

# The Piper

## June 2022



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## **A few words from the Senior Warden**



It is time for Pentecost. The Altar color is Red. The altar guild will be busy transforming the church in readiness for this special Sunday. In old-school Anglican churches it is known as Whitsunday (white Sunday) and everyone wears white. Pentecost symbolizes the Holy Spirit and changes us as Christians so we may go out into the world and help change the things that are unjust. Bishop Curry says (about Pentecost) "When Jesus is born in us at Pentecost, and in our communities, and in our world, there is going to be a revolution."

The first Pentecost saw a community of believers come together, and a new community was born. More than that, all the petty power struggles, all the kingdom building, all the infighting stopped! What divided everyone disappeared and the church was born. The church became a group of believers whose goal was spreading the love of Jesus. It was a community all looking together in the same direction. It was about Love. And it included everyone. Everyone's petty squabbles disappeared and the goal was loving each other, loving neighbors, seeking justice through love, and allowing the Holy Spirit of Jesus to be born within us! This can also happen here today.

Bishop Curry says it so eloquently as he describes the birth of love through Pentecost. "Love is ecumenical, love is interfaith, love is bipartisan, love is multiethnic, love embraces and includes everyone, all of us. And when we live in love we live in God." Why? It is because the origin of that love is God, and God is Love! This was the message from Jesus, and still is the message of Pentecost today!

I turned on the television last night and the news was on. Yikes. There were more killed in the Ukraine and cities demolished. On May 14, ten people were killed in Buffalo from a mass shooting. An 18 year old gunman in Texas kills 21 at an elementary school.

The shooter's mother said "forgive me, forgive my son." A major large church denomination (not Episcopal) discloses that a list of about 800 ministers will be published at their convention who were accused child molesters. Lake Mead is 180 feet down from drought. Gas needlessly reaches over \$6.00 a gallon. A Japanese man spends \$15,700 on a dog costume in his dream of transforming into an animal. And . . . you are going to get covid – again and again and again.

I reached for the remote and buried myself in Jeopardy. At least there are answers to those questions. The news showed nothing about loving each other. There was and will be no Pentecost story in the news. That leaves us, as Christians, to get the word out, to spread the news of the Gospel and to share the Pentecost message with others. It is hard to compete with the televised news. NBC nightly news reaches over 8 million people. However, there are over 2 billion people who practice some form of Christianity. How many of those 2 billion listen to the news? Statistics tell us that 30% of Americans watch the news while others learn through social media sources. Those same statistics tell us that 22% of Americans attend church. Am I missing something? Talking to my nephew the other day he said to me, "I can't believe how distorted the news is on certain social media." He proceeded to tell me how much hate and bigotry is online.

I digressed. Mea culpa. Back to Pentecost. The Gaithers who wrote, Because He Lives also wrote a Pentecost themed hymn, "Sweet Sweet Spirit" (LEVAS 120). The lyrics say it all. "Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet heavenly Dove, Stay right here with us, filling us with Your love. And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise, without a doubt, we will know we have been revived, when we shall leave this place."

We, as believers, as Christians, are the ones who can share that message. We must share or perish. It is that simple. We need to get others to hear and feel the love of God. And then perhaps the world has a chance. Perhaps the world can begin to change. Perhaps. We will never know unless we do something. Love is a verb. It's a call to action!  
Steve

#### St. Andrew's Vestry Members

Steve Lefever, Senior Warden

Sheryl Mello

Rochelle Kelly, Junior Warden

Sue Roe

Cindy Garay

Ray Wentz

Susan Greer

If you have any questions, comments, suggestions, please forward them to any of the Vestry members. Vestry meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 3 pm in the Parish Hall.



One of my favorite all-time desserts. Sue Roe

### Pineapple Upside Down Cake

1/4 cup butter

1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar

Canned sliced pineapple, drain and reserve juice

Maraschino cherries

Nuts

1/4 cup softened butter

1 egg

3/4 cup granulated sugar

1/2 cup pineapple juice

1-1/3 cups flour

2 teaspoons baking powder



Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Melt 1/4 cup butter in 8" cast iron skillet. Add brown sugar and stir until bubbly. Remove from heat. Arrange pineapple slices, cherries, and nuts (I use almonds) in the skillet. Set aside while you mix the cake batter.

