



# This week at St. Andrew's

Thursday, May 26, 2022

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

## May 29, 2022 7 Easter

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman  
Organist: Sean Fleming  
Choir Director: Linda Blanchard

### **8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite I (inside with masks)**

Altar Guild: Ruth Piper  
Intercessor/Eucharistic Minister: Ann Kash  
Lector: Brett Donham  
Usher: Kelley Kash  
Vestry Announcer: Terry Marsh

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

### **9:15am Morning Prayer on Zoom**

Led by seminarian and postulant for Holy Orders, Ben Cooke.  
He will be using the New Zealand Book of Common Prayer

The worship booklet for the 9:15am Morning Prayer service is available by clicking [here](#)

**\*\*Please note that this Sunday will be the last Sunday Morning Prayer service led by Ben Cooke**

### **10:00am Holy Eucharist Rite II (inside with masks)**

Altar Guild: Sarah Houghton  
Intercessor/Eucharistic Minister: Laurie Gray  
Lectors: Mark Freese & Steve Ward  
Livestream Operator: Bill Judd  
Ushers: Cindy Freese & Kay Liss  
Vestry Announcer: Christine Benken

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

**Readings for Sunday, May 29 can be found on the Lectionary Page website.**

If you would like to access the website, please [click here](#)

Once you are at [lectionarypage.net](http://lectionarypage.net), you may choose **NEW Resource:** [RCL Daily Readings](#). If you scroll to the bottom you can sign up to receive daily readings via your email.

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## All Parish Outdoor Potluck Picnic and Celebration

Please join us on Sunday, June 5 after the 10am service for a festive outdoor potluck picnic as we celebrate the Day of Pentecost (wear red!), meet the Zoorob family and recognize two students graduating from Lincoln Academy.

Marc and Ralph Zoorob's parents will be visiting from Lebanon and will be at St. Andrew's for the 10am service. Their father, The Ven. Imad Zoorob will preach at that service. We will also be recognizing two high school graduates: Marc Zoorob and Forest Holbrook.

Please come and bring a dish to share with our parishioners and friends. Cold dishes work best. Some potluck suggestions are sandwiches, breads, vegetables, salads, fruit and of course, desserts. If you have any questions, please contact Sally Pearce or Ruth Piper.

Hope to see you there!

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## Letter from the Rector about the Common Cup

Dear Friends,

Out of necessity over the past two years, COVID has caused us to make a lot of liturgical innovations in our worship. First, we worshipped via zoom. Then we livestreamed with people receiving pre-consecrated bread at home while watching the service. We worshipped outside, and then finally returned inside to the nave as we became vaccinated. Through the early months of the pandemic, we ceased receiving wine at communion altogether as it was unclear whether COVID could be passed through the sharing of the "common cup." Even though communion is a completely valid sacrament when taken only in one kind, many missed the practice of receiving wine, so we instituted individual plastic cups. Throughout the many changes and innovations, we had the permission of our bishop and he and we thought the changes would only be in place for a short period of time. With the wisdom of hindsight, we all know how wrong our view was.

We are now in our third year of the pandemic, and it is clear that COVID is not going away. So, the question is this: what do we do about the innovations we made especially around the serving of the consecrated wine in individual cups? **At our annual Diocese of Maine Clergy Conference, the Bishop asked us to discontinue any innovations in the distribution of bread and wine that we had begun as a result of the pandemic.** He, like everyone, thought these would be short-lived innovations and is concerned that they are becoming common practice and a part of people's piety.

We will therefore return to the common cup beginning with the services this Sunday, May 29th.

Now I imagine that you have a few possible questions in your mind at this point. I have tried to anticipate and answer some of the questions you may have. You may access them by clicking [here](#). There will also be printed copies in the back of the church on Sunday.

I give thanks for the great resiliency, perseverance, and flexibility of you the people of St. Andrew's. I know the many changes over the course of more than two years have been challenging for all of us. I give thanks that we have each other as we navigate the ever-changing world that we find ourselves in. I give thanks that God has sustained us.

Yours in Christ,

*Suzannah +*

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## Vestry Meeting Minutes from April Meeting

If you would like to read the vestry minutes from the April 19, 2022 meeting, please click [here](#)

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## Memorial Day

The church offices will be closed on Monday, May 30th for the observance of Memorial Day.

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## Holy Men and Holy Women: Bede: Priest and Historian

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 Bede: Priest and Historian. Please click [here](#) to learn more about him.

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### Upcoming Choral Concerts



#### Spring 2022 Chorus: St. Cecilia Chamber Choir

Brahms Leibeslieder Waltzes and a Musical Potpourri from Medieval to Modern including music of Tallis, Pearsall, Weelkes and Wilberg  
*Sean Fleming and John Mulcahy, piano*

Friday, May 27 at 7:30pm and Saturday, May 28 at 7:30pm  
St. Patrick's Church, Newcastle

Tickets at \$15 and free to students. Tickets are available at the door and at Sherman's Main Coast Bookshop, Damariscotta  
FMI: [ceciliachoir.org](http://ceciliachoir.org)

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#### For the Beauty of the Earth: Tapestry Singers

*Featuring Abbey Hutchins, Soprano*

The Tapestry Singers will perform at St. Patrick's Church, Newcastle on Saturday, June 4 at 7:30pm and Sunday, June 5 at 4:00pm

Tickets are \$16 and can be purchased on their website:  
[tapestrysingersmaine.org](http://tapestrysingersmaine.org)

Advanced purchase is recommended as there will be limited tickets at the door.

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### Weekday Worship

Compline: Monday-Friday 9 PM

Morning Prayer: Monday–Friday 7:00 am

Wednesday Healing Service: Wednesdays at 10:00am

### Meetings

Poetry Reading: 4PM Monday

Benedictine Group: 11:15 AM Wednesday

Knitting Group: 2-4pm Fridays AND 2-4pm Sundays on Zoom  
All welcome: not necessary to be a knitter!

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You can get to our Facebook page by clicking [here](#)  
You can get to our YouTube channel by clicking [here](#)

## 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, Todd, Donald Johnson Olderson, Tom Belanger, Dick, Catherine Fleming, Alex Place, Mark Place, Donna & David Badgley, Tyler, Bruce & Julie, Cynthia Troxel, Jane Ferris, Maureen McNiff, Geoff & Rachel Titherington, Sam Young, Brad & Tina Reynolds, Victoria, Robin Schneider, Matthew Schneider, Lorrie Buchanan, Jane Gear, Louise Bessire, Donna Fitch, Janice & Paul Roman, Bob Gault, David Harris

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Junior Warden: Christine Benken - Clerk: Terry Marsh  
Treasurer: Mark Freese - Organist: Sean Fleming - Director of Choirs: Linda Blanchard  
Parish Administrator: Ann Kash  
Ministers: All Members of the Parish

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