



This week at St. Andrew's

Thursday, July 3, 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.



Happy 4th of July!

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

4 Pentecost - July 6, 2025

9:00am Holy Eucharist Rite I

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Pam Mott

Organist: Sean Fleming

Musical Guest: John David Adams, bass-baritone

Altar Guild: Ann Kash & Nora Lundeen

Eucharistic Ministers: Christine Benken & Lili Pugh

Lectors: Martha Dodge & Nora Lundeen

Livestream Operator: Bill Judd

Ushers: Martha Dodge & Sara Sandberg

Vestry Announcer: Alex Pugh

The worship booklet for the 9am Sunday service is available by [clicking here](#)

You may also watch this service on St. Andrew's YouTube channel. (Live or recorded)

Note about the music for this Sunday

Thank you to John David Adams for his offering of music for the Sunday, July 6 service. Adams is a professional bass-baritone and voice teacher based in Midcoast Maine. His performing career spans concert, opera, recital, and award-winning ensembles, with repertoire ranging from Baroque masterworks to world-premiere compositions. He has appeared with orchestras, opera companies, choral organizations, and musical ensembles across the country, and throughout Maine and New England. He is active as a church soloist, and in addition to being a featured guest he holds regular positions with St. Peter's-by-the-Sea in Cape Neddick and the First Church Christ Scientist in Camden. He serves on the voice faculty of Bay Chamber Music School in Camden, and maintains a private voice studio at home.

Here is a list of the guests who will present music at the St. Andrew's Sunday 9:00 service between now and Aug. 31. Please mark these on your calendar so that you don't miss these special offerings of music!

July 13 - A quartet of singers led by Mary Sullivan, soprano

July 20 - Torren Nehrboss, harp

July 27 - Maine Friends of Music

First Sunday Plate Outreach Recipient for July: Stepping Stone Housing

Stepping Stone Housing is the recipient of today's loose plate offerings. SSH was founded in 2013 to address the need for affordable housing in Damariscotta and neighboring communities. SSH receives no government funding, but instead relies on donations to make up the difference between what renters can afford and what it costs to keep the properties going. SSH also maintains a facility on Biscay Road where they store and sell donated items to raise money for housing. Please support their work generously.

If you would like to donate other than cash into this Sunday's plate, you may make checks out to Stepping Stone Housing and place them in the plate or you may mail them to St. Andrew's Church, PO Box 234, Newcastle ME 04553 and we will get them to Stepping Stone. More information on Stepping Stone Housing is available at their website: steppingstonehousing.org

Memorial Garden Weeding last Sunday

Thank you to everyone who helped out in the Memorial Garden last Sunday. Much was accomplished, and everyone's effort is appreciated. In the coming days, we will be adding mulch to the newly cleaned-out beds in the Memorial Garden, all in anticipation of more permanent planting later this fall and next spring. Watch for more details and ways you can support the efforts to create a more beautiful and contemplative retreat.



Pride Parade last Saturday a great success

To everyone who provided delicious treats, offered supportive words, and attended the parade kick-off event at the Newcastle Veterans' Park last Saturday, a big "Thank you."

While avoiding most of the rain, a crowd of over 150 people kicked off the opening event to walk across the bridge through Damariscotta to Rising Tide, all in celebration of Lincoln County's LGBTQIA+ community. St. Andrew's support has raised the bar for regional allyship, extending our mission throughout Lincoln County, throughout the state, and beyond. The leadership team from the Lincoln County Unity and Community Pride event extends their thanks and appreciation for everything St.



A Note from the Earth Keepers Group

The Earth Keepers at St. Andrew's are launching a new program to promote lower emissions from cooking, eating, transporting and disposing of food and food waste. They invite parishioners now to look for a basket in the back of the church where people can put meat-free recipes; five copies please...and take away recipes that look tempting. This recipe exchange will culminate in a [Meatless Potluck at St. Andrew's on September 14.](#) There is a fascinating discussion of food-related emissions from the BBC; see this attachment --

<https://www.bbc.com/future/article/20220429-the-climate-benefits-of-veganism-and-vegetarianism...>

Parishioners might also be interested in the book "Not the End of the World" by Hannah Ritchie which explores ways of reducing global emissions, including shunning beef-eating due to its prodigious effects on forest growth. There is a copy of Ritchie's book in the church library.

Earth Keepers Carpooling

Earth Keepers is reminding everyone that a carpool sign-up is available at the back of the church and at coffee hor. Sharing rides is good for the environment and for our parking situation. It may allow someone to attend church who finds it hard to get around. It may even provide a new friendship! Think about offering a ride to someone in your neighborhood or ask for a ride if you need one. Earth Keepers will take the information and coordinate the logistics.

Tidings / Coffee Hour Schedule

**Please note that coffee hour hosts are needed for all Sundays (except the picnic).
Please contact Sara Sandberg if you are interested in hosting.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Tidings</u>
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July 6	Coffee Hour
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July 13	What's in a name?
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In addition to coffee and snacks, we have a small, fun (we hope!) activity planned for our Tidings time together after church this Sunday. In line with our drive to promote nametags, we'll be asking you to make yourself a nametag (we'll have blank ones available) with your name + one word of your choosing. Obviously something socially acceptable, hopefully something intriguing or a little bit surprising. Those who wish to will have an opportunity to introduce themselves to the group using their name+word. If you're feeling shy, one-on-one introductions are just fine, too. Looking forward to lively Coffee Hour conversations!

July 20	A Look at Christian Nationalism / John Nieman
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July 27	Coffee Hour
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Aug 3	Picnic
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Aug 10	Coffee Hour
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Aug 17	Postcards: pick a card / write a card
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Altar Flowers

If you would like to have the altar flowers dedicated in memory or thanksgiving for someone special in your life, please contact Sally Pearce. We have available Sundays throughout the year. You may choose your flowers and the flower committee will take care of the rest.

Nametags

We'd like to develop a Sunday nametag habit, but it will take a while to sink in, so bear with us while we pester you! If you have a nametag from some other activity in your life, please try to wear it on Sunday

morning. Keep it with your offering envelopes, if you use them. If you need a nametag, there will be a supply with the service leaflets just inside the church door. Let's put those names and faces together!

Welcome to The Rev. Pam Mott

Pam will be with us through September on Sundays and Wednesdays, and she will also be available for pastoral care. Welcome!

Summer Church Hours

During the summer, the church will be open for any business needs Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10am-2pm



St. Andrew's Church Calendar

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

Single 9am Sunday Service

From May through October, St. Andrew's will be trying out a single 9am Sunday service. Through this period, we will be celebrating with Holy Eucharist Rite I on the first Sunday of each month and Rite II the rest of the Sundays in the month with music every Sunday.

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, August 6

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 church library unless otherwise announced.

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, Tony Sousa, Joanne Sousa, Ian J., Emily Goodchild, Jennie Zerges, Elizabeth Lyon, Bill Namestnik

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Clerk: Terry Marsh - Treasurer: Mark Freese

Organist: Sean Fleming - Choir Director: Linda Blanchard
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