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Two Incredible Events Happening This Weekend at St. Anne's!



**Choral
Evensong**

This Saturday, June 6, at 5:00 PM
St. Anne's Sanctuary



**ST. ANNE'S
SUMMER
CELEBRATION**

June 7, 2026 | 4-7 PM

Arts & Crafts, Music, Food & Fun...
For the Entire Family!

Vestry Corner

Vestry met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Sunday, May 31. Members heard updates on the Capital Campaign, culminating in the Vestry officially approving the Capital Campaign Committee Charter. Each cohort provided an update on progress made in their pillar since our Vestry Retreat in April. There has been a lot of work going on behind the scenes as we wrap up our program year!



As we noted last week in e-news, Cat Tucker stepped down from the position of Junior Warden earlier this month. The Vestry discussed and is exploring options for filling the Junior Warden position in accordance with our parish bylaws.

Members were encouraged by the strong participation in the upcoming Summer Celebration and Shrinemont weekend. The meeting reflected a spirit of hope, collaboration, and careful stewardship as leaders work together to support the church's mission and community life.



Capital Campaign Update

On Sunday, June 14, during both worship services, we will commission the Capital Campaign Committee, consisting of James Brooks, Suzi Jones, Dorry Kee, Margaret Light, Charles Saunders and Mtr Jess. They will share a brief update during worship and offer a full presentation, allowing for questions and conversation, after each service in the library.

Serving Meals for FACETS Interest Meeting TONIGHT

Tonight, Thursday, June 4, 6:30 PM via Zoom

facets

Calling all volunteers interested in serving the food insecure in our neighborhood.

FACETS, the coordinators of Fairfax's hypothermia shelter program, also has a meal program. The FACETS Meals Program provides meals to the Fairfax community every day of the year at two locations in Fairfax County. Working alongside more than 50 faith partners and organizations, FACETS helps ensure that anyone in need of food assistance has access to a meal. You can learn more about the important work FACETS does by [clicking here](#).

FACETS has openings on their calendar for organizations to provide a meal on certain days of a month with a fifth week. To gauge St. Anne's interest to providing support, we will hold an informational meeting via Zoom, led by Bruce Edgerton. Attending the interest meeting does not commit you to volunteering. **The Zoom meeting is tonight, Thursday, June 4, at 6:30 PM.**

To sign up for the interest meeting [email Bruce Edgerton](#) to let him know you would like to attend.

Evensong is THIS SATURDAY!

This Saturday, June 6, 5:00 PM, Sanctuary
[Sign up here to provide a reception treat](#)



Please join us for a service of Choral Evensong this Saturday, June 6th at 5:00 PM!

As part of the festivities for the end of the program year, come hear the choir, and join together in this beautiful, centuries-old service of song and prayer.

In addition, we are looking for volunteers to provide treats for the reception following the Evensong. Please [click here to sign up](#).

Summer Celebration is THIS SUNDAY!

This Sunday, June 7, 4:00-7:00 PM
[Sign up here to provide a reception treat](#)

Join us for St. Anne's annual Summer Celebration! This is an exciting, family-friendly event that's less than three weeks away. Plans have been underway for several months

now and it promises to be the best one yet!

Enjoy arts and crafts, hands-on activities, music, food, and plenty of fun for all ages. Come for part of the celebration or stay for the entire time. We can't wait to kick off summer 2026 with you!

We are also looking for volunteers to provide treats for the reception during the event. Please [click here to sign up](#).



Are You New? We'd Like to Celebrate YOU!

This Sunday, June 7, 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

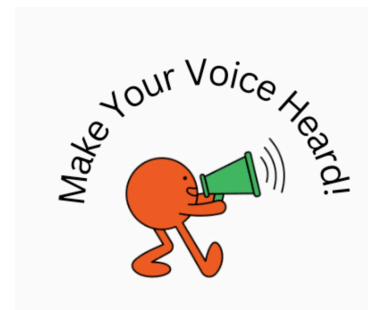
Have you joined St. Anne's in the past year? We want to connect with you and celebrate YOU being a part of St. Anne's!

We are so glad you are here and would like to celebrate you! [Please reach out to Mtr Jess](#) or the [Church Office](#) to be a part of this fun celebration.



Youth! Make Your Voice Heard! Calling all 6th through 12th Graders!

As the Youth Group wraps up the program year, we want to hear from anyone in the congregation who is between 6th grade and 12th grade. Please take a minute to answer our [Youth Group Survey](#) and help the Youth Council make plans for next year.



We're reconsidering meeting times, the calendar, and more, so your thoughts will help us plan opportunities that work with your schedule and interests.

We want to hear from you whether you've come to every event this year, or if you've never been to a single Sunday meeting.

Passport to Fun This Summer!

