

# ST. ANDREW WEEKLY NEWS

January 31, 2021

St. Andrew Lutheran Church  
12405 SW Butner Road, Beaverton, OR 97005  
[www.standrewlutheran.com](http://www.standrewlutheran.com); 503-646-0629

Worship Services:  
Sunday, 8:30 am  
Sunday, 11:00 am

Our church community is OPEN and gathering ONLINE and BY TELEPHONE. We welcome you to meet up with us there!  
For your safety and to protect the most vulnerable, access to the church building remains HIGHLY RESTRICTED.

## Giving Statements for 2020

Your 2020 giving statements are available. Go to [Give](#) page of the church website to download and print your statement from your [InFellowship account](#).

Please note that statements will be mailed out only upon special request. If you need a statement mailed to you, please contact the [Financial Secretaries](#) or the church office (503-646-0629).

*The St. Andrew Finance Team*

## Wednesday Evening Prayer

Zoom gatherings continue every Wednesday evening for fellowship, worship, and prayer. You are welcome to participate in any or all of the following:

6:30 pm	Informal Gathering Time
7:00 pm	Prayer Service
7:30 pm	Centering Prayer

Watch for the Zoom link to arrive in your inbox mid-day on Wednesdays.

## Bread for the Day and Daily Texts Available

The 2021 edition of *Daily Texts*, Bible texts selected annually by the Moravian Church and shared worldwide since 1731, are now available, as are copies of *Bread for the Day*, a book of Bible readings and prayers published by Augsburg Fortress. A donation of \$9.00 is suggested to defray the cost of each book.

If you'd like one or more copies, please contact the church office at [office@standrewlutheran.com](mailto:office@standrewlutheran.com) or call 503-646-0629.

## Pastor Robyn's "Outside Hours"

Pastor Robyn is offering a couple more opportunities for people wanting to meet with her outdoors under the front door overhang at St. Andrew until her final Sunday with us on February 7. Feel free to stop by anytime during these "outside hours" for some conversation or to share a prayer. This week's opportunities include **Sunday, January 31, from 1:00-2:00 pm**, and **Wednesday, February 3, from 4:00-5:00 pm**.

A brief communion service will be offered at ten minutes before the end of each hour for anybody who desires to participate. Pastor Robyn will provide pre-filled personalized sealed communion cups and wafers.

You can also set up a different time to meet with Pastor Robyn outside at the church or outside at your own home. To schedule a different time, please contact her at 503-646-0629, ext. 211, or at [PastorRobyn@standrewlutheran.com](mailto:PastorRobyn@standrewlutheran.com).

## Treasurer Needed



St. Andrew's Financial Committee is searching for a Treasurer. At the end of June 2021, Anne Newell will be stepping down from that role to pursue new activities. We're looking for someone to step into her shoes and we're hoping someone in the congregation will be "willing and able."

Whether one person or a team step forward, we'll train and assist you in taking over this important function for our church. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to serve. Call Anne Newell at 503-781-9076 for more information.

## Adult Education: The Gospel of Mark

**Sunday, January 31, 10:00 am**

Jim Aageson concludes his study of Mark, where the first are last and those closest to Jesus are filled with fear rather than faith. In God's kingdom, things are upside down.



*participate via Zoom*

## Super Bible Bowl: FEUD!



The Super Bible Bowl returns to St. Andrew on **Sunday, February 14**, at 10:00 am! This year, the Bowl will be fully digital, hosted via Zoom during the normal Christian Education hour. But, the virtual nature of the event isn't all that is new this year: instead of the usual "Jeopardy" format, this year the battle between council and confirmands will take the shape of the popular game show "Family Feud." We hope you will join us to cheer on the contestants!

## Job Openings in Online Worship Production

St. Andrew is looking to hire a part-time audio tech and part-time video tech to distribute online worship using YouTube livestream and Zoom. These two individuals will ensure everything is ready to go prior to each service, manage mics and audio or manage cameras and graphics, and ensure the congregation is receiving the feed. Experience in sound boards and videography is required. Worship production involves more than hitting play and walking away. These two people will stay on-site throughout services and troubleshoot when needed. To learn more about specific qualifications needed and compensation offered, please go to:

<https://portland.craigslist.org/wsc/npd/portland-livestream-audio-video-tech/7263783074.html>

Positions will be open until filled. Application review begins in early February.

