

ST. ANDREW WEEKLY NEWS

February 27, 2022

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

A Congregational Conversation:

Living with COVID-19

Whether in-person or via Zoom, all are encouraged to take part in an important conversation exploring how the church moves beyond COVID. The special topic between worship services on **Sunday, February 27**, will begin at 10:00 am and enable people to ask questions, share their concerns, and offer suggestions on how St. Andrew can rise up from these pandemic times and look forward as a faith community.

How do we face a future where the virus lingers in our midst? It appears that COVID-19 is not going to disappear. We're not going to wake up one day and thank God that it's over. We will likely be living with COVID-19 at some level, just as we are accustomed to living with the flu. How do we do that?

At-home participants should use the regular worship Zoom link to join the conversation, and it will also be distributed in Friday's email to the congregation.

Eco-Faith Recovery Supports Volunteer Day at Eloheh Farm & Indigenous Center for Earth Justice

Saturday, February 26, 9:00 am—3:00 pm
(Come when you can; times are approximate)

Eloheh Indigenous Center for Earth Justice
6033 NW Lilac Hill Rd.
Yamhill, OR 97148



ELOHEH

What better way to prepare for Lent (orig. Old English *Lencten*, meaning springtime) than to get our hands in the soil to prepare for spring planting?

Please note: Children are welcome, with supervision by an adult. Bring your own food, water/beverages. Bring your own cooler if needed. Dress WARM and wear shoes/boots that can get wet and muddy. Bring tools you anticipate using: shovels, hoes, trowels, work gloves. Masks are required for individuals over 5 who have not been fully vaccinated against COVID-19, unless you are working six or more feet away from fellow volunteers. Family members and other closed groups who are vaccinated are welcome to work in close proximity to one another without masks.

PLEASE [RSVP HERE](#) (BY FRIDAY AM) SO WE CAN ALERT THE WOODLEYS TO EXPECT YOU. It helps them plan the projects for the day.

Ash Wednesday & Lent

The church is nearing the holy season of Lent, which begins with **Ash Wednesday**, falling on **March 2** this year. As we prepare to journey through these 40 days commemorating the time Jesus spent fasting in the desert, St. Andrew's Communications Team will be sharing another outstanding resource from SALT.



Watch for the short video that will be posted on the church website (www.standrewlutheran.com) on **Tuesday, February 28**, and check out the weekly practices suggested for the season, too. Everything will be posted on the website and mailed to the list that receives "Weekly News" via postal mail. If you would like to be added to that list, contact the church office at 503-646-0629.

Given that some in our faith community prefer worshipping at home, St. Andrew will again provide "ashes to go" this year. Take-home bags will be available in the Narthex beginning this Sunday. For those who enjoy worship in the Sanctuary, please note that Ash Wednesday services will be held **Wednesday, March 2**, at 12:00 pm and 7:00 pm.

Adult Education Classes

A new Adult Education term begins next **Sunday, March 6**, when Paul Navarre and Pastor Mark launch their courses for Lent.



Paul Navarre will look at Christian shifts in beliefs that have caused division within Christianity in a class called "From Abraham to the ELCA." Join him in Fellowship Hall at 10:00 am the first Sunday in March as he looks at the many divisions believers in God have adopted—Christians and Jews, Protestants and Catholics, Lutherans and Calvinists, and even the different types of Lutherans.

At the same time, Pastor Mark will teach his class, "Preparing to Die," in the St. Andrew Room. Pastor Mark promises to offer "practical advice and spiritual insight grounded in our faith tradition." As uncomfortable as most of us are in considering our own deaths, we will all make that journey into the unknown. Preparing for it by planning a memorial service, deciding where and how to be buried, and anticipating resurrected life may make the process easier.



**You are dust,
and to dust
you shall return.**

Genesis 3:19



Recycling Tidbits



I contacted the recycling department for Beaverton about whether yogurt containers can go into the mixed recycle curbside bin. The rules say that containers less than 6 ounces can't go in the bin. This is the response I got:

"The 5.3 ounce yogurt containers hold six fluid ounces, so they are a "yes" and can go into the mixed recycling. They are large enough not to get lost in between the pieces of paper at the sorting facility and end up at the paper mill."

