



July 30, 2022

 Services at St. Andrew's 

[This Sunday, July 31](#)

8:00 am: Morning Prayer in the Chapel

10:00 am: Morning Prayer in the Church

This service is live-streamed on [Facebook](#), posted on [YouTube](#)

The **bulletin for the live-streamed service** is on our [website](#)



[Wednesday, August 3](#)

12:00 noon: Holy Eucharist in the Chapel

[Summer Service Schedule](#)

During the summer, we have **two services** on Sundays, at **8:00 and 10:00 am**. From June 5 through the end of August, there will be **no 5:00 pm service**.

Children's Chapel is on summer hiatus until September 11. Pew packets are available for children to pick up as you enter the church.



[Protocols for Services at St. Andrew's](#)

Allegheny County's COVID-19 level is currently considered "medium risk" on measures set by the CDC.

- **Masks are optional** at services and other indoor gatherings. Anyone who feels the need to **wear a mask** is **always welcome** to do so.
- **Social distancing is not required but is encouraged indoors**, if you are not wearing a mask, to protect the vulnerable and unvaccinated.
- **Windows** in the nave and the chapel **will be open** to provide ventilation.

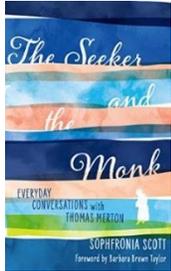
[Lemonade on the Lawn](#)

All are welcome to join us on the lawn tomorrow **after the 10:00 service for lemonade and other refreshments**. This is an opportunity for all of us to **greet each other** in person and to **introduce ourselves** to people we haven't met yet. We have **quite a few newcomers** these days!



👉 Around St. Andrew's 👈

Beach Reading for the Soul



The St. Andrew's Wednesday morning reading and discussion group have selected ***The Seeker and the Monk: Everyday Conversations with Thomas Merton*** by Sophronia Scott as their "reading for the spirit" for the month of August. They will be discussing this provocative work beginning **Wednesday, August 1, through Wednesday, August 31, via ZOOM from 9 – 10 am.**

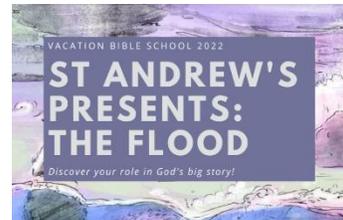
This work is a series of "conversations" in which the African-American woman writer engages with the writings of the prolific and provocative writer/monk Thomas Merton. Scott is a lively writer, personable and with a sense of humor. This paperback is available via [Amazon](https://www.amazon.com) for \$16 new.

New members are welcome to the reading group even if you cannot participate in every session. Should you have any questions about this opportunity, **contact Wes Rohrer** at wmrn@pitt.edu.

St. Andrew's VBS 2022: The Flood

This August, St. Andrew's is excited to offer **Vacation Bible School (VBS)**!

Through music, stories, and crafts, kids will learn about their super important role in God's story. We will be diving into the **story of Noah**, exploring how God protects creation even in the middle of a flood and in a world full of giants. We invite children from kindergarten to fifth grade into the story of giants, the ark, lots of animals, and the first rainbow!



VBS will run on **August 23, 24, and 25** at St. Andrew's from **5:00 - 7:00 pm. Dinner will be provided** each evening. There is no charge for VBS.

To register, please contact Fr. Luke (lukezerra@standrewspgh.org).

Nominations for Diocesan Positions

Our Diocese, through its annual convention in November, holds elections for several important Diocesan offices. **Would you consider offering your talent and time to one of these positions?** Any Episcopal parishioner in our Diocese can run, and all are encouraged to offer their names for consideration. You can nominate yourself or someone else - with their permission.



Descriptions of the positions and also a Nominating Form with submission details are in **attached flyers**. Nominations must be **submitted by August 31**. Clergy & Lay Deputies representing each parish will meet to elect on Friday evening, November 18.

👉 Outreach Opportunity 👉

Backpacks for Neighborhood Academy Students



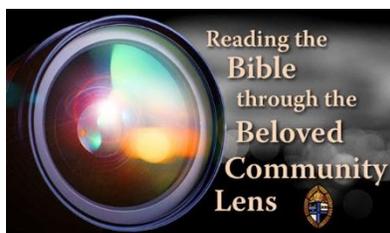
St. Andrew's is once again partnering with both St. Michael's of the Valley, Ligonier, and our neighbors in Highland Park to provide **75 backpacks for students attending The Neighborhood Academy**. This school in Garfield supports **students in grades 6-12 from low-income families** with a rigorous college prep program.

