

St. Andrew Scroll

A publication of St. Andrew Lutheran Church, Arvada
6774 W. 66th Avenue, Arvada, Colorado 80003

Thank you Pastor Bev!



We celebrated
Pastor Bev's
retirement in fine
fashion on August
28.

From the worship
service that let us
share Pastor Bev's
journey, to the
potluck brunch to
the parting gifts
and memories, we
know we have
done great
ministry together!

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St. Andrew Lutheran Church in Arvada

Office: 303-421-5197

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OFFICE HOURS:

TUESDAY 11 TO 4

WEDNESDAY 9 TO 2

THURSDAY 9 TO 2:30

Sunday Worship 10:30 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 8:30 a.m.
(In-person and [via Facebook](#))



September birthdays!

21st Sara Burchard

Carol Heller

Karen Stine

24th Trudy Pardee

25th Myrta Anderson

27th Kevin Lascot



New Worship Time!

Starting Sunday, September 4 we are gathering to worship at 10:30 a.m.

This is will be a welcome change for some and may take a little getting used to for others.

For those who really want to get up and worship earlier, our Parish Partner, Advent, will be worshipping at 8:30 a.m. and all are welcome.

Parish Council Update - Progress!



The Parish Council has been meeting **TWICE A WEEK** to interview several excellent candidates for the rostered positions we have open jointly with Advent Lutheran. The candidates are very interested in the yoked ministry concept and the final candidate interview was Monday.

The Parish Council will move forward to review and assess the candidates. We can expect they will make a recommendation soon for one or possibly two candidates to each of the church councils. If the councils approve, they would then recommend the candidate(s) to each congregation at a specially called congregation meeting. Stay tuned!

Laura reports this has been a process of seeking the Holy Spirit's guidance and the Parish Council is looking forward to sharing the selected candidate(s) with you!

Senior Saints Is Back in Action -

Wednesday, Sept. 14 - Breakfast!

The Senior Saints will join the XYZ Group for breakfast at Morning Story, 8025 Sheridan Boulevard. Meet at 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 21 - Senior Saints will meet at St. Andrew at 10 a.m. for coffee, conversation and catching up. Then Lisa Lowe, an acupuncturist in our Healing Arts Center, will present a program at 11 a.m.

Welcome Pastor Ron Bock

Beginning next Sunday, September 11, we welcome Pastor Ron Bock to St. Andrew as our visiting pastor for September and October.

Pastor Ron is recently retired from Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Wheat Ridge and we are grateful for his ministry with us!

BE AWARE!

It is unfortunate that there are people who will take advantage of the generous nature of churches and their members.

Recently, the “Safety in Faith Coalition of Jeffco” shared an alert that faith communities be aware of two separate types of activity.

The first is the theft of catalytic converters and vehicle thefts from church parking lots **DURING WORSHIP**. Let’s practice good safety - be sure to lock your vehicle during Sunday worship and let the pastor or lay leaders know if you see anything suspicious.

The second alert was about a “family” that disrupted worship at Concordia Lutheran Church in Lakewood. They interrupted the pastor during the service to ask for money, continued to disrupt the service by asking aggressively for money from other worshippers. Security escorted them out and they left in a light blue minivan with Colorado plates.

If there are any suspicious activities at St. Andrew, you can alert a lay leader **OR** you can call 911 and we can sort it out with the help of Arvada police. It is better to err on the side of caution, especially in a situation with strangers who are behaving suspiciously.

THANK YOU From Janet Miller

Thank you for the lovely bouquet of roses and card yesterday! It has been a pleasure to help support your worship services over the past two years. I think I first subbed for Cheryl Rolf the summer of 2020 during Zoom services, and gradually added services over the next year.

Some have wondered why I chose to step back. There are a couple of factors. I have held an organist position pretty much continually for 55 years! (Yup, since January 1967!) And it’s time for Bruce and I to do some of the traveling we have planned for our retirement years.

I also live in Dacono, and the commute time to St. Andrew makes family time more difficult on Sundays.

You have been most gracious in your appreciation, and I thank you for that! I have let Laura know that you are welcome to call if your new organist needs a sub. Best wishes to you all!

-Janet Miller



From Pastor Bev's email -

"The picture memory book, and the cards and wishes will be a lasting reminder of our time together. I laughed and I cried and will again and again. And the gift to Messiah Mountain was overwhelming and will help meet the renovation goals that are underway!"

Pastor Bev will also be ramping up her quilting time with the very generous donations to her retirement wish of spending more time on hobbies such as quilting.



"I have been blessed to be in ministry with you and I cannot tell you how excited I am for what God has in store for St. Andrew and Advent as you move into shared ministry. Remain faithful, prayerful, and hopeful and keep the Gospel Good News at the center of your lives now and always."

St. Andrew Lutheran Church Council Minutes – August 14, 2022

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

- 1. Call to order** - Joe called the meeting to order at 10:19 a.m.
- 2. Opening prayer** - Pastor Bev opened with prayer.
- 3. Approval of agenda** - Bud moved to approve the agenda, second by Laura. The motion carried.
- 4. Approval of council minutes from July 10 and 24, 2022** - Bud moved to approve the minutes from July 10, second by Mari. The motion carried. Mari moved to approve the minutes from July 24, second by Bud. The motion carried.
- 5. Pastor's Report** - Pastor reported that this was Vicar Kaari's last Sunday at Advent and she is expecting a call soon. Pastor noted that we need to discuss some insurance issues and some staffing issues which would come up later in the agenda.

