



# This week at St. Andrew's

Thursday, December 8, 2022

Welcome to St. Andrew's Weekly E-mail Newsletter. In an effort to keep the congregation better informed we will be sending out this newsletter on Thursdays to cover events happening at the church through the following Wednesday. We hope you find it useful.



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*The Mission of St. Andrew's Parish is to worship God, grow in discipleship, and share Christ's love.*  
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 2018

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**December 11, 2022**

## **3 Advent**

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman  
Organist: Sean Fleming  
Choir Director: Linda Blanchard

### **8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite I**

Altar Guild: Ann Kash  
Intercessor/Eucharistic Minister: Ann Kash  
Lector: Jim Swan  
Usher: Kelley Kash  
Vestry Announcer: Jim Swan

The worship booklet for the 8am Sunday service is available by clicking[here](#).

### **10:00am Holy Eucharist Rite II**

Altar Guild: Judy Weislogel  
Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor: Ben Cooke  
Lectors: Judy Weislogel & Fred Kraeuter  
Livestream Operator: Bill Judd  
Ushers: Cindy Freese & Fred Kraeuter  
Vestry Announcer: John Ward

The worship booklet for the 10am Sunday service is available by clicking[here](#). This service is also livestreamed to St. Andrew's Facebook page where it can be viewed live or recorded.

You can get to our Facebook page by clicking[here](#)  
You can get to our YouTube channel by clicking[here](#)  
You can get to our Website by clicking[here](#)

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## **St. Andrew's Christmas services**

**Christmas Eve:** 4:00pm Family service with Holy Eucharist

**Christmas Eve:** 7:30pm - Music of the Season with Holy Eucharist

**Christmas Day:** 10:00am - Holy Eucharist Rite II



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## Readings for Sunday, December 11 can be found on the Lectionary Page website.

If you would like to access the website, please [click here](#)

Once you are at [lectionarypage.net](http://lectionarypage.net), you may choose **NEW Resource:** [RCL Daily Readings](#). If you scroll to the bottom you can sign up to receive daily readings via your email.

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## Christmas Wreaths and Flowers

If you would like to give thanks for or remember your loved ones with flowers at Christmas, there are envelopes available in the back section of each pew. Please drop the completed envelopes, with your donation (cash or check made out to St. Andrew's Church) in the plate. You may also drop them off in the office. Please contact the church office (563-3533) with any questions.

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## Note about the music for December 11

Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1972) was born in New Zealand but spent most of his life in England. He studied in England at Clifton College and the Royal College of Music. At the RCM he studied with Stanford. He was for sixteen years Director of Music at Christ's Hospital School in Horsham, West Sussex. Lang's *Voluntary on Winchester New* has the melody (which is set to #76 "On Jordan's Bank" in The Hymnal 1982) played by the left hand with a harmony part played in the pedals. Meanwhile the right hand plays a fast and florid accompaniment. -Sean Fleming

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## Haitian Art and Crafts Sale

The Haitian Arts and Crafts sale will return to St. Andrew's after a hiatus of three years. The public sale will take place Saturday December 10 from 10am to 3pm and continue for church parishioners on Sunday December 11. Proceeds of the sale go to St. Luc school of the parish of St. Luc, Figaro, northwest Haiti. As many of you know, life has become extremely difficult and dangerous in Haiti and inflation is rampant owing to weak government and rampaging gangs. Come to the sale and help our friends in Haiti.

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## New Lighting System at the church

Surge. Illuminare is an appropriate canticle during this period of short days. Let there be light is also appropriate to the interior of our worship space. Our 19th century church is in the process of getting a 21st century lighting system. This Sunday you can observe that new LED spotlights have been installed over the pews. Over the next several weeks new lights will be installed in the "gutters" (where the ceiling meets the walls) and a Lutron computer system to control all of the lights (no longer will they be just on/off, each circuit can have its level of brightness controlled). The Christmas Eve services should be quite spectacular! - Bill Judd

**\*\*Please note that when you flip the main light switch for the church, there is about an 8 second delay before the lights come on.**

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## Flowers at St. Andrew's

One of our significant ministries became a victim of the pandemic. With the New Year almost upon us, it is time to revitalize the flowers at St. Andrew's. This is a two part



process. First is getting a volunteer to do the scheduling of parishioners wanting to sponsor flowers on a Sunday. Due to inflation we have to increase this charge to \$60.

