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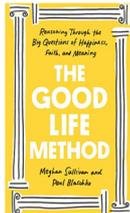
Episcopal Church of Boca Grande

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2023



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WELCOME

Since 1908, St. Andrew's has borne witness to the Good News of God in Christ in downtown Boca Grande. Through prayer, service, discipleship and friendship, this community seeks to proclaim the Gospel by word and example, seeking and serving Christ in all persons.

The information in this brochure details many opportunities in 2023 for you to connect with God and fellow travelers on the journey of faith.

These offerings are not only available to St. Andrew's parishioners but also to family, friends and all who seek to explore their faith in a safe and inviting way.

In addition to our many faith offerings, we invite you to worship with us on Sunday mornings or at a weekday service. Anyone sitting near you will be happy to answer questions about worship at St. Andrew's as well as opportunities for fellowship, education, worship and/or outreach opportunities. You can also visit our website at: standrewsbocagrande.org for more information about the church and its variety of offerings.

Peace,

Mother Michelle



2023 WORSHIP TIMES

SUNDAYS

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

January – December

9:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAYS

Simplified 30-minute liturgy for
prayer, hope and healing

January – April

12:15 p.m.

The Mission of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church is to...

“bring God and people together in love through Jesus Christ.”

“FAITH AND...” MINDFULNESS IN AN UNCERTAIN WORLD

presented by Doro Bush Koch

Tuesday ~ January 10, 2023

at 4:00 p.m.

St. Andrew's welcomes Mrs. Doro Bush Koch as our first guest speaker in the 2023 "Faith and..." speakers series.

Mrs. Koch's presentation will be **held in the church Tuesday, January 10 at 4:00 p.m.** and will be Live Streamed for those who cannot attend in person.

The presentation is free and open to the public



Most of us won't experience what it's like to have people we love, members of our family, criticized and ripped apart in the name of political theater. As daughter and sister to two U.S. Presidents (41 and 43 respectively), Doro Bush Koch knows that experience well, and the tremendous stress that goes with it. She was first introduced to mindfulness by her sister-in-law, best friend, and now business partner Tricia Reilly Koch, as a way to cope with campaign-related stress. The lessons they learned and employed on the campaign trail helped both women cope in the moment, but even more importantly gave them a calling for helping others learn to do the same.

Doro and Tricia established their health and wellness business Bright, Bold and Real Wellness (*BB&R*) 20+ years ago. It has grown into a highly sought-after consulting business which includes national conferences that offer attendees the latest information and tools for mindfulness, health and wellness.

Together, these business partners launched a marvelous podcast "Health Gig," which is available wherever you listen to podcasts.





Aine Donovan is a Clinical Professor of Business Education at the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College. She is the Director Emerita of the Ethics Institute at Dartmouth College, a campus wide initiative that serves the needs of faculty and students in ethics education. Prior to her tenure at Dartmouth, she was a professor at the United States Naval Academy where she developed the ethics curriculum and founded the first ethics center at Annapolis.

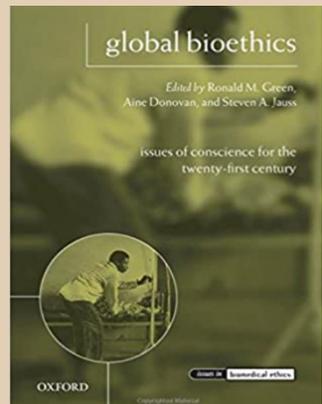
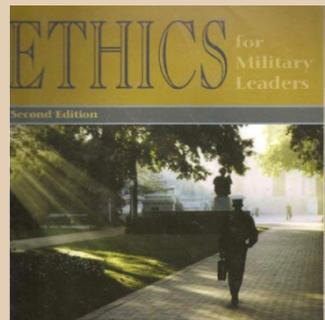
Her research emphasis, publications, and professional presentations are in the field of moral education, bioethics, business ethics and global strategies for ethical understanding. Her recent books include "Global Bioethics" (Oxford) and "The Human Genome Project in College Curriculum: Ethical Issues and Practical Strategies"(UPNE).

"FAITH AND..." **Finding Common Ground through Difficult Dialog** with **Dr. Aine Donovan**

Tuesday, February 28
at 4:00 p.m.

Publications Include:

"Global Ethics: Issues of Conscience for the
Twenty-First Century" and
"Ethics: for Military Leaders"





FAITH AND..." THE GOOD LIFE?

*Reasoning with the big questions of happiness,
faith and meaning*

with Paul Blaschko, Ph.D.

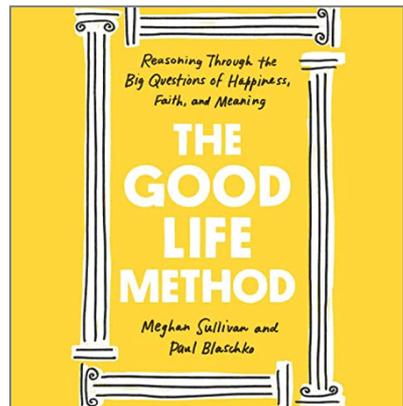
Thursday ~ March 30
at 4:00 p.m.

