

ST. ANDREW LUTHERAN CHURCH, BRISTOL, CT
1125 Stafford Ave., Bristol, CT

News Notes for the Week of June 30, 2024

Church Office Hours: Tuesday - Thursday 9 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Church Phone: 860.583.5809

The Rev. Les Swenson, Transition Pastor

Gwynne Hopko, Deacon, Minister of Music

Nicole Gergler, Church Administrator

St. Andrew Church's "Why" Statement...

To come together as a worshipping community, nourished by God's love so that we may reflect God's love to others.

Adopted April 2023



THIS SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2024, 9:30 A.M.
THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THREE CHURCHES BECOMING ONE WORSHIPPING TOGETHER
AT 1125 STAFFORD AVE., BRISTOL!
NAMING DAY!

Members and friends from Grace, Plainville, and Zion and St. Andrew, Bristol, will join together for worship at St. Andrew Church this Sunday, June 30, 9:30, as we continue to lean in expectation toward the beginning of a new ministry — three congregations becoming one.

The Rev. Steven Wilco, Associate to the Bishop of the New England Synod, who has helped guide the process of this consolidation over the past year, will be the preacher.

Immediately following worship
will we turn our attention to the naming of the new church.
(We will remain in the nave of the church for this.)

Pray and think carefully about this naming.

Will our name reflect who we are and what we want to be?

What will our name say to the community around us?

Will it be an inviting name that others are drawn to?

The five names currently being considered are:

Hope Lutheran Church,

New Hope Lutheran Church,
Living Hope Lutheran Church,
Faith Lutheran Church,
United in Faith Lutheran Church.

Having a name for the new congregation will bring the reality of the new day ever closer!
(Only those attending the meeting will be eligible to vote.)

A special Coffee Hour and Ice Cream Social Hour will follow in the Hall.

(Did someone say ice cream before lunch?! Yes!!)

Plus during the Social Hour there will be outdoor activities (like Corn Hole)
for kids and adults who like to play with kids.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, June 30, 2024; 6th Sunday after Pentecost

3 Congregation Joint Worship Service

9:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion

(Sanctuary, You Tube, Facebook)

Facebook and YouTube:

<https://www.facebook.com/Standrewct/>;

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLSSna5Ti_WSwRJ_ySbMA3Q.

10:30 Naming of the New Congregation/Special Social Hour

Wednesday, July 3, 2024

6:30 p.m. Summer Bells

Thursday, July 4, 2024

7:00 p.m. AA (Fellowship Hall)

7:00 p.m. Al Anon (Youth Room)

Sunday, July 7, 2024 7th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (Sanctuary, You Tube, Facebook)

10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Please note the change to the office hours for the following weeks due to the 4th of July and vacation.

Week of July 1st – Office hours will be Monday – Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Week of July 8th - Office hours will be Monday – Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Week of July 15th – Office hours will be Wednesday – Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.



2024 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL BEGINS NEXT MONDAY!

Sponsored by the following Lutheran Churches
Gloria Dei, Grace, St. Andrew and Zion

DATE: JULY 8 – July 12, 2024
TIME: 5:30 – 8 PM
LOCATION: St Andrew Lutheran
1125 Stafford Avenue
Bristol, CT 06010
Ages: Pre-K through 6th grade

Free for all – dinner included

Still time to register!
Go to www.standrewct.org and click on VBS.

Check out this fantastic background that will greet all our friends at VBS!





BETTER TOGETHER

SUMMER STEWARDSHIP

Please give generously-
in thanksgiving for our life at St
Andrew, and in thanksgiving for our
life as one new ministry

*"Each of you should use whatever gift you
have received to serve others, as
faithful stewards of God's grace in its various
forms."* 1 Peter 4:10

ST. PAULY SHED



We remain committed to continue our relationship with the St Pauly organization. Not only does it generate income between \$5,000-\$10,000 each year for the church, it provides us an opportunity to reach out into our own community with clothing and other items. And saves literally TONS of items from landfills. **Good stewarding of the earth!** Please continue to use the shed and let all your friends and family know!

GROCERY CART



As we maneuver readying the building for new life, the grocery cart will remain for the time being, it may find a new place to be parked..... but WHEREVER it is it will be welcoming your grocery donations to feed our neighbors!

PRAYERS

We offer prayers of thanksgiving and supplication for:

- those known to us in need of healing: Freda Ahl, Lori Boisvert, Nancy Carpenter, Charlie Caston, Susan Caston, Patricia Castro, Nancy Denehy, Lee Hardin, Denise Holyst, Larry Holyst, Patti Kelley, Bob Lagasse, Joan Lagasse, Ann Maher, Pamela Murphy, Bill Murtha, Donna Ouellette, Marge Pearson, Callum Rescsanski, Paul Rescsanski, Charles Schissler, Steven Siecienski, Tracey Simpson, Johanna Tessman, Carole Wedler, John Werner, Todd Wish, Anna Zurell, Roy Zurell.

We strive to keep the prayer lists updated both during worship and in our weekly announcements. If you have people or concerns that you would like to add to our communal prayer, please email churchoffice@standrewct.org, or leave a comment on our Sunday worship live feed. We will keep any requests made on for a month and then remove them.

*If you have pastoral needs or concerns, please feel free to call our transition pastor.
The Rev. Les Swenson can be reached at 860.857.9362.*



JULY BIRTHDAYS

1 Wendy Cunningham	11 Janet Redman
2 Scott Nadeau	14 Matthew Keane
3 Weller Simmons	18 Thea Griffin
4 Pamela Murphy	18 Azalea Nadeau
5 Jill Little	22 Chadd Vontell
5 Charles Simmons	23 David Nelson III
6 Dylan McMahan	24 Cameron Ballash
8 Donna McCarthy	24 Brenda Dubnansky
9 William Mackey	25 Richard Procko
9 Susan Phaneuf	26 Nicholas Ropp
11 Jon Burkhardt	31 Christine Mitchell
	31 Norman Schauss

The June 30, 2024 bulletin can be found here:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/16iA6mV9ccs757K6xpoya-YxbLdjrqkyl/view?usp=sharing>