



This week at St. Andrew's

Thursday, November 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

**23 Pentecost
November 16, 2025**

9:00am Holy Eucharist Rite II

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman

Organist: Sean Fleming

Choir Director: Linda Blanchard

Altar Guild: Marianne Pinkham & Nora Lundeen

Eucharistic Minister: Kelley Kash

Lectors: Steve Ward & Martha Elliott

Livestream Operator: Bill Judd

Ushers: Jack & Carol Dexter

Vestry Announcer: Martha Elliott

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)

Sunday Worship Service

Following extensive and considered discussions, the vestry has reached a unanimous decision to reinstate our two worship services: 8am (Rite I, a quiet service without music) and 10am (Rite II, with music), commencing on the first Sunday of Advent (November 30), which marks the beginning of the Church year. The vestry expresses appreciation for your valuable feedback during the single-service trial, provided through emails, surveys, and open forums. We will continue to seek opportunities for the entire congregation to gather at special joint events throughout the year.

The timing of implementation on the first Sunday of Advent allows adequate notice for the public and enables necessary adjustments to scheduling. In preparation, we will be recruiting additional volunteers to serve as Altar Guild, Ushers, Lay Readers, and Eucharistic Ministers. We encourage you to thoughtfully consider participating in one of these ministries.

Eucharistic Minister Training - Sunday, November 16 after the service

Please join Suzannah in the sanctuary after the service on Sunday, November 16, for Eucharistic Minister training. It is open to all who would like to become Eucharistic Ministers and as a refresher for those currently involved in this ministry.

A New Message from the Stewardship Committee

Why do we pledge to St. Andrew's?

No right answer exists. A recent observation on the question: St. Andrew's provides our souls, hearts and minds with much needed nourishment to meet the challenges ahead as we try to live intentionally, consciously and lovingly. Each week within the walls of our historic church, we can derive nourishment from the fellowship of our engaged members, Suzannah's inspiring sermons, our beautiful music and our quiet moments of reflection. Pledging gives us the opportunity to express our thanks for the ongoing enrichment and guidance that St. Andrew's offers us. Please pledge as generously as you able. Thank you.

The pledge packets have been mailed. Please contact the church office if you have not received one or have any questions.

Note about the music for November 16

The words for hymn number 632 "O Christ, the Word Incarnate" by William Walsham How appeared in the supplement to *Psalms and Hymns* (London, 1867) by How and Thomas Baker Morrell. It is based on Psalm 119:105, "Thy word is a lantern unto my feet and a light unto my path." The tune *Munich* has been associated with the text since the Hutchins music edition in the *The Hymnal, 1892*. The tune has been a popular one since it was used in Felix Mendelssohn's great oratorio *Elijah*.

Tidings Program/Coffee Hour

Our after-service Tidings program will wrap up with short programs on the final two Sundays:

Nov. 16 at approx. 10:20, Alex Pugh will give a short program on Wells and Septic Systems.

Nov. 23 at approx. 10:20, Suzannah will give a short program about her trip across Canada by rail.

Coffee hour volunteers needed: On Sunday, November 30, we will return to a two-service schedule, which means two separate Coffee Hours, and so we will need twice as many volunteers to help us enjoy each other's company over coffee and treats. Coffee Hour hosts will continue to be responsible for set-up, coffee making, providing cream/milk and juice, and clean-up. The rest of us are encouraged to bring treats to coffee hour as the spirit moves us. If you'd like to host after either the 8am service or the 10am service, please contact Sara Sandberg or sign up on the clipboard in the Undercroft.

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee is looking for a couple of new members. People who are interested in helping to make sure the church is financially stable are welcome. The committee reviews financial reports and makes recommendations to the vestry to support programs in a fiscally responsible way. Please contact the Finance Committee Chair, Lili Pugh if you are interested.

Holy Women, Holy Men
Clive Staples Lewis
Writer, Scholar, Theologian

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.



St. Andrew's Book Club

Our next book will be "Gods Secretaries" by Nicolson. We will meet to discuss this book on Thursday, November 20th at 2:30pm in the church library. All are welcome.

Scam Awareness

Please be vigilant when it comes to giving out your personal information. Check email addresses and be suspicious of grammatical errors. There is a scam going through churches requesting a PDF of the church directory. We do not send ours out via email or over the internet. Those requests are scams. If you are suspicious of an email request from the church or a parishioner, please call the church office (207-563-3533)

The Knitting Group is planning a Field Trip!

Anyone who is interested is very welcome to join us on an outing to Belfast on Monday, November 17. We will leave mid-morning, visit a fabric/art supplies shop, have lunch together, then visit a yarn shop and be home by dark (4:00pm or so). If you are interested, please contact Sara Sandberg.

Altar Flowers

If you would like to give Sunday flowers in memory of or thanksgiving for a friend or loved one, please contact Sally Pearce

The cost is \$60 and the flower guild will take care of ordering and pick up.



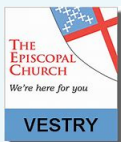
Thank you to our Church Family

Thank you so much for your incredible generosity in donating candy and pumpkins for our Halloween event. Because of your support, we were able to make 570 candy bags—and they were all gone by 6:15 PM! We saw so many smiling kids and happy families.

Our mission this year was not only to bring joy to the community but also to increase public exposure for St. Andrew's Church. We were blessed to welcome several families inside the sanctuary and share the rich history of our church. One family even expressed interest in joining us for our Christmas service—what a blessing!

We're already planning for 700 bags next year... can't believe it!

Thank you again for helping make this outreach such a huge success and a true reflection of Christ's love in action.



Vestry meeting minutes

If you would like to read the minutes of the vestry meeting held on September 23, please click [here](#)



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: The Compline service held Monday evenings has been put on hold for the time being.

Wednesday Healing Service: Wednesdays at 11:30am

Please note: The next luncheon after this service will be on Wednesday, December 3

Meetings

Food and Faith: Thursday, November 20 at 10:00am in the church library

St. Andrew's Book Club: Thursday, November 20 at 2:30pm in the church library

Benedictine Group: 10:00 AM Wednesday
Zoom Meeting

Senior Choir rehearsal: 7-9pm Thursdays

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, Robin Schneider, Susan & Fred Murray, Nicole & Family.

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