



This week at St. Andrew's

Thursday, September 12, 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

September 15, 2024

17th Sunday after Pentecost

**The Season of Creation will be celebrated in liturgy, prayers and hymns
at both services through the month of September**

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite I

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman

Altar Guild: Terry Marsh

Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor: Terry Marsh

Lector: Brett Donham

Ushers: Jack & Carol Dexter

Vestry Announcer: Tanya Albert

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

10:00am Communion with Creation: Learn

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman

Organist: Sean Fleming

Choir Director: Linda Blanchard

Altar Guild: Ann Kash

Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor: Christine Benken

Lectors: Ann Creamer & Brent Douglass

Ushers: Kelley & Ann Kash

Livestream Operator: Bill Judd

Vestry Announcer: Kelley Kash

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.

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

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Season of Creation Events

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:

9/15 (Sunday) 3pm: Ecumenical Prayer Service for Creation Care:

A group of local parishioners from different churches in Lincoln County have planned an ecumenical service to celebrate the Season of Creation and to address climate change. You are all invited on September 15 at 3:00 pm outdoors on St. Andrew's lawn next to the Damariscotta River. Please click [here](#) to view the poster.

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.

9/28 (Saturday): Workshop - Give Light: Spiritual Support for Climate Engagement

The Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Second Congregational Church and St. Andrew's Earth Keepers would like to invite you to participate in a workshop led by Rev. Fred Small entitled *Give Light: Spiritual Support for Climate Engagement*. It will be held at the Second Congregational Church. The cost of the workshop is \$20. For more information see the flyers posted at the church or contact Jill Linzee at jlinszee@comcast.net or click [here](#) to view the poster.

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, Marek Pruski, Lili Pugh, Sara Sandberg, Steve Ward

A Message from the Property Committee

Exciting Changes are coming.

At the August Vestry meeting, the Property Committee's recommendation for new carpet and flooring was unanimously approved. The Property Committee developed their recommendation after several months of research guided by the following principles:

1. The selections should complement not compete with existing fenestration
2. In the Worship space the aisle treatment should visually connect the font to the altar
3. The Worship space selection should be distinct from the offices and hallways/stairs
4. In keeping with Earth Keepers concepts, the selected materials should be natural and renewable
5. The materials should be durable

The recommendations that resulted were the selection of 100% wool carpet and Maine sourced prefinished red oak wood. The Worship space will receive Bloomsburg Caravan Tweed Dune, the Hallways/stairs and 1st Floor office will receive a complementary color of Bloomsburg Caravan Grey Shale. The Atrium and Library will receive Maine Traditions 2 ¼ " red oak natural finish (prefinished). Capozza Flooring out of Portland will do the installation. Funds for this project are available under the capital improvements portion of the annual budget.

It is anticipated that the installation will begin in mid-September and proceed in four phases:

1. Phase 1 – Hallways and stairs: 5-7 days
2. Phase 2 – Offices: 2-3 days
3. Phase 3 – Atrium and Library: 2-3 days
4. Phase 4 – Worship space: 1 day

Samples of the materials are available for view in the Atrium.

Stewardship

Our weather is turning (a little) fall-ish and we are looking ahead to the months of October and November when St. Andrew's conducts its annual stewardship campaign. This may not be foremost in your minds, but it is a time for which we should prepare. As a parish we need to reflect and pray about how we can better serve the mission of our church in the months and year to come. Are there issues and themes that are on your mind that we should consider as we move forward? Do you have ideas about how we ought

to conduct our stewardship campaign? Are you interested in joining the stewardship committee or serving as a go-to person, ready to help in some way? If so, would you contact John Ward or Kelley Kash (stasnew@tidewater.net) and share your thoughts? It will be a wonderful time to express our hopes, our gratitude and our commitment of St. Andrew's Church's mission.

Vestry Minutes from the July meeting

The July vestry meeting minutes were approved at last week's vestry meeting. If you would like to read them, please click [here](#). They are also posted on the church bulletin board just inside the ramp door.

Music Note for Sunday, September 15 at 10am

"Many and great" is an American hymn of petition to God the creator of the earth. The original text is based on Jeremiah 10:12-13.

It is based on "Wakantanka taku nitawa," a hymn originally written in 1842 in the Dakota native American language by Joseph R. Renville. It was first published in 1879 in the Dakota Odowan, a significant hymnal in the Dakota language.

The two verses in The Hymnal 1982 were paraphrased and translated to English by Philip Frazier (1892-1964) in 1929. This version has been used in many hymnals. It is sometimes called the Dakota Hymn, and has been included in a number of contemporary "world music" collections. -Sean Fleming

St. Andrew's Choir

St. Andrew's Choir will begin fall rehearsals this month on Thursdays at 7:00pm at the church. If you are interested in being a member of the choir, please contact the choir director, Linda Blanchard.

Holy Women, Holy Men

Alexander Crummell

Episcopal Priest, Missionary, Academic, Abolitionist, Black Nationalist

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 Alexander Crummell. Please click [here](#) to learn more about him.



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.



St. Andrew's Church Calendar

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

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.

St. Andrew's Choir Rehearsal: Thursdays at 7:00pm. Please contact the choir director, Linda Blanchard or the organist, Sean Fleming if you are interested in more information about the choir.

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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Clerk: Terry Marsh - Treasurer: Mark Freese
Organist: Sean Fleming - Choir Director: Linda Blanchard
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