ST. ANDREW WEEKLY NEWS July 18, 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

Nifty Notters

The Nifty Notters welcome everyone to join them <u>Saturday, 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.

Wisdom Calls—Part Three



The Oregon Synod is glad to host the third part of their online storytelling series "Wisdom Speaks," sharing stories and experiences from some of our synod's first

ordained women. This online event takes place on <u>Saturday</u>, July <u>17</u>, at 7:00 pm. You can register for the event on the Oregon Synod website or Facebook page. Our own Pastor Susan Kintner and Pastor Robyn Hartwig have shared their stories in the past.

Quilt Sunday



Logan Isaacson beamed last Sunday after receiving his senior quilt thoughtfully made for him by Linda Fransen. This St. Andrew tradition from our Nifty Notters ensures that high school seniors carry the love and care of the congregation with them as they begin their adult lives. The St. Andrew Foundation also awards a \$500 scholarship to seniors for their continued education.

Confirmation Sunday

This **Sunday, July 18**, St. Andrew once again focuses on its youth and their journey of faith formation. At the 8:30 am service, Lilly Au and Tanner King will affirm their baptism and be recognized by the congregation as full voting members of St. Andrew following their three years of study and growth in confirmation. Welcome, Lilly and Tanner!

Want to Spend Some Dollars?

We're talking about Thrivent Choice Dollars. You needn't be a Thrivent member to help identify St. Andrew activities



that might benefit from extra funds. Interested? We'll meet on <u>Sunday</u>, July 18, in Fellowship Hall at (or before) 10:00 am to learn more about Choice Dollars. We'll review past decisions as we decide where to go from here. The more input, the better.

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.

Summer Routines

Summer is a great time of the year. A chance for some to change their school-year routines and take some vacation time or visit family both near and far. For grandparents, a chance to see grandkids. And this year, a chance to return to the sanctuary for worship.

One routine that is also affected is our congregational giving patterns. With June offering at 74%, we see the impact of changed routines on our church budget. Unfortunately, the church budget does not get to take a vacation. The budgeted expenses show up 52 weeks a year, every year.

Please help us stay in sync with the monthly budgets by staying solid in your weekly and monthly giving patterns.

Thanks for your continuing generosity and God's blessing to each of you.

Jeff Smith, Chair Stewardship Committee

Feeding a Multitude

Driving around Portland this summer, it's clear that the hunger and homelessness crisis prompted by COVID-19 continues to trouble many people in our community. The saints of St. Andrew have already shown generosity in offering assistance. Given the uneven state of recovery, it's no surprise that some individuals and families are still in desperate straits. 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!

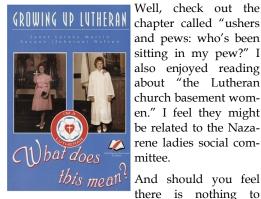
Pastor Mark Begins Sabbatical

Following worship this Sunday, July 18, Lead Pastor Mark Brocker will be on sabbatical, unwinding from a hectic year and writing the Chi Rho lectures he'll deliver in Eugene this fall. His topic is likely to resonate following the overwhelming adjustments we've all had to make because of COVID. He will address the theme of "Doing Ethics in Extraordinary Times: The Witness of Dietrich Bonhoeffer."

During Pastor Mark's time away, Pastor Susan Kintner, other staff, and numerous lay leaders will be guiding the congregation. Pastor Mark will return to his ministry at St. Andrew on September 7, just in time to launch another education year on September 12.

Growing Up Lutheran: What Does This Mean?

Since I didn't grow up Lutheran, I found this book by Janet Letnes Martin and Suzann Johnson Nelson to be enlightening, as well as very funny. Were you aware that being Lutheran could be funny?



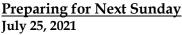
Well, check out the chapter called "ushers and pews: who's been sitting in my pew?" I also enjoyed reading about "the Lutheran church basement women." I feel they might

this mean' And should you feel there is nothing to

learn from this book, try taking the steeple test in the chapter "even when steeples are falling." I failed it badly.

But how interesting to find out all the things I missed, or not, by not growing up Lutheran.

Pam Farr Librarian



Psalm 145:10-18

Gospel: John 6:1-21





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Highlights from Earth Camp

On Monday, Earth Camp children were delighted to meet some baby bunnies. When Peaches the Holland lop surprised the middle school guide holding her, Satya (our good-natured guide) ended up with a peed-upon shirt and a story to share with her family. On Tuesday, the kids dug up shovelfuls of soil from the Sanctuary of the Firs and then shook it up to sort out the various particles that make up soil. On Wednesday, they explored the water cycle with Pat and discovered why we don't get dinosaur pee raining down on our heads. During music time, they sat silently for one whole minute while Allison explained that silence is a part of music: "Sometimes you have to take a breath," she said. Eric encouraged the kids to embrace their curiosity and to find answers to their questions. They learned that learning is fun for people of all ages.



The kids studied trees and seeds and the importance of water, created art using natural materials, enjoyed games, worshiped and sang and played some wonderfully colorful percussion instruments. They enjoyed ice cream homemade just for them, renewed their energy with snacks, and went away with lots of souvenirs-snazzy Earth Camp water bottles, sit-upons, tote bags, clip-on scented sanitizer, handouts for their parents to read, and more.



"The primary purpose of Earth Camp was to cultivate a deep love of our Earth home and all its inhabitants," Pastor Mark explains. "We wanted campers to discover how interconnected we are with our fellow creatures, to learn ways to care for our Earth home, and to have fun doing so."

