

ST. ANDREW WEEKLY NEWS

January 30, 2022

St. Andrew Lutheran Church
12405 SW Butner Road, Beaverton, OR 97005
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Worship Services:
Sunday, 8:30 am
Sunday, 11:00 am

Horizon Team Established



What do members of our faith community envision for the future of St. Andrew? How might we evolve to support our core values? Should we be thinking about possible changes to our traditional worship patterns, norms that have already been altered by the pandemic? What possibilities might we consider to ensure our community remains vibrant and engaged in our neighborhood and the world beyond? How can we live into God's plan for all of creation?

The Congregational Council has established a Horizon Team to be guided by Terry Moe, longtime pastor, community organizer, and author of *The Bush Still Burns: How Spirituality and Organizing Transformed a Pastor and Congregation*. From the congregation, Scott Anderson, Larry Bliesner, Pat Christiansen, Bobbie Larson, Barton Robison, and LuAnn Staul will form the initial corps of the Horizon Team. Next month, they will begin outlining a plan to gather information from a wide variety of individuals and groups that are invested in St. Andrew's future.

What do you hope to see down the road, maybe in three to five years? Start envisioning what could be. Over the next several months, the Horizon Team will be listening to many, many people as they gather ideas for a report and recommendations to the Congregational Council. Stay tuned for emerging details.

St. Andrew Job Posting: Bookkeeper

St. Andrew Lutheran Church is looking for a part-time or contract bookkeeper to work on-site. Flexible hours, 10-20 hours per week, Wednesday-Friday. Primary responsibilities include recording deposits, disbursements, payroll, and transfers and running reports in QuickBooks Online; reconciling month-end statements; filing; and entering payroll data in ADP. Assist with budget planning and annual report process.

Minimum Qualifications:

- 5 years' bookkeeping experience with nonprofit, multi-fund organizations; church fund accounting experience preferred.
- 3 years of experience using QuickBooks Online accounting software, including budgeting, reporting, and account reconciliation features.
- Demonstrated proficiency using Microsoft Office software.
- High degree of accuracy and attention to detail.
- Proven ability to calculate, post, and manage accounting figures and financial records.

To apply, please submit cover letter and resume to Parish Manager Carol Harker at charker@standrewlutheran.com.

2021 Giving Statement Update

We've recently discovered that the giving history in Fellowship One is not working properly for everyone at this time. *Please disregard last week's instruction for your giving review.*

Comprehensive 2021 statements that include both online and cash/check contributions will be emailed to those with active email addresses beginning the weekend of January 29.

Once again this year, those needing printed statements mailed to them are asked to call the church office to make that request.

Please contact me (tammychef15@gmail.com) *only* if you see errors in the statement you receive.

Thank you for your patience while we navigate giving statement distribution in the first year since the update to our database software last spring.

Tammy Piscitelli
on behalf of the Financial Secretaries

Adult Education Classes During Epiphany

Both classes begin at 10:00 am on Sunday mornings.

"My Journey: What I've Learned Along the Way"

Join Jim Aageson in Fellowship Hall for a class about our life stories as he shares some reflective vignettes from his own experiences that are intended to prompt others to think about their lives. As Jim points out in his description of the class, our life stories "may...enrich the lives of the generations who come after us. They can give life, color, and texture to the family tree. They will be part of our legacies."

Recordings of this class are available on the [church website](#).

Mental Illness in Our Midst: How Does It Look & How Can We Respond?



Janet Vorvick continues her class exploring several types of mental illness and offering concrete ideas for how to talk to people suffering from them. Mental illnesses are serious and not uncommon. Janet will discuss concrete ideas for responding to the mental health needs of people already in our congregation and people who may come as visitors. She'll share ideas from other churches, explore what we can learn about mental illness from the Bible and our hymns, and encourage open conversations. Join her in the St. Andrew Room at 10:00 am Sunday morning.

This class should be of interest to those challenged by mental illness as well as those who have friends or family members who suffer. Also, anyone who has an interest in mental illness and what we, in the church, can do will be interested, too. Questions about how our worship and programs can help those with mental health challenges will be considered.

All Creation Sings

Last summer, we introduced a new hymnal supplement from Augsburg, *All Creation Sings*. The hymnal focuses on our relationship with the rest of God's creation, both our fellow human beings and the plants and animals with whom we share the planet. With two new liturgy settings and more than 200 new hymns, *All Creation Sings* has been a wonderful resource and the congregation has really enjoyed exploring its offerings.

Until now, St. Andrew only had a handful of copies of the hymnal that were used by worship planners and the choir, but we are hoping to soon secure enough copies to have one in every pew in the Sanctuary!

If you'd like to have your own copy for home use, it's a bargain at only \$14.50. You can also purchase versions with keyboard accompaniment or guitar chords, or even an e-book version for use with your tablet or laptop. Go to

<https://www.augsburgfortress.org/store/category/286070/Hymnals-and-Songbooks>

to order a copy if you're interested.

