

St. Andrew Scroll

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On Our Way Rejoicing



On June 12, the faithful members of St. Andrew voted unanimously to enter into a “yoking” agreement with

Advent Lutheran Church. One week later, the faithful members of Advent voted 60-0 with one abstention to enter into the yoking agreement.

The word "rejoice" shows up more than 230 times in Scripture and it captures our collective response to this new partnership.

And we are indeed ‘on our way.’

The Bishop’s office is now working on providing candidate names to the Parish Council for a three-year term call. The process would have the Parish Council interview candidates, make a recommendation to each of the congregation councils. Once each congregation council approves, both congregations hold a special meeting to approve the candidate(s) and make the recommendation to the Rocky Mountain Synod. It is the Synod that will issue the call.

The Parish Council recently met; an update from our Parish Council representatives is on the next page of this newsletter. As Pastor Barb Martens said, “The Spirit is working!”

St. Andrew Lutheran Church in Arvada

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OFFICE HOURS:

TUESDAY 11 TO 4

WEDNESDAY 9 TO 2

THURSDAY 9 TO 2:30

Sunday Worship 9 a.m.
[in the sanctuary and via Zoom]

For the Zoom link, see your weekly bulletin, call the office, or text “worship” to 720-641-1961

Parish Partner -
Advent Lutheran Church
in Westminster
7979 Meade Street
Westminster
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
(In-person and [via Facebook](#))



July birthdays!

9th George Meneghini
11th Emily Knight
19th Vicki Cravens
25th Tom Hartke
26th Marv Korab



Thank you from Laura



We received a very nice thank you and generous donation from Laura Heagle following the memorial service for Bill and Karl.

*"Thank you St. Andrew -
For your love
For your support
For the fun
For all the years."*

-Laura Heagle

Parish Council Update - What's next!

All 8 members of the Parish Council met last week, joyful about the mutual decision to yoke and ready to move forward.

The meeting was hosted by Pam Stofferahn from the Synod office. She noted the Synod's excitement for us as well as their desire for our success in this endeavor.

The Call Process -

- The opening for a rostered leader(s) is already on the Synod website and there is one candidate already identified
- The Parish Council is meeting weekly to prepare interview questions, refine the interview process, and work on how best to introduce a finalist to our two congregations
- There is a shortage of pastors/rostered leaders so we may have to call one rostered leader and continue the search for a second person

Worship times -

- A top priority for the Parish Council is moving forward on adjusting worship times to avoid an overlap. Our worship is 9am - 10am and Advent currently worships 9:30am - 10:30am.
- The Parish Council will be talking with each of the congregations to gauge the best adjustments for everyone

The call process may not be completed by September, but when compared to the traditional process, we are WAY ahead, already 75% of the way down the path!

The biggest 'task' for St. Andrew members right now is to pray, pray, pray! And let the Parish Council know if you have any questions.

-Laura Heagle, Liz Shinn, Erin Knight, Mari Hackbarth

Pastor Bev's Farewell -



August 28 is Pastor Bev's last Sunday with us, so we will gather after worship for brunch and a light-hearted farewell event that we are calling **Skee-daddle to Seattle!** Watch for a sign up sheet in August for brunch items.

BUT - before Pastor Bev returns from vacation, we are collecting donations and good wishes.

Look for cut-outs of umbrellas and raindrops in the Narthex to write a thank you note or other message to Pastor Bev. These will be combined into a book to present in August.



And there are two different gift opportunities. Pastor is a quilter and may finally have time to quilt. We will collect donations for a gift certificate for quilting supplies.

Pastor also mentioned her interest in the restoration of the Messiah Mountain Retreat Center. When she was the interim at Messiah Lutheran Church, she was instrumental in helping establish the Retreat Center.

Our Endowment Fund is giving \$250 to Messiah Mountain. The retreat center can use a lot of financial help as they work to restore the facility to be used as a center for adult Lutherans.



If you would like to donate to either the gift certificate or the retreat center, or both, you may write a check to St. Andrew and put the gift certificate or retreat center, or both, on the memo line.

We are hoping to collect gift donations and notes for her message book **before July 31**. You can reach out to Sammie in the church office or Joe or Julie Cunningham with any questions!

Meet the Healing Arts Center practitioners -

You already know some of the practitioners who use our Healing Arts Center but probably not all of them. Here's a quick snapshot of the practitioners and the healing work taking place at the HAC. We are working to update the Healing Arts Center page on the St. Andrew website with additional information about each of the practitioners.

Barb Brown - Everyday Spirit Quest

Barb helps others deepen their spiritual practices and find spiritual healing.

Gayle Fowler - GEAF Gifts

Gayle offers Reiki healing as well as healing crafts.

