

ST. ANDREW WEEKLY NEWS

September 25, 2022

St. Andrew Lutheran Church
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Worship Services:
Sunday, 8:30 am
Sunday, 11:00 am

Acolytes and Acolyte Coordinator Needed

St. Andrew has a shortage of acolytes. If you'd like to light the candles for worship, join us! We'll provide training so you're comfortable in your role as one of the worship leaders on Sunday mornings. Acolytes are scheduled according to availability and serve during either the 8:30 am or 11:00 am service, not both, so the time commitment is limited.

We also need an Acolyte Coordinator to recruit, train, and schedule acolytes. If you have never done something like this before and know nothing about acolyting, no worries! We will make sure you are prepared to train and schedule acolytes. The time commitment should not be that hefty. It will probably only be five to ten hours a month!

If you are interested in being an acolyte or being an acolyte coordinator, contact Chaplain India at india@standrewlutheran.com or call 503-646-0629, ext. 211.

Western Farm Workers (WFWA) Collection

We continue to collect food and clothing for the Western Farm Workers Association during the month of September. The generosity of the members of St. Andrew's continues this year. The volunteers at the WFW office provided lists of the currently most needed clothing and food items. Contributions of clothing have been coming in and we ask that clothing items be gently used or new and clean. Clothing currently needed include: coats, sweatshirts, sweaters, work pants, rain jackets, and work boots. In addition to clothing, the following food items are needed to stock their food pantry: tuna, beans, rice, peanut butter, jam, and cooking oil. Please place the clothing items in the barrel in the Narthex and the food items in bags or boxes nearby. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Susan.

Table Talk: Resisting Christian Nationalism

Tuesday, September 27, 7:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

Gathered around the table in his home, Martin Luther talked freely and openly with his colleagues and students about matters of faith, theology, and varied aspects of daily life. In an effort to cultivate this kind of spirited discussion we have a tradition at St. Andrew of gathering for Table Talks. Pastor Brocker invites you to participate in the first Table Talk of the new program year in Fellowship Hall on **Tuesday, September 27, 7:00-8:00 pm**.

The rise of Christian Nationalism has been a cause for concern for many in our faith tradition. Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, recently joined numerous other church leaders in signing a statement entitled "Christians against Christian Nationalism." Part of the challenge for us is to discern what are the most faithful and effective ways to resist Christian Nationalism. We need to be very aware of the context in which we are resisting. To prepare for this Table Talk, you are encouraged to read the statement Bishop Eaton signed:

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

Horizon Discernment Circles

Do you daydream about St Andrew's future? What is your vision of yourself and what do you see for the next generation over the horizon? "Discernment is an attentiveness to God that, over time, develops into a shared sense of God's intention for us and our community now." (Susan Beaumont)

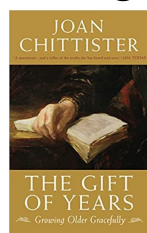
From **September 25 to October 7**, the Horizon Team invites you to take part in one of many small group discernment circles. The discernment circles will have 8-10 participants and should take about 90 minutes. Signups will be emailed out and available before and after church starting **Sunday, September 11**. You'll have many different dates and times to choose from.

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. Romans 12:2

Please don't forget to add your story to the timelines, bring pictures with you to the church, and share your spiritual experience on the timeline boards in the Narthex.

Peace to you,
Scott Anderson
Horizon Team Member

Finding Purpose as the Years Go By



Have you been struggling with new purpose now that many of us are growing older and unable to do all the things that were possible when we were 25? Are you finding you need to redefine your life or find new meaning? Join Chaplain India in a group that will focus on Joan Chittister's book *The Gift of Years: Growing Old Gracefully*. The group's first meeting will be **Wednesday, September 28**, at 1:00 pm in the Library. Questions? Contact Chaplain India Jensen Kerr at india@standrewlutheran.com or call 503-646-0629, ext. 211.

Baptism of Florence Margaret Geczy-Haskins

Sunday, September 25, 11:00 am
Sanctuary

Friends and attendees are invited to join the family at their home for lunch following the worship service.

17144 SW Sandhill Lane
Sherwood



Meet Kayla, Our New Nursery Attendant!

Last week Kayla DeJesus-Brown started work as our Nursery Attendant! She was busy, too—there were six little ones in there during the first worship service alone! Here's a little more about her:

"Hi all! My name is Kayla and I'm so excited to be starting here as your new Nursery Attendant! I currently work as a nanny for an infant and thought it would be a great idea to help out some more kids! Before working as a nanny I was a preschool teacher for 3 month old's to 2 year old's. Working with children has always been my passion and I can't wait to implement some learning in our play time!"

