# St. Andrew Weekly News

August 13, 2017

St. Andrew Lutheran Church 12405 SW Butner Road, Beaverton, OR 97005 www.standrewlutheran.com; 503-646-0629 Worship Services: Sunday, 8:30 am Sunday, 11:00 am

#### Storytime with Children's Pets

Storytime completes its 2017 summer run with stories about turtles on **Monday, August 14**, at 10:00 am in the Children's Library. Children ages 2-6+ and their parent(s) are invited to participate. We'll have



stories, craft activities, and treats. Parent-supervised out-door play follows storytime.

#### Sock It to Me



Once again this year, the Service Committee is sponsoring a sock drive for Outside In, an agency and medical clinic that assists teenagers to stay healthy and stay off the street. They are in need of warm socks for both men and wom-

en, as they serve an ever-increasing number of young people who do not have a support system around them. All socks donated need to be newly purchased; used items are not accepted.

There is a barrel in the Narthex marked for Outside In. Let's try to fill it up and help many needy teens. You St. Andrew people always answer the call with care and concern when a need is present. The Service Committee and those being served are always in your gratitude.

Thank you and blessings, The Service Committee

# **Nifty Notters**

The Nifty Notters will meet Saturday, August 19. Bring a lunch and join us from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm, or any time in between, to help work on quilts for Lutheran World Relief and Virginia Garcia Clinic. We meet in the airconditioned Fellowship Hall and all materials are provided. If you have questions, contact Mary Brown at 503-297-1841

# **Children & Youth Ministry Call Committee**

A fulltime Children and Youth Ministry staff position was approved as part of the 2017-2018 budget. Dwight Jerde and Donna Brocker are leading the Call Committee for this position. The committee should include members of all generations and demographics: youth, parents, young adults with or without children, empty nesters, and seniors are invited to help. If you are interested,

please contact Dwight Jerde (<u>ddjerde@gmail.com</u> or 503-504-4970) or Donna Brocker (<u>donna.brocker@gmail.com</u> or 503-502-6156). Thank you.

#### Taiwan Children's Choir

The Taiwan Aborigine Choir from the Christian Mountain Children's Home, an orphanage in southern Taiwan, will perform at St. Andrew on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>August 13</u>, at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. Most of the 35 choir members hail from aboriginal tribes in the highlands, where singing and dancing are integral parts of their culture.

Since its inception in 1998, the choir has not only performed throughout Taiwan, but has also been well received in Hong Kong, Singapore, Indonesia, Korea, Norway, Mainland China, Canada, the U.S., Israel, and elsewhere. This 2017 visit marks their 13th North America Concert tour in which they will witness for the Lord through their testimonies and songs.

The performance is sponsored by the Portland Taiwan Lutheran Church and St. Andrew.

# Many Hands Make Light Work at Beaverton Schools

One of our neighboring churches, Village Baptist, is looking for volunteers to assist in cleaning up Barnes Elementary and Meadow Park Middle Schools prior to beginning another school year. Cleanup will include both the indoor and outdoor campuses of both schools on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>August 19</u>, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Organizers need an accurate count of volunteers for each school, so if you can help, please RSVP to Insil Kang at <a href="mailto:insilk@VBConline.org">insilk@VBConline.org</a>. Please include your name, the school you will be at, what cleaning supplies and gloves you plan to bring (if any), and your preference for indoor or outdoor cleaning. Every attempt will be made to accommodate your preference, but you may be asked to work where most needed.

### **Warm Clothing Drive**

In <u>September</u>, we will have our annual collection drive for Western Farm Workers. The Service Committee reminds us that we can help our less fortunate neighbors survive the winter by donating hats, coats, mittens, and other



warm clothing, as well as blankets and sleeping bags. Questions? Contact Fran Miller at fhm3301@frontier.com.

# Let's Fill Those School Bags for Lutheran World Relief

The sewers have been cutting and stitching this summer and are well on their way to completing 279 school bags for Lutheran World Relief! Shoppers are doing their part, too, and we can report that we have plenty of pencils and 70-sheet spiral notebooks to fill the bags. Way to go, St. Andrew!



Other items that go into each bag are rulers, blue or black pens, erasers, pencil sharpeners, scissors, nd box-

es of crayons (either 16 or 24 per box). We typically have trouble collecting enough scissors and crayons, so please keep that in mind while you shop.

A big thank you to all who make the bags and/or purchase school supplies for our LWR School Bag project. These filled bags are distributed to youngsters around the world who don't have the resources to go to school without help. This year, we will enable 279 kids to work on getting an education essential to their future well-being. An LWR School Bag can change a life.

