hour concert will be Praeludium in C by Dietrich Buxtehude, Ricercar Arioso by Andrea Gabrieli, Was Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan by Johann Peter Kellner, Wir glauben all an einen Gott by Johann Ludwig Krebs, Trio Sonata by Hugo Distler, Canon in Octave by Samuel B. Whitney, Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier by J.S. Bach, and Fantasia and Fugue in g minor by J. S. Bach.

The concert is free and a reception will follow.

From the Search Committee:

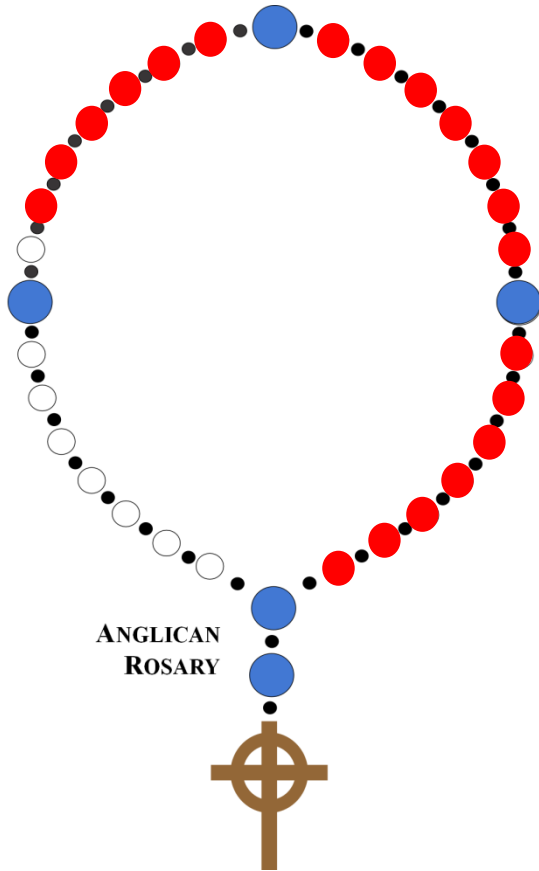
The Search Committee has been working diligently the last 6 weeks evaluating, assessing and discerning our list of candidates. We started by conducting Skype interviews with each candidate as we mutually discussed our ministries and visions of St. Andrew's future in Greencastle. Following those conversations, it is clear that our mutual visions for St. Andrew's are aligned, and, as such, are excited to continue this discernment process with these few candidates. The Search Committee has begun and will continue to discern and visit with these candidates, first in their own parishes and then ultimately here at St. Andrew's.



On the next page, you will see our Anglican Rosary and the status of our journey. As always, if you have any questions about the process or our progress, please talk with any member of the Search Committee.

Peace and Grace, Dennis Knuth, Search Committee Chair

Invitation to a Journey



1 – SEPARATION & PLANNING

- Notifying the Bishop's Office
- Transition team
- Saying Goodbye
- Interim Ministry
- Diocesan Requirements for Search
- Search options, Budget, & Charge
- Choosing a Search Committee

2 – CONGREGATIONAL SELF-DISCERNMENT

- Search Coach
- Discernment Retreat
- Self-Study & Gathering Information
- Cottage & Parish Meetings
- Narrative Profile
- OTM Portfolio
- Joint Search Vestry Meeting

3 – DISCERNMENT FOR A NEW RECTOR

- Communication & Confidentiality
- Interview Preparation & Practice
- Receiving Names
- Interviews- Phone & Technology
- Oxford Background Checks
- Away, Home & Bishop Visits
- Discernment & Prayer

4 – CALL TO NEW MINISTRY

- Final Candidates & Background Checks
- Receiving the Search Committee's Recommendation
- Electing a Rector
- Letter of Agreement & Announcement
- Celebrating the Interim & Search Committee Work
- Transition Team & Celebration of New Ministry
- Moving into Ministry Together

Financial Update – Third Quarter 2012

The Finance Committee and the Vestry periodically provides a snapshot of the financial condition of St. Andrew's. This keeps you abreast of where we are calling a full-time rector and meeting our ongoing obligations. It also serves to remind us of commitments we made to support the ministry of St. Andrew's. If you have any questions, please contact Dave Murray, Chair of the Finance Committee, or Deb Smith, Treasurer, or Joan Davis, Assistant Treasurer. If you would like to review the entire financial statement, please contact Dave, Deb or Joan who will make a copy available to you.



	YTD Actual*	YTD Budget
Pledges	74,703.42	72,375.03
Total Revenues**	116,244.98	111,381.03
Total Expenses***	90,376.23	105,003.81
Net Total	25,868.75	6,377.22

* This includes pre-paid 2012 pledges.

** Total revenues include Pledges, Special Offerings, Other Income, Investment Income.

*** Some expenses, such as insurance and taxes, are paid quarterly or annually. Therefore, while the YTD shows lower expenses than YTD budget, this is because those types of periodic expenses have not yet been paid for 2012.

We need you! Yes, we really do – won't you help?

Worship Leader

Our Liturgy is "the work of the people" – and yes, that's you! This means we need people to usher, to read (lector), to lead the prayers (intercessor), to acolyte or be a Lay Eucharistic Minister (serve the chalice) and to be the host at Coffee Hour. Our liturgy is the work of the people- that's you! Won't you help us? Sign up today or talk to a Vestry member about where your gifts and talents might find a place in our worship service.

Check the website (standrewsgreencastle.org) and "What We Do" for a description of the various types of ministries that are available.



Events in November

November 3	9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. - Concessions
November 4	Daylight Savings Time Ends: "Fall back" 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist 5 p.m. Organ Concert
November 6	<i>Election Day</i> Noon- Hamilton Hall- Clericus
November 11	10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Tanya Beck starts as Interim/Supply) <i>Veteran's Day Holiday</i> <i>In-gathering of pledges</i>
November 18	10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11:30 a.m. – Guild meeting
November 22	<i>Thanksgiving Day- office closed</i>
November 24	1-3 p.m.- Non-Food Pantry Distribution
November 25	10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist
November 26	6:15 p.m. Vestry