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Join Us THIS SUNDAY for our Joint Campaign Launch!

Sunday, October 25, immediately following the 8am service (Library) and again following the 10am service (Sanctuary)

This year, we are launching our Stewardship Campaign and Capital Campaign together. Our goal is to present a holistic picture of where God is leading St. Anne's and how we are being called to respond.

Rather than viewing these as separate or competing efforts, we want to show how they work together to strengthen the ministry of our church. Because both campaigns will begin at the same time, you will receive information about the Stewardship Campaign and the Capital Campaign together in one packet. A snapshot of the purpose of each campaign can be found on the back of this insert.

We invite you to join us for an important informational gathering. The Joint Campaign Launch will take place this Sunday, October 25, immediately following the 8am service (Library) and again following the 10am service (Sanctuary). In-Gathering Sunday will be held on Sunday, November 22.

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This Sunday, October 25, 3:00-5:00pm
Northern Virginia Hebrew Congregation, 1441 Wiehle Ave, Reston

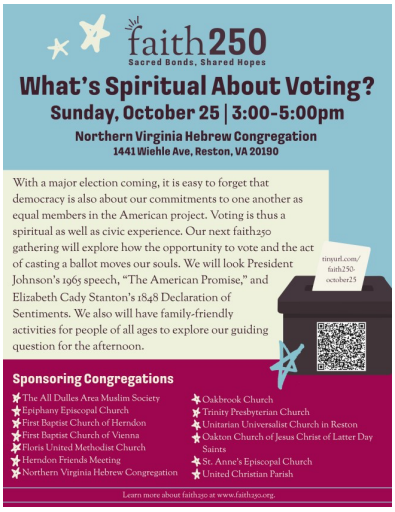
With a major election coming, it is easy to forget that
democracy is also about our commitments to one another as equal members in the American project. Voting is thus a spiritual as well as civic experience.

Our next faith250 gathering, of which St. Anne's is a sponsoring congregation, will explore how the opportunity to vote and the act of casting a ballot moves our souls. We will look at

President Johnson's 1965 speech, "The American Promise," and "What's Spiritual About Voting?"

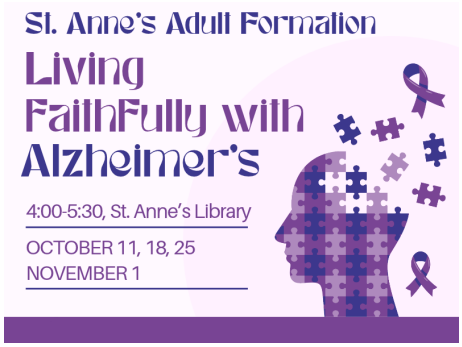
[Learn more about faith250 here](#).

[Sign up to attend here](#).



Adult Formation: Living Faithfully with Alzheimer's

This Sunday, October 25, 4:00-5:30 PM, Library
Online option: Wednesdays at 7:00 PM ***via Zoom***



Join us on Sunday for the 3rd session of 4 in our "*Living Faithfully with Alzheimer's Series*."

Featuring former Assistant Bishop of Virginia, Porter Taylor, we will explore the spiritual journey of living with Alzheimer's through the lens of faith, loss, and gratitude.

Questions? Please [reach out to Chris Cameron](#)

To see an entire schedule of our Adult Formation Fall offerings [click here](#).

Youth @ St. Anne's: Seek First: Tools for Believing

This Sunday, October 25, 2:30-4:00 PM



Seek First meetings are a community for youth who are working out what their faith means to them. These also serve as preparation for those in 8th grade and above who are considering confirmation, reception, or reaffirmation of vows in the Episcopal Church.

The Book of Common Prayer has influenced the way we worship for centuries, and it contains so much more than just prayers! We'll do a group scavenger hunt through the Book of Common Prayer and discover new ways we might use this tool (as well as some apps and other faith tools) throughout the week.

Youth @ St. Annes Calendar for October and November. All start at 2:30 PM unless otherwise noted:

- **October 25:** Seek First: Tools for Believing
- **November 1:** Student holiday. No youth @ 2:30, but we'll gather for Choral

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FACETS Meal Prep Update

Candy Donations Due by Noon, This Sunday, October 25



St. Anne's is partnering with FACETS again to provide meals for neighbors experiencing food insecurity in Fairfax County. On Thursday, October 29, we'll prepare and provide **245 meals** (Wow!!) and we'd love for you to be part of this effort!

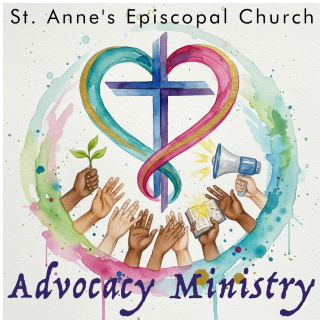
First Up: We Need Candy!
We're planning to include Halloween candy as a special dessert in each meal bag. We invite the congregation to donate individually wrapped Halloween candy. **Please bring your contributions to St. Anne's by noon on Sunday, October 25. You can drop the candy in the office on a weekday between 9-3 or leave them in the pantry donation box in the narthex.**

There will be another opportunity to volunteer with the meal preparation and distribution soon, so please watch this space for details. This is such a wonderful opportunity to serve our neighbors and make a meaningful difference together.

Interested in joining the FACETS meal team or have questions? Please **contact Bruce Edgerton**.

