



August 29, 2024

Services at St. Andrew's

This Sunday, September 1

10:00 am: Holy Eucharist

The service will be **live-streamed and archived on [YouTube](#)**.
The service bulletin can be found on our [website](#).



Coffee Hour in Brooks Hall



All are welcome to join us in (air-conditioned) Brooks Hall after the 10 am service. This is an opportunity for us to greet each other and welcome visitors and newcomers.

Service Notes:

- **This Sunday**, September 1, **the Rev. Regis Smolko will lead our service** of Holy Eucharist **at 10:00am**. This is our last Sunday with a guest priest!
- Please **welcome Suzanne Hager** as our **guest pianist** on Sunday.
- Please note that the **Church School is on hiatus** from Memorial Day weekend through this weekend.
- *On summer Sundays when services are moved to air-conditioned Brooks Hall due to excessive heat in the sanctuary, notices will be put on the doors to the church.*



Vestry Corner



We would like to take this opportunity to **recognize the hard work of Ray Williams**. As most of you know, **Ray is a valuable member of our choir and is also a member of our music committee**. Ray is instrumental in **coordinating efforts every Sunday for our music** and we certainly appreciate his dedication.

We would also like to **recognize and thank the Rev. Dean Byrom for his tireless work handling our parish ministry**. Dean has spent many hours **counseling and consoling** members of our parish families and beyond. We thank Dean for his dedication and diligence to this vitally important ministry. Thank you, Dean!

From the Senior Warden: **A personal recognition** and "Thank You" from the bottom of my heart to **the Rev. Regis Smolko**. You have answered my every call. And my every email with liturgical inquiries. I could absolutely not have kept everything open and flowing without your love, support and guidance. You have taught me, and I dare say, all of us, the true meaning of fellowship. Many, many thanks.



**Message from Pamela Shaw
Interim Organist-Choirmaster**

Are you looking for a choir home? **Come sing with us! Our first rehearsal is Thursday, September 5, 7pm**, in the choir room. Sunday services currently are at 10am with a brief choir warm-up rehearsal before the service, beginning September 8.

Email me at music@standrewspgh.org for more info about the choir. Hope to see you there!

🌸 **Around St. Andrew's** 🌸

Welcome Luncheon for Rev. Sara -- Sept. 8



Our **first Sunday** with our new rector, the **Rev. Sara Irwin**, will on **September 8**. We are planning a special welcome for her: a **catered luncheon in Brooks Hall** immediately **after the 10am service**. On the menu are pulled pork sandwiches, mac and cheese, and other sides, plus the desserts that



some of you will bring.

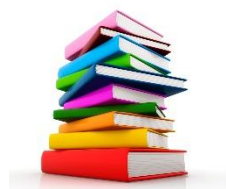
Join us in welcoming Rev. Sara!

Volunteers and Desserts Requested for the Welcome Luncheon!

Although the luncheon will be catered, we need a few volunteers to bring desserts and/or clean up after the luncheon.

If you can help with either or both of these, please sign up [here](#).

Summer Book Sale Ends This Week!

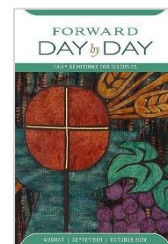


The books and videos from our **Summer Book Sale** will be on display for **one last time during Coffee Hour this Sunday** (September 1). **The location will depend on where we have the 10am service.** If the service is in the sanctuary, the Book Sale will be in Brooks Hall. If the service is in Brooks Hall, the Book Sale will be in Barley Hall.

Check out the books one last time!

New Forward Day by Day Meditation Booklets

For your daily prayer life and meditation, the Worship Committee is once again providing us with **Forward Day by Day meditation booklets in both regular and large print.** The new booklets cover **August, September, and October** and are available for pick-up in Brooks Hall.



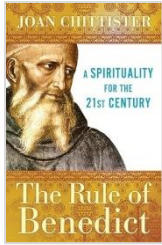
Forward Day by Day is a **booklet of daily inspirational meditations** reflecting on a specific Bible passage, chosen from the daily lectionary readings as listed in the Revised Common Lectionary or the Daily Office from the Episcopal Church's Book of Common Prayer.