We are so glad to have Kayla with us! We also need to support her in this new role, especially with so many little ones around. Please consider volunteering for nursery support on Sunday mornings. Contact Kyler at kvogt@standrewlutheran.com if you want to help!

Great Turnout for Week 1 of Kids/ Youth Classes!

Last Sunday, we had an excellent first week of classes for our kids and youth! Seven high schoolers joined Kyler downstairs in the youth room; Pat Christiansen led a fun and full class of nine middle school confirmands; and, we had SEVEN-TEEN kids in our various classes for The Roots! We saw quite a few new faces as well!

Thank you to everyone who has already volunteered to help with our kids/youth programs. If you are still looking for somewhere to pitch in, there are a variety of opportunities available. Contact Kyler at kvogt@standrewlutheran.com to find your spot!

Lydia Circle

Please note that Lydia Circle has changed its meeting date to the third Tuesday of the month in order to ensure that our copies of *Gather* magazine arrive before we meet. Our next gathering is **Tuesday, October 18**, at 1:00 pm in the St. Andrew Room. Any and all are welcome to join our small group Bible study. Questions? Contact Mary Brown at 503-439-3917.

Flowers on the Chancel



The flowers on the chancel this Sunday are dedicated to the glory of God by Laura Geczy-Haskins in honor of the baptism of Florence Margaret Geczy-Haskins.

Time to Collect School Supplies for LWR

Our shopping list is getting shorter by the day! Thank you to everyone for all the unsharpened pencils, erasers, rulers, and blunt scissors you've contributed. We've met our goal on those items and just need what you see in the list below. Our goal is to collect enough supplies to fill 250 school kits by mid-October.

To make 250 kits, we need the following supplies:

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>NUMBER STILL NEEDED</u>
70-sheet spiral bound notebooks (4 per kit)	178
Pencil sharpeners	20

This is a big goal, but we know the generous hearts of St. Andrew people can achieve it! Please bring your donations and place them in the barrel in the Narthex labeled LWR School kits. Thank you for supporting Lutheran World Relief.

Faith and Democracy in Crisis: Resisting Authoritarianism, Protecting Human Dignity

Wednesdays, September 14-October 26, 2022; 7:00-8:15 pm (PDT) on Zoom

All are invited to join this seven-week series hosted by Spirit of Grace for the wider ecumenical community. Learn about the theological dimensions of the anti-democratic insurgency attempting to take over our federal government. With foundational Christian teachings on church and society from Catholic, Lutheran, and United Church of Christ traditions, we'll talk about this authoritarian insurgency and formulate visions for Christian resistance that protect human dignity as created in the image of God. We'll conclude with opportunities to carry that vision into action through ecclesial and civic networks.

Each session will include time for presentation, small- and full-group discussion, and a spiritual practice to sustain us through challenging times. Many sessions will have advance readings of 6-12 pages. More information can be found at SpiritofGracePDX.org. Registration is required by September 12. Additional questions can be directed to PastorRobyn@spiritofgrace.org, series coordinator.

[Click Here to Register](#)

Primary Presenters:

Brian Brandt, PhD, is a retired ELCA pastor with a doctorate in Christian Ethics (Dissertation on MLK, Jr.'s doctrine of redemptive suffering), who considers himself a theologian of the cross.

Janet Parker, PhD, is a United Church of Christ pastor, Christian Ecofeminist, and Social Ethicist currently serving as Interim Pastor at Smyrna UCC in Canby, OR.

Guest Presenter on Catholic Social Teaching:

Anna Floerke Scheid, PhD, is an associate professor of theology at Duquesne University focusing on ethics at the intersection of politics and religion.

Thank You!

The Service Committee and The Outside In would like to express their appreciation to the people of St. Andrew who contributed to the "Undie Sunday" drive. You have truly outdone yourselves this year. We collected 451 pairs of underwear, 12 sports bras, 9 women's t-shirts, and 2 men's t-shirts! Thank you for sharing God's love towards those in need in our city.

The Service Committee

New Fiction in the Library

The Confession. - John Grisham
Sooley - John Grisham
All the Devils are Here. - Louise Penny
Rise and Shine. - Anna Quindlen
A Sweetness to the Soul. - Jane Kirkpatrick
A Gambling Man. - Davis Baldacci
The Lost Symbol. - Dan Brown
The King's Justice. - Susan Ella MacNeal
Anxious People. - Fredrik Backman
The Cellist. - Daniel Silva

In Need of Prayers...

