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Happy
May Day
St. Anne's!



WELCOME TO LEGACY GIVING MONTH!

In May, we celebrate the amazing array of opportunities we have to glorify God and serve one another thanks to the vision and commitment of those who founded St. Anne's. In the same spirit of this legacy, the St. Anne's Endowment Fund was launched in 2014 as a tangible means to support our church's work "in perpetuity."



Several times during services this month, we will hear from those who have generously contributed or made commitments to the Fund as part of their legacy. Information about the Fund will also be available from members of the Endowment Committee in the Narthex directly after the 10 AM service. We look forward to celebrating and speaking with you!

Come *LIVE IT OUT* at VBS This Summer - REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

June 23-27, 9:00-12:15; Camp Sunday, June 28

**Deadline to register is THIS SUNDAY,
May 4**

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER!](#)

VBS will be held in June this year (June 23-27) and we'd love to have our little campers back for another week of summer fun! Gredel Ellender and Alicia Peralta have agreed to be Co-Directors for the camp and we are so grateful to them!



LIVE IT OUT will help us discover how to love like Jesus by focusing on five key aspects

of faith: love, live, share, forgive, and 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.

Looking for VBS Volunteers

We are also looking for adult and Jr. Counselor volunteers! Come and make a difference in the lives of our St. Anne's children. If interested, please complete the form below.

- [VBS Junior Counselors Volunteer Form](#) (rising 7th grader-12 grade)
Get your school service hours at VBS!
- [Adult Volunteer Form](#)

2025 Summer Celebration (formerly called Garden Party)

Sunday, June 8, 4:00-6:00 PM

The Summer Celebration is a time for St. Anne's to come together outside of worship to celebrate the phenomenal year we had and to launch into summer...an opportunity to enrich our souls with the arts; a time for YOU to showcase your craft, your skill, to perform, to provide a special treat, to fellowship and to just have fun!



The first half of our time together will be an interactive display of art in various mediums by St. Anne's parishioners. If you would like to showcase your handmade pottery, crocheted items, painted pieces, photography, or anything else you create, we'd love to see what you do! We're also looking for folks interested in teaching others a skill...planting an aster, designing a pinch pot, knitting...the sky's the limit!

During the second half of our time we will enjoy performances in the sanctuary. Do you write poetry? We'd love to hear you recite it! Do you like to sing? Play an instrument? Read monologues? Stand-up comedy? Come perform for us!

There are many opportunities...crafts, performances, refreshments, volunteering to be available on the day of the event to help where needed. [CLICK HERE to complete the form to participate](#). Deadline to sign up in Sunday, June 1st.

Please reach out to [Kendall Jamison](#) with any questions.

Moving Mountains Mission Trip

June 14-21, 2025

Deadline to register is May 31

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER!](#)

This trip is an incredible opportunity to make friends and bond with St. Anne's teens. Friendships will be forged that continue throughout the year, as our teens this past summer have shown us! Clifton Poole will lead the trip once again.



The mission gives participants an opportunity to volunteer for building/home repair

projects, teaching elementary school students in the community, or scientific research at Estanoa Wetlands Learning Center.

Teens will lead work sites, admin crews, make decisions and keep things moving.

The trip is open to rising 9th graders through 2nd year college students. Exceptions are made for rising 8th grade when their parent/guardian comes along.

Participants will travel by car to St Paul, VA located in the Appalachian Mountains in southwestern Virginia. The area is known for its beauty and its great people.

Our accommodations are provided by the Grace House on the Mountain, Episcopal Diocese of Southwestern Virginia. More information is [available here](#).

Vote Faithfully

Virginia will hold elections for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General and members of the House of Delegates in November.



The primary election for contested offices is June 17. Early voting begins tomorrow, May 2. The deadline to register to vote or update your registration before the primary is May 27. The deadline to apply for a ballot by mail is June 6.

For information about primary candidates, [click here](#). For information on early voting locations, visit your county's office of elections website.

St. Anne's is doing great work on composting! The following statistics are based on CO2e (Carbon Equivalency). This number allows abstract measurements to be put into concrete terms everyone can understand, such as the emissions from cars, households, or power plants. To learn more visit the the EPA's [Greenhouse Gas Equivalencies Calculator](#). Keep up the good work, St. Anne's!



1,022 lbs diverted!

This is the total weight St. Anne's has composted since the start in Oct. 2024. Incredible!



0.5 tons of waste recycled instead of landfilled!

St. Anne's has saved 0.5 tons from sitting in a landfill. Amazing!



6.7 seedlings planted!

From a greenhouse gas equivalency standpoint St. Anne's composting efforts are equivalent to 6.7 urban trees seedlings grown for 10 years. Wow!



45 gallons of gas!

The number of gallons of gasoline offset by diverting food scraps from the landfill. Fantastic!



1,013 miles offset!

St. Anne's composting efforts are equivalent to not driving 1,013 miles. Whoa!

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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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. 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 with the date, time and number of people you expect in attendance.



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