6. Council President's Report - Joe submitted his report in writing:

My apologies for the abbreviated July council meeting. I will try not to do that again. Holding a council meeting while sitting between a cornfield and a cemetery in the middle of Iowa was a different experience.

It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to Pastor, as this is the last Council meeting that she will be with us. It is also with great appreciation that we say thank you to her for her years of service to St. Andrew. When someone leaves an organization, "You will be missed." is the common comment. In this instance, it is absolutely true. Pastor Bev will certainly be missed by all. Thank you for your service, your dedication and your love.

7. Treasurer's Report - Mari submitted her reports in writing. In review, she noted that general offering is off by about \$1000. She noted we are over budget on licenses and an adjustment will need to be made in the next budget. And then we have had higher than normal maintenance expenses. She noted that she will need to work with Sammie to make adjustments to the Realm report. Joe explained that the \$8200 for the AC is correct but donations covered all but \$1200 of that. The money scheduled to be moved to the ELCA federal credit union, the ministry savings portion, has been completed. Mari will work with Tom Hartke on exploring options for investing some of the money for a better return.

8. Ministry updates (*Council liaison*)

a. Worship (*Gloria, Joe, Laura, Liz*) - Laura reported that she has a potential organist candidate who may be interested in the position. Janet leaves at the end of August.

Our worship time will move to 10:30 a.m. beginning in September; Advent will be worshipping at 8:30 a.m. It was noted that we need to update the church sign outside with the new worship time. There was discussion about who will select hymns beginning in September, if it will be the supply pastor or a worship team.

b. Fellowship/Member care (*Liz, Lynn*) - Liz brought up the possibility of having a plan to visit our shut ins.

c. Faith Formation (*Laura*) - Laura continues leading a Bible study at Arbor View.

d. Communication (*Joe, Lynn*) - It was mentioned that we will need to update the St. Andrew website to reflect the new worship time, also being yoked with Advent, and new ministry leadership. Lynn and Joe will work on that.

e. Outreach - No report

f. Property maintenance - Several issues to discuss today.

-Insurance: The deductible for anything other than hail is \$2500. Pastor Bev provided an update on the damage and repair efforts from the hot water heater failure. It appears that the insurance company has not yet approved an \$8000 estimate to complete the repairs and neither Sammie nor Pastor have been able to get anyone from the insurance company to talk with us. The restoration company is standing by ready to work as soon as it is approved.

-Hot water heater: There is a hot water heater dating to 2003 in our furnace room that needs replacing. Joe would like to get another estimate rather than Mighty Plumbing; he will follow up on

getting an estimate.

-There was a plugged drain and plugged sink in the office that required roto-rooting; Mighty Plumbing did the work for just over \$400.

-Lawn sprinklers: Mari has been in an email conversation with Robert Coppin on making sprinkler repairs. He wants to replace some additional heads and then get them all synced up. Robert can do this if someone will help him. Mari has only been able to get a call back from one company so far to do an assessment and estimate, and they'll charge \$94 for the trip. Council agreed to have them come out and do any immediate repairs and provide any additional recommendations that could be done at a later time. It was noted that the sprinkler head on the corner that was damaged by city contractor's is still not working. Lynn will contact the city again.

9. Liaison reports - (*liaison*)

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

b. Secrest Elementary (*Mary Ann, Jenny*) - The backpack and school supply collection ends today; Jenny and Mary Ann will ensure the items get to Secrest Elementary.

c. Parish council report (*liaisons*) - The parish council has interviewed one candidate and now has three more names to move forward with interviews. Each congregation has lost a parish council member so it is still balanced with three members each.

9. Old business -

a. Farewell brunch plans - People have started to sign up for the brunch items. Pastor has asked that we take a picture of everyone who attends. Joe will bring his camera. Pastor is still working on the details of the worship service; there will be a ritual conclusion of ministry at the end of the service.

10. New business -

a. Staff compensation - We currently pay our Office Secretary \$14/hr. There was discussion about increasing it. Bud moved to raise the pay for the Office Secretary to \$20, effective August 1st, second by Liz; the motion carried. There was also a discussion about an extra amount for the extra work that Sammie has put in during the summer with the hot water heater and other property issues. Bud moved to purchase a VISA gift card for \$500, second by Laura. The motion carried. Pastor will get the card.

b. Supply pastor pay was discussed as we make plans to have Pastor Ron Bock and then Pastor Bonita if needed. They have agreed to \$1250 a month for each congregation, for a total of \$2500/mo. Pastor Bev suggested letting Sammie and Jill figure out the mechanics of how to get the check(s) to Pastor Bock. Laura moved to pay \$1250 a month for our portion of the supply pastor, second by Mari. The motion carried.

Announcements - Joe brought up how we might thank the men's AA group for all of the support they have provided, especially following the hot water heater failure. Liz will create a large thank you card and we will try to have as many members sign it on Sunday, August 28 as possible.

Next meeting date – September 11, 2022 at 9 a.m. *prior to worship*.

Adjournment - Lynn moved to adjourn at 11:27 am, second by Mari; the motion carried.