There are **three ways you can help**: by **donating** some of the school supplies, **making a financial contribution** so that we can purchase backpacks and supplies that are not donated, and **volunteering to help us fill the 75 backpacks** on August 18.

Details are in the **attached flyer**. This year, financial donations are especially appreciated. In past years, a grant covered the cost of the backpacks, but this year we had to advance about \$500 to cover this cost.

👉 Beloved Community Corner 👉

Reading the Bible through the Beloved Community Lens



We are invited to read scripture again, adding lenses from the Beloved Community. The **Beloved Community Initiative** seeks to promote the liberating and reconciling love of Jesus Christ, particularly as it relates to racial justice and reconciliation. An **online Bible Study** is offered throughout 2022 at 7 pm on the first Wednesday of each month. The next session will be held via Zoom on **Wednesday, August 3, at 7 pm**. The **link** to join the Bible Study can be accessed **[here](#)**.

🌸 From Our Outreach Partners 🌸

Welcoming Our Ukrainian Neighbors

We're invited to join **Hello Neighbor** for a **Virtual Community Update this Wednesday, August 3, from 12:00-12:30 pm**. Sloane Davidson, CEO and Founder, will give an **update on their refugee resettlement efforts** this year, welcoming new neighbors to Pittsburgh, and share what is coming next with a **focus on how to get involved supporting Ukrainians**. You can register [here](#) for the Zoom event.



Parish Email List

Would you like to receive this *Weekly Update* by email,
and also occasionally receive other email notices from St. Andrew's?

If so, please **send your email address** to our
Communications Director, Marty Federowicz,
at communications@standrewspgh.org,
and you will be added to our distribution list.
You can opt out at any time. It's the best way
to know what's happening in and around the parish!

Our mailing address is:

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
5801 Hampton St
Pittsburgh, PA 15206-1615



St. Andrew's is once again partnering with both St. Michael's of the Valley, Ligonier, and our neighbors in Highland Park to **provide backpacks for students attending The Neighborhood Academy** (TNA). This school in Garfield supports students in **grades 6-12** from low-income families with a rigorous college prep program. All seniors apply to college, and 100% have been accepted.

We are asking for donations of some items, purchasing others, and assembling a work crew to fill 75 backpacks. There are three ways you can help:

1. **Purchase some of the items below** and place them in the bin on the porch of the parish house.
2. **Make a donation by August 22** with a check in the basket at the entrance to the sanctuary or mailed to St. Andrew's, attention **Financial Secretary** (corrected from initial message). Another option is to make an online donation through PayPal at www.standrewspgh.org/ways-to-give. Please **note "Backpacks"** on your check or in the note field for PayPal.
3. **Help us fill backpacks** at the church on **Thursday, August 18, from 1:00 to 3:00**. Please contact Pat Kennedy at pmkennedy135@gmail.com or 412-855-9845 if you can assist with this.

Please bring donations of the items below to the church **by Sunday, August 14**. Since we want each of the students to get the same items in their backpacks, **please only donate the items listed**.

- Three-ring binder (1½ or 2 inch)
- Package of binder subject dividers
- Package of pens (black, retractable)
- Package of pencils
- Yellow highlighters
- Pack of index cards (100 3x5)

Help us make a difference in the life of a TNA student!

**Recommendations are now being taken by the Nominating Committee
for the following positions to be elected at the 157th Diocesan Convention
November 18 & 19, 2022**

Standing Committee (Article IX, sections 1-7)

One clergy and one layperson to be elected to four-year terms ending 2026

The Standing Committee consists of four clergy and four laypersons and acts primarily as the council of advice to the Diocesan Bishop. It also fills vacancies in electable seats on diocesan bodies or committees that may occur during the recess of the Convention. If there is no Diocesan Bishop, or they are incapacitated, the Standing Committee becomes the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese. Usually meets monthly on the second Tuesday at 4 p.m. All Standing Committee members also serve as members of Diocesan Council which meets at least six times each year, usually Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

Board of Trustees (Article X, sections 1-2)

One layperson to be elected to a three-year term ending 2025

The Board of Trustees consists of the Bishop, one layperson elected from each District, seven laypersons elected by Diocesan Convention, and five laypersons appointed by the bishop. This body is responsible for the collection and disposition of all real and personal property and financial resources gifted to or received by the diocese, for the purpose of the aid, benefit and advancement of the diocese, its parishes and organizations. Usually meets monthly on the third Tuesday.

