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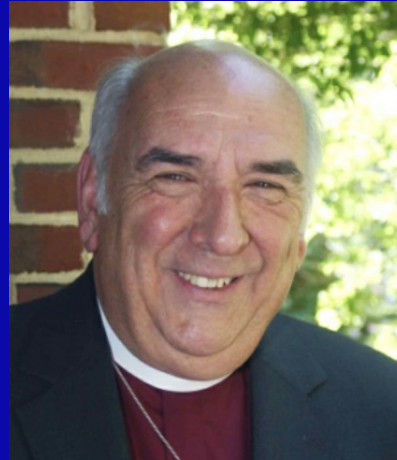


Access Our Website for Worship Links

Bishop Shand will be visiting and worshipping with us this Sunday, March 2 at both the 8 and 10 AM services. This is a time for us to gather in worship and fellowship, deepen our shared journey of faith and reflection on God's enduring love.

Come celebrate those committing themselves to Christ and the Christian faith. We will have 2 baptisms, 10 confirmations, and 4 people being received into the Episcopal Church at the 10 AM service.

Join us as we embrace this blessed opportunity for spiritual renewal and community connection.



**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper Is THIS TUESDAY!**

*Tuesday, March 4, 2025; 6:00-7:15 PM, Great Hall*

On Shrove Tuesday, March 4, St. Anne's **Youth Group** will be hosting the **Annual Pancake Supper** from 6:00-7:15 PM in the Great Hall.

This event is an opportunity for fellowship, and everyone is welcome to join us! So come on out with your family, relatives, neighbors, and friends.

We recognize the hardship that our community is facing at this time. Please know that this event is a gift from our St. Anne's youth to the congregation and is free to attend.

**YOUTH GROUP**  
**Pancake Supper**



**ASH WEDNESDAY**

*Wednesday, March 5, 12 & 6 PM, Sanctuary*

As Lent begins, take time to pause, reflect, and seek renewal by joining us for an Ash Wednesday Service here at St. Anne's next week.

The 12:00 PM service is a mid-day Eucharist service with distribution of ashes and Holy Communion.

The 6:00 PM service will have the choir with special music in addition to distribution of ashes and Holy Communion.



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## Ashes To Go

*Next Wednesday, March 5*  
*6:30-8:30 AM (Wiehle-Reston Metro Station)*  
*11:30-12:30 PM (Lake Anne Plaza)*

Join Deacon Nancy to bring the traditional blessing of marking a person's forehead with ashes out to our Reston community on Ash Wednesday. Email [deacon@stannes-reston.org](mailto:deacon@stannes-reston.org) to let her know you're interested in helping out at either the morning, afternoon or both times.



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## Compline Service

*Tuesdays starting March 11 @ 8:00 PM via Zoom*

Join us via Zoom on Tuesdays during Lent for Compline, also known as Night Prayer, or the *Prayers at the End of the Day*. Compline is the final prayer liturgy of the day in the Christian tradition of canonical hours and lasts approximately 15-20 minutes.

[Click here to sign up](#). The zoom link will be emailed to you prior to the service.



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## Come LIVE IT OUT at VBS This Summer!

*June 23-27; Camp Sunday, June 28*

We have a date for VBS! It will be held in June this year (June 23-27). An enormous **THANK YOU** goes out to Gredel Ellender and Alicia Peralta, who have agreed to be Co-Directors for the camp!

**LIVE IT OUT** will help us discover how to love like Jesus by focusing on five key aspects of faith: LOVE, LIVE, SHARE, FORGIVE & SERVE. Each aspect is rooted in a Bible story that encourages campers to embody these values in their daily lives. This emphasizes practical application, guiding children to live out their faith through tangible actions that reflect Christ's teachings.



Registration will be available soon so please put this in your calendars now.

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**Cool Blue Bags! Youth Group Food Drive: We Need Your Help More Than Ever Before!**

*Now through March 2 @ 3 PM*



You are invited to participate in a food drive hosted by the St. Anne's Youth Group to benefit our Food Pantry!

Take a reusable bag from the Narthex this Sunday, March 2, fill it up with our Pantry's most needed food items (see below), and drop off your bag outside the Sunday School youth room (you'll see a table in the hallway for collection) by Sunday, March 2 at 3:00 PM.

You are also welcome to go ahead and shop and bring your items to church with you Sunday morning in any bag. If you saw yesterday's e-news, the Food Pantry is in dire need of donations. We are servicing more families than ever. Anything you can donate is needed and greatly appreciated.