Allison Katsufraakis
Minister of Music & Media

Finding Liturgy in Life and Life in Liturgy

An Oregon Synod Lay Education Course

How does liturgy shape us?
And how might we shape it?

Gather with people from across the Oregon Synod this January and February to explore liturgy in daily life, communal worship, and public witness. We'll pay particular attention to the seasons of the church year, the flow of worship, the invitation of sacraments, and daily practices that help us cultivate a life of depth and meaning. We'll create space for the integration of blessing, celebration, lamentation, prayer, song, symbols, and ritual crafting. You're encouraged to bring your whole self as we seek to live in holy rhythm. [Pr. Matta Ghaly](#) will be the primary instructor. The course is designed with a Lutheran lens and inclusive heart; all are welcome.



This on-line course is offered through the Oregon Synod's [SALM and Lay Education Program](#). We'll meet the following Tuesday evenings on Zoom from 6:30-8:00 pm (Pacific Time): **February 1**, **February 8**, **February 15**, **February 22**, and **March 1**. Authentic participation and relationship-building are the priority. Course participants and/or their congregations are encouraged to donate, as they are able, on a sliding scale between \$20-\$160, but donations are not required to register. If you'd like to sign up for the course, please do so through the [registration form](#).

Anyone for Bridge?



A social bridge group from St. Pius has begun meeting weekly in Fellowship Hall and is looking for some substitutes from St. Andrew who can fill in when needed. This is a senior group that plays on Tuesdays from 12:30-4:00 pm. No partner is needed. If you'd like to play, please call Hilary at 503-526-0650 in advance and she'll let you know when the opportunity to sub arises.

Service Committee Hosts DVRC Director

Rowie Taylor, executive director of Beaverton's Domestic Violence Resource Center (DVRC), and Program Director Geeta Paul recently attended St. Andrew's Service Committee meeting via Zoom to update the committee about the work their organization does in the community. As they spoke, it became clear that our St. Andrew financial support is indeed going to a worthy cause that reflects our core values, particularly Community Care.

The DVRC provides three main types of assistance to families of women (and some men) who are victims of domestic violence:

Housing: DVRC provides emergency shelter, then traditional housing up to one year, and rental subsidies up to two years. Monika's House Shelter is Washington County's only confidential domestic violence shelter and is one of only five shelters in Oregon with accommodations to shelter pets as well as people.

Counseling: DVRC provides licensed counselors and social workers for victims. COVID has necessitated that most of this is currently in the form of telehealth support.

Advocates: DVRC provides legal assistance and helps victims of domestic violence manage trauma, secure protective orders, and participate in video court.

All support that DVRC offers is confidential and without cost to their clients.

DVRC receives support from many varied sources, which enabled the organization to serve 2,028 survivors in 2021. Nearly 12,000 people received crisis services, including 3,335 safe nights in shelter.

St. Andrew is proud to provide regular support to the Domestic Violence Resource Center. If you need the organization's assistance or know someone who does, call DVRC's 24-hour hotline at [503-469-8620](tel:503-469-8620). If you'd like to support the agency yourself, find out how you can help at <https://www.dvrc-or.org/donate/>.

Jeannine Douglas
Service Committee

The Lord Watches Over the Foreigner (Psalm 146:9)

Thank you for your generous gift of \$500 to Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service (LIRS). Because of your support, we can continue to provide much needed help to refugee and immigrant families both as they arrive and during the time it takes to build a new life. Thanks to you, children who were separated from their parents have been reunited with their loved ones and given the resources and connections needed to recover from trauma. You're also helping us advocate with a firm resolve for ending shameful policies that tear families apart and prevent newcomers from finding refuge here.

You have shared a vitally needed voice of hope in a world too often filled with violence, a nation too often filled with hate.

Since LIRS began, congregations like yours have helped more than 500,000 migrant and refugee men, women, and children rebuild their lives in welcoming communities across the country.

By helping LIRS welcome the stranger, you are sending a powerful message of hope conquering fear and making a life-changing difference for people restarting their lives. I am eternally grateful for your congregation's compassion and I know the families you help extend their gratitude, too.

Together in faith,
Krish O'Mara Vignarajah
President and CEO

In Need of Prayers...

