

ST. ANDREW WEEKLY NEWS

July 30, 2023

St. Andrew Lutheran Church
12405 SW Butner Road, Beaverton, OR 97005

Worship Service:
Sunday, 9:30 am

www.standrewlutheran.com ■ Telephone: 503-646-0629

Game Night: August 5

Join the fun in Fellowship Hall on **Saturday, August 5**, for Game Night, 7:00-9:00 pm. Knowing that board and card games offer a great way to get to know people and have a good time, the MACG team is sponsoring a game night to promote conversation and connection.



Share your favorite game with others on Game Night!

Bring a snack to share and a favorite game if you like. We will provide popcorn, conversation, and games—everything from cards to Scrabble or Ticket to Ride!

School Bag Production

The school bags for Lutheran World Relief are coming along, although we've not yet reached our initial goal of making and filling 100 school bags. It's working well for volunteers to gather every two weeks in Fellowship Hall, with some people opting to do their work at home instead.

Our next work session is scheduled for **Monday, August 7**, at 10:00 am in Fellowship Hall. We'd appreciate at least one person bringing a serger and we need 2-4 sewing machines as well. The two sewers who made bags on July 24 not only worked out the simplest way to coordinate their efforts as a team, but produced excellent products, too. It helps to have a system!

For volunteers who do not sew, we have other jobs to do as well: cutting cloth, pinning tabs, marking areas to be sewn, etc.

If you'd like to volunteer, but prefer working at home, please contact Sharon Fako, sfako24@comcast.net.

Sock It to Me!



It has been a beautiful summer, but the rains will be starting again this fall. Following Jesus's example of meeting the needs of everyone, we, the people of St. Andrew, have an opportunity to show God's love to the youth and young adults in our city who are without a home. Throughout the month of August, the Service

Committee will be collecting NEW ADULT SOCKS for men and women who drop in to the Outside In for a meal, shower, or clothing. If you wish to contribute, you'll see a blue and yellow barrel in the Narthex starting next Sunday. Thank you for demonstrating God's love to our young people!

The Service Committee

Health Justice Forum

The MACG group invites you to a Health Justice Forum on **Saturday, August 12**, from 5:00-6:00 pm at St. Anthony Catholic Church, 12520 SW Grant Ave, Tigard, OR. There will be food, music, and community facilitated by former Oregon State Representative Teresa Alonso Leon. This dynamic forum will bring together decision-makers from the region and leaders from excluded communities to envision a healthcare system that works for EVERYBODY: immigrants, refugees, incarcerated people, and Spanish speakers.

Go to <https://bit.ly/saludjusta> or call 970-238-3288 to register.

Prelude & Postlude this Sunday & August 20

The music being played this morning for the prelude and postlude is a Partita by Johannes Pachelbel. The title in German is *Christus, der is mein Leben*. The hymn in our hymnal to that chorale tune is ELW 539; the hymn text is *Abide, O Dearest Jesus, among Us with Your Grace*. A partita is an extended piece that has a theme (the chorale tune) and many variations on that tune. This particular Partita has 12 variations. The prelude will include the chorale tune and variations 1-4 and the postlude will be variations 5 and 6. On Sunday, August 20, the remaining variations will be played for the prelude and postlude.

Deacon Susan

Western Farm Workers Mexican Fiesta 35th Anniversary Celebration

The service team collects food and clothing in September each year to support the Western Farm Workers. These are the workers who work 12-hour days seven days a week to pick the fresh fruit and vegetables we enjoy.

Each year, the Western Farm Workers Association (WFWA) has a Mexican Fiesta celebration, and this is the 35th anniversary of that celebration! The event salutes the determined struggle and achievement by and for the membership of farm workers and other low-income workers in the Willamette Valley. The evening includes musical entertainment, performances, agua frescas, home-made Mexican food, and speakers.



Members of St. Andrew are invited to attend this celebration. There is no cost, but donations are requested if possible. The event will be held **Saturday, August 19**, 2023, from 6:00-8:00 pm at Calvary Lutheran Church in Hillsboro. Please see Deacon Susan if you are interested in attending as we need to send an RSVP card of numbers expected.

Resources for Caregivers

Dear Friends,

I've been researching the impact of Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia on patients, caregivers, and families living with the challenges of these diseases, and I've been meeting with folks who have knowledge and experience on ways the church might be able to help.



To start, St. Andrew will host a presentation on Alzheimer's Awareness at 4:00 pm on **Tuesday, October 3**, in Fellowship Hall. This will provide an introduction to resources already available in our area and may also facilitate the development of a small group for caregivers that meets on an ongoing basis at our church.

