

ST. ANDREW WEEKLY NEWS

September 18, 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

Our Education Year Begins!



It didn't take long for youngsters to make themselves at home in their newly decorated space during last Sunday's Christian Education Open House. They gravitated immediately toward a well-equipped tiny kitchen and building toys, while the adults touring the lower level admired the tasteful updates to the space.

This **Sunday, September 18**, children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to gather in the Commons Area for snacks beginning at 9:45 am, with The Roots programming beginning at 10:00 am. Meanwhile, kids in grades 6-8 will gather in the Adult Library for Confirmation and high schoolers will meet in the Youth Room on the lower level.

The Adult Education year begins in Fellowship Hall at 10:00 am, with Pastor Mark's "Ethics Forum: Grounded in Grace." In this first class, he's going to consider why Adam and Eve ate the apple as he begins an exploration of the Evangelical Lutheran way of living and making decisions. This Adult Education class will be recorded and posted on the church website next week.

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

The Service Committee is collecting clothing and food for the Western Farm Workers Association during the month of September. Last year we collected over 330 food and clothing items. This year the WFWA has requested that we collect coats, sweatshirts, sweaters, work pants, rain jackets, and work boots. All clothing must be new or gently used, in good repair and not soiled. In addition to clothing, tuna, beans, rice, peanut butter, jam, and cooking oil are needed to stock WFWA's food pantry. 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.

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.



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Peace to you,
Scott Anderson
Horizon Team Member

Happy 100!

Margie Schindele has been a member of St. Andrew since the 1990s. On September 23, she will turn 100 and her family is gathering to celebrate. If you have a special connection to Margie, please join the gathering at 2:00 pm on **Saturday, September 24**, at Dean & Sue Shade's home, 1440 NW 133rd Ave, Portland. Or Margie would love to receive your congratulations in a birthday card!

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who helped make the service and reception in honor of my dad Bernie Dwiggins a special time for family and friends.

Carol Hogan



Baptism of River John Brocker

Sunday, September 18, 4:00 pm

Sanctuary of the Firs

Attendees are invited to participate in the Gathering of the Waters by bringing a small amount of water from an area waterway.

Light supper to follow at 4:30 pm in Fellowship Hall

Nursery, Pre-K Volunteers Needed

Help show our little ones—the babies, toddlers, and pre-K kids—the love in our faith community. We need volunteers to staff the nursery and the pre-K classroom for our children's ministry launch this **Sunday, September 18**, and following. As always, the more people we have sign up to help, the smaller everyone's individual commitment. Here is what we are looking for:

For the Nursery: We've hired a nursery attendant, but still need adult present to assist in the Nursery. Our safe child policy (and the number of babies we have in our congregation) requires two adults to be present with our kids. So we need parents and other adults to take their turn assisting the Nursery Attendant during each worship service and during the education hour. Please let Kyler know when you can help welcome and care for the next generation of precious little Lutherans!

For Pre-K: Our Pre-K class is our education-hour class for kids from 3 years old until they are entering Kindergarten. The class will be mostly free-play, with an emphasis on building relationships between the kids and the teachers. We want them to know that church is safe and fun! There will also be a very short story time, reading the week's Bible story from a children's Bible. Again, we need two adults for this class each Sunday, so the more helpers we get, the better!

If you can volunteer, please contact Children & Youth Minister Kyler Vogt:

kvogt@standrewlutheran.com.

Thank you for supporting children's ministry!

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, September 20**, 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.

Nifty Notters



You're welcome to join the Nifty Notters on **Saturday, September 24**, for fellowship and service as we make quilts for Northwest Children's Outreach and Lutheran World Relief. We meet 9:00 am to 2:30 pm in Fellowship Hall and you can bring a lunch and come for all or part of the time. We will NOT meet on September 17.

All supplies are provided and no experience is needed. Questions? Contact Mary Brown at 503-439-3917.

