# St. Andrew Weekly News

April 3, 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 Home for All, A Hope for All, ... A Future for All

All St. Andrew community will be coming together for the first time in over two years to celebrate a Future for All. On <u>Sunday, May 15</u> we will have one worship service at 9:30 am and then the Horizon team will be leading a time for all to reflect and share their thoughts on what is in store for us as we move into 2023 and beyond. As we emerge from a global pandemic, wrestle with racial injustice, political turmoil, social and economic inequity, climate change, and the ongoing threat to global peace, we need to hear your views on the future of St. Andrew. A Future for All requires that we hear from all. Please plan to attend this important event and celebration.

## The Fifth Sunday of Lent

Our seasonal devotional focuses on the sin of inequality and racism in the coming week. In a world full of big problems it can feel like we are helpless to change things as one little person, but God reminds us that all change happens one step at a time, one person at a time.

One practice from this week is encouraging yourself to do what you can, looking in the mirror and reciting these words from the poet Rumi:

"Yesterday I was clever, so I wanted to change the world. Today I am wise, so I am changing myself."

Pick up one of the devotional booklets available in the Narthex or check out the weekly practices suggested for Lent on our website: https://standrewlutheran.com/a-lenten-devotional-for-2022/)

# **Turning toward God's Abundance in Lent**

Join us for the final week of Lenten Evening Prayer on <u>April 6</u>, as Mary Smith speaks about God's abundant love.

Wednesday Evening Prayer will be held at 7:00 pm in-person in the Sanctuary, as well as via Zoom. Centering Prayer (in-person only) will follow at 7:30 pm in the Chapel for those wanting to sit in quiet communion with God.

#### **Lenten Food Drive**

To date, St. Andrew's Lenten Food Drive has yielded 207 pounds of food and raised \$2,685, the equivalent of 8,055 pounds. Our total stands at 8,262 pounds, so we're now 68% of the way toward our 12,000-pound goal.!

Remember that each pound of non-perishable food donated counts as one pound, while each dollar of cash equates to three pounds of food. Please designate your cash donations to the Food Drive. If giving through the church website, select the "Food Bank" option. Thank you for your gifts!

## **Lutheran World Relief Spring Ingathering**

Twice a year, St. Andrew coordinates the Lutheran World Relief Ingathering for Lutheran churches in Oregon, SW Washington, and Idaho. We collect Health Kits, School Kits, Baby Kits, and Quilts that then make their way to countries in need around the world. Your donation of time and materials is making a difference in Ukraine right now. LWR recently donated 8,000 care kits and 4,700 quilts to displaced people in Ukraine. To learn more about Lutheran World Relief and the kits and quilts program, go to https://lwr.org/kits/school-kits.

We are preparing for our Spring LWR Ingathering and looking for volunteers to help for a 2-hour shift on <u>Friday, May 6</u> (8:00-10:00 am, 10:00 am-Noon, Noon-2:00 pm, or 2:00-4:00 pm). On <u>Saturday, May 7</u>, we need volunteers to fill a 3-hour shift (9:00 am-Noon).

The Ingathering takes place in the St. Andrew parking lot near the community garden. We have two types of volunteer assignments:

- 1. Load the shipping container. This assignment includes unloading boxes from cars or packing boxes in the shipping container. The boxes weigh up to 45 pounds.
- 2. Greeting vehicles as churches drop off their donations. This assignment includes directing traffic in the parking lot, handing out LWR brochures, and collecting a tally sheet from each driver. This assignment requires standing and walking.

Please contact Rochelle McIntire (pacificnwlwrgroup@gmail.com or 503-804-7967) to sign up for a shift or if you have questions.

# ...and speaking of Lutheran World Relief...

We need your help to help others in need. To prepare for the Spring Ingathering, we collect items for personal care kits and baby care kits. The drive continues until May 1. Below you will see a list of items that are still needed. Please join us by purchas-

ing the needed items and putting them in the LWR collection box at church. Any questions, please call Rochelle McIntire at 503-574-2668.

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Personal Care Kits	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Have</u>	<u>Need</u>	
Lightweight bath towel	150	0	150	
Bars of soap (in original wrapping)	550	110	340	
Adult toothbrushes (in original package)	150	113	37	
Metal nail clipper	150	49	101	

Baby Care Kits	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Have</u>	Need
Cotton tshirts (no onesies)	100	25	75
Long/short-sleeved gown or sleeper	100	4	96
Receiving blankets	100	75	25
Hooded sweatshirt or jacket with cap	50	0	50
Pairs of socks	100	15	85
Hand towel, dark color	50	0	50
Gentle bar soap (in original wrap- ping)	100	0	100

#### Earth Camp 2022!

This summer, St. Andrew will be hosting our second ever Earth Camp from June 27 to July 1. This year's theme is "All Things Bright and Beautiful." Running from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm and open to kids going into grades 1-6, campers will spend each day rotating through stations of music, crafts, games, earth stories, earth discovery, eco-challenges, and earth care, all of which are designed to teach campers to love the earth and everything in it just as God does.