A philosopher answers the big questions about the search for faith and happiness.

For seekers of all stripes, philosophy is timeless self-care. Notre Dame philosophy professors Meghan Sullivan and Paul Blaschko have reinvigorated this tradition in their wildly popular and influential undergraduate course "*God and the Good Life*," in which they wrestle with the big questions about how to live and what makes life meaningful.

On **Thursday, March 30**, Dr. Paul's presentation will explore issues like what justifies our beliefs, whether we should practice a religion and what sacrifices we should make for others - as well as investigate what figures such as Aristotle, Plato, Marcus Aurelius, Iris Murdoch, and W. E. B. Du Bois have to say about how to live well. Employing the timeless work of philosophy and using real-world case studies he will explore love, finance, truth, and more. In so doing, he'll push us to escape our own caves, ask stronger questions, explain our deepest goals, and wrestle with suffering, the nature of death, and the existence of God.

Dr. Paul Blaschko is an assistant teaching professor in philosophy at the University of Notre Dame, where he also directs the Sheedy Family Program in Economics, Enterprise, and Society. He heads curriculum design and digital pedagogy for "*God and the Good Life*."



WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

Monday ~ January 23

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Guest Speaker: Cathy Lewis

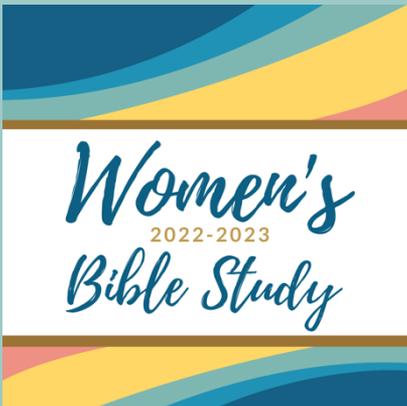


Join us for breakfast and conversation as we discover...

How to Make Change One Conversation at a Time

Our presenter will be Mrs. Cathy Lewis, one of Hampton Roads' most knowledgeable media professionals, having worked in commercial and public broadcasting for more than 30 years. She is the founding host of WHRV-FM's flagship public affairs program, *HearSay with Cathy Lewis* which anchored the Hampton Roads public media station's noon hour for 25 years. She is also a highly sought after speaker who is known for living in the moment and connecting with audiences.

Cathy's is married to Episcopal priest, Win Lewis (retired rector of Christ & St. Luke's Church, Norfolk). He humor essays about her unexpected life as a clergy spouse and sports mom have aired nationally on The Hallmark Channel.



FRIDAYS

10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

The Women's Bible Study meets via Zoom and connects women of faith from around the country who are seeking to understand the relationship between God and life.

Conversation is designed specifically for women.

Facilitators include: Mo. Michelle, Kimberly Whipple and Mary Campbell.

MEN'S BREAKFASTS

Tuesday Mornings 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

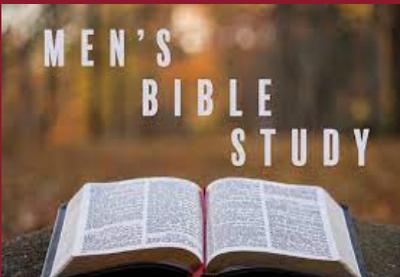


Join us for breakfast and conversation as we discover the threads that bind Christianity, Judaism and the Islam in unexpected ways.

- January 10** Rabbi Benjamin Shull, Jewish Congregation of Venice to speak about the various sects of Judaism and his belief in the Hebrew Scriptures which we call the Old Testament
- February 7** A Muslim lay person or cleric to speak about the Muslim faith in the U.S. and world-wide.
- March 7** Fr. Dmytro Kasiyan of St Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church in North Port to speak about the various Christian denominations in Ukraine and the ongoing military situation.
- April 4** Our own Fr. Chris Gray will discuss Holy Week and why it is important to our understanding and celebration of Easter.

TUESDAYS

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.



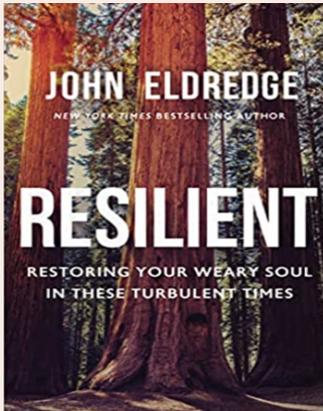
Men's Bible Study & Fellowship

meets in-person from January through April and via Zoom the rest of the year.

Conversation is designed specifically for men and seeks to make sense of our daily lives through the lens of Scripture.

Fr. Chris Gray leads this group.

A WINTER CONVERSATION...



“RESILIENT: Restoring Your Weary Soul in These Turbulent Times”

With John Eldredge

Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m.

Nov. 30 & Dec. 7, 14 & 20

Facilitated by the Reverend Michelle, Rector

The time is now to dig deep in your soul and find rest from all the LOUD noise of the world. The insights and tools to help each and every weary soul to rediscover and build a relationship with God.