#### Welcome, Alex

Welcome to our new Nursery Coordinator, Alex Carter! Please stop by the nursery and say hello to Alexandria "Alex" Carter, who is a 2014 graduate of Sunset High School. She currently works at KinderCare in West Union during the week. We are delighted to welcome Alex to St. Andrew.

#### Thank You!

A big <u>Thank You</u> to our St. Andrew family. Mary and I wish to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, phone calls, and visits during my recent unexpected event (heart attack). I am on the road to recovery and getting better every day. It has been a wakeup call for me (to say the least). The outpouring of support has been phenomenal.

Peace to all, **Bob & Mary Brown** 

#### Attention, Walkers, Old and New!

Our next Rhythms of God Walking Adventure will be on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>August 20</u>. We will meet at the church at 2:00 pm and carpool to the Cooper Mountain Wildlife Refuge. We'll walk for about an hour before returning to the church.

This is a fairly easy walk, with a little uphill and downhill. We'll walk along 3 miles of trails, passing through forests, prairies, and oak woodlands, while enjoying gorgeous views of the Chehalem Mountains and Tualatin Valley.

If you have questions, feel free to contact John Giddens, Sovathana Ly, Mary Smith, or Julia Ku.

#### Rags, Buckets, and Lots of Fun!

It's time for the annual deep clean of the Learning Center. The date is <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>August 23</u>, beginning at 8:30 am. We need many hands to wash furniture, wipe down shelves, clean cabinets, wash toys, sort books, clean the downstairs kitchen, and other miscellaneous tasks to help the Learning Center teachers begin the fall with fresh and sparkling spaces. Mid-morning coffee and snacks will be provided. And we will break for a potluck lunch.



If you can stay an hour or two, that would be very helpful. If you can stay all day—Wow!

Please bring a stack of rags and a bucket or two and/or something to share for lunch. If you have a power washer, talk with Larry Vachal to see if it will be needed.

To get a good idea of numbers of volunteers, it would be helpful to e-mail Nancy Frank, our Learning Center director, at <a href="mailto:nfrank@standrewlutheran.com">nfrank@standrewlutheran.com</a> to let her know that you are coming.

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

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Presider		Pastor Robyn Hartwig			
Preacher		Pastor Robyn Hartwig			
Minister of Music		Allison Katsufrakis			
	Anne				
Acolyte	To	vah Maas / Maria Navarre			
Organist		Susan Friesen			
Welcome Team	Trudy Arnold, Jan Lu	ttrell / Dan & Sharon Fako			
Ushers	Rob Dieffenbach, Max	Maxwell, Claris Poppert /			
	Te	d Miller, Tom & Barb Lane			
Hosts	Pam Farr, Victoria W	'ilson / Dan & Sharon Fako			
Worship CoordinatorBeth Johnson / Carl Dahlquis					
Prelude	Rhosymedre	Ralph Vaughn Williams			
Offertory	God of Grace	Gerhard Krapf			
Postlude	Sent Forth by God's Blessing	Timothy Albrecht			



The flowers on the chancel today are given to the glory of God by Suzanne Warnes in memory of Joe Warnes.

In Need of Prayers...

NAME Dick & Mary Ann Snider Bryan & Michelle Heinrichs and Dylan Roxie Johnson Larry Pat Hall Marilyn Ragan Brittini Brown St. Andrew Council Executive Committee Staff	PRAYERS FOR Assurance of God's presence Comfort and strength Healing and recovery Healing and recovery Healing and recovery Healing and direction Wisdom and discernment	CONTACT Mary Ann Snider Judy Heidinger Jean Fredrickson Pr. Robyn Hartwig Fran Miller Martha Ragan Bob & Mary Brown Staff
Leo Bancroft, Molly Hartshorn, India Jensen Kerr, and all seminarians	Encouragement and support	Staff
St. Andrew Learning Center	Success in child recruitment and blessings on their work	Staff
Earth Care Team	Blessings on their ministry	Staff
Good Shepherd. Eugene Our Redeemer, Eugene Our Saviour's, Eugene	Serving with us in the Oregon Synod	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.

#### Solar Panels: Let the Sun Shine In!

Church Forum, Sunday, August 27, 9:45 am, Fellowship Hall



For the past few years, our Earth Care Ministry and Facilities teams have been discussing the feasibility of installing solar panels on the roof of St. Andrew. There are three reasons for this: 1) to support our Core Values, especially Earth Care; 2) to help our environment; and 3)

to save the church money in electrical costs over time. The major drawback has been the initial cost.

However, thanks to the establishment of the Oregon Clean Power Cooperative (OCPC), there is now a pathway to achieving these goals at no cost to the church budget. The OCPC was established by the Oregon State Legislature to help nonprofit organizations such as churches, schools, and other NGOs. This allows Oregonians to come together in cooperatives to finance renewable energy projects in their communities by using a community investment model.