The second part is getting volunteers to join the Flower Guild. It has been a tradition at St. Andrew's to have flowers on either side of the altar throughout the year except during Lent. The weekly flowers are sponsored by parishioners who would like to remember or give thanksgiving for loved ones. Every effort is made to have flowers weekly. Flower guild members are informed by the church office of any preferences of the donor as to type of flowers. And then to coordinate with the Willow Rose Flower Shop (next to Subway) for the arrangements by delivering vases and then picking up the flowers on Saturday. Members also have the option when local blooms are available in their gardens to make their own arrangements. Members can also purchase flowers at Hannafords and make their own arrangements. For more information or to volunteer to be the scheduler or Flower Guild member please contact Bill Judd 563-3854 or the church office.

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### **Holy Women, Holy Men Nicholas of Myra**

On almost every day of the year, the Episcopal Church honors faithful followers of Jesus who went before us. Every Wednesday at St. Andrew's during our Healing Eucharist, we remember one of more of these Holy Men and Women. We take time to remember these people for three important reasons. First, they deserve to be remembered. The people chosen for our calendar are remembered because they were particularly remarkable followers of Jesus. The second reason we remember them is because in remembering we are connected to Christians throughout time. And last but not least, we remember them because in remembering we can learn how to be better followers of Jesus in our day and time.

This week we remember Nicholas of Myra. Please click [here](#) to learn more about him.

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### **Thanksgiving Basket preparations at the Ecumenical Food Bank**

This year we had a mix of adult volunteers and a large group of students from Lincoln Academy. Thank you to all who helped feed so many families



Parishioners Ruth Piper and Fred Kraeuter bag apples

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Sara Sandberg and her son Pete work the assembly line

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### **People to People Christmas Drive**

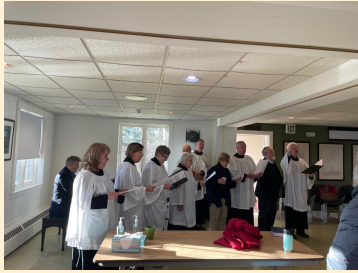
People to People will be collecting items from Nov. 20 - Dec. 11. Please click [here](#) for the items that are being requested. If you can help, please bring your donations to the church and place them in the People to People box in the atrium by December 12. Items will be given to People to People families

### **CHIP Donations**

Thanks to your generosity last Sunday, we were able to send \$491 in cash and checks to our outreach partner, CHIP, Inc.

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## John and Pam Van Siclen's Farewell Coffee Hour



The St. Andrew's Choir sang a special goodbye song to the Van Siclens



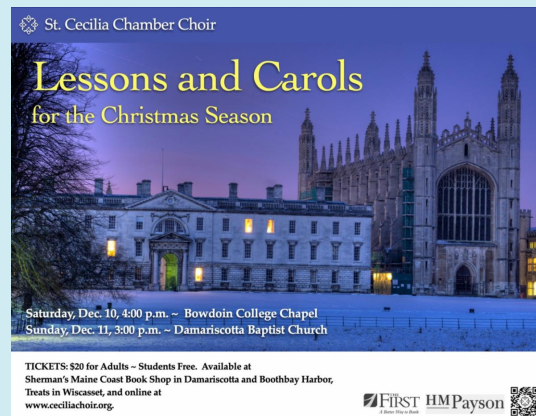
Pam and John chatting with parishioners at their farewell coffee hour. Best wishes as you relocate to Connecticut!



## Upcoming Holiday Concerts

### St. Cecilia Chamber Choir

St. Cecilia Chamber Choir will present its first Lessons and Carols Christmas concerts since 2019 on Saturday, Dec. 10 at 4:00 p.m. at the Bowdoin College Chapel in Brunswick, and Sunday, Dec. 11 at 3:00 p.m. at Damariscotta Baptist Church. Linda Blanchard is St. Cecilia's artistic director and conductor, assisted by organist and pianist Sean Fleming. "It's wonderful to share this lovely music with the community again after such a long break," says Linda Blanchard. "We're looking forward to performing in these two beautiful locations!" Advance tickets are strongly encouraged for these popular concerts.