Large Ensemble Concert This Sunday!

This Sunday, October 25, 1:30, Sanctuary



Reed Trevelyan and The Interchangeable String Quartet present their first "large ensemble" concert, featuring two famous works for string quartet plus an extra cello and viola. Join us this Sunday at 1:30 PM in the sanctuary.

The program consists of the warm and autumnal Brahms String Sextet Op. 18, and Schubert's most sublime String Quintet. There will be a free will offering that will go to the St. Anne's food pantry.

Join us for concert that will make you feel like fall is here!

All Saints Sunday

Next Sunday, November 1



We will refine our need over the weeks before the next big distribution on November 19 to take into account the people who arrive at St Annes on any day the office is open for groceries and, often, diapers. If you are doing fall housecleaning, we will take any child-related items, toys, clothing, baby food and Similac products, etc.

Our pantry thrives because of your generosity and we are so grateful. Thank you!

Black Nativity by Langston Hughes: Now Forming a Waitlist

Friday, December 4, 6:30 PM, depart St. Anne's
Production at George Mason University's Hylton Theater



This Advent Season enjoy Langston Hughes' joyous musical *Black Nativity* with St. Annes on Friday, December 4 at George Mason University's Hylton theater!

First performed in 1961, this powerful work blends scripture with gospel, blues, and spirituals, creating a vibrant expression of faith, joy, and community. This professional touring company performance of *Black Nativity* completely sold out in 2025.

All but 2 tickets have been claimed!

Click here to sign up or join the waitlist.

Please contact **Lorraine Cross** with any questions.

Vote Faithfully

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VOTE faithfully

This Saturday, October 24, is the last day to register to vote or to update your registration. It is also the deadline to request a ballot by mail. You can take these actions online by visiting your county Office of Elections website or the state Department of Elections website at **elections.virginia.gov**.

Have you checked your voter status lately? Do you have questions about the upcoming election? Stop by the Vote Faithfully information table at church this Sunday, Oct. 25, for help with registration, early voting locations & hours, and what is on the ballot.

On November 3, all Virginians will vote on a US senator, members of the US House of Representatives and three proposed amendments to the state constitution. Some jurisdictions will also vote on local offices and issues.

To preview your ballot, visit your city or county' Office of Elections website .

Important upcoming dates:

- On October 22 (today) additional early in person voting sites will open. Check with your county Office of Elections for locations and hours.
- October 24 is the deadline to register or update your registration and the last day to request a ballot by mail.

Need a ride to the polls?

Martha Furniss and Dorry Kee will once again organize Souls to the Polls transportation for early voting, dropping off absentee ballots or getting to the polls on Election Day!

[Email here to request a ride or volunteer to provide rides](#)

Any questions about voting and registration can be directed to **Carol Hurlburt**

Help Provide a Warm, Fresh Start

Now thorugh Sunday, February 7, 2027



Your generosity can help provide a warm, fresh start for people who are newly released from prison.

OAR (Opportunities, Alternatives and Resources) of Fairfax is collecting gently used, clean, washable, water-resistant coats in sizes AS through AXXXXL. Please note that OAR cannot use dressy, long wool coats that require dry cleaning.

An OAR-labeled donation box is available in the Narthex now through February 7, 2027.

We are also looking for volunteers who can help pick up donated coats and deliver them to OAR in Fairfax. If this ministry speaks to you and you would like to donate coats or help with transportation, please **contact Shon Cooper**.

To learn more about OAR and the important work they do in our community, **click here**.

Volunteer with The Closet

Try something new! Volunteer with The Closet, a well-run thrift store that gives back to the community in countless ways. Its success depends on dedicated volunteers, and every helping hand is truly valued.

Volunteer Dates Assigned to St. Anne's

- Thursday, November 5
- Tuesday, December 1
- Saturday, December 26

If you and/or a friend might be interested in volunteering, please give it a try! You won't regret it! Please feel free to **reach out to Rita Smith** if you have any questions or would like to join the fun!

Other Upcoming Closet Date to Save

- December 12: Winter Market

Seen Around St. Anne's



Congratulations to Bryce Korbuly on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout! We celebrate this wonderful accomplishment and congratulate Bryce on this important milestone. His Eagle Scout Court of Honor ceremony took place last Thursday evening.



In recognition of their achievement in Choristers, Music Director, Rob Hamilton, awards a medal to Lydia German and Helen Bornmann at Sunday's service.



We celebrated Leon Urbaniak's birthday on Sunday with singing and a hearty "hallelujiah" from Leon from the Ambo! Happy Birthday, Leon!



The youth enjoyed carving pumpkins on Sunday in the gorgeous Fall sunshine!

St. Anne's Vestry

Daria Antonucci, Sarah Brummett, Bernadette Capelle, Marian Egge, Rosie Horn (Jr Warden), Brandon Huffman, Margaret Light (Sr Warden), Christian Pelfrey, Suzanne Robinson, Nancy Santoro, Matt Scott, The Very Rev. Jessica Holthus (Rector & Chair), The Rev. Kara Laughlin (Associate Rector for Discipleship)

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The Very Reverend Jessica Holthus, Rector
The Reverend Kara Laughlin, Associate Rector for Discipleship
Robert Hamilton, Music Director
Margaret Light, 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.

Have an announcement? Need to reserve space?

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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