For more specific information on how this would work, you are invited to a Church Forum at 9:45 am on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>August 27</u>, in Fellowship Hall. We will have representatives from our Earth Care Ministry Team there, as well as a representative from Oregon Clean Power Cooperative.

Mary Smith
Council President

#### Water, Water, Everywhere—Oops!

This is a cautionary tale about flood prevention in the church. Please read and remember!

This past Monday, Susan Friesen encountered two floods inside St. Andrew. The first was in the coffee area, when the red hot water lever was stuck on and water pooled all over the floor; the second was in the kitchen, where someone had neglected to fully close one of the refrigerator doors and water collected on the floor there.

First things first: our coffee area has been problematic before—either when the hot water spigot gets stuck on the coffee case or when coffee makers forget to ensure that the coffee urn is open to receive their fresh brew. In both cases, the result is that liquid pours out all over the place, making a big mess pretty quickly. Please check before you leave the coffee area that hot water is not continuing to run or that brewing coffee is not overflowing.

Secondly, the signs on the refrigerator doors are your reminder to close those doors completely. If you don't, the refrigerator will leak water onto the floor, creating a surprise safety hazard for anyone using the kitchen later.

Many thanks to Susan Friesen for pulling out the mop and rags to clean up the messes she found earlier this week. Let's work together to prevent a future flood. It's our building; we all have a responsibility to take care of it. Thank you!



# Highlights for the Week at St. Andrew Lutheran Church

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

Sunday, August	t 13	
8:30 am	Worship with Communion	Sanctuary
11:00 am	Worship with Communion	Sanctuary
11:00 am	Taiwan Lutheran Worship & Sunday School	Children's Commons, Classrooms
12:15 pm	High School Parents Meeting with Pastor Robyn	Youth Room
7:00 pm	Taiwan Aborigine Choir Performance	Sanctuary
Monday, August	st 14—Church Office CLOSED	
10:00 am	Story Time with Mary Nell	Children's Library
6:00 pm	Boy Scout Meeting	Fellowship Hall, St. Andrew Room
6:30 pm	The Waters Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Tuesday, August	st 15	
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	Beginning T'ai Chi	Fellowship Hall
5:30 pm	Girl Scout Troop 40056	St. Andrew Room
7:00 pm	Worship, Music, and the Arts Committee Meeting	Library
Wednesday, Aug	ugust 16— <u>Weekly News submissions due by 4:00 pm</u>	
10:15 am	Chapel for All Learning Center Children	Chapel
Thursday, Augus	ust 17	
10:00 am	Taiwan Fellowship	Library
12:00 pm	Team Ministry Meeting	Chapel, Library
3:30 pm	Dance Class for Learning Center Children	Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm	Centering Prayer	Chapel
7:00 pm	Council Meeting	St. Andrew Room
Friday, August 1		
10:00 am	T'ai Chi	Fellowship Hall
Saturday, Augus	ust 19	
9:00 am	Nifty Notters	Fellowship Hall
Sunday, August 2		
8:30 am	Worship with Communion	,
10:00 am	Forum on Technology in Worship	•
11:00 am	Worship with Communion	
11:00 am	Taiwan Lutheran Worship & Sunday School Chapel,	
2:00 pm	Rhythms of God Walkers	Church

# **Preparing for Next Sunday**

Scripture Lessons for **August 20** 

Lesson: Romans 13:8-10 Gospel: Mark 10:17-27



# Some Reflections on Drama Music Camp

As I step away from being a cocoordinator of Drama Music Camp, I just want to share some thoughts on what I consider to be a valuable ministry of St. Andrew Lutheran Church to the congregation, to the children of St. Andrew, and to the children in the community that St. Andrew serves. It began with Libby Calhoun and Jeannie Vegdahl more years ago than I know...sometime in the 1990s.

I have 17 years' worth of T-shirts and 17 years' worth of powerful memories of the children, of their parents, and of the many volunteers it takes to make this program work-the kid wranglers, the volunteers who work tirelessly to provide the props and costumes that help tell the story, the people who clean up our daily mess, the people who prepare snacks each afternoon for the kids, the great cooks who prepare and serve the Saturday brunch, the dishwashers who clean up, the musicians who bring the story to life, the directors who know how to get the best from a wide variety of children in a very short period of time. Many of these volunteers have been at it as long as I have. You know who you are.

This year exemplifies a typical year—the large number of Drama Music Camp alumni who came back to help with games, etc., for the actors, and especially Sarah Wiltse, who started in Drama Music Camp as an actor in 2000, then became a wrangler, is now a parent volunteer, and may be next year's director.

I shepherded my 5 granddaughters through Drama Music Camp and hope that some of my great grandchildren will be able to participate in future years.