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:

ITEM	NUMBER STILL NEEDED
70-sheet spiral bound notebooks (4 per kit)	178
Crayons (16- or 24-count box)	4
Pencil sharpeners	66
Black or blue ink pens (5 per kit)	201

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.

Retreat on Engaged Spirituality

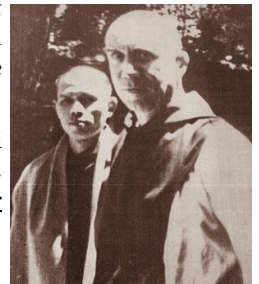
Meditating with Thich Nhat Hanh and Thomas Merton, **September 24**

Join Pastor Terry Moe and Peggy Lindquist, Order of Interbeing, for a daylong retreat exploring the spiritual practices of two monks from separate corners of the world.

To register, call Benedictine Sisters, 503-845-2446, or send a check to Benedictine Sisters, 840 S. Main St, Mt. Angel, OR 97362, Attn: Sr. Dorothy Jean, at least three days prior to the retreat.

More information is available online at:

<https://www.benedictine-srs.org/events>.



September 24, 9 am–4 pm, Benedictine Sisters Chapter Room, Mt. Angel, \$65 (includes lunch), scholarships available

Table Talk: Resisting Christian Nationalism

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



Table Talk

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/>.

We will also have copies available at the Table Talk.

If there is enough interest, it may be possible to schedule an additional Zoom session to discuss this topic. Let Pastor Brocker know if you're interested.

Climate Corner:

Increase the Efficiency of Your Refrigerator

Adapted from article by Erin Huffstetler, January 20, 2020

Whether your fridge is new or old, there is a way to increase the efficiency of any refrigerator. Here's how to do it:

Increase your temperature settings. Chances are the temperature in your fridge is set lower than it needs to be. A refrigerator temperature of 37° and a freezer temperature of 0° will keep your food from spoiling. That's usually the middle setting on the temperature dial. To check the temp of the fridge, put a thermometer in a glass of water in the fridge and check it 8 or more hours later. To check the freezer, place a thermometer between 2 frozen foods and check 8 hours later. Note that it can take up to 24 hours for temperature change to take effect. According to the FDA, refrigerator settings can safely be set as high as 40°, and the freezer can be set as high as 5°.

Turn off the ice maker. An automatic ice maker increases a refrigerator's energy use by 14% - 20%. Consider turning it off and going back to ice cube trays.

Turn off the anti-sweat heater. Refrigerators manufactured after 1993 often include a switch that lets you choose between an exterior moisture-reducing mode and an energy-saving mode. The exterior moisture-reducing mode and heater will kick on to keep condensation off the outside of the fridge. Set your fridge to the energy-saving mode to avoid that excess use of energy. Newer refrigerators have an automatic moisture control, eliminating exterior condensation without the use of a heater.

Don't store stuff on top of the fridge. Placing stuff on top of the fridge can block heat from escaping and cause the compressor to work harder than it's supposed to. That increases your electric bill and shortens the life of the fridge.

Check the door for a good seal. Close the door on a dollar bill or a piece of paper. If you are able to pull it out easily, the gasket needs to be replaced to prevent cold air from escaping, and to prevent frost from building up inside the freezer.

Clean the condenser coils. Vacuum the refrigerator coils several times a year to maintain the efficiency of the compressor. Make it a monthly task if you share your home with furry pets.

Move the refrigerator away from all heat sources. Don't place the refrigerator next to the oven, dishwasher, or heat vent. Avoid placing it next to a window. Don't place it in a garage that gets hot. All of that extra heat will cause it to run more frequently which uses more energy and shortens the life of the fridge.

Keep your refrigerator organized.

When you are able to find things quickly, you don't have to keep the door open for long. Try creating a designated spot for all the foods you buy regularly so everyone in the household knows where to find things. To cut down on the amount of time the freezer door is open, create a freezer inventory list that you can stick on the door and keep it updated so you spend less time digging around looking for what you want.



