

# ST. ANDREW WEEKLY NEWS

November 14, 2021

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

## An Advent Journey Towards Anti-Racism

Please join St. Andrew's Reckoning With Racism cohort in an exploration of how racism has played a role in the history of Oregon, and how we can all move toward being anti-racist.

Whether or not you are able to attend the class sessions, you are invited to take part in a congregation-wide Racial Equity Challenge. The goal is to do at least one thing each week that brings each of us closer to becoming anti-racist. The website [21-Day Racial Equity Challenge—America & Moore](#) is filled with suggestions for ways to read, listen, watch, notice, connect, engage, act, reflect, and stay inspired in the journey. Watch the Weekly News for a description of each week's class and suggestions for which challenges are related to that topic. A complete schedule can be found on the St. Andrew website.

We are hoping to document our efforts as a community of faith toward the goal of becoming anti-racist. In the Narthex, you will find a display board and paper candle cut-outs. Please write what you did in the past week on one of the candles, and add it to the board. Together, we can shine some light in the darkness of racism.



**November 14:** Lynn Santelmann will lead an exploration of *Native Americans in Oregon*, from an historical background through modern-day issues.

Racial Equity Challenge suggestions: [21-Day Racial Equity Challenge—America & Moore](#).

**Learn:** Learn more about the indigenous people who lived where you live now or where you grew up. Go to [Native-Land.ca](#) and type in an address in the search box on the left. The map will zoom in and show the name of the group who lived there. What do you know about these people? What can you learn?

**Read:** [How White People Got Made](#), by Quinn Norton (The Message)

**Listen:** [All My Relations](#) (Podcast)

**Watch:** [The Iroquois Influence on the Constitution](#)

**Notice:** What percentage of the day are you able to be with people of your own racial identity?

**Connect:** National Congress of American Indians: [NCAI](#)

**Engage:** Notice your biases and judgments as they arise. These are gold for you to excavate your subconscious!

## “Leading in a Liminal Season”

This Sunday, Pastor Susan continues her Adult Education class, *Leading in a Liminal Season*, at 10:00 am via Zoom. The class is based on Susan Beaumont's 2019 book, *How to Lead When You Don't Know Where You Are Going, Leading in a Liminal Season*, published by Rowman and Littlefield. We will be on Zoom; please bring your bible.

Pastor Susan

## Midweek Evening Prayer

Throughout the pandemic, Midweek Evening Prayer services have been a regular occurrence on Zoom, but in November they will be taking a little break. All are invited to join in the practice of Centering Prayer at 7:00 pm on **Wednesday, November 10**, via Zoom.

Beginning December 1, Advent Evening Prayer will be returning, with worship offered in person in the Sanctuary as well as via Zoom.

## Spirituality Book Group

The Spirituality Book Group will meet on **Sunday, November 21**, at 3:00 pm via Zoom. A Zoom link will be sent out to all book group members a few days before the meeting. If you would like to attend, but are not on the Spirituality Book Group email list, please contact Mary Smith at [dbits1@gmail.com](mailto:dbits1@gmail.com).

Sharon Fako will lead our discussion of Kristin Hannah's novel, *The Four Winds*, which an Associated Press writer described as “an ode to the strength and ferocity of mothers.” The book reveals the battle between the haves and the have-nots escalated by the Great Depression and the Dust Bowl storms that accompanied it, but it also testifies to the resiliency of the human spirit.

### Future Reading

#### December 19

*On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous*, by Ocean Vuong

Discussion Leader: Elaine May

#### January 23

*The Vanishing Half*, by Britt Bennett

Discussion Leader: Mary Smith

#### February 20

*Nomadland*, by Jessica Bruder

Discussion Leader: Carol Horton

#### March (TBA)

*West with Giraffes*,

by Linda Rutledge

Discussion Leader: Susan Reiser

## Flooring Feedback

The Facilities Management Team is seeking input on Sanctuary flooring. Should the carpet be replaced or should we investigate hard-surface options and costs? A pending gift to St. Andrew would cover 90-100 percent of the cost of new carpet and its installation. Moneys in the PIPE (Property Improvement) Fund itself are not sufficient to cover either the carpet option or a hard-surface alternative. Please submit your feedback via this [Google form](#) or call Pam Meredith at 503-475-3568. Responses will be accepted through **Friday, November 26**. Thank you!

