# St. Andrew Weekly News

June 6, 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!

# **Wednesday Evening Prayer**

Midweek Evening Prayer Services will continue to be offered through the summer months via Zoom. Meditations will be drawn from *Devotional Classics*. This <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>June 9</u>, we will focus on C.S. Lewis and "Giving All to Christ." Look for links to this worship service at mid-day on Wednesdays in Allison's email.

## Lydia Circle



You are invited to join Lydia Circle for Bible study and fellowship <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>June 8</u>, from 1:00-3:00 pm in the St. Andrew Room, where we will again be able to serve coffee. If you've been fully vaccinated you don't need to wear a mask. Please bring a copy/picture of your vaccine card so that the office can record it.

The Bible study is taken from the June issue of *Gather* magazine and is the first of a three-part study entitled "Just L.I.F.E. (Liberation Is for Everyone!)." The first session is "Just Wisdom" and is taken from Proverbs 8. We will meet Woman Wisdom and explore what wisdom means in ways we haven't done before. You are welcome to come even if you haven't read the lesson. For questions, contact Mary Brown at 503-439-3917.

# Celebrating Juneteenth & the End of Slavery

#### What's special about June 19<sup>th</sup>?

June 19th, also known as Juneteenth, is the oldest nationally celebrated commemoration of the ending of slavery in the United States. On June 19th, 1865, Major General Gordon Granger landed at Galveston, Texas with news that the war had ended and that enslaved people were now



free. For black people trying to establish a new status, annual celebrations of Juneteenth were times for reassuring one another, for praying, and for gathering remaining family members. Juneteenth became an official state holiday in Texas in 1980 and in Oregon this year.

This Juneteenth at 10:00 am, the Oregon Remembrance Project (https://www.oregonremembrance.com/) will be installing a historical marker in Coos Bay remembering the story of the only documented lynching in Oregon, that of Alonzo Tucker in 1902. The St. Andrew Reckoning with Racism cohort invites you to participate in person or via Zoom at 10:00 am on June 19th. [Details to follow.] We hope to find reconciliation and communal healing through a sober reflection on history.

# **Preparing for Our Annual Meeting**

Ministry Forum: <u>Sunday, June 6</u>, 10:00 am Ministry Support Forum: Sunday, June 13, 10:00 am

Annual Meeting of the Congregation <u>Tuesday, June 22</u>, 2021, 6:30 pm

On the Sundays prior to the Annual Meeting, people are invited to gather via Zoom between Sunday worship services to learn more and share their questions/opinions about St. Andrew's ministry focus for the coming year and the proposed budget for 2021/2022. Voting to approve these items, as well as the nominations for new Council members and next year's Nominating Committee, is conducted during the Annual Meeting itself, which will also be held remotely this year via Zoom.

# A Call for Worship Volunteers

As we prepare to return to in-person worship on July 4, perhaps you've been thinking about your role in the services. Interested in reading the scriptures? Offering the prayers of the people? Serving communion, or lighting the candles?

These are all roles handles by volunteers from the St. Andrew community, and you are invited to participate! No experience is necessary, and you will receive all the training you need. We work with your schedule so you can attend your preferred service and still worship with your family or friends.

Please contact Minister of Music & Media Allison Katsufrakis at <a href="mailto:allisonk@standrewlutheran.com">allisonk@standrewlutheran.com</a> if you have questions or would like to volunteer.

# Earth Camp Needs "Shadows"

The Earth Camp team needs a couple more people to volunteer as "Shadows" for camp week, <u>July 12-16</u>. The camp will consist of five groups of seven kids, with each group accompanied by two youth "Guides." The Shadow's role is to be an adult presence with one of the five groups throughout the week. It's the easiest volunteer role in Earth Camp! If you'd like to volunteer or have more questions about this opportunity, please contact the camp's program director, Kyler Vogt, at <u>kvogt@standrewlutheran.com</u>.



