



This week at St. Andrew's

Thursday, September 24, 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

18 Pentecost

September 27, 2026

8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite I

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Suzannah Rohman

Altar Guild: Marianne Pinkham

Eucharistic Minister: Malcolm Foster

Lector: Laura Blanchard

Usher: Marianne Pinkham

Vestry Announcer: Laura Blanchard

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

Livestream Operator: Bill Judd

Altar Guild: Sarah Monaghan-Houghton

Eucharistic Minister: Kelley Kash

Lectors: Cynthia Garrels & Martha Elliott

Ushers: Ann Kash & Belinda Nields

Vestry Announcer: Belinda Nields

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)

Organ Recital at St. Andrews

Virginia Bolena, Organist and Director of Music at Trinity Episcopal Church in Staunton, VA, will perform a recital on our historic Hutchings organ at St. Andrews

church on [Friday, September 25 at 7 p.m.](#)

Virginia has performed as a recitalist at notable venues including St. Thomas Church Fifth Avenue in New York and Oxford Town Hall in the United Kingdom. Her choirs have performed at the National Cathedral, Christ Church, Oxford, UK and the Cathedral in Wells, UK.

Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend. There is no charge for this performance; a free will offering will be requested. -Brent Douglass

EARTH KEEPERS

The Earth Keepers would like to invite you to the celebration of Season of Creation, September 6th through October 4th.

Each year Province I of The Episcopal Church provides daily devotions created by lay and clergy of the region to celebrate the Season of Creation. It is not too late to sign up. You can find them here: [Praying with Creation Daily Devotions from Ecoregion I](#)

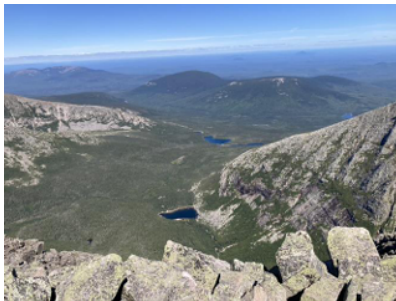
Do you like to sing? The Earth Keepers invite you to celebrate Creation Season this [Sunday the 27th at 4:00](#) in the Undercroft with a Singing Circle led by Dan Townsend. He will bring the books and guitar, we pick out the songs we want to sing - Big Yellow Taxi, This Land is Your Land, Morning is Broken - whatever we like from 4:00 to 5:30. Join us and have some fun in a full-throated celebration of Creation. Kids too!

Upcoming Earth Keeper Events:

9/26 at 4:00 Ecumenical service for creation, St. Andrew's lawn

9/27 at 4:00 singing circle with Dan Townsend, St. Andrew's Undercroft

10/3 at 4:00 Terra Divina at Whaleback Shell Middens, Damariscotta



Terra Divina

[October 3rd 4:00](#)

At the Whaleback Shell Middens State Historic Site Damariscotta

All are welcome to this contemplative practice. We will say together an Abenaki prayer and use it while contemplating the nature around us. Offered by the Earth Keepers of St. Andrew's Church, Newcastle

St. Francis Day

October 4th is St. Francis Day. We will be celebrating and remembering the creatures that are near and dear to us. Bring your photos (about 3x5" is best) of

creatures you want to remember to the church over the next couple of weeks. We will tack them onto our celebration board and raise them up during the service.

St. Andrew's Flower Guild

The St. Andrew's Flower Guild is asking for donations for silk flowers for the altar when memorials or donations aren't available.

Please consider a donation to help keep flowers on our altar. You can put your donation in the offering plate, made out to St. Andrew's with Altar flowers in the memo line or drop by during office hours. Cash or checks appreciated.

Thank you.

Coffee Hour update

Please sign up for coffee hour in October 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 off and clean up. Members of the congregation are encouraged to bring sweet or savory 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.

September 27

8:00 am: Jim Swan

10:00 am: Smith/Slayton

October 4

8:00 am:

10:00 am: Belinda Nields

October 11

8:00 am:

10:00 am:

October 18

8:00 am:

10:00 am:

October 25

8:00 am: Jim Swan

10:00 am: Fred Kraeuter & Ron Ross

Holy Women, Holy Men

Thomas Gallaudet (6/3/1822-8/13/1902)

Henry Winter Syle (11/9/1846-1/6/1890)

Priests

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 Louis, King.

Please click [here](#) to learn more about them.



Vestry Meeting Minutes

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



St. Andrew's Book Club next meeting

Our August book is going to be "Theo of Golden" by Allen Levi. We will meet at St Andrews on Thursday, September 24 at 2:30 in the Library. 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
Our next lunch will be after the October 7th service.

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, in the Undercroft
All are welcome -- knitters, non-knitters, and general conversationalists.
If you'd like to be part of the group but are not on the email list, please contact Sara Sandberg. 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., Robin Schneider, Susan & Fred Murray, Nicole & Family, Susan O'Brien, Steve Busch, Lydia, Joe & Sherry, Anne, Betsy, David, Matthew Schneider, Ellie Kuniholm, The Fr. Chad Williams Family, Christine Taylor, Pat Erb, Cally & Pete Pratt, Melinda Hayes, The Dickson-Smith Family, Julia Ruggieri, Beth Hoke

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Clerk: Les Foster - Treasurer: Ed Ross

Organist: Sean Fleming - Choir Director: Linda Blanchard
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