## Hanging of the Greens

Please join us **Saturday, December 4**, at 9:30 am for the "Hanging of the Greens." We'll set up the Christmas tree and decorate the church for all to enjoy as we celebrate Advent and the birth of Christ. Boy Scout Troop 618 is generously donating the wreaths and greens to deck our church again this Christmas season. If you have questions, please contact Tammy Piscitelli.



## Food Pantry Help Wanted, 2022

St. Andrew members have continued to serve at the Food Pantry at St. Matthew during the pandemic. We had to make a few changes. Families came and met us outdoors while we all wore masks. While families have missed the opportunity to come inside and select food, they were fed well with fresh produce and a bounty of packaged food, meat, dairy products, and also some surprises such as pumpkin pie. Our volunteers took orders in English, and sometimes in Spanish, and we packed bags with creativity and a prayer. On some dark rainy nights, our main challenge was to find the correct car for each grocery cart of food. Thank you: Steve Grover (and friends); Jim & Pat Hilliker; Roger & Pat Sandquist; Dan & Sharon Fako; and Eric & Jan Luttrell.

We look forward to getting our families back into the pantry sometime in 2022. In the meantime, here is a plea for more volunteers.

In addition to helping serve families at the center, we need volunteer pairs of two to deliver food to families who are not able to come to the center. Volunteers pick up a pre-packed box for the family and add fresh and frozen or refrigerated items. Deliveries could be scheduled on a Sunday afternoon or a weekday between 2:00-8:00 pm. The time involved is 1-2 hours. You do have to have a car and be ready to locate the address. You will be given information for 2-3 families and you will call to learn more about food preferences and a time that will work for delivery. This does not have to be a long-term commitment. A team can serve one time only or once a month or twice a year, or whatever works with their schedules.

This seems to be a great family opportunity and folks can try this out and see how it works. If you have questions, contact Sharon Fako at [sfako24@comcast.net](mailto:sfako24@comcast.net) or [erica97229@gmail.com](mailto:erica97229@gmail.com).

### Preparing for Next Sunday

November 21, 2021

Reading: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

Gospel: John 18:33-37



## Table Talk: Back from the Climate Brink



### Table Talk

Gathered around the table in his home, Martin Luther talked freely and openly with his colleagues and students about matters of faith, theology, and varied aspects of daily life. To cultivate this kind of spirited discussion we have a tradition at St. Andrew of gathering for Table Talks. Pastor Brocker invites you to participate in the next Table Talk via Zoom on **Tuesday, November 30**, 7:00-8:00 pm.

Seminarian Karen Klingelhafer is currently working on a course paper focused on how the life and writings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Martin Luther King, Jr. can help us address the climate crisis and move us toward a safer planet. She has offered to lead our November Table Talk, starting with a brief presentation of her paper. In preparing us for this Table Talk she writes: "Are we at a crisis situation with climate change? Is there a consensus throughout the world? With so many concerns, what do we focus on? How can we (as a church, as individuals) make an impact?" This is an especially timely topic given that the 26th United Nations Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26) is being held in Glasgow, Scotland, October 31 - November 12.

## Finding Liturgy in Life and Life in Liturgy

### An Oregon Synod Lay Education Course



How does liturgy shape us? How might we shape it? Gather with people from across the Oregon Synod this January and February to explore liturgy in daily life, communal worship, and public witness. We'll pay particular attention to the seasons of the church year, the flow of worship, the invitation of sacraments, and daily practices that help us cultivate a life of depth and meaning. We'll create space for the integration of blessing, celebration, lamentation, prayer, song, symbols, and ritual crafting. You're encouraged to bring your whole self as we seek to live in holy rhythm. [Pr. Matta Ghalay](#) will be the primary instructor. The course is designed with a Lutheran lens and inclusive heart; all are welcome.