The human soul has a built-in yearning for joy and beauty and all good things. But that craving for life has taken a real beating in the last few years. Join us as we engage the wisdom of New York Times bestselling author John Eldredge as we discover the tools you need to follow Jesus' path of supernatural resilience so you can reclaim your joy, strengthen your heart, and thrive through the storm.

Between false promises of ease and comfort on one side and the sheer trauma of global disease and disasters on the other, people today are facing a shortage of peace, happiness, and strength. In *Resilient*, Eldredge reveals a path toward genuine recovery.

Join in the conversation as we discover the resilience we all long for when the world has gone mad--and discover in Jesus himself the strength that prevails.

Please email mail@standrewsbocagrande.org to confirm your spot and interest in this series!

Week by Week Topics & Focal Points

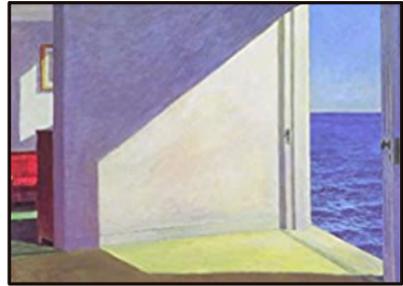
- 11/30 | Just Want Life to Be Good Again: The Strength that Prevails
- 12/07 | The Assurance of Abundance
- 12/14 | The Deep Well Inside Us
- 12/20 | Don't Look Back

Study Guides are available on Amazon. They are helpful...but not required.

LIVING THOUGHTFULLY ... DYING WELL

End of Life Resources, Practical Tips And Stories for Everyone

Mondays at 4:00 p.m.
March 6 - March 27
In-person (Chapter House)
or via Zoom



Very few people today are comfortable talking about death. We watch our parents or spouses or friends get sick or become frail with age and wonder what plans are in place - - we want to, and in some cases, need to know, but we are afraid to ask for fear of upsetting them. And when it comes to our own life - - well, we avoid that topic as long as possible. Let's face it, Ms. Manners would never approve of "death" as a topic for polite conversation. And yet, death comes to us all.

This Lent, we will explore current healthcare options and practices as well as answer all of your questions about death - - and even the ones you didn't even know to ask. Some of the topics may include:

- The Wake Up Call: Why Me Lord?
- Good Deaths and Bad Deaths: Embracing and Resisting Death
- The Way We Die has Changed: Exploring Latest Healthcare Options
- Dying Regrets or Loving Memories
- Practical Ways to Prepare for a Good Death
- What to Expect from Hospice & Comfort at the Time of Death
- Christian Practices and the Art of Dying Faithfully
- How to Plan Your Own Funeral Service
- The Greatest Gift You Can Give Your Family and Friends

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Christmas Eve

Family Service*	4:00 p.m.
Candlelight Musical Prelude**	7:30 p.m.
Candlelight Service	8:00 p.m.

*Our Family service is designed for children with a creative retelling of the nativity story

**The Musical Prelude features: Kat Baloff (violin), Yordan Tenev (cello) and Seth Wertz (piano) and vocalists Brenna Griffith & Christos Nicholoudis

Christmas Day

Holy Eucharist, Rite II*	9:30 a.m.
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THE GREAT AMERICAN SONGBOOK

Featuring

Maria Wirries



February 25

4:00 p.m.



"Maria Wirries is a rock star." – Broadway World

Sarasota's own Broadway star comes back home, where it all started, for an evening of Great American Songbook and musical theater gems. Penn State University graduate in musical theater, and currently a member of the off Broadway revival of *Kinky Boots*. Maria was also a cast member in the off Broadway show *Penelope*, and was in the Broadway and national tour productions of *Dear Evan Hansen*. Wirries has been hailed for her solo performances at *Feinstein's 54 Below*, and for three albums of her own music. With her former teacher and mentor Alan Corey at the piano, the evening promises to be an emotional homecoming for this fast-rising star.



ASH WEDNESDAY

February 22

12:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.

Holy Week Schedule



PALM SUNDAY	April 2	9:30 a.m.
MONDAY-WEDNESDAY Evening Prayer	April 3 - 5	5:00 p.m.
MAUNDY THURSDAY	April 6	5:00 p.m.
GOOD FRIDAY	April 7	1:15 p.m.

EASTER SERVICES

Sunday, April 9th

Service times TBD

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

Join us as we celebrate...

MARDI GRAS SOCIAL

Wine and Hors d'oeuvres

Tuesday, February 21 | 5 PM

Visit our website for more information.

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Our programs and offerings (lectures, book studies and Bible studies) are available in-person and via LiveStream. As we recover from the effects of hurricane Ian, some of our offerings may not be available due to internet interruptions. Please refer to our website for updates.

For links and additional details about the programs listed in this catalog - - as well as the many other opportunities to participate in the life of our parish community, please visit our website at:

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On our website, you will discover more about our outreach ministries, volunteer opportunities and worship schedule.



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