St. Andrew Weekly News

June 27, 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!

Getting Ready to Worship Together



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

These are all roles handled 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 allisonk@standrewlutheran.com if you have questions or would like to volunteer.

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*. All are welcome this <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>June 30</u>, for social time at 6:45 pm and service at 7:00 pm, when our meditation will come from *The Journal of John Woolman* on the theme, "Breaking the Yoke of Oppression." Centering Prayer follows at 7:30 pm. Participate in all or part of our scheduled time together. Look for links to this worship service at mid-day on Wednesdays in Allison's email.

Earth Camp Needs "Shadows"

The Earth Camp team needs a couple more people to volunteer as "Shadows" for <u>camp week</u>, <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 questions about this opportunity, please contact the camp's program director, Kyler Vogt:

kvogt@standrewlutheran.com.

Wisdom Calls: Pastor Susan & Pastor Robyn



Hear stories from some of Oregon's first ordained women, including Pastor Susan Kintner and Pastor Robyn Hartwig, at 7:00 pm on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>June 26</u>, during the second session of Wisdom Calls.

Click on the link below to register to receive the Zoom link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMofu6vgTMvHdBoZTbDpvTJP 2KE8JvjUCM



Job Opening for Office Assistant

St. Andrew is looking to hire a part-time office assistant to act as a first point of contact with the congregation and the general public. The person will manage building use and church calendars, scheduling both in-person and Zoom meetings; perform routine data entry, report creation, and updating of databases; proofread both online and print materials; order office, cleaning, and worship supplies; assemble mailings; and print bulletins, as well as support ministry coordinators and the staff.

We're looking for someone proficient with Microsoft Office applications and the ability to learn new software when required; a person with a positive attitude and excellent interpersonal skills; someone who can organize, set priorities, and exercise sound independent judgment; a person who pays attention to detail and is willing to coordinate multiple projects and respond to changing priorities. Demonstrated competencies in database entry, proofreading, and time management are required.

The person will work 21 hours per week, 8:30 am-4:00 pm, Tuesday through Thursday. For more information, go to

 $\frac{portland.craigslist.org/wsc/ofc/d/beaverton-office-}{assistant/7337270360.html}$

Applications should be submitted electronically to the church office (office@standrewlutheran.com) or mailed to St. Andrew Lutheran Church, 12405 SW Butner Rd, Beaverton, OR 97005, Attn: Carol Harker, by July 1.

Helping the Hungry

Driving around Portland this summer, it's clear that the hunger and homelessness crisis prompted by COVID-19 continues to trouble many, many people in our community. The saints of St. Andrew have already shown generosity in offering assistance and that help is still needed. All contributions to the food barrel in our Narthex are delivered to the St. Matthew Food Bank for distribution to people suffering from food insecurity. Thank you for caring for others!



Grunewald Class Registration

Registration is now open for summer classes at the Grunewald Guild. A faith community fostering art and creativity along the banks of the Wenatchee River in Washington, Grunewald Guild is offering a variety of intriguing classes in July, August, and September. Whether you'd like to explore journal making, songwriting, word collage with calligraphy, ceramics, writing, jewelry making and repair, extravagant beadwork, weaving, photography, or other arts, the Guild has a curriculum to nourish your soul and renew your spirit. One class title, "Hand Embroidery: Sinking into Slowness," reveals the character of this community, which invites makers-whether absolute newcomers or experienced craftspeople to slow their pace and consider how the process of creation itself can be a grounding force. To learn more, go to: https://grunewald.com/ summer-program-2021/.

Want to Spend Some Dollars?

We're talking about Thrivent Choice Dollars.

You do not need to be a Thrivent member to

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help identify St. Andrew activities that might benefit from extra funds. Interested? We will meet on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>July 18</u>, in Fellowship Hall at (or before) 10:00 am to learn more about Choice Dollars. Many of us don't know much about this and now we have a chance to learn, ask questions, and help discern what we would like to support in the next 12 months.