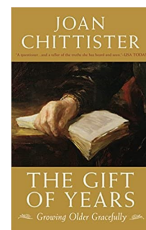
Don't store open containers. Placing open drinks and food containers in the fridge increases the internal moisture levels and makes the compressor work harder. Cover everything before it goes in.

Keep your refrigerator full. It takes less energy to maintain the temperature in a full fridge. Just make sure it is not so full that it prevents good air circulation, a good rule of thumb is three-quarters full.

Allow space for air flow. Place the back of your refrigerator at least 2" from the wall to allow heat to move away from the condenser coils. Trapped heat causes the fridge to run more frequently.

Liz Hardy
Earth Care Team

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.

In Need of Prayers...

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PRAYERS FOR...</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>
Family and friends of Shari (daughter-in-law)	Peace and God's comfort at her death	Jerry Entrikin
Family and friends of Joanne Rieke (Sue's mother)	Peace and God's comfort at her death	Jeff & Sue Smith
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
Karrina Baker (daughter)	Comfort and support	Karen Mallari
Jennifer (sister-in-law)	Comfort and healing	Lee Anne Knapp
Megan Webber	Comfort and effective treatment	Pastor Mark
Stan Sivesind (friend)	Comfort and healing after a stroke	Pat Hilliker
Rick LeRoy	Guidance and healing following a small stroke	Rick LeRoy
Katherine and Bartt Brick	Comfort and healing after eye surgeries	Gretchen Bancroft
Lisa Staul	Healing and recovery	LuAnn Staul
Kurt Grafwallner (son)	Healing and recovery following surgery	Gary Grafwallner
Aaron (son)	Healing and good health after biopsy	Jan Smith and Sue Cahlander
Barb Floyd	Healing and good health	Lynn Santelmann
Lindsay (daughter)	Healing and recovery	Linda Swan
Carol Hogan	Increased energy and platelet recovery	Pam Meredith
Stephanie Neliton (granddaughter)	Safety after fire evacuation	Suzanne Warnes
Margie Schindele	Blessings on her 100 th birthday	Staff
River John Brocker	Blessings on his baptism	Staff
Wildland firefighters	Safety and protection	Staff
Those confined to their homes	Assurance of God's presence	Staff
	Mareline Barnes, Dave Bumgardner, Jean Fredrickson, Tara Harper, Marlene Maxwell, Dorothy Moore, Helen Rogers, Dave & Sharon Roth, Margie Schindele	
All who are imprisoned	Peace and strength	Staff
Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon	Blessings on their work	Staff
Holy Trinity Catholic Church	Blessings on their work	Staff
Ascension Lutheran Church (Medford, OR)	Serving with us in the Oregon Synod	Staff
Zion Lutheran Church (Medford, OR)		
Hoshanah Rabbah (Tigard)	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.

Two Sundays, September 18 & 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

September 25, 2022

Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Psalm 146

Luke 16:19-31

Highlights for the Week at St. Andrew Lutheran Church

Sunday, September 18

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	Sanctuary and via Zoom
11:45 am	Finance Lunch Meeting	St. Andrew Room
12:00 pm	Virtual Coffee Time	via Zoom
4:00 pm	River John Brocker Baptism	Sanctuary in the Firs, Fellowship Hall

Monday, September 19

Tuesday, September 20

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
10:00 am	Worship Planners Meeting	Library
12:00 pm	Bridge Group	Fellowship Hall
1:00 pm	Lydia Circle	St. Andrew Room
6:30 pm	Scout Troop 198	Children's Commons

Wednesday, September 21—Weekly News submissions due by 12 Noon

10:00 am	Video-led Yoga	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	Bells of Grace	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir	Sanctuary

Thursday, September 22

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	IT Meeting	Offsite

Friday, September 23

10:00 am	Tai Chi	Fellowship Hall
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Saturday, September 24

9:00 am	Nifty Notters	Fellowship Hall
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Sunday, September 25

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11:00 am	Worship with Communion & Baptism+	Sanctuary and via Zoom
12:00 pm	Virtual Coffee Time	via Zoom

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

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



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.



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.