Starting June 14

Sunday school may be over, but we've still got plenty for kids to do this summer! On June 14, it's time to get ready for a **Summer Journey with Jesus**.

First, kids can grab a Passport when they arrive at church. For each week of church, the passport will ask questions related to the service. After church, a friendly passport volunteer will check the passport and if the questions are answered correctly, that passport gets a stamp. Children who collect at least seven passport stamps between June 14 and September 6 will receive a prize at St. Anne's Fall Festival!



And on four special Sundays this summer, June 14, July 5, July 19, August 9, we will have a special all-ages Children's Chapel. See box below for more information on Children's Chapel.

Going to Children's Chapel also earns a passport stamp. And if your family will be away one Sunday, a program from another church will earn a passport stamp too!

We're going on quite a journey this summer...and we'd love for your child to join us!

Summer Sundays Children Chapel

June 14, July 5, July 19, and August 9

Join us for Summer Sundays Children's Chapel: June 14, July 5, July 19, and August 9

In conjunction with our summer passport program, our K-5 young people will be Journeying with Jesus on 4 select Sundays during the summer. These will be summer fun activities, so wear play clothes and sunscreen!

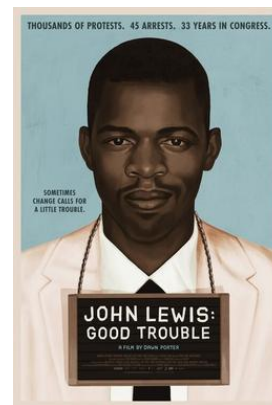
We are looking for youth and church safe trained adult volunteers to help with the fun. [Email Alicia Peralta](#) to volunteer.

Adult Formation: Movies that Make You Think

Tuesday, June 16, 6:00 PM, Library

As we remember and honor Juneteenth National Independence Day, join us for a showing of **John Lewis: Good Trouble**, a 2020 American documentary film about the life of civil rights activist and United States Congressman, John Lewis.

John Lewis: Good Trouble premiered in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on June 19, 2020 to commemorate Juneteenth, the celebration of the emancipation of enslaved people in the United States.



We'll have pizza before, and discussion after, the film. A voluntary donation of \$5 is requested to cover the cost of food. For more information, [contact Chris Cameron](#).

Show your Pride: March in the Capital Pride Parade with the Diocese of Virginia!

Saturday, June 20



That's right, our Diocese will have a presence at the Capital Pride Parade on Saturday, June 20, in Washington, DC! The parade kicks off at 14th & T Streets NW at about 3:00 pm. Come join in on the fun!

We're gathering a group from St. Anne's to walk along with our neighboring parishes sharing our inherent nature of being **Welcoming, Progressive, and Diverse**. Details around the meet up spot (metro accessible and we can meet up at St. Anne's or the Reston Metro's Kiss & Ride). More information to come. [Mark your calendars to join us!](#)

[Bernadette Capelle](#) and [Sandy Chamblee-Head](#) will provide updates in the coming weeks. Reach out with any questions or suggestions about how we can make the most of this event.

A note about Reston Pride – Volunteers are actively working to get Reston Pride back for June 2027 and maybe even a Fall event in 2026. Reston Pride has outgrown the

space at Lake Anne Plaza so a new venue (which comes with a much higher price tag), a larger volunteer base, and additional sponsors are part of the work being done right now. [Email or chat with Bernadette Capelle](#) if you'd like to volunteer with Reston Pride.

Food Pantry Summer Volunteer Opportunities

Make volunteering with our food pantry part of your summer plans! It's a meaningful way to serve the community — and a wonderful opportunity for youth seeking volunteer service hours.



Saturday Volunteer Opportunities:

9:30 a.m. – Noon on June 6 and August 1

Help sort and shelve donations from Cool Green Bags.

Thursday Volunteer Opportunities:

10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. on June 18, July 16, and August 20

Support our monthly distribution day by helping welcome guests and distribute food and other essentials to nearly 150 households.

We also offer many additional volunteer shifts and opportunities throughout the summer. To learn more or sign up, please contact [Glen Corso](#) or [Bernadette Capelle](#).

Key Kids Moment

On Sunday, Helen, Jane and Lizzy told us about the path they made for their group art project that they made during their last day of Sunday School (see picture below in "Seen Around St. Anne's)! They made all kinds of creatures for people to meet along a path made of maps, to get ready for our summer Journeys with Jesus. The path will be on display this Sunday during our Summer Celebration.

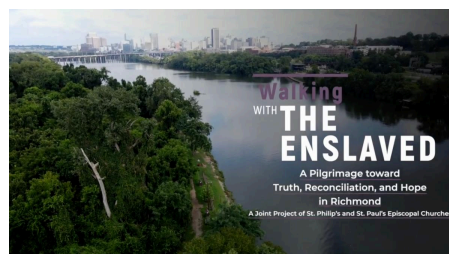


Today is the last day for Key Kids Moment this program year but there's lots for kids to do this summer, including our Passport to Fun (see above for more info)!

