

ST. ANDREW WEEKLY NEWS

January 14, 2018

St. Andrew Lutheran Church
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Worship Services:
Sunday, 8:30 am
Sunday, 11:00 am

Community Warehouse Drive



St. Andrew is again hosting its annual household goods drive for Community Warehouse during the month of January. Through social service agencies, public schools, and faith communities, the Warehouse serves an average of 60 people each week.

Last year we filled an amazing six bins of gently used items that helped our neighbors turn empty housing into functional homes. The Warehouse needs all types of household goods—bedding, dishes, pots and pans, small electrical appliances, silverware, lamps—whatever it takes to furnish a home.

So please look through your cupboards, cabinets, and storage spaces and donate your unwanted items. We only ask that they be clean and usable. Let's see if we can top our six bins from 2017!

Family Promise Collection

Thank you to everyone who has donated twin sheets, towels, and new bars of small soap for the Family Promise project. We now have enough bath towels, but request more donations of hand towels, as well as sheets and soap. These items will be used here at the church on the weeks St. Andrew provides shelter for homeless families in the Family Promise program. Please put your donations in the bin in the Narthex marked for this collection.

Also, please note that we are seeking contributions to purchase material to build room dividers that will give families some privacy and will be shared among all the churches participating in Family Promise.

Silver Saints Potluck

On Wednesday, January 17, the Silver Saints will be meeting at 11:30 am in Fellowship Hall for a potluck to be followed by Mike Podolske's presentation on his adventures in the Amazon River region, where he has traveled.



Please indicate on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex what you would like to bring to share for the noon meal. For more information, please contact Nan Thompson or Mary Nell Mahler.

Nifty Notters

The Nifty Notters will meet Saturday, January 20, from 9:00 am-2:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. Join us as we work on quilts for Virginia Garcia Clinic and Lutheran World Relief. We have projects large and small, and all materials are provided. Bring a lunch and join us for all or part of the time. If you have questions, please contact Mary Brown at 503-297-1841. Please note that we will not meet if the weather turns bad.

F.O.G. Bottle Drive

The Friends of God (Youth Group) are now collecting bottles and cans to return, with all proceeds going to help them get to the National Youth Gathering in Houston this summer! Please bring your empty refundable bottles and cans to church and drop them off in the designated container by the entrance to Fellowship Hall. Our collection drive will run through early June. If you have questions, please contact Erin McIntire at Erin.mac9876@icloud.com. Thank you for your donations!



Chatty Crafters

The Chatty Crafters will NOT meet in January because of the youth overnighter on Friday, January 19.

Visitation Ministers Training

Tuesday, January 23, 1:30-3:30 pm, Chapel

Visitation Ministers visit people connected with St. Andrew Lutheran Church who are looking for a bit more connection to the congregation or community with other people of faith. Visitation Ministers go out in teams of two to visit one or more people once or twice a month. You are welcome to take the training and then decide if you want to serve as a visitation minister or not. Please RSVP to Pastor Robyn Hartwig if you plan to attend or want to be notified of the next training.

Earth Care Team to Prepare for Lent

St. Andrew's Earth Care Team will meet Tuesday, January 23, at 7:00 pm in the St. Andrew Room to discuss preparations for Lent and Earth Day. The agenda will include:

- an update from the Eco-Reformation Team on what is being planned regarding a carbon fast during Lent;

- consideration of our participation with Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon on community habitat restoration;
- discussion of applying for a small grant from the Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District;
- discussion of how we might involve St. Andrew Boy Scouts and Crew in community projects.

If you'd like to be involved with our Earth Care Team, you are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Pat or Roger Sandquist.

Table Talk: Churches Struggle to Welcome and Protect



Gathered around the table in his home, Martin Luther talked freely and opening with his colleagues and students about matters of faith, theology, and various aspects of daily life. In an effort to cultivate this kind of spirited discussion, Pastor Brocker invites you to gather for the Next Table Talk on **Thursday, January 25**, 7:00-8:30 pm, in St. Andrew's Fellowship Hall.

In the wake of the shooting deaths of 26 people at the First Baptist Church in Sutherland Spring on November 5, many churches are rethinking security. Here at St. Andrew, we hosted a "Security Threat Training Event" for staff, lay leaders, and other interested people in early December. Churches are struggling to balance our call to be a welcoming place with the need to protect the people who are already here. What will that balance look like at St. Andrew? How can we be a church both welcoming and secure?

To begin this Table Talk, we will read the transcript of a November 9 NPR discussion entitled "Churches Rethinking Security in the Wake of Sutherland Springs Shooting" (<https://www.npr.org/templates/transcript/transcript.php?storyId=563133685>). You may also want to read "What Duty Does a Church Have to Protect the People Who Are There?" (<http://www.newsobserver.com/news/local/article183117716.html>).

If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Pastor Brocker at 503-646-0629 or e-mail brockerm@standrewlutheran.com.

