

ST. ANDREW WEEKLY NEWS

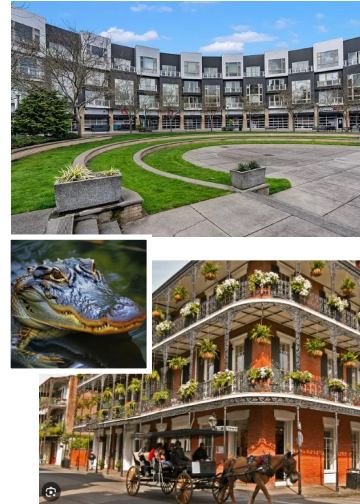
May 26, 2024

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

Worship Service:
Sunday, 9:30 am

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From Beaverton to the Bayou



We're just a week away from our fundraiser event to help send eight high schoolers to the ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans! The theme of the event is "From Beaverton to the Bayou." If you attend, you'll learn more about the gathering and the 8 students attending, hear from speakers about the impact of youth events like this one, enjoy New Orleans-style jazz music with live dance performances, plus have the opportunity to buy raffle tickets and bid on a selection of very cool donated and handcrafted items. On top of all that, the first \$3,000 we raise will be doubled thanks to generous matching donations from the St.

Andrew Foundation and the Erik Weswig Memorial Fund. You won't want to miss the party!

To attend, you can buy tickets from the youth in the Narthex after worship (\$15/adult, \$5/elementary-aged kids), or you can buy tickets at the door (\$20/adult, \$10/elementary-aged kids). Kids pre-K and under are free and nursery care will be available. See you there!

Earth Camp Volunteers Needed



The 4th annual Earth Camp is less than a month away! Registration is filling up very quickly this year, which means we will have lots of campers excited to once again enjoy a week learning all about the Earth and how we can be good stewards of its beauty and resources. To keep up with all these campers, though, we need lots of help!

The biggest need at Earth Camp is for guides who lead the children around to the different rotations throughout the day. But, if that isn't the right fit for you, we can still find you a spot to help out. Plus, anyone who volunteers for at least 3 days can get their kids/grandkids registered for free! Contact Kyler to sign up.

Annual Meeting of the Congregation

Tuesday, June 18, 6:30 pm
Fellowship Hall

Including Ministry Reports from Music, the Sanctuary Team, Next Generational Ministry, and the Foundation; election of Council members; a vote on next year's budget; and more.

After the Call

A large contingent of St. Andrew members gathered in Fellowship Hall this past Sunday, May 19, for a momentous occasion: a Special Congregational Meeting to consider the recommendation of the Call Committee to issue a call to Pastor Allison Bengfort, MDiv, MSW, to be our Lead Pastor. The congregation's response was nothing but enthusiastic, with many participants offering congratulations to members of the Transition Team/Call Committee for identifying a pastor whose values are so closely aligned to St. Andrew's core values.



Pastor Allison

Pastor Allison is eager to begin her ministry with us on June 17, when she moves into her church office. This is just one day before our already-scheduled Annual Meeting and exactly one week in advance of Earth Camp.

Those who were able to spend time with Pastor Allison at the Meet & Greet already know a little bit about her: she grew up in Davenport, Iowa, was confirmed as both Lutheran and Catholic, sings, plays violin, teaches ice skating, is interested in the network of community organizers active in the Portland area, and is looking forward to getting to know the St. Andrew community. Welcome, Pastor Allison!

Upcoming Events to Note

The coming weeks are packed to overflowing! Please note the following dates on your calendar so you don't forget.

Sunday, June 2

9:30 am, Sanctuary:	4:00 pm, Fellowship Hall:
Confirmation Sunday	Beaverton to the Bayou
11:00 am, Fellowship Hall:	Fundraiser for ELCA
Ministry Forum	Youth Gathering

Sunday, June 9

9:30 am, Sanctuary:
Quilt Sunday for Graduating Seniors
11:00 am, Fellowship Hall:
Budget Forum

Sunday, June 16

9:30 am, Sanctuary
Jazz Worship Service with the Andrew Oliver Trio
11:00 am, Fellowship Hall
Farewell Gathering for Pastor Laurie

Tuesday, June 18

6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall
Annual Meeting of the Congregation.
We will vote on new members for Council, as well as next year's budget.

Food Waste: ReFED's 40+ Waste Solutions, I

ReFED is a national nonprofit that leverages a holistic view of the food system to collaborate with key audiences and generate large-scale, meaningful impact. They are recognized as a leading voice for change regarding food waste. ReFED's 40+ Waste Solutions feature a deep-dive analysis of more than 40 food waste reduction solutions. Many of these solutions address actions that we consumers have no control over such as waste at time of harvest, food production, and product management, so I will not address those solutions here.