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PRAYERS FOR...</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>
Suzanne Warnes	Strength and courage during her final months	Suzanne Warnes
Family of Suzanne Warnes	Strength and comfort during a difficult time	Chaplain India
Doug Morrell	Comfort, accurate diagnosis, and healing	Carol Harker
Aaron Cahlander	Successful surgery (Sept. 24) and recovery	Sue Cahlander & Jan Smith
Macy Hurin (daughter)	Comfort and healing after eye surgery (Sept 19)	Katie Hurin
Karrina Baker (daughter)	Comfort and support	Karen Mallari
Jennifer (sister-in-law)	Comfort and healing	Lee Anne Knapp
Stan Sivesind (friend)	Comfort and healing after a stroke	Pat Hilliker
Lisa Staul	Healing and recovery	LuAnn Staul
Lee Anne Knapp	Proper treatment and healing	Lee Anne Knapp
Kurt Grafwallner (son)	Healing and recovery following surgery	Gary Grafwallner
Stephanie Neliton (granddaughter)	Safety after fire evacuation	Suzanne Warnes
Margie Schindele	Blessings on her 100 th birthday	Staff
Wildland firefighters	Safety and protection	Staff
Those facing ongoing illness or distress	Healing and assurance of God's presence	Staff
Tandy Brooks, Dave Bumgardner, Vic Claar, Sabrina Garrison, Gary Grafwallner, Ian MacDonald, Gary Magnuson, Gerald Jensen, Hugh Mason, Brian McKiernan, Carol Means, Corky Poppert, Jolie Reyna, Shane Throckmorton, Gary Tubbs, Suzanne Warnes, Megan Webber		
Bishop Elizabeth Eaton	Wisdom and discernment	Staff
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America	Blessings on our ministry	Staff
Taiwan Lutheran Church	Strength and wisdom	Staff
Trinity Lutheran Church (Tulelake, CA)	Serving with us in the Oregon Synod	Staff
St. Timothy Lutheran Church (Portland, OR)		
Masjed As-Saber (Portland)	Blessings on our interfaith partners	Staff
Individual friends and loved ones	Whatever they most need: say their names in your heart or aloud	Staff

September Leadership Training

Join us for our two-day Leadership Institute for Public Life training! Learn our organizing model and be part of our work for the common good.

Sunday, September 25, 1:00-5:00 pm
In person at Bethel Lutheran Church

Free for participants from MACG member institutions, like St. Andrew. Questions? Contact Pat Christiansen (patchristiansen@comcast.net) or any member of St. Andrew's MACG Core Team:



Larry Bliesner, Lynn Santelmann, Scott Taylor, Victoria Kovalenko, Jan Smith, and Pastor Mark.

[Register here!](#)

The Institute provides content based on the philosophy and practices developed by the Industrial Areas Foundation in over 70 years of organizing experience.

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Preparing for Next Sunday

October 2, 2022

Hab1:1-4; 2:1-4

Psalm 37:1-9

Luke 17:5-10

Highlights for the Week at St. Andrew Lutheran Church

Sunday, September 25

8:30 am	Worship with Communion	Sanctuary and Livestreamed
9:45 am	The Roots	Children's Commons & classrooms, Children's Library
10:00 am	Adult Ed: Ethics Forum: Grounded in Grace	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Confirmation	Library
10:00 am	High School Youth Group	Youth Room
10:30 am	Virtual Coffee Time	via Zoom
11:00 am	Portland Taiwan Lutheran Worship	Chapel
11:00 am	Worship with Communion & Baptism	Sanctuary and via Zoom
12:00 pm	Virtual Coffee Time	via Zoom

Monday, September 26

Tuesday, September 27

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
12:00 pm	Bridge Group	Fellowship Hall
12:15 pm	Earth Care / Community Carbon Leadership Meeting	Library
6:30 pm	Scout Troop 198	Children's Commons
7:00 pm	Table Talk	Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, September 28—Weekly News submissions due by 12 Noon

10:00 am	Video-led Yoga	Fellowship Hall
1:00 pm	Finding Purpose As the Years Go By	Library
3:00 pm	Girl Scout Troop Meeting	Children's Commons
6:00 pm	Bells of Grace	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir	Sanctuary

Thursday, September 29

9:30 am	Seekers of the Heart of God Bible Study	St. Andrew Room
12:00 pm	Team Ministry Meeting	Chapel / Library
5:30 pm	HR Meeting	via Zoom

Friday, September 30

10:00 am	Tai Chi	Fellowship Hall
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Saturday, October 1

9:00 am	Nifty Notters	Fellowship Hall
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Sunday, October 2

8:30 am	Worship with Communion	Sanctuary and Livestreamed
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Registration Links for Christian Education


[Nursery/Pre-K](#)

[The Roots](#)

[Middle School / Confirmation](#)

[High School Youth](#)

Worship at St. Andrew or Connect to Virtual Worship

 **YouTube** **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.* Use the same link to see a recording of the service anytime after the livestream ends.

 **Zoom** **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.*