

This week at St. Andrew's

Thursday, November 4, 2021

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.



Daylight Savings Time Ends this weekend. Please set your clocks BACK one hour before going to bed Saturday night.

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

Sunday after All Saints' Day

November 7, 2021

<u>Celebrant & Preacher</u>: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman <u>Organ/Keyboard:</u> Sean Fleming <u>Choir Director</u>: Linda Blanchard

10:00am in person service (inside the building)

<u>Altar Guild</u>: Ruth Piper & Terry Marsh <u>Intercessor/Eucharistic Minister</u>: Terry Marsh <u>Lectors</u>: Seth Stewart & Martha Dodge <u>Livestream Operator</u>: Bill Judd <u>Ushers</u>: Jim Swan & Martha Dodge <u>Vestry Announcements</u>: Seth Stewart

Readings for The Sunday after All Saints' Day

First Reading: Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9 Psalm 24 Second Lesson: Revelation 21:1-6a Gospel: John 11:32-44

If you would like to read the lessons on the Lectionary Page website, pleaseclick here

Once you are at lectionarypage.net, you may choose NEW Resource: <u>RCL Daily Reading</u>s. If you scroll to the bottom you can sign up to receive daily readings via your email.



We Need You

We have been through a lot of changes in the past year and a half, and of course our church ministries are not exempt from these changes. As worship at St. Andrew's has shifted and changed, our various liturgical ministers (Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Lectors, and Altar

Guild) have had to shift and change as well. Some serving in these ministeries decided to take time off or retire for many different reasons. As a result, we do not have enough volunteers to fill these various ministries. We need you.

Serving in a liturgical capacity during worship can be a wonderful way to connect to worship, to the community and to God in a new way. Whether you have served in one of these ministries in the past or have never served as a liturgical minister before, we need you.

<u>On Sunday, November 21 at 9 AM</u> we will hold a gathering and training for all liturgical ministers. If you would like to give one of these ministries a try (Eucharistic Ministers (administering the wine), Ushers (greeting and helping people througout the service), Lectors (readers), and Altar Guild (preparing the elements for communion and cleaning up afterward)), would like to return to a ministry, or are continuing in your ministry, please join us on November 21. If you are interested, but unable to attend, please let the office know. We will find another time to work with you.

Suzannah's Homily from Bill Murdoch's memorial service

This past week Saturday we gave thanks for the life of Bill Murdoch in a memorial service at St. Andrew's. For those who were unable to attend, please click <u>here</u> for Suzannah's homily.

A letter from Suzannah about our November worship services:

Dear Friends,

Some of you have had questions about our worship schedule for November. I would like to take a moment to try to answer them.

1. Why is our 8 am service zoom and not in person?

We have members of our parish family who are not yet ready to worship in person. In order to meet the needs of as many people as possible, the vestry and I decided to offer one zoom option and one inperson option that is also live-streamed.

2. Why can't we simply zoom an in-person service?

In order to effectively zoom an in-person service in our worship space, we would need to do the service as a webinar. This would essentially be no different from the live-streamed service we will be doing at 10 AM (in-person that is live-streamed to Facebook and posted later on YouTube). In webinar format, those at home would not be able to talk to one another nor would they be able to participate in the service by doing a reading from home. There are members of our congregation who are not able yet to worship in person who do want to be able to talk with other people. Zoom morning-prayer with everyone on Zoom is the best way to meet these needs.

3. Why can't we have a Celebration of Holy Eucharist rather than Morning Prayer for the Zoom Service? We could do that, but it would be logistically challenging. Morning Prayer is more adaptable to a Zoom format that is not a webinar.

I thank everyone for being willing to sacrifice some personal worship preferences so that we might meet the worship needs of as many people as possible. If we have learned nothing else from this pandemic, we have learned that approaching everything with flexibility and generosity of spirit is the best way forward. I am so glad to be part of a community that takes this to heart. And remember, nothing is written in stone. Every month the vestry evaluates our worship and makes changes as appropriate. Yours in Christ,

Suzannah +

St. Andrew's Church services for November, 2021

Wednesdays at 10:00am: Service of Holy Communion with prayers for healing

This service will be held inside the church, with masks

Sundays at 8:00am: Zoom Morning Prayer service (not inside the building)

This service will not be livestreamed or recorded, but the link will be made available to all members through our weekly newsletter. This service will be a simplified version of what we did earlier in the Pandemic. There will be time to remain after the service is finished to have a virtual coffee hour. Anyone is welcome to join this virtual coffee hour at about 8:45, even if not attending the morning prayer service.