Forward Day by Day is also available electronically as:

- eBook on [Amazon Kindle](#)
- Daily email link: subscribe [here](#)
- Smartphone App: [App Store](#) and [Google Play](#)
- On the [daily prayer website](#) (mirrors app content)

Whether you access these meditations by hard copy or electronically, we think they can make your daily prayers and meditations richer and more meaningful.

Summer Book Study: *The Rule of Benedict*



The book chosen for the Growth in Spirit book study this summer is ***The Rule of Benedict: Insights for the Ages*** by Joan Chittister, O.S.B., Crossroad Publishing, 1992, 2003. The sessions are held **on Wednesdays at 9:00 am on Zoom**, starting June 19, and will continue through late August.

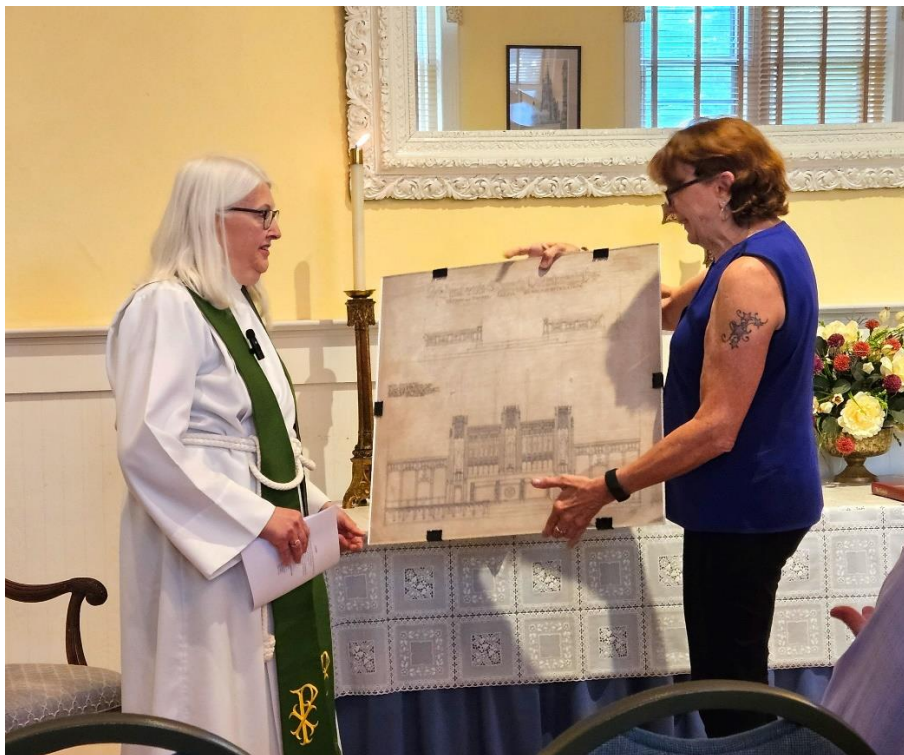
"Any religious or lay person will welcome and identify with her book's universal themes and concrete examples. Its message is profound and yet accessible to those 'beginners' for whom Benedict intended his Rule in the first place."
(*Review for Religious*)

The group **welcomes new members** to join **anytime!** For information on the group or the Zoom link, please contact Wes Rohrer at wmrn@pitt.edu.

🌸 Looking Back 🌸

Presentation to the Rev. Carol Henley

Our Senior Warden Jane Parkhurst presented the Rev. Carol Henley with an architectural drawing of St. Andrew's altar, with gratitude for her calm and steady presence as our most frequent supply priest during the transition period. Rev. Henley shared how much she has enjoyed being a part of St. Andrew's for nearly a year.



Bluegrass on the Lawn

On August 24, St. Andrew's hosted Bluegrass on the Lawn, featuring the group "Joy Street." This year, the weather cooperated, and we were able to spend a warm, relaxing afternoon on the lawn enjoying good music -- and, of course, some good food and fellowship.



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