[Click here for a printable list.](#)

- Low Sugar Cereal or Oatmeal
- Soy Sauce (low sodium preferred), 10-12 oz.
- Cooking Oil (canola or vegetable), up to 32 oz.
- Soup, 18-19 oz. cans
- Fruit, 15 oz. cans
- Peanut Butter, 16 oz.
- Pasta Sauce (Marinara or Meat), 24 oz. (no glass jars, please)
- Granulated Sugar, 3-4 lbs.
- All-Purpose Flour, 3-5 lbs.
- Toilet Paper

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## VESTRY CORNER

On Sunday, Feb 23, the vestry met for their annual transition and orientation meeting. They gathered for a meal, celebrated the wisdom and gifts shared by outgoing members, commissioned new members and executive committee, and provided onboarding orientation to new members.

We are excited to share that Shannon Barna was appointed as our new Registrar! James Brooks will continue on as Senior Warden, Charlie Saunders as Jr. Warden, and Karl Hafer as Treasurer.



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## Life Planning Workshop

*Sunday, March 16, 11:30-1:00, Library*

The St. Anne's Endowment Committee will be hosting the next Life Planning Workshop on Sunday March 16<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 AM until 1:00 PM in the library.

The topic is the "[Village Movement](#)" which has emerged to support those of us that wish to remain in our homes for life. Our presenter for this workshop is Scott Parkin, President of [RESTON FOR A LIFETIME](#).



Please join us for refreshments and an informed discussion about services available right here in our town!

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## Monday Morning Bible Study

*Mondays from January 27-March 3, 10:30-Noon, Zoom*

A giant **THANK YOU** to Jane and Tom Smith for leading a fantastic study this winter on Josh Scott's book, *Context - Putting Scripture in Its Place*, giving us a deeper and more accurate understanding of scripture. The study concludes this Monday and meets via ZOOM from 10:30-noon. [Contact Jane Smith](#) if you are interested in attending the final session.



## Final Call for Coats

*Now through March 16, 2025*

We're truly blessed and grateful for the coats we have received thus far. Your generosity and kindness goes a long way and is appreciated.



We have a couple more weeks to make a coat donation. OAR (Opportunities, Alternatives and Resources) of Fairfax needs gently used, clean, washable, water-resistant coats in sizes AS to AXXXXL for men and women. They cannot use dressy, long wool coats that need to be dry-cleaned.

An OAR labeled box for donations is available in the Narthex through March 16.

An enormous **THANK YOU** goes out to Shon Cooper for managing this important ministry since last Fall. Please feel free to reach out to [Shon](#) if you have any questions.

## Seen Around St. Anne's...



The Stargazing event last Friday evening was chilly but beautiful! Bill Burton was able to show us the Beehive Cluster in Cancer which was so fun, given our apiary here at St. Anne's. (Thanks to Bill



Emilia Holthus and Eve Angerosa enjoying s'mores at the Stargazing event! (Thanks to Martha Furniss for the photo).

Burton for the photo).



Our Parish Administrator, Sheri Schaffer, cleaning and seasoning the new griddle in prep for next week's Pancake Supper. Come join us on March 4th! (Thanks to Shon Cooper for the photo).

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## St. Anne's Vestry

Daria Antonucci, James Brooks (senior warden), Sarah Brummett, Bernadette Capelle, Rosie Horn, Carol Leos, Christian Pelfrey, Clifton Poole, Suzanne Robinson, Nancy Santoro, Charlie Saunders (junior warden), Cat Tucker, The Very Rev. Jessica Holthus (rector & chair), Rev. Dr. Nancy D. Searby (deacon)

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## Contact Us

[The Very Reverend Jessica Holthus](#), Rector  
[The Reverend Dr. Nancy D. Searby](#), Deacon  
[Robert Hamilton](#), Music Director  
[James Brooks](#), Senior Warden  
[Sheri Schaffer](#), Parish Administrator  
[Angie Gray](#), Office Administrator

Our offices are open Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. We are available by phone and email at other times. We check the office voicemail at (703) 437-6530 regularly.

The **deadline to submit an announcement for enews is 12:00 pm on Tuesdays** . Email it to Sheri at [administrator@stannes-reston.org](mailto:administrator@stannes-reston.org). In addition to the text of your announcement, include any graphics, photos and links in your email.

To **reserve space at St. Anne's for an upcoming meeting/event**, email Sheri at [administrator@stannes-reston.org](mailto:administrator@stannes-reston.org) with the date, time and number of people you expect in attendance.



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