St. Andrew Weekly News

May 16, 2021

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

Our church community is OPEN and gathering ONLINE and BY TELEPHONE. We welcome you to meet up with us there!

Table Talk: Corporate Social Responsibility

Thursday, May 27, 7:00-8:00 pm

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. In an effort to cultivate this kind of spirited discussion we have a tradition at St. Andrew Table Talks. Though we cannot gather in person, Pastor Brocker invites you to participate in the next Table Talk, held via Zoom on Thursday, May 27, 7:00-8:00 pm.

In the ELCA's social statement on economic life, "Sufficient, Sustainable Livelihood for All," Christian vocation in the world is described as seeking "what is good for people and the rest of creation in ways that glorify God and anticipate God's promised future." This social statement "recognizes the economic power and political influence of transnational corporations and charges the global community with holding these corporations accountable." In this Table Talk we will discuss the specific role of the church in holding corporations accountable. We will also address a related question: What does it mean for the church to be a socially responsible corporation?

In preparation for this Table Talk, participants are encouraged to go to corporate social responsibility resources on the ELCA website and at least download and read the "Corporate Social Responsibility Overview":

https://www.elca.org/Resources/Corporate-Responsibility.

Wednesday Evening Prayer



Midweek Prayer Services continue into the Easter season this <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>May 19</u>, with a service that emphasizes creation's song of praise to God. Drawing on elements from *All Creation Sings*, our service combines prayer, song, and meditations from the writings of well-known lovers of creation. Look for links to this worship service at midday on Wednesdays in Allison's e-mail.

Earth Camp 2021: Register Now!

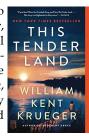
We are offering Earth Camp this summer! Camp will be held outdoors with COVID guidelines in place as required by the CDC and Oregon Heath Authority. Earth Camp is for children entering 1st through 6th grade this fall (September 2021) and the purpose is to cultivate a deep love of our Earth home and all its inhabitants. Campers will:

- Discover how interconnected we are with all our fellow creatures;
- Learn practical ways we can care for our Earth home; and,
- Have a lot of fun in the process!

Read all about it on the church website under Education > <u>Earth</u> <u>Camp 2021.</u>

Spirituality Book Group

The Spirituality Book Group will meet on Zoom to discuss *This Tender Land*, by William Kent Krueger, on Sunday, May 16, at 3:00 pm. Susan Reiser will lead the discussion of what a *Minneapolis Star Tribune* reviewer called a "picaresque tale of adventure during the Great Depression. Part *Grapes of Wrath*, part *Huckleberry Finn*, Krueger's novel is a journey over inner and outer terrain toward wisdom and freedom."



The Zoom link for this meeting will be sent to people on the Spirituality Book Group mailing list. If you'd like to attend, please contact Mary Smith to have a link sent to you. At this May meeting, we will also discuss the possibility of meeting in person again.

Future Reading

June 13

Just Mercy, by Bryan Stevenson
Discussion Leader: Barbara Gutzler

Please bring suggestions for future reading to this meeting, as we will be selecting titles for the next six months.

July 18

The Murmur of Bees, by Sofia Segovia Discussion Leader: Sharon Fako

Audio Technician Needed

Are you a master of audio technology? Do you have experience with sound/mixing boards and microphone placement? Do you understand broadcasting, audio encoding equipment, and live audio delivery systems?

St. Andrew is seeking to employ a part-time audio tech to work four-five hours on Sunday mornings, one-three times per month, and possibly for special events at other times.

This Livestream Audio Technician will work closely with a Video Tech to distribute online worship currently using YouTube livestream and Zoom, as well as to amplify sound when we return to worship in the Sanctuary.

To learn more about the position and to apply, please go to Portland's <u>Craigslist</u>.

Special Congregational Meeting to Vote on Becoming a Sanctuary Congregation

> Sunday, May 23, 2021 10:00 am via Zoom

Review the proposed declaration online.

Let's Connect

The St. Andrew MACG Core Team and Caring Ministries Team invite you to join us in our ongoing effort to make contact with as many mem-



bers of our faith community as we can over the course of the next two weeks.

Over the past two weeks, many of our volunteers made contact or promised to make contact with almost 90 percent of St. Andrew households. That's terrific! There are more contacts to be made, though. Can you help? You are invited to make a phone call, write a note, or send an e-mail to as many people as you can. Help us reach our goal of spreading a message of connection to most of our congregational roster before summer.

The primary purpose is to check in and let people know we are thinking of them, so a good place to start is, "How are you doing?" From there, your conversations may take different paths. You may want to talk about how you are both feeling about returning to inperson gatherings, or about the social connections that have been difficult this past year, or about what has changed in the past year. The direction your conversation takes is up to you. Pretend that you are chatting with someone in the narthex.

