



This week at St. Andrew's

Thursday, January 1, 2026

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

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January 4, 2026

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite I

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman

Altar Guild: Laura Blanchard

Eucharistic Minister: Malcolm Foster

Lector: Laura Blanchard

Usher: Seth Stewart

Vestry Announcer: Ruth Piper

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: Maryanne Ward

Eucharistic Minister: Lili Pugh

Lectors: John Ward & Alex Pugh

Livestream Operator: Bill Judd

Ushers: Martha Dodge & Belinda Nields

Vestry Announcer: Alex Pugh

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

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

First Sunday Plate Outreach Recipient for January: CHIP, Inc.

The First Sunday plate cash collected at this Sunday's services will be sent to support CHIP (Community Housing Improvement Project). As well as donating plate cash, you may also make checks payable to "CHIP" and place them in the plate or mail them to St. Andrews.

Since 1984, CHIP, Inc. has been fulfilling a mission of neighbors helping neighbors keep their homes safe, warm and dry by providing services such as weatherproofing, replacement of windows and doors, handicap access ramps and electrical and plumbing repairs for Lincoln County homeowners who are not able to do so themselves because of illness, disability or financial need. Thank you for donating to help support CHIP.



Christmas Flowers are available to be adopted!

The Christmas poinsettias and cyclamen are available after the services this Sunday to go to new homes. Please take one for yourself and/or to someone you know... Maybe to some of our parishioners who do not drive and cannot make it into church. Many thanks to all who donated towards the flowers in memory of or thanksgiving for loved ones and friends.

Pledge Envelopes for 2026

If you have requested pledge envelopes for 2026, they are available in the atrium. If you would like envelopes and do not see them in the box, please contact the office and we can get you a packet.

If you would like to make a pledge to St. Andrew's for 2026, there are blue pledge cards on the usher's table in the back of the church. You can either drop it by the church office or mail it in. Thank you for your support of St. Andrew's Church.

Coffee Hour update

The Coffee Hour Host schedule for January and February is as follows (so far):

January 4

8am: Jim Swan

10am: Carol Hartman & Belinda Nields

January 11

8am:

10am:

January 18

8am:

10am:

January 25

8am: Tanya Albert & [looking for a Coffee Hour partner]

10am:

February 1

8am: Margaret Coit & Les Foster

10am:

February 8

8am:

10am:

February 15

8am:

10am:

February 22

8am:

10am:

As you can see, there are lots of opportunities to host Coffee Hour in the coming months. Hosts are responsible for set-up, keeping the coffee and tea water topped up, and clean-up. Members of the congregation are encouraged to bring sweet or savoury nibbles as the spirit moves them. If you would like to sign up to host, please put your name on the clipboard in the Undercroft or contact Sara Sandberg through the church office.



Winter Weather

In case of icy or snowy weather, please check your email or the church phone message (563-3533) for any service changes due to the weather.

Wednesday service at 11:30am

The Wednesday 11:30am service will resume on January 7. There will be lunch served in the undercroft following that service. All are welcome!

Carpooling

"The Earth Keepers are reminding us that as snow accumulates, car pooling to church is a wise practice. Let's have lower emissions and fewer cars competing for space. Some of us would appreciate not having to navigate a snowbank or walking a distance on slippery ground. Some of us no longer drive but would like to get to church. There's a car pooling sign up at the rear of the church. Or call someone you know who would appreciate your friendly transportation on Sunday morning."



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, January 7.

Meetings

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 Wildner, Elizabeth Lyon, Robin Schneider, Susan & Fred Murray, Nicole & Family, Susan O'Brien., Steve Busch, Lydia

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Organist: Sean Fleming - Choir Director: Linda Blanchard
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