I also learned this about caps and lids:



"Plastic caps and lids of any size cannot go into the mixed recycling. At the sorting facility they behave like paper and end up baled with the paper and sent to the paper mill where they are contaminants and thus garbage."

"That said, large thick metal lids like those from a jar of spaghetti sauce can go into mixed recycling, just bend them slightly so they're easier for the magnet to pick up. Metal caps and smaller pieces of scrap metal must be contained within a metal can and crimped shut, as the smaller metal pieces get lost in the paper."

I know there have been some questions, I hope this helps!

Liz Hardy
Earth Care Team

Preparing for Next Sunday

First Sunday of Lent
March 6, 2022



Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-11
Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

Each One Reach One

On the first Tuesday i.e., *March 1, April 5, and May 3 @ 7:00 pm CST, you are invited to stop to hear* from the Deaconess Community as individuals share their stories – that is, their plight and insight in their fight with interlocking injustices: systemic racism, systemic poverty, the war economy, ecological devastation, and the distorted moral narrative of religious nationalism. Grounded in scripture and sharing in song, we will also ask what more we can do together – as a community, partners and individuals – as the impact of our community's stories becomes a part of our story.

Come and hear our stories – shared by Sisters, candidates, and partners.

Tuesday, March 1 @ 7:00 pm CST – bring a friend and hear from Sr. Megan and a woman from The Well, one of our mission partners.

Learn how their stories connect with the Poor People's Campaign – a National Call for Moral Revival: [We Are A Moral Fusion Movement](https://www.poorpeoplescampaign.org/).



Together we can be and build this movement to *end* the interlocking injustices: it starts with *EACH ONE of us REACHing out to ONE* as we work for justice and the flourishing of God's creation.

Come and hear our stories via Zoom (they will also be recorded). Contact Sr. Noreen Stevens with questions, Noreen.stevens@elca.org.

<https://zoom.us/j/6328274562?pwd=9GvtAmBNxpM>

Meeting ID: 632 827 4562

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St. Luke Seeks Minister of Music

St. Luke Lutheran Church in southwest Portland, our sister congregation in the Oregon Synod, is looking for a new Director of Music.

The person hired for the full-time, salaried position will direct a traditional choir and other music groups, lead music for modern worship, show creativity in bringing different kinds of music to people of all ages where they are, work with other musicians, and encourage cross-generational participation within different programs, plus more.

If you know anyone who might be interested in the position, direct them to

<https://www.stlukechurch.com/director-of-music.html>

for a detailed description of the position and instructions on how to apply.

Community Warehouse Puts Used Goods to Good Use

If our longer hours of daylight are prompting you to do some spring cleaning, remember that the Community Warehouse provides wonderful support in our community by giving used goods new use in a home where they're needed. While the organization doesn't have the staff necessary to support remote drives this year, it continues to accept donations at its Tualatin site at 8380 SW Nyberg Rd, Tualatin, OR 97062, from 10:00 am-4:00 pm Monday through Friday.



Driven by its mission to transform empty domiciles into comfortable homes, the Community Warehouse collects quality, gently used and new household goods and furniture for neighbors in need. It is looking for kitchen wares, pots and pans, small appliances, linens, and small furniture items. If you have items you're not using, take them to the Community Warehouse! To learn more about the good work being done by this organization, check out their website:

<https://www.communitywarehouse.org/>.

In Need of Prayers...

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PRAYERS FOR...</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>
Family and friends of Malcolm Snider (nephew)	Peace and God's comfort at his death	Mary Ann Snider
Family and friends of Sheila Semmens (niece)	Peace and God's comfort at her sudden death	Judy Heidinger
Family and friends of Kay Larson (Bishop Laurie Larson Caesar's mother)	Peace and God's comfort at her death	Susan Kintner
All the Heidinger families	Comfort in the wake of several deaths over the past 15 months	Judy Heidinger
Tim Cahlander (brother)	Comfort and peace of mind	Sue Cahlander
Kimberly Cahlander (niece)	Emotional and physical healing	Sue Cahlander
Ethel Ritchey	Healing of her arm and successful transition as she returns to her home	Carol Harker
Madeleine (granddaughter)	Healing and health	Mary Smith
Ken Acquin (friend)	Healing and recovery	Kyler Vogt
People of Ukraine and all those impacted by war	Protection, justice, and ultimately peace	Staff
Those facing ongoing illness or distress	Healing and assurance of God's presence	Staff
Tandy Brooks, Dave Bumgardner, Vic Claar, Gary Grafwallner, Ian MacDonald, Gary Magnuson, Hugh Mason, Brian McKiernan, Carol Means, 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
Joyful Servant Lutheran Church (Newberg, OR)	Serving with us in the Oregon Synod	Staff
Christ the King Lutheran Church (Tigard, OR)		
Havurah Shalom (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.