I particularly enjoyed working with Kristin Sacks, Mary Smith, Joanne Zenger, and—of course—Jennifer Trom these past 9 years.

Even though it entails some hard work, if you want a great experience

with young people and the overwhelming rewards volunteering brings, please consider helping in some capacity next year.

Suzanne Warnes

### Scholarship Thank You's

Dear St. Andrew,

Thank you so much for the opportunity to win this scholarship. I am looking forward to using it next year when I go to Lane. I am so grateful for your support on my next journey.

Sincerely, *Mary Brocker* 

Dear Foundation Board of Directors, Thank you for the scholarship.

God bless, *Emily Ma* 

Dear St. Andrew Lutheran Church, Thank you for the \$500 scholarship and your support of my education. I will be continuing at St. Olaf College as a music and economics major, as well as singing in the St. Olaf Choir. We will be coming to Portland on tour in February, so I will be sure to send the date to you.

Thank you for your support. *Ian Schipper* 

To the Foundation,

Thank you so much for the generous scholarship on behalf of St. Andrew! My family and I greatly appreciate the help with my future tuition, as it is quite expensive.

Thank you again! *Marissa Willke* 

Dear Judy [Scholz],

Thank you, the other members of the Scholarship Committee, and your congregation as a whole for the organ lesson scholarship. I am very grateful for the opportunity to learn a new instrument and I look forward to playing at a service in the next year.

Sincerely, *Elliot Balmer* 

### Serenity Prayer

God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and wisdom to know the difference. Living one day at a time; Enjoying one moment at a time; Accepting hardships as the pathway to peace; Taking, as Jesus did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it; Trusting that He will make all things right if I surrender to His will; That I may be reasonably happy in this life and supremely happy with Him forever in the next. Amen.

- Reinhold Niebuhr



Mark your calendars for Thursday, September 14, to learn more about the outspoken American-born pastor, writer, theologian, and political activist Reinhold Niebuhr, author of the Serenity Prayer. That evening, St. Andrew will host Andrew Finstuen, dean of the Honors College at Boise State and professor in the Department of History, and show the documentary film he produced, *An American Conscience: The Reinhold Niebuhr Story*.

Niebuhr's career spanned some of the most tumultuous decades in American history, from World War I through Vietnam, from the Great Depression through the Civil Rights Movement. An early pacifist and socialist, Niebuhr rose from a small Midwest church pulpit to become the nation's moral voice.

#### Highlights from the Finance Team as of 7/31/2017

**Monthly Attendance & Giving** 

This is the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 initial report

Thank you for your continued support of the ministries of St Andrew

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Date	8:30 am Attendance	11:00 am Attendance	Total Service Attendance		Ainistry & Mission Regular Offering	Missio	nistry & n <i>Online</i> iving		rtgage Fund Offering
07/02/17	68	72	140	\$	6,646	\$	2,267	\$	13,775
7/9/17	62	87	149	\$	8,855	\$	1,365	\$	3,04
7/16/17	62	89	151	\$	5,675	\$	3,225	\$	3,746
7/23/2017	67	86	153	\$	6,050	\$	435	\$	2,873
7/30/17	69			\$	5,332	\$	1,070	\$	2,168
7/31/17				\$	1,170	\$	495	\$	380
Sunday Average	66	84	148	\$	5,621	\$	1,476	\$	4,331
Monthly Total				\$	33,728	\$	8,857	\$	25,986
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		4 Ma	ain Funds: Budget v	vs. A	ctual				
Ministry & Miss	ion (M & M)	Budget YTD	Actual YTD		e M & M Fun	d suppo	rts the gen	eral o	perations of
,		\$ 48,154	\$ 52,829	the church, including worship supplies, educ			•		
Expenses		\$ 50,403	\$ 43,244	-					
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Income FY17/18		\$ 23,428		\$	149,881	\$	1,761,921	\$	12,964
Expense FY 17/18		\$ 12,964							
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**Balance on Hand** 

Actual

56,934

22,282

32,659

32,479

Designated Funds support many different ministries

such as Local Benevolence, Community Garden,

WELCA, disaster relief, etc.

The Learning Center includes the

ECE Program (Early Childhood

Education) and the After School

Finance Team: Larry Bliesner, Chair; Suzanne Warnes; Bob Maxwell; Ted Miller; Johanna Au Bill Beavers; Kim Moore; Libby Artley; Brian Cheney; Anne Newell

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**Actual Giving** 

**Budget** 

33,102

33,074

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**Designated Funds** 

Total Designated Funds FY17-18

**PIP Designated Fund** 

**St Andrew Learning Center** 

Income FY 17-18

Expense FY 17-18

ECE loan from Designated \$34946.33