This year's Earth Camp costs only \$50 per student for the whole week, and scholarships will be available based on need. The community of St. Andrew and those who attended Earth Camp last year are being offered the opportunity for advanced registration beginning on <a href="Friday">Friday</a>, <a href="March 18">March 18</a>, before registration is opened to the general public on <a href="April 1">April 1</a>. We will be capping registration at 35 campers this year, so be sure to claim your spot early. Check your Friday Weekly News email for the registration link. Registration will be accessible via the church website starting April 1.

Earth Camp is our flagship summer children's program at St. Andrew, and it takes a village to do it well! We are currently building up this year's Earth Camp team and while we have most key leadership positions filled, we need lots of help in support roles. If you would like to volunteer for Earth Camp 2022, contact Kyler at <a href="kvogt@standrewlutheran.com">kvogt@standrewlutheran.com</a>. We are looking forward to another excellent year of Earth Camp!

# Family Promise: Hope over Despair

St. Andrew continues to be one of 23 host/support sites for Family Promise of Greater Washington County (FPGWC). This commitment involves



delivering meals and grocery/restaurant gift cards to families housed at the Beaverton Day Center for a week at a time. St. Andrew is blessed to have a strong group joining the 650+volunteers that serve FPGWC. Thank you!

#### A few interesting statistics:

Last year 2,300 students in the Beaverton and Hillsboro school districts experienced homelessness.

In 2020 FPGWC served 50 children. In 2021 the number was 140.

84% of people served were BIPOC or Latinx.

86% of families who are sheltered find housing.

Our next hosting week is May 1<sup>st</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in volunteering or have questions, please contact Steve Grover or Beth Johnson.

## **CLIMATE CORNER: Conscious Consumption**

The following is from an article from Earth911:

One of the most important aspects of living more sustainably is making the conscious decision to simply consume less; practicing conscious consumption in other words.

Asking yourself these four questions before you buy something will help align your actions with your ideals, and curb your environmental impact, too.

- 1. Do I truly need this item? Is it a dust collector, a duplicate, or an impulse purchase you're likely to regret and never use? Or is it a genuine need? Quote from William Morris "Try to have nothing in your house that you do not know to be useful, or believe to be beautiful."
- 2. Can I make it? Why support multinational corporations when you could create something for yourself? If you are able to make something instead of buying it, you have complete control over the ingredients, packaging, and efficacy of the product. With the entire internet at your disposal, you can find guidance on making any number of things.
- 3. Can I borrow it, or buy it secondhand? Why buy when you can borrow? And why buy new when you can find it gently used for half the price? We are obsessed with ownership, but for some items that we might use only once or twice a year (camping equipment, party tents, food dehydrators, and so forth), it might make better financial and environmental sense to pool your resources with a friend or family member. Share the item, halve your expenses, and reduce the amount of space in your home devoted to storing things. Win-win!

Alternatively, seek out a secondhand store, hit up your local Craigslist, or list a request for what you need on the social network: Nextdoor. Buying secondhand saves money, hits the pause button on the consumer cycle, and also allows you to better evaluate how an item will wear over time.

4. Is this the best quality I can afford? This question runs counter to all of our instincts in North American society, where we fanatically chase deals. The truth is, if you truly need something, making the decision to invest in a quality, well-made piece of clothing, furniture, or equipment means you won't find yourself buying it all over again in a few weeks, months, or years. If you need sandals, look for stitched soles and natural materials instead of flimsy plastic flip flops. If you need a beach umbrella, get the more expensive one made with wood or metal instead of plastic. Make it a habit to prioritize quality over price.

Thanks for considering!

Liz Hardy Earth Care Team

#### **Earth Care Fair**

In celebration of Earth Day, the St. Andrew Earth Care Committee will be hosting an Earth Care Fair on <u>April 24, 2022.</u> This is a multigenerational program with strategies that you can implement to combat climate change.

Worship with Pastor Robyn Hartwig (8:30-9:30 am & 11:00 am-12:00 pm).

Attend our **Information Expo** (9:30-11:00am & 12:00- 2:00pm) where you can browse information tables, talk to consultants and people passionate about climate change, pick up handouts, and receive a ticket for our earth care focused participation prizes.

Topics include; Backyard Habitat certification, Native and Invasive Plants, Creating a Garden Bed, Horticultural Therapy, Reducing Plastic Use and Food waste, Reducing your Carbon Footprint, Mason Bees, Earth Camp, and more.