Jan Smith is coordinating the assignment of names. You can contact her via e-mail at jansmith59@earthlink.net. Once you have completed your calls, please get in touch with one of the pastors if there is something they should know. Also please send an e-mail to Pat Christiansen (<a href="mailto:jansmith:patching-emerges

Thanks for being a part of this important ministry. We are a stronger community when we stay in touch.

St. Andrew's MACG Core Team and Caring
Ministries Team

<u>Preparing for Pentecost</u> May 23, 2021

Reading: Acts 2:1-21 Gospel: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15



May Movie Night: After the Raid

On <u>Friday, May 21</u>, we will meet to discuss *After the Raid*, a 2019 documentary that explores the devastating effects that an immigration raid on a meat packing plant in Tennessee has on the community. The film asks more questions than it answers, as it explores the ways that faith-based organizations might address these issues.



You can stream *After the Raid* on Netflix and then bring out the popcorn and gather around your computer screens at 7:00 pm on Friday, May 21, as we talk about what we liked and didn't like about the movie.

The timing of this particular movie night is fortuitous. Two days following our discussion, on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>May 23</u>, the St. Andrew congregation will meet between services to consider and vote on becoming a sanctuary congregation. Seeing this documentary beforehand may help inform your vote.

You'll find the Zoom link for this movie night in the "Weekly News" e-mail on Friday, May 21.

Scholarships for High School Seniors



The deadline for graduating high school seniors to submit their scholarship applications to the St. Andrew Foundation is <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>June 1</u>. The award is available to any St. Andrew youth going on to a community college, college, university, or trade school. The <u>application</u> is available on the church website. If you have questions, contact Foundation President Sonja Ackman, <u>foundation@standrewlutheran.com</u>.

A Prayer for Sanctuary

Source of life and love, we thank you for the opportunity to gather in this sacred space of community where we are blessed to reflect on the meaning of our faith.

Let our faith heal our brokenness.

In the midst of political turmoil and upheaval, when people are being excluded for the color of their skin, their accent, or their citizenship status, let our faith guide us to solidarity.

As families struggle for better lives for themselves and their children, as they flee violence and war, hunger and the effects of global climate change, let our faith call us to action.

May the Sanctuary that has blessed us be opened to all those who are vulnerable and oppressed.

Let our faith show us the power of Sanctuary for all.

Amen.

Pastoral Care

Lead Pastor Mark Brocker
office: 503-646-0629 (extension 201)
cell: 503-502-8762
<u>brockerms@standrewlutheran.com</u>
Pastor Mark is on call Friday & Saturday.



Pastor of Caring Ministries Susan Kintner office: 503-646-0629 (extension 211) cell: 503-724-2556 pastorsusan@standrewlutheran.com
Pastor Susan is on call Sunday & Monday.

Both pastors are on call Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

n Need of Draver

In Need of Prayers				
NAME	PRAYERS FOR	CONTACT		
Family and friends of Gale Roy Williams (brother)	Peace and God's comfort at his death	Claris & Corky Poppert		
Family and friends of Jody Podolske	Peace and God's comfort at her death	Staff		
Family and friends of Jerry Werner (cousin)	Peace and God's comfort at his death	Susan Werner Reiser		
Carol Grover (sister)	Peaceful passing	Nan Thompson		
Deborah Townsend (mother)	Peaceful passing	Holly Bishop-Perdue		
Marvel Lund	Peace and comfort in hospice care	Staff		
Jan Morrell	Successful surgery (May 19)	Amy Harker		
Luke (13-year-old friend)	Healing and recovery from COVID-19	Rebecca Fako Uecker		
Ginny Link	Continued prayers for accurate diagnosis, effective treatment, and healing	Ginny Link		
Gary & Gail Grafwallner	Smooth transition	Staff		
Baby Hazel (granddaughter of good friend)	Thanksgiving for her release from the hospital	Bob & Judy Scholz		
Everyone affected by COVID-19	Strength and support	Staff		
People of India	Aid and support as COVID ravages the country	Staff		
Bishop Megan Rohrer	Celebrating the ELCA's first trans bishop	Staff		
Those confined to their homes	Assurance of God's presence	Staff		
	n Fredrickson, Tara Harper, Douglas Hooke, Betty F y, Helen Rogers, Dave & Sharon Roth, Margie Schir			
All who are imprisoned	Peace and strength			
Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon Holy Trinity Catholic Church	Blessings on their work	Staff		
St. Paul Lutheran Church (Portland, OR) Good Spirit Mission Lutheran Church (Portland, C	Serving with us in the Oregon Synod PR)	Staff		
Congregation Kesser Israel (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	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.

