



This week at St. Andrew's

Thursday, February 23, 2023

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.



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



February 26, 2023

First Sunday in Lent

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman

Organist: Sean Fleming

Choir Director: Linda Blanchard

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite II

Altar Guild: Marianne Pinkham

Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor: Ann Kash

Lector: Marianne Pinkham

Usher: Kelley Kash

Vestry Announcer: Jim Swan

The worship booklet for the 8:00am Sunday service is available by clicking [here](#).

10:00am Holy Eucharist Rite II

Altar Guild: Sarah Houghton

Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor: Sherrie Holbrook

Lectors: Steve Ward & Ann Creamer

Ushers: Ed Ross & Cindy Freese

Livestream Operator: Bill Judd

Vestry Announcer: John Ward

The worship booklet for the 10:00am 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](#)

Readings for Sunday, February 26 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, 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.

Lenten Book Discussion

Breathing Under Water

By Richard Rohr

Led by Jeanne Titherington

Starting Sunday, February 26th after the 10am service

Breathing Under Water, by Richard Rohr is the most impactful book on spirituality that I have read in a long, long time. Its insights are meant as a challenge as much as a comfort and are presented to aid in our pursuit of a more fulfilling relationship with Christ.

Father Richard Rohr is a Franciscan priest living in New Mexico and is the founder of the Center of Action and Contemplation. Rohr is also a recovering alcoholic. In *Breathing Under Water*, Rohr uses AA's Twelve Steps as chapter titles and springboards for his essays. However, this is **not** a piece of AA literature. Rather, the book is meant to be a kind of road map for those of us wishing to find and follow the way of Christ.

You will need to purchase your own book (around \$12 in paperback). It is available at the bookstore or online. Please contact Suzannah if the cost is too much for you. The class will be held in the church library.

Lenten Prayer and Bible Study

Every Tuesday from 3-4 pm beginning February 28, I will be in the library praying and studying the Acts of the Apostles. I hope that you will join me (Suzannah) for this time of prayer and study of Scripture. Acts is the story of the first followers of Jesus as they sought to create community and follow Jesus after Jesus' death, resurrection and return to the Father. Join me as I seek to learn from these first followers of Christ about how to follow Jesus better today.



St. Andrew's Annual Parish Meeting Sunday, March 5

ANNUAL MEETING

9:00am, followed by the Annual Meeting in the undercroft.

St. Andrew's Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Sunday, March 5 (snow date March 12). There will be a single service at

Nominating Committee

Diocesan Convention delegates and alternates

We are looking for 4 delegates and two alternates to the Diocesan Convention

The Episcopal Diocese of Maine gathers together annually to conduct the business of our diocese and worship together. The clergy of the diocese along with elected lay delegates from each congregation in Maine are the voting body. In 2023, convention will take place in parts:

Pre-convention Town Hall Gatherings – Tuesdays at 7:00 pm on October 10, 17, 24 and 31 online via Zoom

Diocesan-wide Convocation – Saturday, October 21 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at Cathedral of St. Luke. This is for the whole diocese and is not limited to clergy and delegates to convention, and will include worship, fellowship, and discussion.

Annual Convention Business Session – Saturday, November 11 from 9:00-11:30 am online for clergy and lay delegates. This is when voting will take place.

If you would like to be a delegate or alternate to the Diocesan Convention, please let one of the



Shrove Tuesday pancake supper

Tuesday's Shrove Tuesday pancake supper was a great success! Many thanks to Jim Swan and Ruth Piper

for organizing it, to the vestry members and to Alex Pugh for his pancake making skill! It was nice to get together to participate in a pre-pandemic activity.

Snowy Weather:



In case of snowy weather, please check your email or the church phone message (563-3533) for any service changes due to the weather.

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:

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, Stephen Gorrill, Val Gorrill, Bob Gorrill, Ellen B., Allie, Anne Rossides, Bruce Rinker, Felicia McAllister, Tom Sullivan, Todd, Donald Johnson Olderson, Tom Belanger, Dick, Catherine Fleming, 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, Peter Blanchard, John Banta, The Sikora Family, Eileen

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