



# This week at St. Andrew's

Thursday, February 13, 2025

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 16, 2025**

**6 Epiphany**

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

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman  
Altar Guild: Ann Kash  
Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor: Kelley Kash  
Lector: Ann Kash  
Usher: Jim Swan  
Vestry Announcer: Jim Swan

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

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

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman  
Organist: Sean Fleming  
Choir Director: Linda Blanchard  
Altar Guild: Judy Weislogel  
Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor: Ann Kash  
Lectors: Ann Creamer & Judy Weislogel  
Livestream Operator: Bill Judd  
Ushers: Jennifer Meade & Fred Kraeuter  
Vestry Announcer: Martha Elliott

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

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## St. Andrew's Annual Parish Meeting Sunday, March 2

St. Andrew's Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Sunday, March 2 (snow date March 9). There will be a single service at 9:00am, followed by the Annual Meeting in the undercroft.

**Annual Meeting Reports:** Annual reports should be sent to the office email: [stasnew@tidewater.net](mailto:stasnew@tidewater.net) and should be received no later than Tuesday, February 18, 2025.

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### Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper



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Please join us for our annual Shrove Tuesday pancake supper on March 4th beginning at 5:30pm. If you plan to attend, please sign-up on the sheet in the undercroft so we can plan ahead. You may also contact the office via email ([stasnew@tidewater.net](mailto:stasnew@tidewater.net)) or phone (563-3533) to let us know you will be there. Please come and join the fellowship.

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### March 5 Ash Wednesday services - Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes

11:30am followed by the Wednesday lunch at 12:15 in the atrium.

5:30pm with music

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### Upcoming Sunday Lenten Series

Please join me (Suzannah) during the Sundays of Lent following the 10 am service to discuss Bishop Mariann Budde's book, *How We Learn to Be Brave: Decisive Moments in Life and Faith* Bishop Budde is the Bishop of the Diocese of Washington (DC) who preached about mercy at the prayer service in the National Cathedral (Episcopal) in Washington DC following the inauguration of the president. We will read a chapter each week for the six weeks of Lent.

The Lenten Series will begin on Sunday, March 9 after the 10am service and will continue through Lent. Please contact me with any questions at [stasrector@tidewater.net](mailto:stasrector@tidewater.net) - Suzannah

Here is the write up about Bishop Budde's book:

***How We Learn to Be Brave is an inspirational guide to the key junctures in life that, if navigated with faith and discernment, pave the way for us to become our most courageous selves, by the bishop of the famed Episcopal Diocese of Washington, D.C.***

*On January 21, 2025, many Americans were introduced to Bishop Mariann Budde thanks to what The New York Times called "an extraordinary act of public resistance." During her prayer service for Donald J. Trump's second inauguration, Bishop Budde addressed the president directly, imploring him "to have mercy on the people in our country who are scared now," from those who are part of the LGBTQ+ community to immigrants and refugees.*

*But for Bishop Budde, this moment was the culmination of a lifetime spent thinking about those pivot points when we're called on to push past our fears and act with strength. With How We Learn to Be Brave, she teaches us that being brave is not a singular occurrence; it's a journey that we can choose to undertake every day.*

*Here, Bishop Budde explores the full range of decisive moments, from the most visible and dramatic (the decision to go), to the internal and personal (the decision to stay), to brave choices made with an eye toward the future (the decision to start), those born of suffering (the decision to accept that which we did not choose), and those that come unexpectedly (the decision to step up to the plate). Drawing on examples ranging from Harry Potter to the Gospel According to Luke, she seamlessly weaves together personal experiences with stories from scripture, history, and pop culture to underscore both the universality of these moments and the particular call each one of us must heed when they arrive.*

*With Bishop Budde's wisdom, readers will learn to live and to respond according to their true beliefs and in ways that align with their best selves. How We Learn to Be Brave will provide much-needed fortitude and insight to anyone searching for answers in uncertain times.*

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### Interested in the finances of the Church?

The finance committee is looking for members who are willing to serve a three year term (2025-28). Although financial experience is beneficial, anyone willing to learn about the financial structure of our church, and assist in reviewing financial documents to ensure the health of our parish is welcome. For more information, or to be considered for the committee, please contact Lili Pugh

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### Lenten Earth Keeping Practice

Lili Pugh would like to invite anyone interested to a book discussion of *Refugia Faith* by Debra Rienstra, or to participate in *Love God, Love God's World*, the Episcopal Church's environmental justice curriculum. If you are interested in either one of these, or both, please contact Lili and Indicate which you are interested in, your availability, and whether you want to do so in person or via zoom.

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### Rainbow Gala & Dance Party – A Queer Prom for Adults!

**OUT Maine is thrilled to host thesecond annual Rainbow Gala & Dance Party on February 28, 2025, in Rockland, Maine.** This vibrant and inclusive event, often called a “queer prom for grownups,” is open to all adults (21+). Attendees are encouraged to wear what they truly wanted to wear to prom! The night will feature live music by The Right Track, dancing, a photo booth, hors d'oeuvres, a cash bar, and a silent auction. Proceeds benefit OUT Maine's LGBTQIA2S+ youth programs, including the Rainbow Ball Weekend. For tickets and details, visit [www.outmaine.org/gala](http://www.outmaine.org/gala). **All are welcome!**

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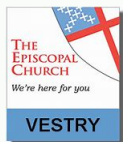
### Memorial Services scheduled at St. Andrew's Church

Times are yet to be determined but the following memorial services have been scheduled at St. Andrew's:

May 25, 2025 (Sunday) - Memorial service for Susie Meade

May 31, 2025 (Saturday) - Memorial service for Tomlin Coggeshall

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### Vestry Meeting Minutes

If you would like to read the vestry minutes from the December meeting, please click [here](#). They are also posted on the bulletin board just inside the ramp door.

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### Updated Parish Directory

There are copies of the updated pictorial parish directory available in the church office.

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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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### 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.

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### Weekday Worship

Compline: Monday-Friday 8:30 PM  
Zoom Meeting

Wednesday Healing Service: Wednesdays at 11:30am

**Please note: The next luncheon after this service will be on Wednesday, March 5**

### Meetings

Benedictine Group: 10:00 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.

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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, Val Gorrill, Tom Belanger, Dick, Tyler & Christine, Bruce & Julie, Cynthia Troxel, Nathan Hargreaves, Janice Roman, Beth, Drew Havens, Emily Goodspeed, Anne Ogden, Tony Sousa, Joanne Sousa, Ian J., Emily Goodchild, Jennie Zerges

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Clerk: Terry Marsh - Treasurer: Mark Freese

Organist: Sean Fleming - Choir Director: Linda Blanchard

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