Mental Wellness Survey

As the stresses and isolation from the past couple of years have continued to impact both individuals and families, a Caring Ministries Team at St. Andrew has been brainstorming with each other about the congregation's needs for mental wellness support and how the church might respond. Now they'd like input from the congregation.

Please go to tinyurl.com/54b8dn6m to fill out their "Mental Wellness, You, and the Church" survey. Responses will be confidential and not associated with any particular email.

If you'd like additional information or would like to share more than the form allows, please

contact Parish Chaplain India Jensen Kerr at 503-646-0629, ext. 211, or send an email to

india@standrewlutheran.com.

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Tira Nasset	503-866-5099

Altar Guild Volunteers Needed

The Altar Guild is in great need of a few new volunteers to help prepare the altar for worship each week. Those fulfilling this crucial worship leadership role do all their work behind the scenes, so if you're not a fan of the spotlight, this might be a great fit for you. If enough people step forward, volunteers will only need to serve once a month or even less.

Altar Guild members set out the bread and wine for communion, as well as making a few other preparations for worship services. All training is provided.

Please speak to Pastor Brocker, Susan Reiser, or Allison Katsufrakis if you are interested in volunteering.

Highlights for the Week at St. Andrew Lutheran Church

Sunday, February 27

8:30 am	Worship with Communion (masks required).....	Sanctuary and Livestreamed
10:00 am	Special Topic: Living with COVID-19.....	Fellowship Hall and via Zoom
10:00 am	Children's Ministry.....	Children's Library
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 Zoom

Monday, February 28

6:00 pm	Scout Troop 618 Meeting.....	Fellowship Hall, St. Andrew Room
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Tuesday, March 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	Meals on Wheels/Loaves and Fishes.....	offsite
10:00 am	Worship Planners Meeting.....	Library
10:00 am	Tai Chi.....	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	MACG Meeting.....	via Zoom

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

12:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Service.....	Sanctuary
2:30 pm	Communications Team Meeting.....	Sanctuary
6:45 pm	Informal Gathering Time.....	via Zoom
7:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Service.....	Sanctuary and via Zoom
8:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal.....	Sanctuary

Thursday, March 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.....	via Zoom

Friday, March 4

10:00 am	T'ai Chi.....	Fellowship Hall
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Saturday, March 5

9:00 am	Nifty Notters.....	Fellowship Hall
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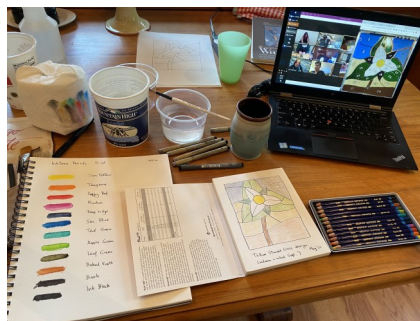
Sunday, March 6

8:30 am	Worship with Communion (masks required).....	Sanctuary and Livestreamed
10:00 am	Adult Ed: From Abraham to the ELCA.....	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Adult Ed: Preparing to Die.....	St. Andrew Room
10:00 am	Children's Ministry.....	Children's Library
10:00 am	Confirmation.....	In person and via Zoom
10:00 am	High School Youth Group.....	Youth Room
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 Zoom

Open Studio at the Grünewald Guild

Cyber studio resumes at the Grünewald Guild on **Wednesday, March 2**. Would you like to dedicate time each week to your art making in the company of friends? This month-long online program will meet Wednesday mornings on Zoom, hosted by Adele Caemmerer, and Wednesday evenings, also on Zoom, hosted by Mary McLeod. Register at: <https://grunewaldguild.com/programs/open-studios/>

The Grünewald Guild welcomes and inspires all who seek to explore relationships between art, faith, & community.



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.*