We missed having meetings since 2018 but the money has come in each year and has recently been sent to the ministries designated in 2018 to receive them. We will review past decisions as we prepare to choose where we want to go from here. The more input, the better we can consider how to best use money coming in the next 12 months.

Thrivent members who are designating choice dollars will have the opportunity to vote on suggestions at this meeting. Please join us to determine how to spend those dollars on behalf of St. Andrew ministries.

Oceanspray in Bloom



Pacific Northwest native shrub Oceanspray, currently blooming near the garden shed, is looking spectacular this June. Don Nearhood snapped a photo earlier in the week of the

plant also known as ironwood or creambush.

Nifty Notters

The Nifty Notters will NOT be meeting on July 3, but all are welcome to join us <u>Saturday</u>, <u>July 17</u>, from 9:00 am - 2:30 pm in Fellowship Hall to work on baby quilts for Virginia Garcia Clinic and larger quilts for LWR and Safeplace. All supplies are provided and no experience is needed. Bring a lunch and join us for all or part of the time. If you can't come on Saturday, we have many cutting and sewing/tying projects that can be done at home. If you have questions, please contact Mary Brown at 503-439-3917 or Pam Farr at 503-626-6657.

Implementation of New St. Andrew Social Media Policy

The St. Andrew social media policy directs that the church primarily rely on email, the official Facebook <u>page</u>, and the website for official communication. The use of group sites owned or managed by St. Andrew should be minimized and limited to focused groups with a well-defined range of subject matter (e.g., youth or education groups). These groups must be administered and managed by church staff or supervised volunteers and must be accessible to anyone who wishes to participate. The creation and/or management of open forum Facebook groups by St. Andrew Lutheran Church is not authorized under these current guidelines.

Look for an increase in posts on the St Andrew Lutheran Church Facebook page by church staff, the communications team, and official St. Andrew groups, as well as increased synergy with the updated content on the St. Andrew website. Facebook will be used as an "ondemand" quick communica-



tion tool, while the website will be used as a portal to a wealth of church, spiritual, and related information. The policy recognizes that the "new post-COVID-19 normal" means that access to, and participation in, electronic worship and other activities at St. Andrew Lutheran Church must be considered one of the "privileges of membership" as noted in Chapter 15, section 5, of the Constitution of St. Andrew Lutheran Church ELCA.

St Andrew Lutheran Church generally has a positive view towards creating or contributing to personal websites, blogs, social networks, message boards, virtual worlds, and other kinds of social media. Participation by members of St. Andrew Lutheran Church and the general public in these open forums is a matter of individual choice and an exercise in free speech. As such, they are independent of St. Andrew Lutheran Church and are not subject to control, monitoring, or mediation by the Church.

The St. Andrew Lutheran Church Beaverton Facebook group has been a place for members and friends to reflect on their faith for almost 12 years. It serves as a place for "member care" and as a "fellowship" group where people can post reflections, event images and videos, and questions for member response. This group has had a positive impact on communication within the church and it is an important adjunct to the official St. Andrew page. As part of this formal policy, look for the private group to be renamed "Fellowship of St Andrew Lutheran Beaverton" to emphasize the fact that this is an independent group that is not officially owned by the church.

We are also working with the moderators to have the site display an appropriate disclaimer of its independence and that all appropriate Facebook tools be utilized to encourage members to comply with recommended rules, guidelines, and policies for postings made on the site (see next page). The policy strongly recommends that St. Andrew staff and volunteer leaders do NOT participate as moderators or mediators for this private group. As an independent site, members have the right to exercise free speech in their postings, in the same way that they can write letters to newspapers, or post to other blogs and sites. Recognizing that misunderstandings may sometimes occur, the moderators and voluntary members of this group are encouraged to follow the same Matthew 18:15-17 process for reconciliation that is contained in the St. Andrew Constitution.