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PRAYERS FOR...</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>
Family and friends of Rob Shenk (cousin)	Peace and God's comfort at his death (COVID)	Francine Cach
Family and friends of DC Williams	Peace and God's comfort at his death	Allison Katsuftrakis
Raya (six-month-old great-grandniece)	Successful heart surgery (Feb. 3) and recovery	Ginny Link
Pam Renick (Phyllis Morris's daughter)	Comfort and support	India Jensen Kerr
Shari Entrikin	Comfort and healing	Jerry Entrikin
Suzanne Warnes	Comfort and healing	Suzanne Warnes
Armando Sanchez	Comfort and healing	Eric Luttrell
Madeleine (granddaughter)	Strength and healing	Mary Smith
Julie Hoffmaster	Healing and recovery	Julie Hoffmaster
David, Sam, and Amy Harker	Healing and recovery from COVID	Carol Harker
The Horizon Team	Blessings on their work	Staff
Students, teachers, and school staffs	Strength and support	Staff
Spirit of Grace Lutheran Church (Beaverton, OR)	Serving with us in the Oregon Synod	Staff
Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church (Beaverton, OR)		
Congregation Kesser Israel (Portland)	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.

If you know anyone from St. Andrew who needs a Eucharistic minister or would benefit from a monthly visit or phone call, please contact India Jensen Kerr at india@standrewlutheran.com or 503-860-5377.

Community Warehouse Annual Donation Drive Cancelled

The Service Committee is disappointed to report that the Community Warehouse will not be able to support our annual donation drive. The Community Warehouse collected quality, gently used and new household goods and furniture for neighbors in need. Although the organization doesn't currently have sufficient staff to pick up donations, it is still accepting donation at its Tualatin site at 8380 SW Nyberg Rd, Tualatin, OR 97062, from 10:00 am-4:00 pm Monday through Friday.

The Community Warehouse needs kitchen wares, pots and pans, small appliances, linens, and small furniture items. To learn more about the good work being done by the Community Warehouse, check out their website: <https://www.communitywarehouse.org/>.



Bible Study Resumes

Seekers of the Heart of God Bible Study resumes next **Thursday, February 3**, at 9:30 am in the St. Andrew Room. The lesson will come from Crossway's *Knowing the Bible Series*, Week 5. If you have questions or would like to know more, please contact Ed Fransen. All are welcome!

New Nonfiction

Recent nonfiction titles added to the Adult Library bookshelves include:

- Opening the Gospel of John*, Philip Comfort / Wendell Hawley
- Greed*, James Childs
- Jesus' Plan for a New World*, Richard Rohr
- Revelation Unveiled*, Tim LaHaye
- Giving to God*, Mark Allan Powell
- Love in a Time of Fear*, Cassie J.E.H. Trentaz
- Simply Sane*, Gerald May, MD
- After the Locusts: Letters from a Landscape of Faith*, Denise Ackermann / Desmond Tutu

Preparing for Next Sunday
 Fifth Sunday of Epiphany
 February 6, 2022
Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8
Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

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Highlights for the Week at St. Andrew Lutheran Church

Sunday, January 30

8:30 am	Worship with Communion (masks required)	Sanctuary and Livestreamed
10:00 am	Children’s Ministry with Donna Brocker	Children’s Library
10:00 am	Confirmation (for grades 6-8)	Library and via Zoom
10:00 am	High School Youth Group	Youth Room
10:00 am	Adult Ed: Mental Illness in Our Midst: How Does It Look and How Can We Respond?	St. Andrew Room
10:00 am	Adult Ed: My Journey: What I’ve Learned Along the Way, and What Difference Does It Make	Fellowship Hall
10:30 am	Virtual Coffee Time	via Zoom
11:00 am	Worship with Communion (masks required)	Sanctuary and via Zoom
12:00 pm	Virtual Coffee Time	participate via Zoo

Monday, January 31

10:00 am	Meals on Wheels/Loaves and Fishes	Offsite
6:00 pm	Scout Troop 618 Meeting	Fellowship Hall, St. Andrew Room

Tuesday, February 1

7:00 am	Men’s Gathering and Bible Study	Elmer’s Restaurant on 158 th (1250 NW Waterhouse Ave)
7:00 am	Sunrise Women.....	Elmer’s Restaurant on 158 th (1250 NW Waterhouse Ave)
10:00 am	Tai Chi	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	MACG Meeting	St. Andrew Room

Wednesday, February 2—Weekly News submissions due by 4:00 pm

12:30 pm	Bonhoeffer Seminar.....	via Zoom
2:30 pm	Communications Team Meeting.....	via Zoom
6:00 pm	Bells of Grace Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:30 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Thursday, February 3

9:30 am	Seekers of the Heart of God Bible Study.....	St. Andrew Room
12:00 pm	Team Ministry Meeting	Chapel / Library
7:00 pm	Executive Council Committee Meeting	St. Andrew Room and via Zoom

Friday, February 4

10:00 am	T’ai Chi	Fellowship Hall
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Saturday, February 5

9:00 am	Nifty Notters	Fellowship Hall
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Sunday, February 6

8:30 am	Worship with Communion (masks required)	Sanctuary and Livestreamed
10:00 am	Children’s Ministry with Donna Brocker	Children’s Library
10:00 am	Confirmation (for grades 6-8)	Library and via Zoom
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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.
- 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 or participate in worship via Zoom. *The link will be sent to you via email and the church app.*