Households are the greatest source of food waste in the US, making this a critical area for action. In 2022, nearly half of all surplus food across the supply chain was generated by consumers, for reasons ranging from spoilage, concerns about date labels, fear that something has been left out too long, and simply not wanting leftovers. Not understanding proper food management is a big cause of food waste.



Find answers to the quiz on page 4.

It is important to guide consumers toward better food management and less waste by creating shopping, cooking, and eating environments that promote those behaviors. There is a significant opportunity to shift our overall culture to place more value on food and to make sure that people truly understand the implications of food waste for our environment, economy, personal finances, and more.

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1. How many dollars will the US save if we implement ReFED's 40+ food waste solutions?
 - a. \$10 billion annually
 - b. \$73 billion annually
 - c. \$73 million annually
 - d. \$950 million annually
2. How many meals can we recover in the US by following ReFED's 40+ food waste solutions food donation programs?
 - a. About 1 billion
 - b. About 2 billion
 - c. About 3 billion
 - d. About 4 billion
3. How many tons of greenhouse gas emissions could be avoided if the US adopts ReFED's 40+ food waste solutions?
 - a. 25 tons
 - b. 50 tons
 - c. 75 tons
 - d. 100 tons
4. How many gallons of water can the US save by implementing ReFED's 40+ food waste solutions reducing food waste?
 - a. 4 million gallons
 - b. 4 billion gallons
 - c. 4 trillion gallons
 - d. 4 quadrillion gallons

Next week, I'll discuss some solutions. Stay tuned!

Liz Hardy
Earth Care Team

Register for Earth Camp 2024

It's time to get your campers signed up for Earth Camp! This year's camp will be **June 24-28** and the theme is Home, Sweet Home. Throughout the week, we'll be focusing on all the beautiful and diverse creatures/biomes of our home state, Oregon. It's going to be an awesome camp!

Registration is now open to the public at large. Either scan the code at right or click on the following link to access the registration form:

<https://rb.gy/p4ik3x>



Many kids consider St. Andrew's Earth Camp the highlight of their summer, so act quickly to be certain they have a space in 2024.

Telling St. Andrew's Story

This year's annual report is posted [online](#) and has been mailed to everyone without computer access. A limited number of print copies are available in the Narthex.



This document chronicles the life of St. Andrew and the many ministries undertaken in support of our Core Values: God Care, Earth Care, Community Care, Neighbor Care, and Self Care. Many thanks to staff members and all the volunteers who shared a snapshot of their passion for God's work in their reports.

No such document can tell the full story of St. Andrew, but if you notice that something's missing that you'd like to know more about, please contact the [church office](#) and we'll make a special effort to solicit information to address your interest next year.

Henry Staul Joins Andy's Room!



Kyler Vogt with Henry Staul

A brand new episode of the Andy's Room Podcast features our youngest guest yet: Henry Staul. Henry is an eighth grader at St. Andrew who will be confirmed during worship on Sunday, June 2. He is looking forward to attending the ELCA Youth Gathering this summer as an incoming freshman. Tune in to this episode to hear what Henry has loved about growing up at St. Andrew, with some fun insights about our confirmation program. You'll want to make sure to hear this one!

It's easy to connect to the podcast from St. Andrew's [homepage](#). Just scroll down to "In the Spotlight."

Godspeed, Pastor Laurie

After 15 months of ministry at St. Andrew, Interim Pastor Laurie Newman will preach her final sermon in our Sanctuary on **Sunday, June 16**, just before moving on to her next interim position in Olympia, WA.

Please plan to gather in Fellowship Hall after worship that Sunday for a simple brunch and an opportunity to wish Pastor Laurie godspeed and thank her for her service during a transitional time.



Pastor Laurie Newman

In Need of Prayers...

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PRAYERS FOR...</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>
M.G. Beavers (brother)	Speeding recovery from a stroke	Bill & Sandi Beavers
Tom Clark (brother)	Comfort, strength, and healing from cancer	Bonnie Bliesner
Marlene Maxwell	Comfort and healing from a broken hip	Sue Cahlander
Emily (friend)	Comfort and strength, healthy end of Pregnancy, and safe delivery	Sonja Ackman
Erica (niece)	Comfort and strength for new MS diagnosis	Kelly Wise
Bob Cornie	Comfort and healing from health issue	Claudia Parsons
Cy (brother)	Healing and recovery from throat cancer	Mary Smith
Individual friends and loved ones	Whatever they need	Staff
Colleges and universities undergoing unrest	Wisdom and safety for all	Staff
Those facing ongoing illness or distress	Healing and assurance of God's presence	Staff
	Tandy Brooks, Bob Brown, Dave Bumgardner, Vic Claar, Hal Douglas, Sabrina Garrison, Gary Magnuson, Hugh Mason, Carol Means, Doug Morrell, Jolie Reyna, Shane Throckmorton, Gary Tubbs, 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
All those who are caregivers for a loved one	Strength and support	Staff
Pilgrim (Portland)	Serving with us in the Oregon Synod	Staff
Resurrection (Portland)		
Ecumenical and interfaith partners in ministry	Blessings on their work	Staff

If you know someone in need of prayers, please contact the church office by phone at 503-646-0629, Email office@standrewlutheran.com, or fill out the prayer request form on the church website.