Lisa Lowe - Lifelong Acupuncture

Lisa is an acupuncturist and teaches mindfulness meditation.

Garrett Duncan - Navajo Illuminations

Garrett offers spiritual counseling and healing.

Dani Dodd - Goddess Divine Healing

Dani offers Reiki healing.

Dr. Holly Foster, DVM - Acupuncture For Animals

Dr. Holly is a veterinarian offering acupuncture for animals.

Carissa Fisher and Susan Goddard - Two Open Hearts

Carissa and Susan are a mother/daughter team offering Reiki healing for both people and animals.

Brenda Hardwick - Light Of Nature

Brenda helps people with energy healing, laughter yoga, and spiritual counseling.

Dawn Swan - Counselor

Dawn is private practice counselor.

Barbara Phillips -

Barbara offers Reflexology.

**.St. Andrew Lutheran Church
Council Minutes – June 7, 2022**

In attendance: Joe Cunningham, Mari Hackbarth, Liz Shinn, Bud Obert, Lynn Kimbrough, Laura Heagle, Gloria Lopatofsky, Pastor Bev Piro.

1. **Call to order** - Joe called the meeting to order at 6:32pm
2. **Opening prayer** - Pastor Bev opened with prayer.
3. **Approval of agenda** - Bud moved to approve the agenda, second by Mari. The motion carried.
4. **Approval of council minutes from May 15, 2022** - Bud moved to approve the minutes, second by Mari. The motion carried.
5. **Pastor's Report** - Senior Saints has wrapped up activities for the summer, activity will resume in the fall. The memorial service for Bill and Karl Heagle will be on June 18, the celebration of life for Joanne Beisel will be July 10 at the Arvada Elks. And August 13 is a tentative date for a memorial service for Charles Anderson. Pastor Bev will be away for Joanne's service, so pastoral care there is still TBD. Pastor Bev would like to have an outdoor service in August and invite Advent folks and maybe include Brenda Hardwick for a laughter session after the service. Dana Peterson will be the guest preacher for Pastor Bev's last Sunday on August 28. We were approached by a community member who needed a community service project for her granddaughter and Pastor Bev is helping make that happen, it will be focused on cleaning up the courtyard.
6. **Council President's Report** - no report
7. **Treasurer's report** – Submitted in writing. Mari added that we may not have all of May's expenses entered yet because expenses are about half what we would expect, income is right on target. The transfers to the ELCA credit union are underway, with totals at the ELCA Credit Union just over \$55,000. Mari will be looking at ways to invest that money to earn a little more than just savings account interest. Pastor Bev suggested talking with Tina Kvitek.
8. **Ministry updates** (*Council liaison*)
 - a. **Worship** (*Gloria, Joe, Laura, Liz*) - The worship team will need to be activated again in August to help plan worship after Bev leaves and until we get new leadership in place. Gloria has a candidate for the organist position; he will attend on Sunday to see our service.
 - b. **Fellowship/Member care** (*Liz, Lynn*) - no report
 - c. **Faith Formation** (*Laura*) - no report
 - d. **Communication** (*Joe, Lynn*) - The new PTZ camera has been installed to enhance the online worship experience. New anti-virus software has been installed on the office and sanctuary computers.
 - e. **Outreach** - No report
 - f. **Property maintenance** - The dumpster has been locked. Pastor Bev would like to purchase a new vacuum for the church. The HAC practitioners also were looking into buying a new vacuum. Bud and Barb Obert will look into purchasing a new vacuum. Mari noted that Robert Coppin had turned on

the sprinkler system today and found a leak; he will work on fixing that over the weekend. Lawn Dogs have mowed a few times already, coming every other week.

9. Liaison reports - (*liaison*)

a. Healing Arts Center (*Barb B*) – no report

b. Secrest Elementary (*Mary Ann, Jenny*) - no report

c. Parish council report (*liaisons*) - A letter was received from Robert Coppin with questions about the Parish Agreement. There was discussion about how to respond as it was a budget question. Laura will email a reply.

9. Old business -

a. Community Garden - this may be an area the young woman doing community service may be able to help with.

b. Window coverings - This item was tabled from May. It is tabled one more month to July.

c. Clean out day - Plans are in place for Saturday's clean out day, Robert, Bud, Joe, Tom H. are confirmed. Some of the Altar Guild members will be there to work in the Sacristy.

10. New business - no new business items

Announcements - Advent is having their International Potluck but we forgot to announce it. Pastor Bev will send a quick note tonight to remind people.

Next meeting date – July 10, 2022 following worship.

Adjournment - Laura moved to adjourn at 7:24, second by Bud; the motion carried.