This on-line course is offered through the Oregon Synod's [SALM and Lay Education Program](#). We'll meet the following eight Tuesday evenings on Zoom from 6:30-8:00 pm (Pacific Time): **January 11, January 18, January 25, February 1, February 8, February 15, February 22, and March 1**. Authentic participation and relationship-building are the priority. Course participants and/or their congregations are encouraged to donate, as they are able, on a sliding scale between \$20-\$160, but donations are not required to register. If you'd like to sign up for the course, please do so through the [registration form](#).

## End-of-Year Stock Donations

Greetings from your Financial Secretaries. As the end of the calendar year approaches, we want to remind you of the process for donating stock to the church.

Contributions must actually be paid before the close of the year to be deductible in 2021. Please allow at least 3 weeks for the completion of the stock transfer sale. If you intend to donate stock this tax year, please start the process as soon as possible.

1. Download the Stock Transfer Form from the church website or contact the church office.
2. Contact your brokerage firm to initiate an electronic transfer of securities.
3. Complete the form, including your intentions for the use of the donation, and email a copy to [financial-secretary@standrewlutheran.com](mailto:financial-secretary@standrewlutheran.com). Or you may send a copy to the church office marked "Confidential for Financial Secretaries." This form must be turned in at the beginning of the process. Without it, we cannot complete your request.
4. Upon receipt of the form, one of the financial secretaries will contact you regarding the progress of the electronic stock transfer to Charles Schwab, the church's securities firm.

Thank you for your generosity to the Mission and Ministry of St. Andrew.

*Tammy Piscitelli*

on behalf of the Financial Secretaries and Finance Team

## In Need of Prayers...

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PRAYERS FOR...</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>
Family and friends of Deanna Rhoda (sister-in-law) Kay (mother) Nan Thompson	Peace and God's comfort at her death Comfort, peace, and God's love as death nears Affirmation of her decision to forego further cancer treatment and acceptance by family and loved ones	Doris Larson Linda Olshausen Nan Thompson
Dr. Cara Steinkeler	Strength as she supports dying COVID patients and their families	Gary & Gail Grafwallner
Ginny Link Chris Sinn (brother) John Fiegenbaum Chris Williams (son) Madeleine (granddaughter) Maverick Dixon (nephew) Jason and family	Successful surgery (November 17) and recovery Healing Comfort and pain relief Peace, comfort, and healing from COVID Strength and healing Thanksgiving for his birth and successful surgery God's direction and support	Ginny Link Randy & Michelle Sinn Amy Fiegenbaum Jerry & Anne Williams Mary Smith AJ & Rebecca Uecker A. Grapa
St. Andrew Council, Executive Committee, Staff	Wisdom and discernment	Staff
Karen Klingelhafer, Kyler Vogt, and all seminarians India Jensen Kerr and all theology students	Encouragement and support	Staff
St. Andrew Foundation	Blessings on their ministry	Staff
Christ the King Lutheran Church (Milton-Freewater, OR) St. Paul Lutheran Church (Ontario, OR)	Serving with us in the Oregon Synod	Staff
Congregation Chabad (Portland)	Blessings on our interfaith partners	Staff
Individual friends and loved ones in need of prayer	Whatever they most need; say their names in your heart or aloud	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](mailto:office@standrewlutheran.com) Tuesday-Friday, [prayerchain@standrewlutheran.com](mailto:prayerchain@standrewlutheran.com) Saturday-Monday.

## Making a Difference "One House at a Time"

Thank you for partnering with Rebuilding Together Washington County (RTWC). For 26 years, we have been able to help so many of our neighbors in need remain safely in their homes. We could not have done it without the countless donors, volunteers, and advocates. It has not been easy, but we have never been alone or lost in our community, and I thank you for that.