# Members Vote to Become a **Sanctuary Congregation**

In a Special Congregational Meeting on Sunday, May 23, 84 members and two others gathered via Zoom to consider the proposal put forth by the Sanctuary Team that St. Andrew follow the lead of the Oregon Synod and ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) to declare itself a Sanctuary Congregation. After members of the team reviewed the proposal and entertained questions, members were asked to vote by show of hands. The result was overwhelming approval, with 74 members voting in favor, one against, and three abstentions.

# Filling the Food Barrel

Despite being able to begin moving out of the COVID pandemic, so many people in our country remain in crisis. You can help meet one of their most basic needs by contributing packaged and canned products for St. Matthew's food bank. Drop off your donations at the food barrel in our Narthex.



#### **Tribute to Trom**

If you missed last Sunday's party celebrating Jennifer Trom's ten years and one month as a paid employee of St. Andrew, don't worry. Our tech team recorded the whole thing and you can view it at your leisure at

https://youtu.be/YI7Xvaspfvs

Enjoy a decade of memories!

#### **Grunewald Guild Classes**

The Grunewald Guild, a faith community fostering art and creativity along the banks of the Wenatchee River in Washington, has announced its lineup of summer classes for July, August, and September 2021. Whether you'd like to explore journal making, songwriting, word collage with calligraphy, ceramics, writing, jewelry making, weaving, photography, or other arts, the Guild is likely to offer something to nourish your soul and renew your spirit. One class title, "Hand Embroidery: Sinking into Slowness," reveals the character of the Guild, which invites makers to slow their pace and consider how process itself can help people remain grounded and attentive. To learn more, go to:

https://grunewaldguild.com

#### **Preparing for Next Sunday** June 13, 2021

1st Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24 2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17 Gospel: Mark 4:26-34



Many, Many Thanks!

Dear People of St. Andrew,

My heart is full! The love and care and grace you've shown to me as Parish Manager over the years was exactly what I needed to thrive in the position. And then, in last Sunday's "Tribute to Trom," your kind words and gifts - including the amazing gift of time with my family at Holden Village as guests, not volunteers! - was a wonderful way to bring my time on staff to a close.

Many, many thanks.

Peace, Jennifer Trom

#### A Native Rose

Nootka roses are blooming in St. Andrew's woods. These erect wild or species roses are named after an island off Vancouver, Canada. They only grow in areas with a minimum of 270 frost-free days, produce hips that are large and round, and grow in an upright habit, reaching heights of three-six feet.

Both Native Americans and early settlers relied on Nootka rose hips and shoots to meet their nutritional needs during the winter when food was scarce. They created eye washes from the



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plant and crushed the leaves to treat bee stings, too, as well as drying them to use as an air freshener. Chewing up Nootka rose leaves also serves to freshen the breath.

## Spreading the Warmth of Christ's Love

Thank you to everyone in your congregation for your faithful support of the Portland Rescue Mission. During COVID, the practical support from local churches has been a real encouragement to the people we serve and to our staff.



Pam Farr with some of the 37 full-size and six baby guilts St. Andrew gifted to the Portland Rescue Mission during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In February, I visited St. Andrew and received many beautiful quilts made by the ladies of your congregation. Recently Pam Farr hosted me again for a short visit, including a walk to your lovely Sanctuary of the Firs, and presented us with much-needed towels

Please reach out if there's any way the Portland Rescue Mission can support and serve your church. Thanks again!

> Janet Fraser, Community Involvement Manager Portland Rescue Mission

#### **Pastoral Care**

**Lead Pastor Mark Brocker** office: 503-646-0629 (extension 201) cell: 503-502-8762 brockerms@standrewlutheran.com 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.

