



This week at St. Andrew's

Thursday, June 18, 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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June 21, 2026

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite I

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman
Altar Guild: Laura Blanchard
Eucharistic Minister: Jim Van Dyke
Lector: Jim Swan
Usher: Jim Swan
Vestry Announcer: Tanya Albert

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: Nora Lundeen
Eucharistic Minister: Christine Benken
Lectors: Cynthia Garrels & Nancy Gault
Livestream Operator: Bill Judd
Ushers: Becky & Chris Powers
Vestry Announcer: Bob Lundeen

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)

Foyer Dinner Gatherings

Back by popular demand and rave reviews, we would like to reinstate the evening Foyer dinner gatherings. As in the past, we will randomly choose four to five couples (or singles) forming groups of those who wish to participate and you can meet once a month at each other's homes (or at St. Andrews) for a nice lunch or evening get-together, enjoying the company of fellow

parishioners. The hosts make the main course and everyone else brings appetizers/salads/veggies/dessert. Please sign up at the 8:00 and 10:00 service this Sunday (or next) if you would like to participate.

If you have any questions, please call: Laura Blanchard (240) 338-2527 or Belinda Nields (207) 682-8544

Keep Love in the Mix 2026

Please join us as we celebrate 2026 Pride Month with the Newcastle and Damariscotta communities on Saturday, 27 June at Veterans Park. Once again, St. Andrew's will host a coffee and refreshments table to begin this year's Pride Parade and Festivities. Activities begin at 9:30 am, rain or shine, with the parade kicking off at 10 am. All are encouraged to join this joyful celebration. For more information click [here](#)

We welcome contributions to our refreshment table. Items can be dropped off at the church kitchen Friday afternoon, 26th or early Saturday morning the 27th. If you have questions contact Jim Swan.

Diaper Drive – Mother's Day (May 10) – Father's Day (June 21)

The Ecumenical Diaper Bank is in its eleventh year and has distributed tens of thousands of diapers to help babies in low income households remain clean, dry, and healthy. It still a completely volunteer organization and all of the collected funds are used for diapers, pull-ups, and the paper bags they are distributed in. Diapers are distributed through the Ecumenical Food Pantry in Newcastle and the Waldoboro Clothes Closet.

In 2025, close to 15,000 diapers were distributed. Again this year, especially due to the fact that government programs like SNAP do not pay for diapers and wipes, the need for diaper aid in our community remains high. Our biggest need is for **funds** to purchase in bulk, larger diapers (size 3 and up) and pull-ups. If you are interested in donating to help support the diaper bank, checks can be made out to "Damariscotta Baptist Church" with "diapers" on the memo line. You may bring the check to church and put it in the plate or drop it by the office. If you wish to mail your check directly, you may send it to St. Andrew's Church or to Midcoast Friends Meeting at PO Box 714, Damariscotta, 04543.

Donations can also be brought to any of our supporting churches: Damariscotta Baptist Church, Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Midcoast Friends Meeting, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Second Congregational Church, Twin Villages Baptist Church, and Water of Life Lutheran Church.

Thank you for your support.

June 28: Thank You Party for Ann Kash

Ann Kash is retiring in the middle of this month. She has served as our parish administrator for 15 years with love, kindness, faithfulness and patience. It is time to say thank you for all she has given to us and to our parish.

Following the 10 am service on Sunday, June 28, we will have a potluck luncheon for Ann. We need you to make the food (luncheon savory and sweet items). Please let Sara Sandburg know what you will be bringing so she can make sure we have all we need.

We also would like to collect donations of money from any who wishes to give, so that we can give Ann a parting/retirement gift of a cash purse. Please either mail or drop off your donations to the church office. If you contribute cash, make sure you place in an envelope and label "Ann gift." If you wish to write a check, please make the check out to St. Andrew's and put "Ann gift" in the memo line.

Please help us to send Ann off with a wonderful celebration. Thankfully we will not lose her from our lives, as she will continue on as a faithful member of St. Andrew's, but her role with us will change. Let's thank her for all she has done.

And if there are any creative types out there who would like to write a poem, or sing a song, or any such fun and loving expression of gratitude to Ann, let me know. We will find a way to include you in the celebrations. Peace, Suzannah

Coffee Hour update

Please sign up for coffee hour in June and beyond! 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 Atrium or contact Sara Sandberg through the church office.

June 14

8:00am: [Les Foster & Margaret Coit](#)

10:00am: [Brent and Carter Douglass](#)

June 21

8:00am: [Ann Dibble](#)

10:00am: [Martha and Sarah](#)

June 28

8:00am: [Terry Marsh](#)

10:00am: [Becky Powers](#)

Note about the music for June 21

Thank you to John David Adams for his offering of music for the Sunday, June 21 10:00 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.

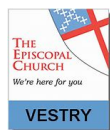
Here is a list of the guests who will present music at the St. Andrew's Sunday 10:00 service between now and Aug. 31. Please mark these on your calendar so that you don't miss these special offerings of music!

June 21 - John David Adams, bass-baritone

July 12 - Torren Nehrboss, harp

Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 - Brent Douglass, organ

Sept. 6 - Pam Van Siclen, flute



Vestry Meeting Minutes

If you would like to read the vestry minutes from the May meeting, please click [here](#)



St. Andrew's Book Club next meeting

Our July book is going to be "Atonement" by Ian McEwan. We will meet at St Andrews on Thursday, July 23 at 2:30. All are welcome!



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

Wednesday Healing Service: Wednesdays at 11:30am

Please note: There will be **no service Wednesday, June 17.**

Please join us for lunch after the service on Wednesday, July 8.

Meetings

Benedictine Group: 10:00 AM Wednesday (Zoom only)

If you are interested in attending the meeting, please contact Fran Hargreaves or the church office at 207-563-3533.

Senior Choir rehearsal: 7-9pm Thursdays

Knitting Group: 2-4pm Fridays

All welcome: knitters, non-knitters and everything in between.

Please Note: The Knitting Group will be meeting in members' homes until the church spaces are repaired. We'll send the regular weekly announcement around with information on location. If you'd like to be part of the group but are not on the email list, please contact Sara Sandberg for the schedule. You don't have to be a knitter (or crocheter or quilter or embroiderer or anything else) to join us. All that's required is enjoying one another's company on Friday afternoons from 2 to 4pm.

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, Tom Belanger, Dick, Tyler & Christine, Julie, Cynthia Troxel, Nathan Hargreaves, Janice Roman, Beth, Joanne Sousa, Ian J., Emily Goodchild, Jennie Wildner, Elizabeth Lyon, Robin Schneider, Susan & Fred Murray, Nicole & Family, Susan O'Brien, Steve Busch, Lydia, Joe & Sherry, Anne, Betsy, David, Matthew Schneider.

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Clerk: Les Foster - Treasurer: Ed Ross

Organist: Sean Fleming - Choir Director: Linda Blanchard

Parish Administrator: June Budrow

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