

Welcome to

SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH TAMPA, FLORIDA

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 6, 2025 10:30AM

May those who sorrow find comfort; the weary, rest; the troubled, peace; the lonely, friends; the unhappy, joy; and may all find the sense of God's presence in this Holy Place. Welcome to Saint Andrew's Church in the city of Tampa. You are sharing in a tradition of worship that has been offered here since 1883, when a wood-frame building was erected on this site as Tampa's first Episcopal Church. The cornerstone of the present church was laid in 1904.

All Visitors and Newcomers are invited to complete the information card, found on the back of the pews, and leave it with an usher or in the offering plate. Please introduce yourselves to the clergy as you leave the church and come to coffee hour in the parish hall after the 10:30 a.m. service.

Each Sunday we celebrate The Holy Eucharist at 8 a.m. (Rite I, said); and at 10:30 a.m. (Rite II, with choir).

At Your Service: Stay warm at Saint Andrews: Borrow a shawl from the basket at the back of the church. Shawl donations also welcomed!

IMPORTANT PRIVACY NOTICE

As a mission of outreach to our parishioners and the greater Christian community, audio and video of this service will be recorded and broadcast live on social media. We make every effort to respect and preserve the privacy of members and visitors. If you have any specific questions or concerns about your privacy while worshipping with us, please speak with one of the ushers at the rear of the church.

Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent—for this is the house of God. Before the service, speak to God. During the service, let God speak to you. After the service, speak to one another.

PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES.

Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10:30 a.m.

Prelude: Elegy

Tower Bell

Hymn 535 (stand)

1 Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim, and publish abroad his wonderful Name; the Name all victorious of Jesus extol: his kingdom is glorious; he rules over all.

2 God ruleth on high, almighty to save; and still he is nigh: his presence we have. The great congregation his triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus our King. 3 Salvation to God who sits on the throne! Let all cry aloud, and honor the Son. The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb

4 Then let us adore, and give him his right: All glory and power, all wisdom and might, and honor and blessing, with angels above, and thanks never ceasing and infinite love.

All standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant	Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People	And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.
	Amen.

The Celebrant says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

George Thalben-Ball (1896-1987)

Paderborn

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

First Reading (sit)

A Reading from the Second Book of Kings

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. And the king of Aram said, "Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel." He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy." When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me." But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Reader	The Word of the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

Psalm 30 Said by all

1 I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up * and have not let my enemies triumph over me. 2 O Lord my God, I cried out to you, * and you restored me to health. 3 You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; * you restored my life as I was going down to the grave. 4 Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; * give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness. 5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, * his favor for a lifetime. 6 Weeping may spend the night, * but joy comes in the morning. 7 While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed. * You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains." 8 Then you hid your face, * and I was filled with fear. 9 I cried to you, O Lord; * I pleaded with the Lord, saying, 10 "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? * will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness? 11 Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; * O Lord, be my helper." 12 You have turned my wailing into dancing; * you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy. 13 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; * O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

Second Reading

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Galatians.

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised-- only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule-- peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

Reader	The Word of the Lord
People	Thanks be to God.

Hymn 558 (stand)

1 Faith of our fathers! living still in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword: O how our hearts beat high with joy, whene'er we hear that glorious word:

Refrain Faith of our fathers, holy faith! We will be true to thee till death.

2 Faith of our fathers! faith and prayer shall win all nations unto thee; and through the truth that comes from God, mankind shall then indeed be free. *Refrain*.

3 Faith of our fathers! we will love both friend and foe in all our strife: and preach thee, too, as love knows how, by kindly deeds and virtuous life. *Refrain*.

St. Catherine

Holy Gospel

PriestThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' "Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me." The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

Priest	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Nicene Creed (stand)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God. begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead. and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People (kneel)

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation, especially the people of Ukraine, Israel & Gaza.

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen*.

Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence.

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

Peace (stand)

Celebrant	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People	And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

Holy Communion

At the Offertory:

Hymn 717 (sit)

1 My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing; land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrim's pride, from every mountainside let freedom ring.

2 My native country, thee, land of the noble free, thy name I love; I love thy rocks and rills, thy woods and templed hills; my heart with rapture thrills like that above. 3 Let music swell the breeze, and ring from all the trees sweet freedom's song; let mortal tongues awake, let all that breathe partake, let rocks their silence break, the sound prolong.

