

# St. Andrew Scroll

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6774 W. 66th Avenue, Arvada, Colorado 80003

## Coffee & Conversation in the Courtyard

It's been awhile since you've seen THAT invitation, yes?!

In light of the easing of pandemic restrictions, St. Andrew wants to take advantage of the beautiful weather, our beautiful courtyard, and the high rate of vaccination within our congregation.



We will have coffee and light refreshments this Sunday, June 6, in the courtyard following the worship service.

Come and share your good wishes with Pastor Bev as she prepares for her summer

hiatus. And catch up with your St. Andrew friends!

As part of the re-opening transition and in line with current public health guidelines, masks are now optional in the sanctuary, with social distancing still encouraged. If you have any questions, feel free to call or email the church office or Pastor Bev directly.

## 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]**

There is ample seating capacity in the sanctuary with a 'mask optional' policy. Social distancing is still encouraged.

*If it is your first time returning to worship in person, please let Karen Stine know so there are enough communion elements set out.*

**For Sunday's Zoom link check the weekly bulletin, email the office, or text 'Sunday Zoom' to 720-641-1961**



O man, what is good? And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, to love kindness, and walk humbly with your God?

- Micah 6:8

## June Birthdays

- 5th - Patti Nies
- 9th - Pastor Bev Piro
- 10th - Camren Hovey
- 13th - Joe Cunningham
- 14th - Gunija Angermann
- 15th - Elizabeth Shinn
- 24th - Sharon Wellnitz
- 27th - Sonja Pardee



## A special class hosted by the Rocky Mountain Synod

### Scam Proof Your Finances! June 24, 11:30 a.m. on Zoom

- Learn the many ways identity theft can happen and steps to prevent it.
- Gain confidence in your online safety and financial interactions.

Click on the link below to register in advance. You'll receive an email confirmation with more information.

[https://lssmn-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYod--prTotH9Eih\\_SDB7LPj43ziiDr9i52](https://lssmn-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYod--prTotH9Eih_SDB7LPj43ziiDr9i52)

### Have you returned the Data Input Form?

We still want to hear from you about your thoughts for St. Andrew's future. Each member received an input form with your Pentecost delivery.

There is a basket to drop off forms on the round table in the narthex or you can mail them back to the church. If you need a new form, call Sammie in the church office.

### Summer Pastoral Care

Thank you to Pastor Penni Walsh for being available for emergency pastoral care during Pastor Bev's summer hiatus. Pastor Penni can be reached at 303-718-6401.

You may also contact Liz Shinn or Lynn Kimbrough, the Council Liaisons for member care, any time.

### Welcome Deaconess Liesl Begnaud!

Beginning Sunday, June 13 St. Andrew welcomes Liesl Begnaud, filling in for Pastor Bev while she enjoys her summer hiatus. Deaconess Liesl has been a consecrated Deaconess of the Lutheran Diaconal Association, Valparaiso, Indiana, for 26 years. She has served in a variety of ministry and non-profit settings and served in several congregations including Memphis, Minneapolis, Seattle, and Denver.



As a Deaconess and Social Worker, she has worked with individuals and families on the fringes, created several homeless prevention programs, and helped congregations like St. Andrew look at community outreach strategies.

She has also recently become a certified therapeutic recreation specialist and works with persons with disabilities to connect them with recreation activities; she is also a certified para triathlon coach!

Pastor Bev returns on August 22. Please keep her and her family in your prayers over the summer.

## Courtyard Garden Work

Liz Shinn and Mari Hackbarth are making plans to spruce up the plantings in the St. Andrew Courtyard.



If you have any shade perennials to share, let them know. They can arrange to pick up any plants you have. And, the invitation is open to all to help with turning a little dirt and planting.

## Volunteers needed for new emergency shelter

Catholic Charities is opening a new emergency shelter for women at 48th Avenue and Colorado Boulevard beginning June 18. They are in need of volunteers to help with meal service for the 250+ women expected to be staying there.

The shelter will provide breakfast, lunch, and dinner seven days a week, 365 days a year, and volunteers will help with serving meals. Use and share the link below if you or someone you know can help:



<https://serveccdenver.volunteerhub.com/lp/48meal/>

## New Summer Mailing Address

Joe and Julie Cunningham have an updated post office box in Grand Lake this year. You might make a note in your directory:



