



This week at St. Andrew's

Thursday, August 29, 2024

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.



LABOR DAY

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

September 1, 2024

15th Sunday after Pentecost

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite I with music

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman
Guest Organist: Brent Douglass
Altar Guild: Ann Kash
Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor: Kelley Kash
Lector: Ann Kash
Usher: Jim Swan
Vestry Announcer: Kelley Kash

The worship booklet for the 8am Sunday service is available by clicking [here](#).

10:00am Holy Eucharist Rite II with Music

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman
Guest Organist: Brent Douglass
Altar Guild: Judy Weislogel
Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor: Lili Pugh
Lectors: Judy Weislogel & Jennifer Meade
Ushers: Cindy Freese & Jennifer Meade
Livestream Operator: Bill Judd
Vestry Announcer:

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

The 10am service will also be livestreamed to St. Andrew's Facebook page where it can be viewed live or from a recording.

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

You can get to our Website by clicking [here](#)

**First Sunday Plate Outreach Recipient for September is:
Ecumenical Council on Homeless Prevention (ECHP)**

This Sunday, the plate cash at both services will be donated to the Ecumenical Council for Homeless Prevention to help provide assistance for those in need in the local area.

You may also write a check made out to the Damariscotta Baptist Church with ECHP in the memo line, place it in the offertory plate and we will send your donation.

Many thanks to Brent Douglass who has been filling in for Sean Fleming on the organ for the past four Sundays while he has been away.

Music Note for Sunday, September 1 at 8am and 10am

Although the words and tune of our opening hymn, "Fairest Lord Jesus," are as familiar as any in the hymnbook, and for many of us originate from our earliest memories of hymn singing, few of us know the origin of this simple and beautiful hymn. For over three hundred years, Christians of every denomination have sung and cherished "Fairest Lord Jesus." The hymn was copied from a Jesuit manuscript and was first printed in Münster Gesangbuch (1677), a Catholic hymnbook. Hungarian composer Franz Liszt (1811-1886) famously employed the tune in his oratorio, The Legend of St. Elizabeth, as part of the "Crusader's March." The tune, known as CRUSADERS' HYMN or ST. ELIZABETH, originated as a Silesian (Polish) folk song, and was first printed with the German text in 1842. There is no credible record of specific authors for either text or tune. -Brent Douglass

Season of Creation Events

St. Andrew's will be celebrating the Season of Creation throughout September with the following events. Everyone is welcome and heartily invited to join in:

9/7 (Saturday) 10am: Beach Clean-up at Pemaquid Beach

9/8 (Sunday) 8 & 10am: Season of Creation celebrated in liturgy, prayers and hymns at both services. Following the second service, we'll gather in the Undercroft for the Second Annual Meatless Potluck and a discussion of the book Not the End of the World, by Hannah Ritchie. Bring a meatless dish to share. The book may be available to borrow from the church library

9/14 (Saturday): CHIP Community Cares Day: Join parishioners and others in this community effort to help with small home repairs, winterizing, and chores.

9/15 (Sunday) 3pm: Ecumenical Creation liturgy service on the lawn at St. Andrew's

9/22 (Sunday): Labyrinth walk after church and Terra Divina at the Edgecomb Congregational Church. Bring a bag lunch and participate in a contemplative practice.

9/29 (Sunday): Labyrinth rain date.

10/6 (Sunday): Blessing of the animals. Bring your animals (and plants) to be blessed during the services.

Month of September: Get to Church another way. Carpool, bike, scooter, boat – take a photo of your "other way" and share it with us.

For more info, ask a member of the Earth Keepers team: Ann Creamer, Laurie Gray, Bill Judd, Kay Liss, Lili Pugh, Sara Sandberg, Steve Ward

Weekly Wednesday service and lunch

St. Andrew's has a number of parishioners who are no longer able to drive, and therefore are not able to be with us on Sunday mornings but are still a vital part of our community. In order to provide in person worship for more people, I am exploring moving the Wednesday service to 11:30 am and holding a lunch following the service in the Atrium. This is likely a better start time for those for whom getting up and going in the morning takes some time. (we would order sandwiches, provide drinks and take a freewill collection)

I would like to hear from you if you are someone who would like a ride to this service and luncheon. I would also like to hear from those who would be willing to be drivers for those who can no longer drive. The goal would be to create a rota large enough that no one is on call to drive every week. I would imagine the time commitment would be about 2 1/2 hours from pick up to drop off. You could stay for the service and lunch or leave and come back at 1 pm.

And of course, anyone would be welcome to come to the service and the luncheon, even if you are not able to be a driver or are able to drive yourself. The service is a Eucharist with a short sermon and healing prayers at the altar for those who wish to receive them for themselves or someone they love.

Please e-mail me (stasrector@tidewater.net) or call me (207-563-3533) if you are interested in receiving a ride, being a driver, or just have questions.

Peace,

Suzannah

Lay Eucharistic Visitors

Sometimes, due to illness, infirmity or age, members of our parish are not able to attend church in person, but church does not have to happen in the actual church. Communion can be brought to those who are unable to come out to worship. As a priest, I bring communion to many of these members and to those experiencing hospitalization but you do not have to be a priest to bring communion to members of the parish. Lay people can be licensed as Lay Eucharistic Visitors (LEV). With a little bit of training in the ministry and the completion of Diocesan safe church training, any member of St. Andrew's can become a LEV.

St. Andrew's has had Lay Eucharistic Visitors in the past but the ministry has been dormant for a few years. I would like to restart this ministry. I believe there are members of this parish who are called to this ministry. The time commitment would be a once a year in person training, yearly safe church training, and one Sunday a month visit to someone who would like to receive communion. My aim would be to have enough visitors that everyone who would like to receive communion at home would have a visitor once a month.

If this is a ministry that interests you and/or if you have any questions, please contact me (Stasrector@tidewater.net or 207-563-3533).

Peace,

Suzannah

Holy Women, Holy Men Augustine of Hippo Theologian and Bishop

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.

This week we remember Augustine of Hippo. Please click [here](#) to learn more about him.

Wall Mounted TV available

The TV has been taken down from the wall beside the sink in the atrium and is available for anyone to take to give it a new home. It comes with a wall mount and the remote control. First one to come and claim it may have it.



Coffee Hour

There are opportunities this summer to host coffee hours after the 8am and 10am Sunday services. The sign-up sheet is by the kitchen in the undercroft. If you are interested and have never hosted before, or would like to sign up via email, please contact Jim Swan or Sara Sandberg.



St. Andrew's Church Calendar

St. Andrew's Church calendar is available online. If you would like to access it, please click [here](#)

Please note: The church offices will be closed on Monday, September 2 for Labor Day

Weekday Worship

Compline: Monday-Friday 8:30 PM
Zoom Meeting

Wednesday Healing Service: Wednesdays at 10:00am

Meetings

Benedictine Group: 11:15 AM Wednesday
Zoom Meeting

Knitting Group: 2-4pm Fridays
All welcome: knitters, non-knitters and everything in between.
Meeting in the Undercroft unless otherwise announced.

Workshop - Give Light: Spiritual Support for Climate Engagement

Saturday, September 28

10:00am - 3:00pm

Second Congregational Church, Newcastle

Workshop Fee: \$20 (*no one will be turned away for inability to pay*)

For more information, please click [here](#) to view the poster

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, Shelby Owen, Peter Blanchard, Beth, Dennis C., Allison Rose, Drew Havens, Emily Goodspeed, Anne Ogden, Tony Sousa, Joanne Sousa.

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