A beautiful setting of "Ecce virgo concipiet" by the Dutch composer Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck will be featured. Popular composer Jonathan Dove's arrangement of the Robert Herrick poem "The Star Song" will be sung, as well as Richard Francis' perennially-popular "People, Look East" based on Eleanor Farjeon's Christmas poem. David Willcocks' "Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day" will be performed, as well as several of his sing-along arrangements of carols. A favorite piece used for dozens of King's College Lessons and Carols services, Pearsall's "In Dulci Jubilo," will be sung. A professional string quartet will accompany the group on select pieces. As a special treat, John Rutter's setting of "Bring a Torch, Jeannette, Isabella" will be performed. With audience sing-along caroling also, this concert is sure to be a treat for the whole family.

For 28 years St. Cecilia Chamber Choir has been providing challenging musical opportunities and music scholarships for gifted local youth. Since the Choir's inception, over 26 gifted young students have sung with us, many continuing to study and perform music in college and beyond. Advance tickets are strongly encouraged for this popular event. Tickets are \$20 for adults, free for students. Purchase them online at [ceciliachoir.org](http://ceciliachoir.org), and at Sherman's Maine Coast Book Shop in Damariscotta and Boothbay Harbor, and Treats in Wiscasset. For more information, please email [info@ceciliachoir.org](mailto:info@ceciliachoir.org), visit [facebook.com/stceciliachamberchoir](https://facebook.com/stceciliachamberchoir) and [ceciliachoir.org](http://ceciliachoir.org), or call 207-380-2768.

Please note that Bowdoin College requires all visitors to the campus to be fully vaccinated or to wear a mask while indoors on campus.



## Tapestry Singers

Tapestry Singers will perform "Home for the Holidays" on Saturday, December 17 at 7:30pm and Sunday, December 18 at 4:00pm at Damariscotta Baptist Church. Tickets are \$15 at [tapestrysingersmaine.org](http://tapestrysingersmaine.org) Advanced purchase is recommended.

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## Hey, Ho, the Holly concert

Hey, Ho, the Holly featuring Kaity Newell and company returns to St. Andrew's Church on Sunday, December 18 at 2:00pm. All donations will go to support Heifer International

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## Weekday Worship

Compline: Monday-Friday 9 PM  
Zoom Meeting ID:

Wednesday Healing Service: Wednesdays at 10:00am

## Meetings

Benedictine Group: 11:15 AM Wednesday  
Zoom Meeting ID:

Knitting Group: 2-4pm Fridays  
All welcome: knitters, non-knitters and everything in between  
Zoom Meeting ID:

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## Intercessory Prayer List

*"The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words." (Romans 8:26)*

*We pray for those who are ill or with special needs:*

Rob & Irma Hargreaves, Alan Hargreaves, Phil Bartley, Amanda Smith, Stephen Gorrill, Val Gorrill, Bob Gorrill, Ellen B., Allie, Anne Rossides, Bruce Rinker, Virginia White, Felicia McAllister, Tom Sullivan, Todd, Donald Johnson Olderson, Tom Belanger, Dick, Catherine Fleming, Alex Place, Mark Place, Donna Badgley, Tyler, Bruce & Julie, Cynthia Troxel, Jane Ferris, Maureen McNiff, Geoff & Rachel Titherington, Sam Young, Brad & Tina Reynolds, Victoria, Robin Schneider, Matthew Schneider, Lorrie Buchanan, Jane Gear, Janice & Paul Roman, Bob Gault, David Harris, Katrina Wozich, Peter Blanchard, John Banta, The Sikora Family, Eileen, Bob Johnson

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Junior Warden: Christine Benken - Clerk: Terry Marsh  
Treasurer: Mark Freese - Organist: Sean Fleming - Director of Choirs: Linda Blanchard  
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