The Alzheimer's Association is starting a support group for caregivers in Beaverton in August. Please contact Andie Shepard at anshepard@alz.org if you'd like more information or would possibly like to join the group. I've met with Andie and she's a great resource.

Finally there is a 24/7 Helpline for emergencies due to Alzheimer's. Please share this resource: 800-272-3900.

It is my hope that, whatever we are facing in life, we at St. Andrew can be a source of nourishment and encouragement in the compassion of Christ.

Blessings,
Pr. Laurie

Update on Claris Poppert

Claris has very much appreciated all the cards and notes he's received from friends at St. Andrew. Please continue to mail him at:

Claris Poppert
c/o Mona Whited
36025 SW Viewridge Ln
Hillsboro, OR 97123

If you'd like to visit with Claris by phone or in person, please call 971-506-8510 to make arrangements for that.

The people of St. Andrew are lifting up prayers for Claris, Corky, and the entire Poppert family as they navigate through a difficult diagnosis.

You're Invited! to an Ice Cream Social



Saturday, August 26 @ 1:30 pm

in front of

**St. Andrew Lutheran Church
12405 SW Butner Rd
Beaverton**

Come for new friends, community,
music, dancing, games, AND
FREE ice cream!

Parking will be available in the lot on the east side of the church.

Plastic-Free July: Calculating Your Plastic Use

Did you know?



More than 50 billion coffee cups are thrown away in the US each year



5 trillion plastic bags are produced worldwide annually



It can take up to 1000 years for a plastic bag to decompose



At least 14 million tons of plastic ends up in our oceans every year

This is the last week of plastic-free July. Completely eliminating all plastic is not possible in today's world. So many products from electronics to home appliances to toys to clothes are at least partially made of plastic. But one area where we can make a meaningful impact is in single-use and disposable plastics. From product packaging to water bottles and toothbrushes, our daily lives are filled with plastic items that are designed to be disposed of after one or only a few uses. Most people working toward plastic-free living try to eliminate single-use plastics one product type at a time. But where do you start?

Use the chart below to calculate your personal plastic consumption. Then start by eliminating or at least reducing the amount of your most commonly used plastic items.

	Per Day	Per Week	Per Month
Plastic water bottles			
Disposable coffee cups			
Plastic grocery/shopping bags			
Plastic produce bags			
Plastic resealable bags			
Plastic wrap			
Plastic silverware			
Plastic food containers			
Plastic straws			
Food packaged in plastic			

You might decide to buy a reusable water bottle and coffee cup, keep cloth shopping bags and produce bags in your car, replace your cling wrap with beeswax wrap, buy a head of lettuce not wrapped in plastic instead of pre-packaged lettuce, or carry a reusable straw, utensils, and take-home containers when you go out.

We can do this thing!

Liz Hardy
Earth Care Team

In Need of Prayers...

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PRAYERS FOR...</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>
Family and friends of Wayne Appleman	Peace and God's comfort at his death	Staff
Aaron Miller	Comfort and strength	Sue Cahlander & Jan Smith
Claris Poppert	Peace and comfort	Staff
A patient	Peace and hope after catastrophic loss	Laura Geczy-Haskins
Bob Brown	Healing and recovery	Mary Brown
Jean Fredrickson	Healing and recovery	Staff
Howard Christianson	Healing and recovery	Cathi Christianson
Paul Miller (brother-in-law)	Healing and comfort	Ginny Link
Karen (friend)	Healing and comfort	Deacon India
George & Teresa Westover	Healing in body and spirit	Allison Katsufraakis
Tara Harper	Wisdom and support	Deacon India
Sister Carol Burk & St. Barnabas Lutheran	Wisdom and discernment	Deacon India
Carol Hogan	Thanksgiving for awesome test results	Camille Jackson
Vacationers and other travelers	Safe journeys	Staff
Emmanuel Lutheran (Willamina)	Serving with us in the Oregon Synod	Staff
House of Zion Lutheran (Woodburn)		
Bethany Mussallah (Portland)	Blessings on our interfaith partners	Staff
Individual friends and loved ones	Whatever they most need	Staff

If you know someone in need of prayers, please contact the church office by phone at 503-646-0629 or email office@standrewlutheran.com Tuesday-Friday, prayerchain@standrewlutheran.com Saturday-Monday.



70th Anniversary
a happy hours
celebration!

Saturday
September 23, 2023
4:00-6:00 pm

Save the Date!

Newsletter Calendar

To allow for staff vacations, "Weekly News" will be distributed as follows in August:

- Friday, August 4: NO newsletter
- Friday, August 11: usual schedule
- Friday, August 18: usual schedule
- Friday, August 25: NO newsletter

Please remember that the deadline to receive content for the newsletter is Wednesday at 4:00 pm. Send material to charker@standrewlutheran.com.