## Community Warehouse

Each January, St. Andrew has donated barrel loads of household goods to the nonprofit agency Community Warehouse, which furnishes needed furniture and appliances, etc. to families just moving into stable housing. The organization provides almost everything needed to start housekeeping to families graduating from Family Promise, whose families St. Andrew has hosted.

Due to the pandemic, we cannot accept items in our building and the agency is not picking up donations as it did earlier.

If you would like to donate money to this worthwhile agency, you can write a check to St. Andrew Lutheran and indicate "Service Committee – Warehouse" on the memo line. \$40 provides a desk and chair to a child, while \$400 provides the comforts of home for one family.

Thanks for your consideration.

*Fran Miller*

for the Service Committee

P.S. If you wish to personally deliver donated items, the Community Warehouse located at 8380 NW Nyberg St in Tualatin continues to accept donations on Monday-Saturday, from 10:00 am-4:00 pm. If you have questions, call them at 503-447-2147. The Community Warehouse at 3969 NE MLK, Jr. Blvd in Portland is also accepting drop-off donations, Monday-Friday. You may call their office at 503-235-8786.

Donations should be gently used or new, safe, clean, functional, and in ready-to-use condition with all parts assembled. Mattresses must be free of stains, tears, and pet hair/odors. Items must be from non-smoking households.

Generally these offerings are accepted: small appliances, kitchenware, furniture that is not too heavy, and linens. Staff may decline to accept some furnishings.



### Preparing for Next Sunday February 7, 2021

Reading: Isaiah 40:21-31

Gospel: Mark 1:29-39



## Let's Talk, Let's Listen Reboot

Last summer, the St. Andrew MACG Core Team organized a listening campaign, encouraging members to make phone calls to people we missed seeing at church. Now that this unusual holiday season has ended, and the colder weather prevents outdoor gatherings, it's time to check in once again. Who are you wondering about? Who would you like to check in with?

We encourage you to make contacts by phone, e-mail, or by writing a note or sending a card. And then, please let us know what you found out.

To sign up to contact someone, please click on this link:

<https://tinyurl.com/calling-signup-sheet>

To give feedback about your contact, please click on this link:

<https://forms.gle/BdfWYoZVLjytUKB9A>

Questions? Please contact Pat Christiansen, Larry Bliesner, Scott Taylor, Bob Stadel, Victoria Kovalenko, Lynn Santelmann, or Pastor Robyn. And thank you for keeping our community together and strong.

MACG Core Team



## Pandemic Story: Counting on Compound Interest

As a banker and one of St. Andrew's treasurers, Brian Cheney knows well the power of compound interest. And as a recent MBA graduate from George Fox University, he's counting on that phenomenon to improve our world in big and little ways. A year ago, he decided to invite his friends and contacts to get out in the community and create something positive. Most people he talked to didn't come up with any ideas they could put their passion behind, but an old friend from high school – Hayley Carroll – jumped on the idea.

For Brian, the challenge of climate degradation hit home with the massive wildfires that have plagued the Pacific Northwest. Hayley, a project manager with an engineering firm, was learning woodworking skills from her dad and building hexagonal structures perfect for mason bees. As they talked to discover what things they had in common, serendipity struck and they decided to create a program to share mason bees with the community.



Mason bees are important pollinators that we depend on for food production. Brian and Hayley have an ambitious goal: to create an agricultural safety net with mason bees by 2025, when farmers may no longer be able to count on bees from the wild to visit their orchards and fields. If that happens, food production will decline dramatically. Hayley handles the manufacturing end, while Brian looks after the business side of their partnership.

Working with St. Andrew's Community Carbon Yard Science Team, the pair have already installed five mason bee houses on the south and east sides of the garden shed. More will be placed around the property yet this spring. If you'd like to apply for a mason bee house at your home, contact Brian. After your bees hatch, they will go back to Brian and Hayley to be distributed to others in the area. For more information, go to [www.morebees.org](http://www.morebees.org).