Cream the softened butter, egg, and granulated sugar until fluffy. Add flour and baking powder. Mix well. Add pineapple juice and vanilla. Mix well. Spread cake mixture evenly over the fruit in the skillet.

Bake at 350 degrees for about 45 minutes (until cake is done).

Remove from oven and cool for 10-15 minutes. Place a large cake plate over the pan and carefully invert. Leave the pan in place for a minute or so, then remove. Serve cake warm or at room temperature.

## ON THE SCHEDULE

Join us at 10 am on Sundays, either in person or by Zoom.

June 5. Richard Leslie

June 26. Mary Lou McKenney

June 12. Canon Martha

July 3. Bruce Bramlet

June 19. Richard Leslie

## SAVE THE DATE

We are busy planning the fundraisers for the remainder of the year, please keep these dates in mind!! We will ask your help in making each of these events a success — and bringing in the local community to experience our wonderful church.

### **Book and Bake Sale — Saturday, August 27**

Bring in those books you have already read and would like to share with others. Our baked goods are always a great draw and seller for St. Andrew's events — bring in your favorite goodies to share!!

### **Music and Wine-Tasting — Saturday, September 17**

Enjoy some music and wine on a late-summer afternoon!! We will also plan for a silent auction.

### **Chili Cook-Off — Saturday, October 22**

We'll be calling on all those who have a delicious chili recipe they would like to share. Be the one to have your name added to the distinguished list on the plaque in our parish hall.

### **Holiday Bake Sale — Saturday and Sunday, December 17 and 18**

Here's the chance for all of St. Andrew's terrific bakers to share their favorite holiday goodies. Special raffle offerings!

## Calling All Singers!!

Do you like to lift your voice in song? Come and join the St. Andrews' Choir.

Contact Cindy Garay, cindy3g@comcast.net, 831-246-3584



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An Invitation  
 from Presiding Bishop Michael B. Curry  
 to Practice the Way of Love

*I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. — Ephesians 3:17-19*

In the first century Jesus of Nazareth inspired a movement. A community of people whose lives were centered on Jesus Christ and committed to living the way of God's unconditional, unselfish, sacrificial, and redemptive love. Before they were called "church" or "Christian," this Jesus Movement was simply called "the way."

Today I believe our vocation is to live as the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement. But how can we together grow more deeply with Jesus Christ at the center of our lives, so we can bear witness to his way of love in and for the world?

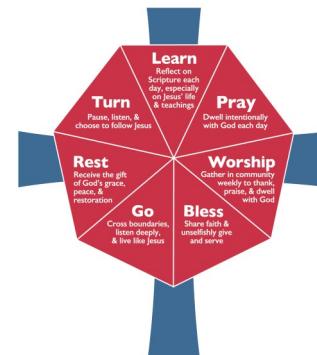
The deep roots of our Christian tradition may offer just such a path. For centuries, monastic communities have shaped their lives around rhythms and disciplines for following Jesus together. Such a pattern is known as a "Rule of Life." The framework you now hold — **The Way of Love: Practices for Jesus-Centered Life** — outlines a Rule for the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement.

It is designed to be spare and spacious, so that individuals, ministry groups, congregations, and networks can flesh it out in unique ways and build a church-wide treasure trove of stories and resources. There is no specific order you need to follow. If you already keep a Rule or spiritual disciplines, you might reflect and discover how that path intersects with this one. By entering into reflection, discernment and commitment around the practices of **Turn — Learn — Pray — Worship — Bless — Go — Rest**, I pray we will grow as communities following the loving, liberating, life-giving way of Jesus. His way has the power to change each of our lives and to change this world.