Tom Mehlhorn, Chair Communications Team

Suggested Social Media Statement & Guidelines for Private Groups

The "Fellowship of St. Andrew Lutheran Beaverton" is a private group for the members and friends of an ELCA congregation in Beaverton/suburban Portland called to proclaim, serve, and nurture through the Good News of Jesus Christ.

The content posted by members of this group expresses their own opinions and does not necessarily represent the official position of St. Andrew Lutheran Church. Nor does it speak for St. Andrew.

Guidelines

1. Be Kind and Courteous

We're all in this together to create a welcoming environment. Let's treat everyone with respect. Kindness is required in all posts and comments.

2. No Hate Speech or Bullying

Make sure everyone feels safe. Bullying of any kind is not allowed, and degrading comments about things like ethnicity, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental ability, education, income, or family status will not be tolerated.

3. No Promotions or Spam

Self-promotion, spam, and irrelevant links are not allowed.

4. Please refrain from partisan politics or issues of controversy within the ELCA or St. Andrew.

There are many other avenues for these types of discussions and debates such as online political forums and face-to-face conversations.

Social media sites are monitored by "moderators" who may remove comments/posts that violate these guidelines. To maintain a clear separation between the Group and the Church, moderators should NOT be members of St. Andrew staff or a voluntary leader, including members of the church council, ministry staff, support staff, or church administrators.

The Facebook Page: Fellowship of St. Andrew Lutheran Beaverton



Your Congregational Council for 2021/2022

Members of St. Andrew's Congregational Council have been duly elected, have selected officers for the coming year, and are ready to serve the congregation. If you have concerns, questions, or ideas, please feel free to reach out to these lay leaders of the congregation:

President Scott Taylor Vice President John Reiser Secretary Tim Duggan



Council Roster for 2021/2022:

Gretchen Bancroft Tim Duggan Laura Geczy-Haskins Dwight Jerde Becky Lamboley Maria Navarre Diane Reiner John Reiser Rachel Roberts Barton Robison Jeff Smith Scott Taylor

Treasurers

Gretchen Bancroft Joel Johnson Linda Olshausen

Financial Secretaries

Brian Cheney Tammy Piscitelli Tracie Semenchalam

According to the Constitution adopted by St. Andrew in 2014, the Council:

- shall have general oversight of the life and activities of this congregation, and in particular its worship life, to the end that everything be done in accordance with the Word of God and the faith and practice of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
- shall be responsible for the financial and property matters of this congregation

The Bylaws adopted in 2015 clarify the duties of:

Treasurers

- keep the books of account of the congregation
- receive records of receipts from the financial secretaries
- disburse funds
- communicate monthly to the Council on the monetary status of the church
- serve as members of the Finance Committee

Financial Secretaries

- receive and record income from contributing members and other sources
- ensure all receipts are disbursed to the appropriate funds
- prepare a report of individual giving at the close of the year
- serve as members of the Finance Committee

