



# This week at St. Andrew's

Thursday, August 22, 2024

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

**August 25, 2024**

**14th Sunday after Pentecost**

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

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman

Altar Guild: Marianne Pinkham

Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor: Sara Sandberg

Lector: Brett Donham

Usher: Marianne Pinkham

Vestry Announcer: Sara Sandberg

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

**10:00am Holy Eucharist Rite II with Music**

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman

Guest Organist: Brent Douglass

Altar Guild: Sarah Monaghan-Houghton

Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor: Christine Benken

Lectors: Jeanne Titherington & Martha Elliott

Ushers: Ed Ross & Martha Dodge

Livestream Operator: Bill Judd

Vestry Announcer: Martha Elliott

The worship booklet for the 10am Sunday service is available by clicking [here](#).

The 10am service will also be livestreamed to St. Andrew's Facebook page where it can be viewed live or from a recording.

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## **Weekly Wednesday service and lunch**

St. Andrew's has a number of parishioners who are no longer able to drive, and therefore are not able to

be with us on Sunday mornings but are still a vital part of our community. In order to provide in person worship for more people, I am exploring moving the Wednesday service to 11:30 am and holding a lunch following the service in the Atrium. This is likely a better start time for those for whom getting up and going in the morning takes some time. (we would order sandwiches, provide drinks and take a freewill collection)

I would like to hear from you if you are someone who would like a ride to this service and luncheon. I would also like to hear from those who would be willing to be drivers for those who can no longer drive. The goal would be to create a rota large enough that no one is on call to drive every week. I would imagine the time commitment would be about 2 1/2 hours from pick up to drop off. You could stay for the service and lunch or leave and come back at 1 pm.

And of course, anyone would be welcome to come to the service and the luncheon, even if you are not able to be a driver or are able to drive yourself. The service is a Eucharist with a short sermon and healing prayers at the altar for those who wish to receive them for themselves or someone they love.

Please e-mail me ([stasrector@tidewater.net](mailto:stasrector@tidewater.net)) or call me (207-563-3533) if you are interested in receiving a ride, being a driver, or just have questions.

Peace,

Suzannah

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### **Lay Eucharistic Visitors**

Sometimes, due to illness, infirmity or age, members of our parish are not able to attend church in person, but church does not have to happen in the actual church. Communion can be brought to those who are unable to come out to worship. As a priest, I bring communion to many of these members and to those experiencing hospitalization but you do not have to be a priest to bring communion to members of the parish. Lay people can be licensed as Lay Eucharistic Visitors (LEV). With a little bit of training in the ministry and the completion of Diocesan safe church training, any member of St. Andrew's can become a LEV.

St. Andrew's has had Lay Eucharistic Visitors in the past but the ministry has been dormant for a few years. I would like to restart this ministry. I believe there are members of this parish who are called to this ministry. The time commitment would be a once a year in person training, yearly safe church training, and one Sunday a month visit to someone who would like to receive communion. My aim would be to have enough visitors that everyone who would like to receive communion at home would have a visitor once a month.

If this is a ministry that interests you and/or if you have any questions, please contact me ([Stasrector@tidewater.net](mailto:Stasrector@tidewater.net) or 207-563-3533).

Peace,

Suzannah

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### **Music Note for Sunday, August 25 at 10am**

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707) is one of the best-known composers of the Baroque period. Like his contemporary, J. S. Bach, who was almost 50 years younger, Buxtehude was not only a prolific composer but also a devout churchman. He composed numerous organ and cantata compositions, many of which were settings of German (particularly Lutheran) hymns, establishing his central role in the development of Protestant Baroque music. At age 31, Buxtehude was appointed organist at the Marienkirche in Lubeck, one of the biggest churches in Germany, a position he held until his retirement. The chorale melody, 'Herzlich tut mich verlangen,' a contemplative work, written as a spiritual song for the dying during a time of plague, was later applied to the text which we know as 'O sacred head, sore wounded'. 'Komm, Heiliger Geist, Herre Gott' (Come, Holy Ghost, Lord God) is a Lutheran hymn for Pentecost, published in 1524. Martin Luther's chorale, 'Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott' (A mighty Fortress is our God) is a paraphrase of Psalm 46. Buxtehude's setting is highly decorated, while the simple three-voice accompaniment uses small extracts of the chorale tune. - Brent Douglass

Many thanks to Brent Douglass who will be our guest organist on Sundays while Sean is away. He will play at the 10am services through August and on September 1 he will play at the 8am and 10am services.

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St. Andrew's will be celebrating the Season of Creation throughout September with the following events. Everyone is welcome and heartily invited to join in:

**9/7 (Saturday) 10am:** Beach Clean-up at Pemaquid Beach

**9/8 (Sunday) 8 & 10am:** Season of Creation celebrated in liturgy, prayers and hymns at both services. Following the second service, we'll gather in the Undercroft for the Second Annual Meatless Potluck and a discussion of the book *Not the End of the World*, by Hannah Ritchie. Bring a meatless dish to share. The book may be available to borrow from the church library

**9/14 (Saturday):** CHIP Community Cares Day: Join parishioners and others in this community effort to help with small home repairs, winterizing, and chores.

**9/15 (Sunday) 3pm:** Ecumenical Creation liturgy service on the lawn at St. Andrew's

**9/22 (Sunday):** Labyrinth walk after church and Terra Divina at the Edgecomb Congregational Church. Bring a bag lunch and participate in a contemplative practice.

**9/29 (Sunday):** Labyrinth rain date.

**10/6 (Sunday):** Blessing of the animals. Bring your animals (and plants) to be blessed during the services.

**Month of September:** Get to Church another way. Carpool, bike, scooter, boat – take a photo of your “other way” and share it with us.

For more info, ask a member of the Earth Keepers team: Ann Creamer, Laurie Gray, Bill Judd, Kay Liss, Lili Pugh, Sara Sandberg, Steve Ward

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### Coffee Hour

There are opportunities this summer to host coffee hours after the 8am and 10am Sunday services. The sign-up sheet is by the kitchen in the undercroft. If you are interested and have never hosted before, or would like to sign up via email, please contact Jim Swan or Sara Sandberg.

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### St. Andrew's Church Calendar

St. Andrew's Church calendar is available online. If you would like to access it, please click [here](#)

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### Weekday Worship

Compline: Monday-Friday 8:30 PM  
Zoom Meeting

Wednesday Healing Service: Wednesdays at 10:00am

### Meetings

Benedictine Group: 11:15 AM Wednesday  
Zoom Meeting

Knitting Group: 2-4pm Fridays  
All welcome: knitters, non-knitters and everything in between.  
Meeting in the Undercroft unless otherwise announced.

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### **Workshop - Give Light: Spiritual Support for Climate Engagement**

Saturday, September 28

10:00am - 3:00pm

Second Congregational Church, Newcastle

Workshop Fee: \$20 (*no one will be turned away for inability to pay*)

For more information, please [click here](#) to view the poster

## 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, Val Gorrill, Tom Belanger, Dick, Tyler & Christine, Bruce & Julie, Cynthia Troxel, Nathan Hargreaves, Janice Roman, Shelby Owen, Peter Blanchard, Beth, Dennis C., Allison Rose, Drew Havens, Emily Goodspeed, Anne Ogden, Tony Sousa, Joanne Sousa.

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