I want to specifically thank St. Andrew Lutheran Church and your congregants for your gift of \$400. With every dollar we receive, we are able to provide \$2 of home repairs by using volunteers and donated materials. We have big goals for the future and these funds help us continue to expand and serve more homeowners-in-need. Thank you so much!

*Danielle Schira*

Rebuilding Together Washington County

## Book Sale Help Needed

I'm going to need help setting up for the big day of St. Andrew's Used Book Sale. Needed are three people who can stand still holding ten pounds over their heads for five minutes, repeatedly. It won't be for hours and hours, just long enough for me to hand down books above the top shelf, after which they'll be put on carts and pushed into Fellowship Hall. So, 3 people, 10 pounds over your head, at 1:00 pm on **Saturday, November 27**; go home when you get tired. Thanks!

*Pam Farr*

Adult Librarian

## Green Circles



Learn about issues of climate, faith, and justice, and how to take action through Green Circles, an interfaith

statewide gathering held via Zoom on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm. The next meeting is **Tuesday, November 16**. [Register online](#) to get involved.

The program is a collaboration between EcoFaith Recovery and Eloheh Indigenous Center for Earth Justice.

## Your St. Andrew Staff

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# Highlights for the Week at St. Andrew Lutheran Church

## Sunday, November 14

8:30 am	Worship with Communion ( <i>masks required</i> ).....	Sanctuary and Livestreamed
10:00 am	Adult Education: A Journey Towards Anti-Racism, Part 1 .....	Fellowship Hall and via Zoom
10:00 am	Adult Education: Leading in a Liminal Season .....	via Zoom
10:00 am	Children's Ministry.....	Children's Library
10:00 am	Confirmation (for grades 6-8) .....	Library and via Zoom
10:00 am	High School Youth Group .....	Youth Room
10:30 am	Virtual Coffee Time .....	participate via Zoom
11:00 am	Worship with Communion ( <i>masks required</i> ).....	Sanctuary and via Zoom
12:00 pm	Virtual Coffee Time .....	participate via Zoom

## Monday, November 15

6:00 pm	Scout Troop 618 Meeting.....	Fellowship Hall, St. Andrew Room
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## Tuesday, November 16

7:00 am	Sunrise Women.....	Elmer's Restaurant on 158 <sup>th</sup> (1250 NW Waterhouse Ave)
7:00 am	Men's Gathering & Bible Study.....	Elmer's Restaurant on 158 <sup>th</sup> (1250 NW Waterhouse Ave)
10:00 am	Tai Chi.....	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Worship Planners Meeting.....	Library

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

6:00 pm	Bells of Grace Rehearsal.....	Sanctuary
6:45 pm	Informal Gathering Time .....	via Zoom
7:00 pm	Scout Troop 618 Committee Meeting.....	Children's Library
7:00 pm	Wednesday Night Youth Hangout .....	Youth Room
7:00 pm	Centering Prayer .....	participate via Zoom

## Thursday, November 18

9:30 am	Seekers of the Heart of God Bible Study .....	St. Andrew Room
7:00 pm	Council Meeting.....	St. Andrew Room and via Zoom

## Friday, November 19

10:00 am	Tai Chi.....	Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm	Middle School Bowling Party.....	Superplay Bowling Alley

## Saturday, November 20

9:00 am	Nifty Notters.....	Fellowship Hall
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## Sunday, November 21

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## Worship at St. Andrew or Connect to Virtual Worship

**8:30 am:** Worship in the Sanctuary or watch the livestream of worship on YouTube. *The link will be sent to you via email and the church app.*



- The same link will bring you to the recording of the service to watch anytime after the livestream ends.
- An audio recording of the 8:30 am service will be available Sunday afternoon by simply dialing **503-643-9416**.



**11:00 am:** Worship in the Sanctuary or participate in worship via Zoom. *The link will be sent to you via email and the church app.*

To participate via Zoom you can use a computer, smartphone, tablet, or a telephone.