Committee on Constitution and Canons (Canon X)

One clergy and one layperson to be elected to three-year terms ending 2025

This body, comprised of three clergy and three lay persons, examines the canons of the diocese and makes recommendations for additions and revisions that may be necessary. Meets as needs require.

Cathedral Chapter (Canon XIV)

One clergy and one layperson to be elected to three-year terms ending 2025

The three clergy and three lay representatives to this body serve as the Convention's voice on the Trinity Cathedral Chapter, which oversees the mission and availability of the cathedral church to the entire diocese. Meets three times annually – February, May and November.

Commission on Ministry (Canon XXX)

One member to be elected to a three-year term ending 2025

The Commission on Ministry assists the Bishop in matters pertaining to the enlistment and selection of persons for Ministry, in the guidance and pastoral care of candidates for Holy Orders, and in the examination of persons for Holy Orders. The Bishop appoints a number of lay and clergy members sufficient to carry out the duties of the Commission. In addition, one member is elected each year by Convention. All terms are for three years. Usually meets monthly on the fourth Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

Regional Disciplinary Board (Canon XIX-B)

One Layperson to be elected to a three-year term ending 2025

Comprised of 13 members from six participating dioceses, the Regional Disciplinary Board tries cases brought against priests or deacons of the diocese who are charged with an actionable offense in which ecclesial discipline may be required. Each of the dioceses selects one member of the Clergy and one member of the Laity to serve on the Disciplinary Board. Meets as need arises.

Deputies to General Convention (Article XII Sections 1-2)

Four clergy and four lay deputies to be elected. Four clergy and four lay alternates are also to be elected. All serve a three-year term ending in 2025.

These eight individuals will serve as deputies to the 81st General Convention of the Episcopal Church, to be held in July, 2024, in Louisville, Kentucky. Alternates will replace any deputies unable to attend. Travel costs provided for deputies and first alternates. In addition, the one clergy member and the two lay persons receiving the highest number of votes serve as deputies to the Provincial Synod. It is the duty of the deputies to make a report as a deputation to the Annual Diocesan Convention following each meeting of the Provincial Synod.

The following will be elected by District at Convention:

District 1: None

District 2: One Layperson to Diocesan Council for a four-year term

District 3: One Layperson to Board of Trustees for a three-year term

District 4: None

Diocesan Council (Canon V) acts on behalf of Convention when Convention is not in session. It evaluates policies, programs and other activities of the diocese, makes recommendations to Convention and gives general oversight to the work, mission, budget and human resources of the diocese. The Diocesan Council consists of the Bishop, the Chancellor of the Diocese, the members of Standing Committee, and one lay Deputy to Convention from each District. Meets at least five times each year, usually Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

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Recommendation to the Nominating Committee

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

Nomination for which Office: _____

Name of Nominee: _____ Circle one: Clergy or Lay

Complete mailing address: _____

Occupation: _____ E-mail: _____

Phone (home): _____ Phone (cell): _____

Parish Name and City: _____

Proposed by: _____ Parish: _____

(Self nominations are also accepted)

Signature of Nominee

Date

For Lay Nominees:

I certify that the person named above is a communicant in good standing in this parish.

Signature of Rector or Senior Warden

Parish

For Clergy Nominees:

I certify that I am physically and canonically resident in the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh.

Signature of Nominee

Date

MAIL or EMAIL (Preferred) THIS ORIGINAL SIGNED FORM BY AUGUST 31 TO:

The Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh, 325 Oliver Avenue, Suite 300, Pittsburgh, PA 15222

Attention: Nominating Committee or convention@episcopalpgh.org

NOMINEES MUST ALSO SUBMIT BY SEPTEMBER 15:

1. Biographical information, including a brief description of service in parish and/or diocese
2. Statement of why nominee wishes to serve in this position
3. Digital photograph (head shot)

- *Biographical information and statement of interest should total approximately 200 words and must be submitted as a Word document.*
- *Digital photograph should include only the head and shoulders of nominee and be submitted as a jpg.*
- *Both the Word document and photograph should be submitted by email to convention@episcopalpgh.org*