4 Our fathers' God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing; long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light; protect us by thy might, great God, our King.

Hymn 380, stanza 3 (stand)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

Eucaristic Prayer C

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise. America

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus

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Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel as the Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *AMEN*.

The Celebrant then continues

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

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All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen*.

Hymn 539 (stand)

1 O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling, to tell to all the world that God is Light; that he who made all nations is not willing one soul should fail to know his love and might.

Refrain Publish glad tidings: tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.

2 Proclaim to every people, tongue, and nation that God, in whom they live and move, is Love; tell how he stooped to save his lost creation, and died on earth that all might live above. *Refrain*

Tidings

3 Send heralds forth to bear the message glorious; give of thy wealth to speed them on their way; pour out thy soul for them in prayer victorious till God shall bring his kingdom's joyful day. *Refrain*

4 He comes again! O Zion, ere thou meet him, make known to every heart his saving grace; let none whom he hath ransomed fail to greet him, through thy neglect, unfit to see his face. *Refrain*

Dismissal

PriestGo in peace to love and serve the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Postlude: Toccata on Old Hundredth

Denis Bédard (b. 1950)

THOSE SERVING TODAY: Sunday, July 6, 2025

Celebrant: Fr. Campbell Preacher: Fr. Stadel Guest Organist: Ryan Hebert Verger: Allison Besselieu Crucifer: Ethan Smith Torchbearers: Aiden Kennington, Jacob Kennington Lectors: Jim Shuler, Tom Akins Lay Eucharistic Ministers: George Bedell, Brad Hall Videographer: Paul Scheuer, Jan Smith, Kirk McCann, Joe Scheuer Ushers: Derrick Brown, Donreece Brown, Chris Watson, Michael Dickinnson Altar Guild: Jan Smith, Cathy Szuba, Ursula Keeler, Beth Kennington Coffee Hour Hosts: The Fellowship Team



The altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God, and in loving memory of my Aunt Janie Brownell by Wallace A. Dixon

BIRTHDAYS: Kathy Lawless, Troy Brown, Rip Chambers, Verda Crenshaw, Dorothy Peters, Michael MacIsaac, Sharon Pizzo, Emily Cantler, Jeanne Vince, Daniel Carr, Jennifer Richardson, Taylor Meriwether **ANNIVERSARIES**: Dennis & Melinda Dundore

Prayers for Healing

The Daughters of the King are now offering prayers for healing during the 10:30 Sunday service. If you would like to avail yourself of this opportunity, stop by the chapel altar rail after you receive communion. The Daughters would appreciate the chance to pray with you.

Youth News

Children's chapel at 10:30 continues through the summer. I am still searching for a few more shining star volunteers to serve during both hours on Sunday mornings. If you are still thinking about serving once a month, why not just come hang out with us on Sunday morning? The other Sunday School teachers and I would love to have your help, and make you feel welcome.



Also, please mark your calendars for VBS 2025: Vacation Bible School 2025 will take place **August 4-8**, **2025**. The VBS theme this year is True North: Point kids to Jesus, a faithful friend we can always trust. Guide kids on the ultimate Alaskan adventure where northern lights glow over majestic mountains, racing rivers, and glistening glaciers. As kids trek the tundra, they'll explore how easy

it is to lose sight of what's true in our wild world today. Pointing them toward Jesus, True North VBS shows them that he is a faithful friend we can always trust. He's our True North!

Supply List:

- Brown cardboard boxes
- Bubble wrap
- Brown packing paper
- Tents (borrowed or donated)
- Poster tubes/cardboard tubes (for wood logs)
- Twinkle lights (for night sky)
- Moving blankets (for walking path)
- Cardboard corners (for chopped wood)
- Tissue paper (for wildflowers)
- Rocking chairs
- Pot & planter chains (for campfire pot)
- Hiking boots or gear
- Walking sticks
- Pool noodles
- Any other outdoor or camping gear

Please contact Alicia at <u>aliciaschmid@rocketmail.com</u> to volunteer for a week of faith, fun, and fellowship! Building Sundays will be **July 13th and August 3rd**.

