



October 1, 2022

🌸 **Services at St. Andrew's** 🌸

Allegheny County's COVID level is **“low risk”** on measures set by the CDC. Masks indoors are optional.

**This Sunday, October 2**

**8:00 am: Holy Eucharist in the Chapel**

**10:00 am: Note: No Children's Chapel**

The 10 am service will include a Children's Sermon

**10:00 am: Holy Eucharist and Blessing of the Animals in the Church**

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

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

**5:00 pm: Contemplative Eucharist in the Chapel**



**Wednesday, September 28**

**12:00 noon: Holy Eucharist in the Chapel**

**Blessing of the Animals — Tomorrow**



We are all invited to **bring our family pets to be blessed** at the start of our **10:00 am service on Sunday, October 2.**

Due to weather concerns, **both the blessing and the 10:00 service will take place in the church.**

**Coffee Hour**

All are welcome to join us **in Brooks Hall** tomorrow for Coffee Hour **after the 10:00 am service.** 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.



## 👉 Around St. Andrew's 👈

### "River Songs" Concert This Friday



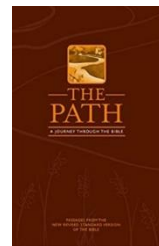
**The Duquesne University Choirs**, directed by Dr. Caron Daley, will present a concert at St. Andrews on **Friday, Oct. 7, at 7:30 pm**. This "**River Songs**" concert will feature music about the land carved out between the Monongahela, Allegheny, and Ohio rivers. Nancy Galbreath will be the featured composer, and our own Dr. Benjamin Cornelius-Bates will be the guest organist.

In a **pre-concert lecture at 7:00 pm**, Dr. Nicole Vilknor will discuss "How Does a River Sound?" Additional information and the program for the evening can be found [here](#).

For those unable to attend in person, the **concert will be live-streamed** on Facebook.

### New Testament Study

This Fall, you are invited to **read through the entire story of the New Testament!** Last Spring, several St. Andreans worked through the entire Old Testament narrative using *The Path: A Journey Through the Bible*. Whether you joined us last Spring or not, we invite you to study the New Testament sections of the *The Path* on **Sunday mornings at 11:30 am, in the lounge, from September 18 to November 20**.



*The Path* is the story of the Bible, excerpted and condensed to give readers the central message and narrative arch of scripture. You will walk away from this study not only with a deeper faith, but having read the central New Testament narrative in whole. Please **contact Fr. Luke** if you are interested and for information about accessing *The Path* ([lukezerra@standrewspgh.org](mailto:lukezerra@standrewspgh.org)).

### Stewardship Breakfast – Next Sunday



After more than two years of limited gatherings due to the pandemic, we are now **joyfully coming together as often as possible** as a community of faith and friendship. This year, to **kick off our annual Stewardship campaign**, the vestry is sponsoring a **light breakfast after the 10:00 service on October 9**. We will hear an introduction to the theme of this year's campaign, enjoy fellowship with each other, and be on our way in plenty of time for some of us to watch the Steelers game. We hope you will join us!

## Fall Clean-Up on October 15

On **Saturday, October 15 from 9 am - noon**, join us in a morning of **outdoor work** to make the church grounds picture-perfect for the Fall Fest the following week. Jobs will range from trimming trees to weeding flowerbeds. Please **email Junior Warden Thatcher Montgomery** at [timplm@aol.com](mailto:timplm@aol.com) if you are interested in helping.



## Fall Fest on October 22



St. Andrew's will hold its second annual **Fall Fest in the late afternoon of Saturday, October 22**. We will have something for everyone - live music, pumpkin carving, and, of course, delicious food.

Details will be announced in coming weeks!

## Halloween at St. Andrew's

On **Sunday, October 30**, join us for the **10 am service**, where we will have a **Blessing of the Costumes**.

Kids -- dress up in your Halloween costume for church!



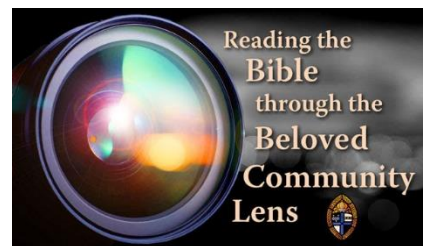
Make sure to return on **Halloween** evening, October 31, for **trick-or-treating between 5:30 and 8:30** in the spookily-decorated church and the **Halloween Spooktacular Organ Concert at 7:00 pm!**



## 🌸 Beloved Community Corner 🌸

### Reading the Bible through the Beloved Community Lens

We are invited to read scripture again, adding lenses from the Beloved Community. This **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, October 5, at 7 pm**. The link to join the Bible Study can be accessed [here](#).



## 🌸 Outreach Opportunities 🌸

### [CROP Hunger Walk on October 9](#)



2021 CROP Walk Team

This year, St. Andrew's will rejoin the Pittsburgh East walkers in the **walk of up to 6 miles through the East End** to publicize the continued need to address hunger, locally and internationally, and to raise money for hunger initiatives. (Note that many walkers choose to customize their walk for a shorter distance of 1-3 miles). The walk **starts at 2 pm at the South Ave. Methodist Church in Wilkinsburg.**

Wes Rohrer is once again the captain of the St. Andrew's team, and he has set up a [St. Andrew's Team webpage](#) where we can sign up to **walk or donate**. This year, the team has increased its fund-raising goal to \$1,750. Donations of any size will help the St. Andrew's team to attain its goal.

Please consider supporting this cause by participating or donating! If you have questions, please contact Wes at [wrun@pitt.edu](mailto:wrun@pitt.edu).

## Off the Floor – Fundraiser on October 15



**Off the Floor Pittsburgh**  
**THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME**  
**Charity Event**  
**Saturday, October 15, 2022 | 2:30 PM**  
**To Benefit**  
**Off The Floor's mission in providing furniture**  
**to Pittsburgh Area Families and Individuals**  
**The Event**  
**Live Performances**  
**Inspirational Testimonials**  
**Mocktails & Light Refreshments**

Join us in supporting our **long-time ministry partner, Off the Floor Pittsburgh!** Tickets to this event on **Saturday, October 15, at 2:30 pm**, are only **\$35 apiece**, and they are available [here](#) on Eventbrite.

### Opportunities to Support Off the Floor Pittsburgh



**Off the Floor Pittsburgh's mission is:**

*"To strengthen families and reduce the pain and indignity of extreme poverty in the greater Pittsburgh area by recycling and delivering gently used furniture free of charge to families in deepest need."*

If you would like to **personally support** this cause, there are several ways to do that:

- [Donate furniture](#): request a pickup, or drop off furniture at their warehouse at 901 Allegheny Ave, North Side, Monday to Friday from 9 am to 3 pm
- [Volunteer](#): by yourself or with a group of friends, during the week to help organize the warehouse, clean furniture, and stage items for the next delivery
- [Make a contribution](#): to Off the Floor Pittsburgh

## 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  
at [communications@standrewspgh.org](mailto: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!

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