Sundays at 10:00am: Celebration of Holy Eucharist in person in the church

On the first Sunday of the month we will use Rite I and on the other Sundays Rite II. We will be masked with no singing. This service will be livestreamed on Facebook and will be available later in the day on YouTube. We will hear recordings of the choir singing. There will be no coffee or food served following the service, as this would require the removal of masks, but anyone is welcome to gather for a time of fellowship in either the Atrium or the Undercroft.



Help Wanted!

Would you like to become a livestream operator? Next month the 10 AM service moves indoors and will utilize the computer and cameras installed there to livestream our worship to Facebook. Would like to train a cadre of people to

perform this duty. Commitment would be one Sunday a month. Free training provided. You will learn to operate some neat software programs and control cameras, graphics and audio inputs. Contact Bill Judd whj3@tidewater.net if interested.

Holy Men and Holy Women: Richard Hooker

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 or 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.

This week we remember Richard Hooker. Please clickhere to learn more about him.



Re-Keying the Church

The church has been re-keyed. We will be contacting people over the next few weeks who may need keys

to access the church. Please let the office know if you feel you need a key and have not been contacted by the middle of November.

Keys must be signed out and returned when no longer needed

Stewardship

Stewardship packets were mailed last week. Please let the office know if you have not received one. Pumpkins!

If you would like to donate your old pumpkins for Christine

Benken's goats, they would love to recycle them...yum! Please drop them by the church for Christine. Thanks!

Forward Day by Day

The new Forward Day by Day publications have arrived. Copies can be found in the church and the atrium.

Sunday Worship - November 7, 2021

8AM Zoom Morning Prayer service

The worship booklet for the 8AM Sunday service of Morning Prayer is available by clickinghere

8am Sunday service of Morning Prayer: Meeting ID:

10AM Indoor Sunday service of Holy Eucharist Rite I

Livestreamed on St. Andrew's Facebook page. Recorded to St. Andrew's Facebook and YouTube pages. The recording on the YouTube page will be available by the next day.

The worship booklet for the 10AM livestreamed indoor service of Holy Eucharist Rite I is available by clicking <u>here</u>

You can get to our Facebook page by clicking<u>here</u> You can get to our YouTube channel by clicking<u>here</u>

Weekday Worship

<u>Compline:</u> Monday-Friday 9 PM Zoom Meeting ID: <u>Morning Prayer:</u> Monday–Friday 7:00 am Zoom Meeting:

Wednesday Healing Service: 10:00am inside service of Holy Eucharist Rite II with Prayers for Healing

Meetings

Poetry Reading: 4PM Monday Zoom Meeting ID:

<u>Bible Study</u>: 12:15 PM Tuesday Zoom Meeting ID:

Benedictine Group: 11:15 AM Wednesday Zoom Meeting ID:

<u>Knitting Group</u>: 2-4pm Fridays, at St. Andrew's unless otherwise announced by email, AND 2-4pm Sundays on Zoom All welcome: not necessary to be a knitter! Zoom Meeting ID:

To view the 8am Sunday service and bulletins from St. Andrew's website:

Below is the link to pages for the upcoming Sunday 8am service, on which you can find the bulletin

Sunday, November 7, Morning Prayer <u>https://standrewsnewcastle.org/2021/11/03/st-andrews-episcopal-church-all-saints-observed-24-</u> pentecost-november-7-800-am-service/

To view the live stream video, Please click <u>here</u> This is the link to view the 10:00am Sunday service on Facebook. It is a link to the video page, so you can use the same link on an ongoing basis. Sean Fleming

You can get to our Facebook page by clicking <u>here</u> You can get to our YouTube channel by clicking <u>here</u> You can get to our Website by clicking <u>here</u>

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, Robert Hodge, Amanda Smith, Stephen Gorrill, Val Gorrill, Bob Gorrill, Ellen B., Allie, Anne Rossideas, Bruce Rinker, Virginia White, Felicia McAllister, Tom Sullivan, John, Todd, Donald Johnson Olderson, Tom Belanger, Dick, Catherine Fleming, Alex Place, Mark Place, David Badgley, Tyler, Bruce, Chandler Stephenson, Cynthia Troxel, Jane Ferris, Maureen McNiff, Geoff & Rachel Titherington, Sam Young, Brad & Tina Reynolds, Victoria, Nicholas Collins, Robin Schneider, Matthew Schneider, Harry Pearce, Richard Miller, Judy McMahan, Lorrie Buchanan, Jane Gear, Louise Bessire.

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