Adult Christian Education

Sunday mornings at 9:30

What Happens Next

A Traveler's Guide through the End of This Age

Are we living in the end times? If so, what does that mean for us? In this video series, Max Lucado's optimistic, accessible, and non-sensational guide to what the Bible says about heaven's timeline will empower us to face the future with faith.

Seven years of chaos called the Tribulation. A cruel and cunning Antichrist. The dreaded battle of Armageddon. These images and ideas associated with prophecy can be stimulating but also unnecessarily scary. Max Lucado believes God wants us to be prepared, not scared.

Max explores four big ideas that will provide a solid foundation for understanding God's plans and will remind us that we are headed to a far better place than where we started. He explains that

- we were made to reign with Christ;
- God has made and will keep his promises;
- heaven has a timeline; and
- a golden era, the millennium, awaits God's children.

In a world filled with political tension, personal trials, and international turbulence, we find ourselves drawn to exploring what happens next on heaven's timeline. Whether you find yourself in the "I can't wait," "I'm almost ready," or "I'm not sure about all of this" camp, you will be encouraged to ponder God's plans and promises for the future. In Max's signature encouraging style, he reminds us, "It's all about hope. It's all about him."

Here is the rest of the line-up:

7/6 – God Will Have His Garden 7/13 – The Great Homecoming

This class, facilitated by the Rector, meets in Room 302 (the Library) on the third floor of the Parish Building.

New Organist/Choirmaster

The Rector is pleased to announce that James W. Guyer has accepted the call to serve as Organist/Choirmaster at St. Andrew's, starting August 1st. Dr. Guyer has been the Organist/Choirmaster at St. Boniface Episcopal Church in Sarasota since 2017. Prior to that, he served in the same capacity at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Fort Pierce for eight years. James earned his Doctor of Music degree (DM) in organ performance and literature at Indiana University Jacobs School of Music, where he also studied church music, improvisation, music theory and choral conducting. His matriculation with IU professors Marilyn Keiser, Brent Gault and William Jon Gray in choral studies and children's choirs provided opportunities to work with the IU Children's Choir and the Royal School of Church Music. His love for children and youth choirs began during high school when he was the accompanist for the Irving Boys Choir, under the direction of Woody Schober. During those years, it became clear that both keyboard and choral music would be in his future. This passion led to the formation of a choir school at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church and School and the Siesta Youth Chorale, programs at his most recent churches. His most recent work with children has included appointments as Artistic Director of Sarasota Young Voices and Director of Boys Choir and Mixed Choir with Gulf Coast Homeschool Fine Arts. He was also selected to direct the 2025 Pinellas All-County Elementary Honors Choir Festival.

James is an active performer as an organist in south Florida with appearances in churches on east and west coasts, including The Community Church of Vero Beach, The Episcopal Church of Bethesda-by-the-Sea in Palm Beach, and The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer in Sarasota. He will make his international debut at Truro Cathedral, Cornwall, UK in July of this year. Other collaborations have included performances of Mendelssohn's *Lobgesang* with the Treasure Coast Classical Singers, Mozart's *Requiem* & Brahms's *Requiem* with the Atlantic Symphonic Chorus and Philharmonic Orchestra, and joint Evensong services with various churches in south Florida. As a Christian, James cherishes a deep appreciation for music in relation to faith and an excitement to share this with his students and congregation. When not making music, he enjoys spending time in beautiful "Old Florida" with his wife and four children (ages 20, 17, 10, and 8).

Please make it a point to welcome James and his family on August 3rd, which will be his first Sunday with us.

400 Advisers

I read the following in a church newsletter:

A preacher in the Midwest tells of a woman who called him to speak of her dissatisfaction with the program of the Church. He invited her to come to his office and talk the problem over with him. She accepted the invitation and brought to his attention some of the things that were needed and could be done.

He gratefully acknowledged the wisdom of her ideas. He then said, "This is wonderful that you are so concerned and interested in this. You are the very person this Church needs to head up this program. Will you take the job?"

Her reply was just as immediate. "Oh, no, I don't want to get involved. With my club work and the hours that I put in on some other things, I just don't have the time. But I will be glad to advise you any time."

The preacher's answer was classic and well put: "Good, gracious, lady, that's the problem now. I already have 400 advisers. I need someone who will work."

Almost everyone in a congregation says that they want it to grow. If people want growth, if God promises a good harvest, why aren't more congregations growing? What is stopping the growth God wants to give?