## Your St. Andrew Staff

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Tira Nasset.....	503-866-5099

## In Need of Prayer...

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PRAYERS FOR...</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>
Family and friends of Colleen Warnes (daughter) Suzanne Davison (son's fiancé) Carol Hogan	Peace and God's comfort at her death Accurate diagnosis and effective treatment Accurate diagnosis and effective treatment for low platelets	Suzanne Warnes Bob & Carolyn Cornie Carol Hogan
Nan Thompson Kim Oyen (sister-in-law) Linda Wick (sister) Gary Grafwallner Lisa, Scott, and Henry Staul LuAnn Staul Everyone affected by COVID-19 Health care workers	Good diagnosis, effective treatment, and comfort Comfort and healing Pain relief and healing Healing and recovery Healing and recovery from COVID-19 Release from hospital and recovery from COVID-19 Strength and support Strength, courage, protection, and support	Pastor Robyn Chris Bekemeier Donna McAlpine Gary Grafwallner Lisa Staul LuAnn Staul Staff Staff
St, Matthew Lutheran Church (Beaverton, OR) Taiwan Lutheran Church (Beaverton, OR)	Serving with us in the Oregon Synod	Staff
Al Furqan Islamic Center (Portland, OR)	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	Everyone

**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.**

## Epiphany Carols on Our Website

Many of us miss the voices of the congregation raised in song, but—thanks to individuals from the Sanctuary Choir—you can hear some Epiphany Carols on our website. Click on the “Worship” link and then scroll down to “Special Events.” Thank you, Deacon Susan Reiser, for making this happen!

## Thank You from EcoFaith Recovery

Thank you from the bottom of my heart to the St. Andrew community for your generous and ongoing support of climate justice and racial justice through EcoFaith Recovery. With your financial support, EcoFaith Recovery met its year-end matching grant before the December 31<sup>st</sup> deadline and ended the year with only a \$597 deficit! This is much less than we feared given the financial impact of the pandemic which reduced the giving capacity of many of EcoFaith's regular donors.

If you would like to receive monthly e-mail updates on the work St. Andrew is supporting for climate justice and racial justice (including St. Andrew's role as EcoFaith's flagship Community Carbon pilot community) and opportunities through which you can participate in EcoFaith's volunteer leadership development work online, simply send me an e-mail at [Pastor-Robyn@EcoFaithRecovery.org](mailto:Pastor-Robyn@EcoFaithRecovery.org) and I will make sure you are added to the list. Thanks again!

*Pastor Robyn*

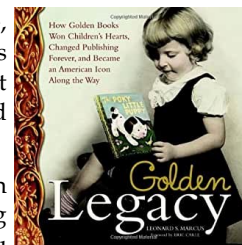
## Taking America Back for God

Our own ELCA presiding bishop, Rev. Elizabeth Eaton, participated with Episcopal Bishop Michael Curry and others in an online forum, *Democracy and Faith Under Siege: Responding to Christian Nationalism*, on January 27. Dr. Andrew Whitehead offered a clear summary of Christian Nationalism from his new book, *Taking America Back for God: Christian Nationalism in the United States*. The recording of the presentation and other compelling resources for confronting Christian Nationalism are at the following links:

<https://bjconline.org> and  
<https://www.christiansagainstchristiannationalism.org/> and  
[www.youtube.com/watch?v=QmgWHBoGBi8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QmgWHBoGBi8)

## A Golden Legacy

This book is for all of us old folks out there, those born in the 1940s and 1950s. Perhaps those older as well, but you yourself might have been too old for them and not old enough to read them to your own kids.



Anyway, having stuck my foot far enough into my mouth that my eyes cross looking at my ankle, I will get on with telling you about this book. *The Golden Legacy*, by Leonard Marcus (call number 813.54) is a great book about books, The Little Golden Books, that is. Remember them? Even if you don't read all the history Marcus outlines, which is pretty interesting by itself, it's great fun to look at the pictures and see all the covers and remember which books you had growing up. Can you still tell the story? Remember what happened?

The pictures are wonderful, but did you know how many different illustrators the publisher had, and how many authors? I sure didn't. I never noticed as a kid, but they didn't, for the longest time, put the name of the author on the cover. All the changes do get rather tiresome, but if you stick with it, you'll be amazed at what the passage of time brought to those books and the publisher's thinking: marketers could still learn from them.

Anyway, try taking a trip down the Golden Book road!