Your brother in the Way of Jesus,

+Michael

For complete information, please go to link  
[Way of Love Introduction](https://www.episcopalchurch.org/way-of-love/introduction)  
<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/way-of-love/digital-resources>



**THE WAY OF LOVE**  
*Practices for Jesus-Centered Life*

## What is the Way of Love?

The Way of Love is a way of life. More than a program or curriculum, it is a return to the ancient pathways and Rules of Life that followers of Jesus have observed for centuries. They knew the power of commitment to a core set of practices – Turn, Learn, Pray, Worship, **Bless**, Go, Rest – and the power of gathering in a small group where you find love and support for living into these commitments. If we hope to not only worship Jesus but to grow more like him and bear his redeeming love in the world, we can adopt a rule of life like the Way of Love and find a community with which to practice it.

What is a Rule of Life? How Do I Begin? A Rule of Life is an intentional commitment to a set of practices that provide guidance, rhythm and inspiration for living a beautiful, meaningful and holy life. As we place these practices at the heart of our daily lives and join with companions who share the commitment, we grow more and more in the unselfish, hope-filled Way of Love that Jesus embodied in the world.

### The Fifth Step—**Bless**

Share faith and unselfishly give and serve

“Freely you have received; freely give.” – Matthew 10:8

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: We will, with God’s help. – Book of Common Prayer, 305

Jesus called his disciples to give, forgive, teach, and heal in his name. We are empowered by the Spirit to bless everyone we meet, practicing generosity and compassion and proclaiming the Good News of God in Christ with hopeful words and selfless actions. We can share our stories of blessing and invite others to the Way of Love.

For Reflection and Discernment

- What are the ways the Spirit is calling you to bless others?
- How will (or does) blessing others – through sharing your resources, faith, and story – become part of your daily life?
- Who will join you in committing to the practice of blessing others?

[Bless— The Episcopal Church](https://www.episcopalchurch.org/way-of-love/bless) (<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/way-of-love/bless>

Over the next several months we will walk through the next steps.

# June Birthdays

## St. Andrew's Birthdays

### June

2 — Corinna Stevenson	11 — Dawn Townsend
4 — Laura Lewandowski	14 — Bonnie Wolfe
8 — Franceska Lewandowski	18 — Joe Mello
9 — Karen VanGroningen	21 — Roxanne Spring

# July Birthdays

8 — Sue Roe	19 — Julian Katz
13 — Deidre Guindon	30 — Peggy Dwyer
18 — Miles Redman	31 — Erin Newfield



June 1- Brigham Young, Mormon religious leader; Marilyn Monroe, actress  
 June 2- Martha Washington, the very first First Lady of the U.S  
 June 3- Jefferson Davis, President of the Confederate States of America  
 June 3- King George V, king of England  
 June 4- King George III, king of England  
 June 5- Francisco "Pancho" Villa, Mexican revolutionary  
 June 6- Nathan Hale, Revolutionary War hero; The Dalai Lama  
 June 7- Paul Gauguin, painter; Rocky Graziano, boxing champion  
 June 8- Frank Lloyd Wright, architect; Byron R. White, Supreme Court justice  
 June 8- Barbara Bush, First Lady of the United States  
 June 9- George Stephenson, invented the steam locomotive  
 June 10- Prince Philip, Britain Prince Consort; Judy Garland, actress/singer  
 June 11- Richard Strauss, composer; Jacques Cousteau, undersea explorer  
 June 11- Jeannette Rankin, first woman Congressmen; Vince Lombardi, coach  
 June 12- George H. W. Bush, 41st U.S. President; David Rockefeller, banker;  
     Anne Frank, Holocaust victim  
 June 14- Harriet Beecher Stowe, abolitionist; Alois Alzheimer, psychiatrist  
 June 14- Donald Trump, 45th U.S. President  
 June 15- Mario Cuomo, NY governor  
 June 16- Geronimo, Native American Apache leader  
 June 18- Paul McCartney, musician, "The Beatles"  
 June 19- Blaise Pascal, philosopher, physicist; Guy Lombardo, bandleader  
 June 20- Audie Murphy, actor, WWII hero  
 June 21- Jean-Paul Sartre, philosopher, novelist  
 June 22- John Dillinger, bank robber; Dan Brown , author  
 June 23- Clarence Thomas, Supreme Court justice  
 June 25- George Orwell, novelist  
 June 26- Abner Doubleday, invented game of baseball; Pearl S. Buck, novelist  
 June 27- Helen Keller, blind author, lecturer  
 June 27- Bob Keeshan, children's TV- "Captain Kangaroo"  
 June 28- Henry VIII, King of England  
 June 28- Richard Rodgers, music composer; Elon Musk, inventor