Thank you, Pastor Mark and Children & Youth Minister Kyler Vogt for putting everything together and keeping us organized. Thank you, teachers, for sharing your enthusiasm with another generation of eager learners, and thank you, volunteers, for supporting the kids with your time and energy and skills.

You'll find more photos and stories at

https://standrewlutheran.com/helping-children-bloom-through-earth-camp

In Need of Prayers..

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NAME	PRAYERS FOR	<u>CONTACT</u>		
Confirmands Lilly Au and Tanner King	Blessings as they Affirm their Baptism	Staff		
Ann Landmark (cousin)	Comfort and compassionate care in hospice	Bev Briggs		
Adam McQueen's father	Compassionate care, comfort and peace in hospice	Adam McQueen		
Susan Reiser	Healing and quick recovery after surgery	John & Susan Reiser		
John Carlson (Bev Briggs's brother-in-law)	Patience and correct diagnosis	Bev Briggs		
Ginny Link	Accurate diagnosis and effective treatment	Ginny Link		
Rod Ottenbreit (Bobbie Larson's brother)	Accurate diagnosis and effective treatment	Bobbie Larson		
Ken Reiner	Accurate diagnosis and effective treatment	Diane Reiner		
Steve Yi (nephew)	Healing and recovery from COVID-19	Kelly Wise		
Ray Venghaus	Healing and recovery	Staff		
Dave Gutzler	Healing and recovery	Barbara Gutzler		
Maverick Dixon (unborn nephew)	Complete healing in the womb	AJ & Rebecca Uecker		
Pastor Mark	Focused writing and renewal on sabbatical	Staff		
Those threatened by wildfires	Protection and safety	Staff		
Those confined to their homes	Assurance of God's presence	Staff		
Mareline Barnes, Dave Bumgardner, Jean Fredrickson, Tara Harper, Douglas Hooke, Betty Horst, Dorothy Moore, Phyllis Morris, Ed Pacey, Helen Rogers, Dave & Sharon Roth, Margie Schindele				
All who are imprisoned	Peace and strength	Staff		
Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon Holy Trinity Catholic Church	Blessings on their work	Staff		
Christ the Good Shepherd (Salem, OR) Holy Cross Lutheran Church (Salem, OR) St. Mark Lutheran Church (Salem, OR)	Serving with us in the Oregon Synod	Staff		
Bilal Masjid (Beaverton, 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		

Guest Pastors Share the Word at St. Andrew

One of the strengths of the ELCA is our Full Communion fellowship with other Christian denominations. During Pastor Brocker's sabbatical, we will welcome guests from three of these partners in mission, the Presbyterian Church USA, the Episcopal Church, and the United Methodist Church. For more information, go to

https://www.elca.org/Resources/Ecumenical-and-Inter-Religious-Relations.

Bishop Laurie Larson Caesar and Pastor Ron Werner will also be our guests, as well as our seminarian Karen Klingelhafer and Children & Youth Minister Kyler Vogt.

Next <u>Sunday, July 25</u>, we welcome Pastor Laurie Newman, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care at Westminster Presbyterian, to the pulpit. We have been in Full Communion with the Presbyterians since 1997. A fine musician who's been on staff at Westminster for 20 years, Pastor Newman is another member of Women Touched by Grace, the renewal program hosted by the Benedictine Sisters in



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Tira Nesset

Beach Grove, IN. Even though Pastor Laurie and Pastor Susan both live in Portland, they had to go to Indiana to meet! We look forward to welcoming Pastor Laurie Newman as our first guest preacher during Pastor Mark's sabbatical.

Online Exhibits at the Oregon Historical Society

The Reckoning with Racism group wants to remind all of us that the Oregon Historical Society has several exhibits online that pertain to their studies of the past year:

The People of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and

Racing to Change: Oregon's Civil Rights Years

Both exhibits can be found on the Oregon Historical Society website at

https://www.ohs.org/museum/ exhibits/.

Highlights for the Week at St. Andrew Lutheran Church

Sunday, July	v 18—Confirmation Sunday	
8:30 am	Worship with Communion	Sanctuary
8:30 am	Livestream Worship	listen/watch via telephone or online
10:00 am	Thrivent Distribution Meeting	Fellowship Hall
10:30 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 via Zoom
3:00 pm	Spirituality Book Club	Fellowship Hall
Monday, Ju	y 19	
6:00 pm	Troop 618 Meeting	East Parking Lot
Tuesday, Ju	y 20	
10:00 am	T'ai Chi	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Worship Planners Meeting	Library
Wednesday	, July 21— <u>Weekly News</u> submissions due by 4:00 pm	
1:00 pm	Caring Ministry Meeting	Library
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	ıly 22	
12:00 pm	Team Ministry Meeting	Chapel/Library
7:00 pm	IT Meeting	Off Site
Friday, July	23	
10:00 am	T'ai Chi	Fellowship Hall
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Wanted: Chocolate

Thanks to everyone who has donated candy for St. Andrew's welcome mugs. Donna Brocker, our Welcome Ministry's mug maven, could still use a few more bags to fill those delightful welcome mugs our guests receive on their first visit to St. Andrew. Donna says chocolates are a particular favorite, and the candies must be individually wrapped. Please leave your donations in the office with Donna's name on the bag. Thank you!



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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. Youlube .

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 of the Firs 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.

Ways to Give: Thank you for supporting our ministries!

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 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.

Thank you for supporting the ministries of St. Andrew!