In Need of Prayers			
NAME	PRAYERS FOR	CONTACT	
Family and friends of Gary Howard	Peace and God's comfort at his death	Deb Howard	
Family and friends of Bobbie Larson's mother	Peace and God's comfort at her death	Bobbie Larson	
Family and friends of Carol Grover (sister)	Peace and God's comfort at her death	Nan Thompson	
Family and friends of Al Miles (cousin)	Peace and God's comfort at his death	Mary Brown	
Family and friends of Howard Black (Dan's friend)	Peace and God's comfort at his death	Dan & Sharon Fako	
Family and friends of Chuck Hinton (relative)	Peace and God's comfort at his death	Dan & Sharon Fako	
Ann Landmark (cousin)	Compassionate care as she enters hospice	Bev Briggs	
Nan Thompson	Acceptance and strength	Nan Thompson	
Gary Grafwallner	Healing of his left eye from Bell's palsy	Gary Grafwallner	
Carol Means	Effective treatment	Staff	
Dan Fako	Pain relief	Sharon Fako	
Marlene Maxwell	Continued healing	Bruce Maxwell	
Mary Brown	Successful knee replacement surgery (June 30)	Bob & Mary Brown	
Susan Reiser	Successful knee replacement surgery (June 30)	John & Susan Reiser	
Everyone affected by COVID-19	Strength and support	Staff	
Those impacted by racial injustice	Care in times of pain, violence, and crisis	Staff	
Those facing ongoing illness or distress	Healing and assurance of God's presence	Staff	
Tandy Brooks, Dave Bumgardner, Vic Claar, Ian MacDonald, Gary Magnuson, Hugh Mason,			
Brian McKiernan, Ed Pacey, Corky Poppert, Jolie Reyna, Shane Throckmorton, Gary Tubbs			
Bishop Elizabeth Eaton	Wisdom and discernment	Staff	
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America	Blessings on our ministry	Staff	
Taiwan Lutheran Church	Strength and wisdom	Staff	
King of Kings Lutheran Church (Milwaukie, OR)	Serving with us in the Oregon Synod	Staff	
Milwaukie Lutheran Church (Milwaukie, OR)			
Prince of Life Lutheran Church (Oregon City, OR)			
Zion Lutheran Church (Oregon City, OR)			
Congregation Ahavath Achim (Portland, OR)	Blessings on our interfaith partners	Staff	
Individual friends and loved ones	Whatever they most need; say their names in	Staff	
in need of prayer	your heart or aloud		

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.

Pastoral Care

Both pastors are on call Tuesdays. Wednesdays, and Thursdays.



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.

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Camp Lutherwood Is Hiring

June 23-August 17

Starting Salary for Summer: \$2,890

Deepen your faith and sense of adventure while growing personally and professionally. Visit Camp Lutherwood online to learn

> www.lutherwoodoregon.org/ employment.

If you have questions, please contact the camp office for more infor-



mation. Call 541-998-6444 or email jobs@lutherwoodoregon.org.

Preparing for Next Sunday July 4, 2021

Reading: Ezekiel 2:1-5

Gospel: Mark 6:1-13



Highlights for the Week at St. Andrew Lutheran Church

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Sunday, June 27		
8:30 am	Livestream Worship	listen/watch via telephone or online
9:30 am	Virtual Coffee Time	participate via Zoom
11:00 am	Online Worship	participate via Zoom
12:00 pm	Virtual Coffee Time	participate via Zoom
12:30 pm	Earth Camp Leadership Meeting	participate via Zoom
Monday, Jur	ne 28	
6:00 pm	Troop 618 Meeting	East Parking Lot
Tuesday, Jur	ne 29	
10:00 am	Worship Planners Meeting	Library
10:00 am	T'ai Chi	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Adult Education Team Meeting	Library
Wednesday,	June 30—Weekly News submissions due by 4:00 pm	
6:45 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, Ju	ly 1	
12:00 pm	Team Ministry Meeting	Chapel/Library
2:30 pm	Communications Team Meeting	Zoom
7:00 pm	Executive Committee (Council) Meeting	Zoom
Friday, July 2	2	
10:00 am	T'ai Chi	Fellowship Hall
Sunday, July 4		
8:30 am	Worship with Communion	Sanctuary
8:30 am	Livestream Worship	listen/watch via telephone or online
9:30 am	Virtual Coffee Time	participate via Zoom
11:00 am	Worship with Communion	Sanctuary of the Firs
11:00 am	Online Worship	participate via Zoom
12:00 pm	Virtual Coffee Time	participate vi



"Hope is not a lottery ticket you can sit on the sofa and clutch, feeling lucky. It is an axe you break down doors with in an emergency. Hope should shove you out the door, because it will take everything you have to steer the future away from endless war, from the annihilation of the earth's treasures and the grinding down of the poor and marginal.... To hope is to give yourself to the future - and that commitment to the future is what makes the present inhabitable."

**Rebecca Solnit*, writer & activist*

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.

 $\overline{\text{To participate via "Zoom" you can use a computer, smart phone, tablet, or a telephone.}$

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 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!