To All Members of St. Andrew Lutheran Church,

I was overjoyed when Larry Vachal came to our house on January 5 with the most beautiful wreath I have ever seen: 55 wonderful thank you cards from my dear friends at St. Andrew placed around this beautiful wreath. I will keep it always. Each card fills my heart with love. Thank you very much for making my day. Thank you from all members of my family. God bless each one of you. Happy New Year!

Nancy Schmidt & Family

Contribution Statements via InFellowship

The St. Andrew Finance Team would like to invite you to access your 2017 Contribution Statement online. If you already have an *InFellowship* account, you are set to download and print it **after January 31**. If you have not yet created an *InFellowship* account, now is the time to do so! All the information you need is on the St. Andrew website (www.standrewlutheran.com) under the "InFellowship/Giving" button in the top menu bar.

If you don't have an e-mail address or access to the internet, please contact the church office (503-646-0629 or office@standrewlutheran.com) and request that the Financial Secretaries print and mail your Contribution Statement to you.

The St. Andrew Finance Team

Parents Night Out

The F.O.G. (Friends of God) Youth Group will host another Parents Night Out on **Friday, January 26**, from 7:00-10:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. There was so much positive feedback following our first one, so we decided to host another. We will not provide dinner for the children this time, so please feed your children before bringing them. A variety of snacks will be available. The suggested contribution will be the same: \$25 per child/\$40 family discount, with proceeds going toward helping our youth attend the National Youth Gathering in Houston. Please contact Haylie Isaacson at 971-205-9515 with any questions and let her know if you are planning on attending. Thanks!



WORSHIP LEADERS (8:30 AM / 11:00 AM)

Presider	Pastor Robyn Hartwig	
Preacher	Pastor Mark Brocker	
Minister of Music.....	Allison Katsufakis	
Assisting Minister	LuAnn Staul / Joe Calhoun	
Lector.....	Suzanne Warnes / Lynn Santelamann	
Acolyte.....	Erin McIntire / Lily Au	
Organist	Susan Friesen	
Musicians.....	Sanctuary Choir	
Ushers.....	Ed & Linda Fransen, Carol Hogan / John Giddens, Sovathana Ly, Scott Taylor, Darcy Ayres	
Hosts.....	Larry & Bonnie Bliesner / Kristin Sacks, Mary Smith	
Minister of the Altar	Judy Scholz	
Worship Coordinator.....	Suzanne Warnes / Pam Jelineo	
Prelude	Variations on <i>Dearest Jesus, We Are Here</i>	Curt Oliver
Offertory	<i>Liebster Jesu (8:30)</i>	George Lachenauer
	<i>Speak, Lord, in the Stillness (11:00)</i>	David Schwobel
Postlude	<i>Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier</i>	J.S. Bach

In Need of Prayers...

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PRAYERS FOR...</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>
Family and friends of Rod Bell	Peace and God's comfort at his death	Marlan Bell
Kathy Heider and other family and friends of Riley Heider	Peace and God's comfort at his death	Lee Anne Krause
Barbara	Peace and comfort	Pastor Robyn Hartwig
Jean Fredrickson	Healing and recovery	Jean Fredrickson
Jan Luttrell	Healing and recovery	Eric Luttrell
Jack Scholz	Healing and recovery	Judy Scholz
Ginny Link	Healing and recovery	Ginny Link
Sue Cahlander	Healing and recovery	Jan Smith
Megan Webber	Healing and recovery	Pastor Mark Brocker
El Salvadoran refugees/immigrants	Fair treatment	Staff
St. Andrew Council Executive Committee Staff	Wisdom and discernment	Staff
Leo Bancroft, Molly Hartshorn, India Jensen-Kerr, and all seminarians	Encouragement and support	Staff
St. Andrew Learning Center	Blessings on their work	Staff
Faith, Clatskanie Our Saviour's, Seaside	Serving with us in the Oregon Synod	Staff
Congregation P'nai Or	Blessings on our interfaith partners	Staff

If you know someone in need of prayers, please contact the church office by phone at 503-646-0629 or e-mail office@standrewlutheran.com Tuesday-Friday, prayerchain@standrewlutheran.com Saturday-Monday.

Living Light Through Lent

The season of Lent will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 14, and is a 40-day journey to Easter. The traditional practices of Lent are prayer, fasting, and acts of service. The Eco-Reformation Team invites you to consider joining our congregational "carbon fast" during Lent this year.



Why a carbon fast? The NASA website tells us that "carbon dioxide (CO₂) is an important heat-trapping (greenhouse) gas, which is released through human activities such as deforestation and burning fossil fuels, as well as natural processes such as respiration and volcanic eruptions." Years ago, scientists concluded that the safe upper limit for CO₂ in the air is 350 parts per million (ppm). NASA says we are now at 407 ppm. We are seeing many climate-related disasters as a result of exceeding our carbon budget. The poor and vulnerable are being harmed by these disasters the most. Therefore, many churches have been choosing to engage in fasts from certain behaviors that emit carbon during Lent to better care for God's people and all creation.