*Pam Farr*  
Adult Librarian

## Pastoral Care

**Pastor Mark Brocker (on call Fridays & Saturdays)**  
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*Both pastors are on call Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.*



# Highlights for the Week at St. Andrew Lutheran Church

## Sunday, January 31, Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

8:30 am	Livestream Worship .....	listen/watch via telephone or online
9:30 am	Virtual Coffee Time .....	participate via Zoom
10:00 am	Sunday School Online .....	via Zoom
10:00 am	Confirmation .....	via Zoom
10:00 am	High School Youth Group .....	via Zoom
10:00 am	Adult Education: The Gospel of Mark .....	via Zoom
11:00 am	Online Worship.....	participate via Zoom
12:00 pm	Virtual Coffee Time .....	participate via Zoom
1:00 pm	Outside Hour with Pastor Robyn.....	under the front door overhang

## Tuesday, February 2

10:00 am	T'ai Chi .....	former Bales Thriftway on Cornell Rd.
10:00 am	Worship Planners Meeting .....	via Zoom
7:00 pm	MACG Meeting .....	via Zoom

## Wednesday, February 3—Weekly News submissions due by 4:00 pm

12:30 pm	Bonhoeffer Seminar .....	via Zoom
4:00 pm	Outside Hour with Pastor Robyn.....	under the front door overhang
6:00 pm	Handbell Ensemble Rehearsal.....	Sanctuary
6:30 pm	High School Youth Hangout .....	via Zoom
6:30 pm	Informal Gathering Time.....	via Zoom
7:00 pm	Wednesday Evening Prayer.....	via Zoom
7:30 pm	Centering Prayer & Other Breakout Room Opportunities .....	via Zoom

## Thursday, February 4

12:00 pm	Team Ministry Meeting.....	via Zoom
7:00 pm	Executive Council Meeting.....	via Zoom

## Friday, February 5

10:00 am	T'ai Chi .....	former Bales Thriftway on Cornell Rd.
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## Sunday, February 7, Fifth Sunday of Epiphany

8:30 am	Livestream Worship .....	listen/watch via telephone or online
9:30 am	Virtual Coffee Time .....	participate via Zoom
9:45 am	Pastor Robyn's Final Sunday .....	via Zoom
11:00 am	Online Worship.....	participate via Zoom
12:00 pm	Virtual Coffee Time .....	participate via Zoom

## Connecting to Worship at St. Andrew

**8:30 am:** Watch the livestream of worship on YouTube. *The link will be sent to you via e-mail and the church app.*



- The same link will bring you to the recording of the service to watch anytime after the livestream ends.
- If you have a Facebook account and are a member of the "St. Andrew Lutheran Church Beaverton" Facebook Group, please note that a link to the YouTube livestream will be posted on Sunday mornings.
- An audio recording of the 8:30 am service will be available Sunday afternoon by simply dialing **503-643-9416**.

**11:00 am:** Participate in worship via Zoom. *The link will be sent to you via e-mail and the church app.*



To participate via "Zoom" you can use a computer, smart phone, tablet, or a telephone.

## Ways to Give: Thank you for supporting our ministries!

As we maintain social distancing for physical health, it is important to support the fiscal health of St. Andrew. We thank you for your support of the ministries of St. Andrew. If you are able, please give now using any of the following options:

### Postal Mail

Simply mail a check to the church office. Let us know if you'd like giving envelopes mailed to your home each month by calling 503-646-0629 or e-mailing [office@standrewlutheran.com](mailto:office@standrewlutheran.com).

### Text Giving

Text 503-386-9646 with the amount you wish to give. You can give a one-time donation or set up a recurring donation. Text "funds" to receive a list of funds.

### NEW! Church App (<https://app.ministryone.com/landing/nBv>)

The newest way to stay connected—and to give—is by using St. Andrew's new church app! Download "Church by Ministry One" from the App Store and use it to watch St. Andrew videos, submit a prayer request, and give a one-time or recurring gift.



### Online at [www.standrewlutheran.com](http://www.standrewlutheran.com)

Click on "Give Now" on the church website. You can also view your giving and print your Contribution Statements here.

### Direct Deposit / "Simply Giving"

Request a form from the [church office](#) to enable automated giving from your checking or savings account through the "Simply Giving" program.

### Stock Transfer

The required form is available through the church office or website and should be submitted at the beginning of the process.

## Need Help?

If you discover that you need help connecting to St. Andrew's online worship services and meetings, please e-mail Rebecca Fako Uecker at [RLS.HOPE@yahoo.com](mailto:RLS.HOPE@yahoo.com). She will be available by 9:30 am on Sunday mornings and 5:30 pm on Wednesday evenings to provide same-day help for church-related purposes.