Pastoral Care

Please continue to contact Deacon India Jensen Kerr for pastoral care next week, **July 31-August 5**, when both Pastor Laurie and the Parish Manager will be out of the office. You may call India at 503-860-5377 or email india@standrewlutheran.com. In case of any building issues that might arise when the office is not staffed, please also notify Deacon India. Thank you!

Preparing for Worship
Sunday, August 6, 2023

Isaiah 55:1-5
Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21
Matthew 14:13-21

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	Parish Manager Carol Harker.....	charker@standrewlutheran.com
	Office Assistant Johanna Land	office@standrewlutheran.com
	Bookkeeper Karen Mallari	bookkeeper@standrewlutheran.com
	Housekeeper Carol Hogan.....	503-646-0629
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	Parish Nurses Diane Reiner	503-201-4222
	Tira Nessel.....	503-866-5099

Highlights for the Week at St. Andrew Lutheran Church

Sunday, July 30

9:30 am In-Person Worship with Communion (also livestreamed on YouTube and via Zoom).....Sanctuary
9:30 am Portland Taiwan Worship Service.....Chapel

Monday, July 31

10:00 am Meals on Wheels / Loaves and Fishes Offsite

Tuesday, August 1

7:00 am Men's Gathering and Bible Study Elmer's Restaurant on 158th (1250 NW Waterhouse Ave)
7:00 am Sunrise Women Elmer's Restaurant on 158th (1250 NW Waterhouse Ave)
10:00 am Tai Chi Fellowship Hall
10:00 am Meals on Wheels / Loaves and Fishes Offsite
10:00 am Worship Planners Meeting Library
12:00 pm Bridge Group Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm Columbia Willamette Faceters' Guild & Board Meeting.....Fellowship Hall and Library
6:00 pm MACG Meeting St. Andrew Room

Wednesday, August 2

1:00 pm Wednesday Book Group (with India) St. Andrew Room

Thursday, August 3

10:00 am Strength & Stability with Susanne Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm Wing Chun Class Children's Commons
7:00 pm Executive Council Committee Meeting St. Andrew Room

Friday, August 4

10:00 am Tai Chi Fellowship Hall

Saturday, August 5

9:00 am Nifty Notters Fellowship Hall
3:00 pm Reading English Study Group St. Andrew Room
7:00 pm MACG Game Night Fellowship Hall

Sunday, August 6

9:30 am In-Person Worship with Communion (also livestreamed on YouTube and via Zoom).....Sanctuary
9:30 am Portland Taiwan Worship Service.....Chapel

Church Office Closed

Friday Afternoons

Please note that until September 1, the church office will be closed on Friday afternoons to allow staff more flexibility in scheduling vacations.

In general, Pastor Laurie works from home on Fridays, but she is available by phone in case of emergencies. You may reach her at 503-449-5938.

Please note that Pr. Laurie will be away from the office next week, **July 31-August 5**. Please contact Deacon India for pastoral care:

503-860-5377

india@standrewlutheran.com

Pledge Cards

Pledge cards have long been an important tool for churches to use to forecast church revenue. They can also help parishioners review their priorities to determine if their giving and spending truly reflect their values.

The finance folks at St. Andrew invite you to take a pledge card from the table at the entrance to the Sanctuary as a prompt to consider your resources and how you're allocating them. Then fill out the card, fold it in half for privacy, and drop it in the offering plate. Or you can return your pledge card to the church office in a sealed envelope, attention Financial Secretaries.

Thank you!

Nominating Committee

Volunteers Needed

The Council is looking for three volunteers from the membership to serve on St. Andrew's Nominating Committee for the coming year. This five-person committee does its work in March and April, creating a slate of one or more individuals for each council position to be filled by election at the church's annual meeting in June.

If you're interested in learning more about how St. Andrew is governed, serving on the Nominating Committee is a good place to start and it's often an entree into further leadership in the church. Contact Council President Sue Lee for more information.

Worship at St. Andrew or Connect to Virtual Worship



9:30 am: Worship in the Sanctuary, watch the livestream of worship on YouTube, or participate in worship via Zoom. Links for remote worship will be sent to you via email and the church app.



People participating in worship via Zoom are invited to join worship at 9:30 am. To participate via Zoom you can use a computer, smartphone, tablet, or a telephone. Please note that Zoom worship is only available at 9:30 am. Anyone using YouTube for livestream worship may access the service at 9:30 am or any time after the livestream ends.