-Brian Stoffregen

Biblical Passages Are Like Rental Cars

Biblical passages are, in some ways, like a fleet of rental cars. Some get driven a lot, some are less popular. Some are easy to handle, others take more skill and experience to manage. Almost all of them get abused by their drivers.

If today's gospel text were a rental car, it would be a great big SUV with a lot of miles on it. One look at it, and you would know that this one has hauled a lot of people's baggage over the years. Big and unwieldy, it tends to go off in other directions regardless of where you are steering it.

-C. Joshua Villines

PART-TIME CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTER

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, downtown Tampa, seeks dynamic, spiritual person responsible for teaching Sunday School class for children (grade 5 and below) of the parish; will also assist during Children's Chapel on Sunday mornings and lead/assist at monthly events for children and youth; must have good interpersonal, relational, and administrative skills. Team player. Approximately six (6) hours per week. Resumes and communication (electronic preferred) to: The Rev. John Reese, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 509 E. Twiggs St., Tampa, FL 33602. E-mail: rector@saintandrewstampa.org

The Rector is away on vacation and will return to the office on July 9th. If you have a pastoral emergency during that time period, please call Fr. Rick at 503-508-8549.

Your Gift Makes a Difference



St. Andrew's runs solely on the generosity of its members. Give today via the offering plate or scan this code with your phone to give online. You can also mail your gift to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Attn: Administrator, 509 East Twiggs St., Tampa, FL 33602. Every gift, large or small, sustains the love.

church you love.

On Independence Day Weekend

"In reading over the Constitutions of all fifty of our states, I discovered something which some of you may not know: there is in all fifty, without exception, an appeal or a prayer to the Almighty God of the universe.... Through all fifty state Constitutions, without exception, there runs this same appeal and reference to God who is the Creator of our liberties and the preserver of our freedoms."

- D. James Kennedy

"It is impossible to rightly govern the world without God and the Bible."

- George Washington

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Sarah Hudson, Jenette Kerr, Kay Rankin, Joe Daurril, Stephen Rosser, Rose Williams, Al Stein, Precious Montgomery, Nancy Honeycutt, Jerry Divers, Wayne Putney, Jean Turner, Matthew Borsch, Bennie Kay O'Brien, Jack Plimmer, Gerald Anthony Brozyna, Andrew Orestano, Marcia Biondolillo, Charlene Maxwell, James Arthur "Bubba" Turner, Beth Sellas, Charles Cernuda, Callista Tolbert, Rebecca Blake, Analee Mayes, Eric Mann, Doug Rubottom, Michael Kaney, Deloris Lewis, Pamela Ann Lane Ketchy, Charles Mullen, Jean McAlister, Sofie Paton-Smith, Rodney Rodriguez

THOSE FOR WHOM PRAYERS HAVE BEEN ESPECIALLY REQUESTED:

Mark Caro, Sgt. Billy Gudzak, Joan Hoppe, Carlton Hart, Stephen Tedrowe, Virginia Sink, Charlie Richardson, Christine Hudson, Janet Norona, Michael Norona, Christopher Hunt, Corinne Gaile, Jack Boyet, Holly Clemmons, Katie Pastorius, Ralph & Nancy Swank, Delphine & Bob Ballard, Janis Riasanovsky, Edwin Bourdeau, Leigh Kaney, Charlotte Churchill, Ingrid Peterson, Jeannie Borsch, Milca Burgos, Joan Schofield, Valerie, Frances Dee Martinez, Linda McGhee, Patrick Wing, Judith Lombana, Darren Watts, Karen & Mahlon Sandord, Kay Saville, Linda & David Williams, Harry & Henry Paton-Smith, Kathleen McMullen, Louise Polley (*We are happy to include all prayer requests. Names will remain on the list for four weeks. Please call Lauri in the church office if you desire a name to remain on after four weeks or to be removed sooner.*)

Prayer Request Cards are available at the back of the church for prayers by the Daughters of the King or contact Adrienne Love (phone) 813-391-5129 (or email) alove6984@gmail.com



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In the name of Christ, we the people of Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church, in response to God's call, proclaim our belief that Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior, and thereby declare our purpose to be to glorify God through our worship and work, to serve the spiritual and temporal needs of others as Christ's disciples, and to build a lively, growing community in Christ's image.