**Seminars** (12:20-2:10pm) will be offered for those who want to learn more about wildfires, how to improve your soil, Backyard Habitat certification, how trees talk to each other, and a guided tour of our wetland and forest habitat.

Learn more about this event at

https://standrewlutheran.com/earth-care-fair-april-24-2022/

In Need of Prayers...

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NAME	PRAYERS FOR	CONTACT
Family and friends of John Fritz	Peace and God's comfort at his death	Staff
Family and friends of Daisy Smith (daughter-in-law)	Peace and God's comfort at her death	Mary Smith
Family and friends of Ginny Vick's niece	Peace and God's comfort at her death	India Jensen Kerr
Chris Sinn (brother)	Peace and God's comfort as death draws near	Randy Sinn
Raya (grandniece)	Healing and recovery from surgery (March 24)	Ginny Link
Gary Grafwallner	Healing and recovery	Mark Brocker
Mary Ellen (friend)	Peace and comfort	Joanne Zenger
Chris & Amy Marks	Comfort and support	Bob & Judy Scholz
Madeleine Smith (granddaughter)	Comfort and healing	Mary Smith
Dan Vick	Comfort and healing	India Jensen Kerr
Linda Jones (daughter-in-law)	Comfort and healing	Patty Jones
Connie Sanchez	Comfort and healing	Linda Sah Olshausen
Rob Ems (son of friend)	Comfort and healing	Jeannine Douglas
John Carlson	Comfort and healing	Beverly Briggs
Betty Horst	Comfort and a smooth transition	Beth Johnson
Allison Katsufrakis	Blessings during a time of transition	Staff
People of Ukraine and all those impacted by war	Protection, justice, and ultimately peace	Staff
Bishop Laurie Larson Caesar	Strength and wisdom	Staff
Oregon Synod and Staff		
Refugees and immigrants	Acceptance, safety, and just treatment	Staff
Military personnel, especially Justina Hailey, Hope Brocker, Evan Dahlquist, Dawson Dethlefs, Neil Fiegenbaum, and Jerami Reyna	Courage and protection	Staff
Augustana Lutheran Church (Portland, OR) Bethel Lutheran Church (Portland, OR)	Serving with us in the Oregon Synod	Staff
Bilal Masjid (Beaverton)	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
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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 <a href="mailto:india@standrewlutheran.com">india@standrewlutheran.com</a> or 503-860-5377.

# A Big Thank You!

Carol Hogan sends a great big "thank you" to all those who were able to help with Phyllis Morris's memorial service reception. It's been a while since we have held events like that at St. Andrew, and everyone's generous donations of goodies, time, and labor really made everything come together. We are so grateful for the gifts and talents of our volunteers!

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# **DEAR Fundraiser** at Red Robin

This month's restaurant fundraiser for DEAR (Daytime Enrichment Activities and Recreation) for profoundly disabled adults is on <u>Tuesday, April 19</u> from 4:00—8:00 pm at Red Robin. You pay the regular menu price for your meal, and the restaurant gives a portion of the proceeds to DEAR.

If you're planning ahead for next month, the fundraiser will be held **Wednesday**, **May 18** from 11:00 am – 9:00 pm at Bethany Public House.

Thank you so much for participating! These fundraisers are a big winwin for everyone.

#### **Preparing for Next Sunday**

Palm Sunday—April 10, 2022 Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16 Gospel: Luke 19:29-40

# Highlights for the Week at St. Andrew Lutheran Church

Sunday, Apr	ril 3	
8:30 am	Worship with Communion	Sanctuary and Livestreamed
9:30 am	Coffee Time	in person and via Zoom
10:00 am	Adult Ed: From Abraham to the ELCA	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Adult Ed: Preparing to Die	
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		via Zoom
10:50 am	Portland Taiwan Worship	
11:00 am	Worship with Communion	Sanctuary and via Zoom
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6:00 pm	Scout Troop 618 Meeting	Fellowship Hall, St. Andrew Room
Tuesday, A	pril 5	·
7:00 am	Men's Gathering and Bible Study	Elmer's Restaurant on 158 <sup>th</sup> (1250 NW Waterhouse Ave)
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10:00 am		Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Meals on Wheels/Loaves and Fishes	Off site
10:00 am	•	Library
7:00 pm	,	St. Andrew Room
•	, April 6—Weekly News submissions due by 4:00 pm	
12:30 pm	•	via Zoom
2:30 pm		via Zoom
6:00 pm	5	Sanctuary
6:45 pm		via Zoom
7:00 pm	6	Sanctuary
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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. YouTube • 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.



200 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.

To participate via Zoom you can use a computer, smartphone, tablet, or a telephone.