Over the coming weeks, the Eco-Reformation Team will share many ideas of ways we can reduce our personal, household, and community carbon footprints. One idea is to consider eating less food with a high-carbon footprint. Foods that are highly processed and that come from far distances often have lots of carbon emitted during their production and transportation. Many animal products also have high carbon footprints. Two articles available in the Narthex this week will help you consider whether you might want to reduce or fast from one of more animal products with high carbon footprints: [The Top 10 Foods with the Biggest Environmental Footprint](#) and [If Everyone Ate Beans Instead of Beef](#). Or many of us might simply consider returning to the old discipline of not eating meat on Fridays during Lent.

Climate Change Class

Kristin Sacks will offer a class for both adults and youth in the Youth Room on **Sunday, January 28**, 9:45-10:45 am, when she'll show slides explaining climate change and describe a lawsuit filed by 21 youth plaintiffs seeking a court-ordered national Climate Recovery Plan. The trial has been heard by the Ninth Circuit Court in Oregon. More information is available at youthv.gov.org or ourchildrenstrust.org. Please join us!

"Hoedown in Houston"
Dinner & Live Auction Fundraiser
will be Saturday, February 24,
at 5:00 pm.



Please save the date and plan to support our youth going to the National Youth Gathering. Hope to see you there!

Highlights for the Week at St. Andrew Lutheran Church

For the most complete and up-to-date information, please visit the online calendar at www.standrewlutheran.com.

Sunday, January 14

8:30 am	Worship with Communion	Sanctuary
9:45 am	Sunday School Opening and Classes: John the Baptist.....	Children's Commons
9:45 am	Confirmation Class: Acts.....	Library
9:45 am	High School Youth Group.....	Youth Room
10:00 am	Adult Education: St. Paul: Jew, Follower of Christ, Saint of the Church, Apostle of the Reformation.....	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	The History, Art, and Traditions of the Psalms.....	St. Andrew Room
11:00 am	Worship with Communion	Sanctuary
11:00 am	Taiwan Lutheran Worship & Sunday School.....	Chapel, Children's Commons, Classrooms

Monday, January 15—Martin Luther King Holiday, Learning Center & Church Office Closed

Tuesday, January 16

7:00 am	Men's Breakfast and Bible Study.....	Elmer's Restaurant
7:00 am	Women's Sunrise Spirituality Group.....	Elmer's Restaurant
10:00 am	T'ai Chi.....	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Worship Planners Meeting.....	Library

Wednesday, January 17—Weekly News submissions due by 4:00 pm

10:45 am	Chapel for All Learning Center Children.....	Chapel
11:30 am	Silver Saints Potluck and Amazon Program.....	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal.....	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal.....	Sanctuary

Thursday, January 18

9:30 am	Seekers of the Heart of God.....	St. Andrew Room
10:00 am	Taiwan Fellowship.....	Library
12:00 pm	Team Ministry Monthly Meeting.....	Chapel, Library
6:30 pm	Centering Prayer.....	Chapel
7:00 pm	Council Meeting.....	St. Andrew Room

Friday, January 19

10:00 am	T'ai Chi.....	Fellowship Hall
5:00 pm	National Youth Gathering "Getting Ready" Retreat.....	Fellowship Hall, Youth Room, Children's Library, Chapel

Saturday, January 20

	National Youth Gathering "Getting Ready" Retreat.....	Fellowship Hall, Youth Room, Children's Library, Chapel
9:00 am	American Guild of Organists Workshop.....	Sanctuary, Coffee Bar, Fellowship Hall, Kitchen
9:00 am	Nifty Notters.....	Fellowship Hall

Sunday, January 21

8:30 am	Worship with Communion	Sanctuary
9:45 am	Sunday School Opening and Classes: Jesus Goes to Nazareth.....	Children's Commons
9:45 am	Confirmation Class: Paul and the Early Church.....	Library
9:45 am	High School Youth Group.....	Youth Room
10:00 am	Adult Education: St. Paul: Jew, Follower of Christ, Saint of the Church, Apostle of the Reformation.....	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Adult Education: The History, Art, and Traditions of the Psalms.....	St. Andrew Room
11:00 am	Worship with Communion	Sanctuary
11:00 am	Taiwan Lutheran Worship & Sunday School.....	Chapel, Children's Commons, Classrooms
12:00 pm	Family Fellowship Event.....	Fellowship Hall
12:15 pm	National Youth Gathering Fundraising Meeting.....	Youth Room

Preparing for Next Sunday Scripture Lessons for January 21

Lesson: Jonah 3:1-5, 10
Gospel: Mark 1:14-20



Save the Date!

Lee Anne Krause invites the people of St. Andrew to save the date for her wedding to Brian Knapp on **Saturday, August 18, 2018**, 1:00 pm in the Sanctuary.