Walking with the Enslaved: A Pilgrimage Toward Truth, Reconciliation, and Hope

A joint project of St. Philip's and St. Paul's Episcopal Churches

September 19, 2026, 8:30 - 5:00, Richmond, VA



We are currently looking to assess the level of interest in participating in this one day Pilgrimage in Richmond. [Please click here to indicate your interest](#). You don't have to commit yet!

[Walking with the Enslaved](#) is a Spirit-led pilgrimage through Richmond's sites of enslavement and resistance. Rooted in the intertwined histories of St. Paul's and St. Philip's Episcopal Churches, this journey invites participants to confront the truth of slavery, encounter stories of courage and resilience, and open pathways toward healing, reconciliation, and shared wholeness. The cost is \$35 per person, which includes lunch.

[Click here to view a video](#) on the Pilgrimage.

[Contact Chris Cameron](#) if you have questions.

Vote Faithfully Series

First Thursday of each month June through November, starting today, June 4



On the first Thursday of each month from June through November, The Episcopal Church's Public Policy and Witness team will host a series of "Vote Faithfully" calls to support voter engagement in ways consistent with Episcopal values.

During the calls, hosts will share resources and ideas to help congregations promote voting and civic participation while remaining nonpartisan (avoiding support for specific political parties, candidates, or platforms).

The first call, on June 4, will feature Kent Anker, chief legal officer of The Episcopal Church, speaking about compliance with IRS rules regarding election engagement by religious organizations.

[Registration and additional information can be found here.](#)

Any questions, [reach out to Susan Schreiner](#).

Diaper Ministry

[CLICK HERE](#) to purchase a package of diapers from St. Anne's Amazon Wish List. It's quick and convenient and the diapers will be sent straight to St. Anne's!



We are extremely grateful to you for your generosity in our Diaper Ministry. Because of you, we are able to help diaper many babies and toddlers in our area, and the families are so appreciative.

When we're fully stocked for a distribution, these two shelves are filled to the brim with diapers. They hold sizes five and six, which are the sizes we always need most.

To make it easy to donate, we created an Amazon Wish List with the most needed diaper sizes (4, 5 and 6). Simply [click here](#) and choose a package of diapers to add to your cart. They will be shipped directly to St. Anne's.

In addition to full cases, we are also grateful for smaller, soft packs of 20–30 diapers, which are very helpful for distribution, as well as wipes.

Your continued support means so much to us, and we are truly thankful for your generosity.

Saturday Liturgies with Prayers and Singing

Saturdays, 12:00 PM, Sterling

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church in Herndon holds a Liturgy on **Saturdays at noon** in Sterling and has invited members of St. Anne's to join in offering prayers and singing for

immigrants. These take place every Saturday.

All are welcome to participate in this time of prayer, reflection, and song.

Location is 75 Vintage Park Plaza in Sterling, VA (Please note: The St. Timothy's/St. Anne's group gathers on Indian Creek Dr. As you turn onto Indian Creek Drive, you will see the group gathered and there is plenty of street parking)

Any questions, please [reach out to Susan Schreiner](#).



Shrine Mont Registration...Get on the Waitlist!

We are at capacity and have begun a wait list. If you plan to register, you will be added to the wait list.

Retreat date is October 2-4

Sign up Deadline is This Sun, June 7

[Sign Up Here](#) (waitlist only)

The October 2-4 retreat is a wonderful way to get to know one another in a relaxed setting, and to reconnect with our families, friends, and with God.

What is a Shrine Mont retreat? The weekend is designed to bring us together through fellowship, recreation, reflection, and worship in a setting that features fresh air, beautiful nature, plenty of rocking chairs, and wonderful people.

Activities will be organized for the weekend, but there will also be plenty of leisure time. Take advantage of an organized program, enjoy a nap, read a good book by the pond, chat with others on a porch, walk the outdoor labyrinth, or hike the mountain up to the cross. Design the weekend you need!

[Click here for the registration form](#). Note that we are AT CAPACITY as of May 12. All registrations from this date on will be placed on a wait list.

If you have any questions or need assistance, **[contact Sheri Schaffer](#)**, our Parish Admin.



Seen Around St. Anne's...



Last day of Sunday School last week and the children designed a beautiful art project that will be displayed at this Sunday's Summer Celebration. Be sure to check it out in the library on Sunday during the event!

Last meeting of the program year for the Healing Prayer Ministry was yesterday. Thank you for all you do!

St. Anne's Vestry

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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](#). In addition to the text of your announcement, include graphics, photos and links in your email.

To **reserve space at St. Anne's for an upcoming meeting/event**, [email Sheri](#) with the date, time and number of people you expect in attendance.



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