## In Need of Prayers...

NAME	PRAYERS FOR	CONTACT
Family and friends of Deborah Townsend (mother)		Holly Bishop-Perdue
Family and friends of Marvel Lund	Peace and God's comfort at her death	Staff
Carol Grover (sister)	Peaceful passing	Nan Thompson
Nan Thompson	Acceptance and strength	Nan Thompson
Barton Robison	Effective treatment and pain relief	Staff
Marlene Maxwell	Effective treatment and healing	Bruce Maxwell
Koby (son-in-law)	Healing after surgery	Jim & Teri Brosh
India Jensen Kerr	Healing and a quick recovery	India Jensen Kerr
Gary Grafwallner	Healing of his left eye from Bell's palsy	Gary Grafwallner
Madeleine (granddaughter)	Continued strength through increased chemo	Mary Smith
Everyone affected by COVID-19	Strength and support	Staff
Those impacted by racial injustice	Care in times of pain, violence, and crisis	Staff
Bishop Laurie Larson Caesar Oregon Synod and staff	Strength and wisdom	Staff
Refugees and immigrants	Acceptance, safety, and just treatment	Staff
The homeless	Comfort, hope, and shelter	Staff
Military personnel, especially Justina Hailey Hope Brocker, Evan Dahlquist, Dawson Dethlefs, Neil Fiegenbaum, and Jerami Reyna	Courage and protection	Staff
Zoar Lutheran Church (Canby, OR) Creator Lutheran Church (Clackamus, 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	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.

# **Mason Bee Update**

Brian Cheney reports that St. Andrew's mason bees have completed their pollinating work for the season and have filled at least six dozen straws with egg-filled cocoons. Those eggs will hatch next spring and begin pollinating early bloomers such as fruit trees in 2022.

Meanwhile, Cheney has placed two boxes of leafcutter bees near the garden shed that will hatch over the next month. The slightly smaller leafcutters take the summer shift, pollinating those plants—including many in our gardens—that bloom long after those first flowers of spring.



# Your St. Andrew Staff

# Memorial Service

Marvel Lund

Thursday, June 10, 2021 11:30 am Willamette Cemetery



Pastor Susan Kintner is officiating. Those attending the service will be directed to a reception that will follow.

# why some people be mad at me sometimes

they ask me to remember but they want me to remember their memories and i keep on remembering mine.

**Lucille Clifton** 

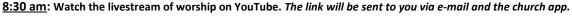
# Highlights for the Week at St. Andrew Lutheran Church

Sunday, June	6	
8:30 am	Livestream Worship	listen/watch via telephone or online
9:30 am	Virtual Coffee Time	participate via Zoom
10:00 am	Ministry Forum (in preparation for Annual Meeting)	via Zoom
11:00 am	Online Worship	participate via Zoom
12:00 pm	Virtual Coffee Time	participate via Zoom
12:30 pm	Earth Camp Meeting	Patio
Tuesday, June	e 8	
7:30 am	Men's Breakfast and Bible Study	Elmer's Restaurant at 158th
7:30 am	Women's Sunrise Spirituality Group	Elmer's Restaurant at 158 <sup>th</sup>
9:00 am		
10:00 am	T'ai Chi	Garden Patio of former Orchards in Petercort Shopping Center
1:00 pm	Lydia Circle	St. Andrew Room
1:30 pm	Service Committee	
6:00 pm	HR Meeting	Zoom
7:00 pm	Finance Team Meeting	Zoom
Wednesday,	June 9— <u>Weekly News submissions due by 4:00 pm</u>	
10:00 am	Reopening Committee Meeting	
6:30 pm	Informal Gathering Time	participate via Zoom
7:00 pm	Wednesday Evening Prayer	participate via Zoom
7:30 pm	Centering Prayer	participate via Zoom
Thursday, Jur	ne 10	
11:30 am	Memorial Service for Marvel Lund	Willamette National Cemetery
1:00 pm	Team Ministry Meeting	Chapel/Library
Friday, June 1	11	
10:00 am	T'ai Chi	Garden Patio of former Orchards in Petercort Shopping Center
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12:00 pm	Virtual Coffee Time	participate via Zoom
3:00 pm	Spirituality Book Group	Fellowship Hall

#### A Note about Lucille Clifton

The poet who wrote "why some people be mad at me sometimes" (see page 3) was one of the 20<sup>th</sup> century's most prominent African-American poets. She once remarked that "writing is a way of continuing to hope," and that "perhaps for me it is a way of remembering I am not alone."

# Connecting to Worship at St. Andrew





- 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 emailing 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

#### 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!