Joe and Julie Cunningham  
P.O. Box 2335  
Grand Lake, CO 80447

St. Andrew Lutheran Church  
Council Meeting Minutes – May 16, 2021

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

1. Call to order - Bud called the meeting to order at 10:20 a.m.
2. Opening prayer - Pastor Bev led council in an opening prayer.
3. Approval of agenda - Joe moved to approve the agenda with the addition of an Old Business item - CARES act discussion and a New Business item - COVID mask guideline discussion, second by Mari; motion carried
4. Approval of council minutes from April 18, 2021 - Joe moved to approve the minutes with the addition of Lynn helping close the old bank account, second by Liz; motion carried
5. Pastor's Report - Pastor Bev reported that the church sign out front has been fixed so that the letters stay in place. The new copier will be delivered tomorrow; Pastor is asking them for a credit for color copies that were run for Easter due to the fact the copier delivery was delayed past that time. Work is progressing on Financial Secretary reporting and 2nd quarter reports should be ready on time. Pastor Bev met with Liesl Begnaud, she is now in town and will begin worshipping with us in preparation to lead us through Pastor Bev's hiatus.
6. Council President's Report - No report, although Bud will be out of town for the next two weeks.
7. Treasurer's report – submitted in writing. Mari noted \$3222 of CARES Act grant funds were expended last month. Overall expenses exceeded income by \$2,094 but giving was up in April from the budgeted expectation. HAC and building use income are up. Total account balances is just over \$92,000. Mari is still working with Sammie on cleaning up numbers with the transition to the new software program. Pastor Bev suggested possibly hiring someone to help get us set up right. Council noted support for finding someone to help get it set up.  
There was discussion about St. Andrew memorial funds. Record keeping on memorial funds has not been maintained. Pastor Bev and Mari are working to update the records.  
Joe moved to designate the \$2000 Chalstrom memorial fund to the Endowment Fund, second by Robert; motion carried.
8. Ministry updates (Council liaison)
  - a. Worship (Gloria, Joe, Laura, Liz) No report
  - b. Fellowship/Member care (Liz, Lynn) No report
  - c. Faith Formation (Laura) No report

d. Communication (Joe, Lynn) No report

e. Outreach (Mari) Mari reported the Community Garden is in need of a leader. We could advertise with Arvada Community Gardens that we have space, we could also check in with Jenny and Mary Ann to see if Secrest would be interested. Mari reported that she needs to hand off Outreach to someone. Lynn will send an email to the congregation and to the HAC about the garden opportunity and to the congregation about Outreach.

f. Property maintenance (Robert) Robert reported the furnace replacement is now complete and in compliance with city requirements. He has been working on replacing some of the sprinkler heads and fertilizing. A company reached out to offer church maintenance, Robert will look at what they offer. Lynn mentioned that the husband of one of the HAC practitioners is a handy man who might be hired to do things like furnace filters, etc. Bud was asked to create a list of regular annual or periodic maintenance tasks.

The property insurance premium should be looked at annually, especially because the deductible with Brotherhood is still at \$25,000.

Robert also brought up whether we want to remove the courtyard trees. Mari reported the arborists who came to evaluate suggested pruning to decrease leaf drop and improve tree health. They can be pruned in January. Mari suggested we could look at gutter covers as a modest solution to gutter problems. Gloria added that she also had an arborist suggest pruning only and gutter covers. Robert noted he has contracted with Lawn Dogs to mow every other week and they'll mow the field on request. Mari added that Rocky Mountain Tree company has treated our ash trees for the ash borer, the invoice will be coming, and it comes out of the CARES grant funds.

#### 9. Liaison reports - (liaison)

- a. Healing Arts Center (Barb B) – Lynn took the dumpster and courtyard concerns to the HAC, and let them know we will start locking the dumpster for a while. Joe noted that the practitioners should check on city regulations that require fire pits to be at least 15 feet away from a structure.
- b. Almost Like Home (Julie, Debby) - The ALH ministry is on hiatus for the summer. Tim walked over with Phyllis Hovey last week. Tim said they test twice a week for COVID; it was nice to see Phyllis.
- c. Secrest Elementary (Mary Ann, Jenny) - No report

#### 10. Old business -

- a. Dumpster and courtyard use - see above
- b. CARES Act grant update - Mari reported no further discussion on the Phase 2 grant spending. The group took a break from working on it.

## 11. New business -

a. Future ministry at St. Andrew - Pastor Bev referred to her sermon as part of the discussion on the future of St. Andrew's ministry. She noted that she and Pastor Barb Martens have been talking about options for mutual ministry. Advent Lutheran will be getting a new intern pastor in August and Pastor Bev and Pastor Barb talked about having the intern pastor come to St. Andrew once a month. The proposal would be for St. Andrew to pay \$200 a month to help with the intern stipend.

Robert moved to partner with Advent Lutheran beginning in September 2021 through August 2022 to have their intern pastor preach and preside one Sunday a month, and to support the partnership with \$200 a month, second by Mari; the motion carried.

Pastor Bev led discussion about the idea of St. Andrew intentionally turning toward ministry to seniors. The ELCA is offering grant money to provide seed money for post-COVID efforts to reconnect with neighborhoods and community. She submitted an application for the grant (up to \$2500) and proposed the idea of a coffee house with the grant going towards helping with publicity to implement the idea.

b. COVID mask discussion - There was discussion about wearing masks and what the expectation should be for wearing one or not while at St. Andrew under the new CDC guidelines. Following a robust discussion, council decided to wait for two weeks (June 1) to see what the community impact is of the no-mask guideline. If Jefferson County remains 'all clear' then St. Andrew can go mask-optional, if case numbers rise then we would still request that people wear masks.

Announcements - There was discussion about having a coffee hour in the courtyard on June 6.

Next meeting date – June 13, 2021 following worship at approximately 10:15.

Adjournment - Joe moved to adjourn at 11:55, second by Laura; motion carried.