## Special Days and Holidays

June 3	Chinese Dragon Boat Festival National Doughnut Day (always the first Friday in June)
June 4	World Bicycle Day Hug Your Cat Day
June 5	National Trails Day — First Saturday in June Hot Air Balloon Day
June 6	World Environment Day <b>D-Day, WWII</b>
June 7	National Gardening Exercise Day - Get out and exercise with your plants.
June 8	National Chocolate Ice Cream Day Best Friends Day
June 9	World Ocean Day Donald Duck Day
June 10	National Flip Flop Day - second Friday in June
June 11	National Corn on the Cob Day
June 12	National Peanut Butter Cookie Day Red Rose Day
June 13	National Weed Your Garden Day
June 14	<b>Flag Day</b>
June 15	National Nature Photography Day Smile Power Day
June 16	Nursing Assistants Day
June 17	Take a Road Trip Day
June 18	Go Fishing Day International Picnic Day
June 19	National Hollerin' Contest Day - third Saturday in June National Splurge Day - Oh yeah!! <b>Father's Day - third Sunday</b>
	Juneteenth
June 20	National Kissing Day
June 21	National Bald Eagle Day Finally Summer Day / Summer Solstice - date varies
June 22	International Yoga Day
June 23	World Rainforest Day International Widows Day
June 24	Let it Go Day International Fairy (or Faery) Day
	National Food Truck Day - fourth Friday in June
	Take Your Dog to Work Day - Friday after Father's Day
June 25	National Catfish Day
June 26	Forgiveness Day
June 28	Paul Bunyan Day
June 29	<b>Hug Holiday</b> International Mud Day
June 30	Meteor Day National Handshake Day - last Thursday in June

**OOPS!!!** Before celebrating a baptism, the deacon approached the young father and said solemnly, “Baptism is a serious step. Are you sure you’re prepared for it?” “I think so,” the man replied. “My wife has made appetizers and we have a caterer coming to provide plenty of cookies and cakes for our guests.” “I don’t mean that,” the deacon replied. “I mean, are you prepared spiritually?” “Oh sure,” came the reply. “I’ve got a keg of beer and a case of whiskey.”

## Camp Saint Andrews

Do you have a child or grandchild or know a child who may want to have a special camp experience? Visit the Diocese of El Camino Real or [www.campsaintandrews.com](http://www.campsaintandrews.com) for more information.

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## Lectio Divino

*It is my prayer that this shared lectio will bring us to place of deeper reflection and transformation as we move forward to being New Church.*

*For each reading, I invite you to consider the word, phrase, image or metaphor that comes to mind on the first reading.*

*For your second reading, I invite you to reflect upon ways in which scripture calls on us to “stay in balance.”*

*Enjoy the journey.*

*Faithfully, +Lucinda*

*Acts 2: 22-28 22 Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. 23 This man was handed over to you by God’s deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. 24 But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. 25 David said about him: “I saw the Lord always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. 26 Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest in hope, 27 because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, you will not let your holy one see decay. 28 You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence.”*

### Join the 2022 "Pilgrimage with Race" course

The unique curriculum of [A Storied Pilgrimage with Race](#) explores issues of race in our diocese; it is a holy offering of video interviews, education, action items, and room for reflection. Throughout 2022 you are invited to participate in this course by attending monthly Zoom calls to undertake this journey together. Completion of this pilgrimage fulfills the requirement for anti-racism training in the Diocese of El Camino Real; it is required for clergy and strongly encouraged for all in leadership.

We will meet 7pm to 8:30pm on **Jan. 25, Feb. 22, March 29, April 26, May 31, June 28, July 26, August 30, Sept. 27, Oct. 25, Nov. 15, and Dec. 6.** To sign up, please email the Rev. Canon Martha Korieneck

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**We have a NEW ZOOM Link!!**

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