Family Vehicle Needed

Since the Malik Zada family came to the U.S. from Afghanistan almost two years ago, St. Andrew's Sanctuary Team has worked hard to support them. With four young children, Nasir and Amina have made good progress learning English and adapting their lives to a new culture, but they have transportation needs that we might help meet. Do you have a van or SUV that will seat at least six people, or know of someone who might like to donate such a vehicle?



If you have a vehicle that's no longer needed or know someone who does (it must be in good operating condition as the family is living on a very limited budget), please contact Sanctuary Team member Tom Jelineo (971-221-2602; tjelineo@hotmail.com) to learn more. At that point, donation details will be worked out based on tax law and possible benefits for the donor.

Another option is to contribute by donating to St. Andrew, designating your gift to go to the Sanctuary Team account. Thank you!

New Fiction in the Library

The Marriage Portrait,
by Maggie O'Farrell
Among the Mad, (a Maisie Dobbs novel)
by Jacqueline Winspear
The Island of Sea Women, by Lisa See
Down Comes the Night, by Allison Saft
Asylum,
by Madeleine Roux
Atonement,
by Ian McEwan
Elegy for Eddie,
(a Maisie Dobbs novel)
by Jacqueline Winspear
The Wind Knows My Name,
by Isabel Allende



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Are you downsizing your collection of books? If so, please contact St. Andrew Adult Librarian Pam Farr to inquire if she's interested in adding any of your no-longer-wanted books to the church library. If you enjoyed the read, others are likely to as well. Email Pam at:

corriopsis5@gmail.com

Preparing for Worship Sunday, June 2, 2024

Deuteronomy 5:12-15
Psalm 81:1-10
Mark 2:23-3:6

Highlights for the Week at St. Andrew

Sunday, May 26

9:30 am	In-Person Worship with Communion (also livestreamed and via Zoom)	Sanctuary
9:30 am	Portland Taiwan Worship Service	Chapel
10:45 am	Taiwanese Church Fellowship Gathering	Chapel
1:00 pm	The Immigrant Story	Sanctuary

Monday, May 27—Church Office Closed; Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 28

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 Leadership Meeting	Library
6:30 pm	Scout Troop 198	Children's Commons

Wednesday, May 29—Weekly News deadline is 4:00 pm; submit material to office@standrewlutheran.com and charker@standrewlutheran.com.

9:30 am	Apprentice Essentrics® Aging Backwards® workout class	Fellowship Hall
1:00 pm	Wednesday Book Group with India	St. Andrew Room

Thursday, May 30

9:30 am	Seekers of the Heart of God Bible Study	St. Andrew Room
10:00 am	Strength and Stability with Susanne	Fellowship Hall
12:00 pm	Team Ministry Meeting	Chapel, Library
6:30 pm	Wing Chun Class	Children's Commons

Friday, May 31

10:00 am	Tai Chi	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	Violin Recital	Chapel

Saturday, June 1

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

9:30 am	In-Person Worship with Communion (also livestreamed and via Zoom)	Sanctuary
9:30 am	Portland Taiwan Worship Service	Chapel
10:45 am	Taiwanese Church Fellowship Gathering	Chapel
11:00 am	Ministry Forum	Fellowship Hall
4:00 pm	ELCA Youth Gathering Fundraiser	Fellowship Hall, St. Andrew Room, Kitchen, Narthex, Coffee Bar, LL Kitchen

Food Waste Quiz Answers

Before reading the answers below, test your knowledge with the quick quiz on page 2.

1. b. Implementing ReFED solutions will result in \$73 billion net financial benefit annually.
2. d. We could recover 4 billion meals for food insecure people, plus generate additional water, financial, and greenhouse gas emissions benefits.
3. c. The US could avoid 75 tons of greenhouse emissions if we adopted food waste solutions.
4. c. Implementing ReFED's 40+ food waste solutions would save 4 trillion (with a "t") gallons of water.



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 may use a computer, smartphone, or tablet. Please note that Zoom worship is only available at 9:30 am.