Storytelling from Oregon's First Ordained Women

For most of the history of the church (Roman Catholic and Protestant), only men were permitted to be ordained and to lead a congregation. For Lutherans, that changed in 1970, when the Lutheran Church in America and American Lutheran Church, predecessors of the ELCA, ordained Elizabeth Platz and Barbara Andrews. Since then, women



clergy have steadily broken barriers, but changing the climate has been a decades-long process.

Still, 50 years later, look how far women have come! Today, the ELCA is led by Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, 22 women are synodical bishops (of 65 total), and four are seminary presidents. Almost one-third of all ELCA pastors are women.

Your St. Andrew Staff

Lead Pastor, Mark Brockerbrockerms@standrewlutheran.com Pastor of Caring Ministries, Susan Kintner...... pastorsusan@standrewlutheran.com Min. of Music, Allison Katsufrakis.......allisonk@standrewlutheran.com Parish Musician & Deacon Susan Reisersrwerner.reiser@standrewlutheran.com Children & Youth Minister, Kyler Vogtkvogt@standrewlutheran.com Intern Deacon, India Jensen Kerrseespotrun2013@outlook.com Seminarian, Karen Klingelhaferkakling@sbcglobal.net Parish Manager, Jennifer Trom.....jtrom@standrewlutheran.com Office Manager, Carol Harker office@standrewlutheran.com Housekeeper, Carol Hogan 503-646-0629 Sunday School Director, Lisa Staulsundayschool@standrewlutheran.com

To hear what it was like for some of the early women leaders in the Oregon Synod, including our own Pastor Susan Kintner, you are invited to listen in on three storytelling sessions featuring women such as Susan Granata, Joan Beck, and Solveig Nilsen-Goodin:

Saturday, May 15, 7:00 pm Saturday, June 26, 7:00 pm Saturday, July 17, 7:00 pm

It's free and online. Register now.

Filling the Food Barrel



Things are beginning to return to something nearer normal. We learned earlier **FOOD** this week that St. Matthew Lutheran Church is once again accepting packaged and canned food for its

food bank. Now that St. Andrew's doors are unlocked during office hours, feel free to donate nonperishable food to the food barrel in the Narthex. We are resuming deliveries to St. Matt's and know that there are many hungry people who will benefit from our gifts.

Highlights for the Week at St. Andrew Lutheran Church

Sunday, May	16		
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 (age 3 rd -5 th grade)	via Zoom	
10:00 am	Confirmation for 6 th -8 th Grade	via Zoom	
10:00 am	High School Youth Group	via Zoom	
10:00 am	Adult Education: Women in the Gospels	via Zoom	
11:00 am	Online Worship	participate via Zoom	
12:00 pm	Virtual Coffee Time	participate via Zoom	
12:30 pm	Earth Camp Planning Meeting	via Zoom	
Monday, May 17			
6:00 pm	Troop 618 Scout Meeting	East Parking Lot	
Tuesday, Ma	y 18		
10:00 am	T'ai Chi	former Bales Thriftway on Cornell Rd.	
10:00 am	Worship Planners Meeting	via Zoom	
Wednesday,	May 19— <u>Weekly News submissions due by 4:00 pm</u>		
1:00 pm	Caring Ministry Meeting	via Zoom	
6:00 pm	Handbell Ensemble Rehearsal	Sanctuary	
6:30 pm	Informal Gathering Time	participate via Zoom	
7:00 pm	High School Youth Game Night	participate via Zoom	
7:00 pm	Wednesday Evening Prayer	participate via Zoom	
7:30 pm	Centering Prayer	participate via Zoom	
Thursday, May 20			
12:00 pm	Virtual Team Ministry Meeting	via Zoom	
2:30 pm	Communications Team Meeting	via Zoom	
7:00 pm	Council Meeting	via Zoom	
Friday, May 2	1		
10:00 am	T'ai Chi	former Bales Thriftway on Cornell Rd.	
7:00 pm	Movie Night: After the Raid	via Zoom	
Sunday, May	23		
8:30 am	Livestream Worship	listen/watch via telephone or online	
9:30 am	Virtual Coffee Time	• • •	
10:00 am	Sunday School (age 3 rd -5 th grade)		
10:00 am	Special Congregational Meeting: Declaring St. Andrew a Sanctuary Congregation		
11:00 am	Online Worship	·	
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.

Text Giving

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

Online at www.standrewlutheran.com

Click on "Give Now" on the church website. You can also view your giving.

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.



Direct Deposit / "Simply Giving"

Request a form from the <u>church office</u> 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 <u>beginning</u> of the process.

Thank you for supporting the ministries of St. Andrew!