

St Andrew Presbyterian Church

LOAVES & FISHES

May 2026

Mission

CHRIST IS CALLING ST. ANDREW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH TO BE A BEACON OF PEACE AND LOVE WHERE EVERYBODY BELONGS

Vision

AS FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST, WE ARE BEING TRANSFORMED THROUGH THE COURAGEOUS AND HEALING WORK OF RECONCILIATION

QUICK LOOK AHEAD

Sat 5/16 Youth Lock In! | 5:00 pm - 9:00 am
Mark your calendars for some all-night fellowship and fun! See the **Youth update on Page 4** for details.

Sun 5/17 Serve Sunday
Beginning with a potluck breakfast at 9:30am, join us for a day of serving our community. See the **Mission update on Page 5** for more details.

Fri 5/29 Screen on the Green Movie Night | 7:30 pm
Join us for our first movie in our Animated Faith summer series. Bring a blanket, some snacks, and we'll provide the popcorn! See the **Community Events Update on page 3** for more movie fun this summer

Get Ready for Summer!

Keep an eye out for some fun events coming this summer!

Check out the **Community Events Update on page 3** for more info!

Save the Date!

Mark your calendars now for VBS this summer!
July 6-10th | 5:30-8pm

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MAY CALENDAR

Sun 3	9:00a 10:00a	Sunday School* for Youth & Community and Belonging Class Worship Service* Worship Committee Meeting (after service)
Thu 7	6:00p 6:30p 9:15a 7:00p	Youth Group Dinner (Minis + MS/HS) Youth Group (MS+HS) Coffee & Conversation @ Doppio Bunny Deacon Meeting Choir Practice
Sun 10	8:00p 9:00a 10:00	Handbell Practice Sunday School* for Youth & Community and Belonging Class Worship Service* Mission Committee Meeting (after service)
Mon 11	10:00a	Bible Bunch
Tue 12	6:30p	St. Andrew Stitchers
Thu 14	9:15a 7:00p	Coffee & Conversation @ Doppio Bunny Choir Practice
Sat 16	8:00p	Handbell Practice
Sun 17	5:00p 9:30a 10:00a	YOUTH LOCK IN Potluck Breakfast! Serve Sunday NO WORSHIP - Meet in Fellowship Hall
Thu 21	6:00p 6:30p 10:00a 9:15a	Youth Group Dinner (Minis + MS/HS) Youth Group (MS+HS) Newsletter Submission Deadline Coffee & Conversation @ Doppio Bunny
Sat 23	6:30p 7:00p 8:00p	NLC Board Meeting Choir Practice Handbell Practice
Sun 24	7:30p 9:00a 10:00a	Book Club Sunday School* for Youth Worship Service*
Thu 28	9:15a 7:00p 8:00p	Coffee & Conversation @ Doppio Bunny Choir Practice Handbell Practice
Fri 29	7:30p	Screen on the Green Outdoor Movie Night - Inside Out 2
Sun 31	9:00a 10:00a	Sunday School* for Youth & Community and Belonging Class Worship Service* + Congregational Meeting Session Meeting (after service)

*child care is available 4 years old & under

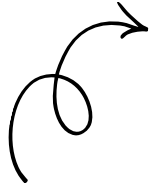
WANT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER?

Please send committee updates, articles, and photos to
newsletter@standrew-pres.org by **May 20th**

Community Events



- 5/29: Inside Out 2
- 6/5: Encanto
- 6/12: Zootopia 2
- 6/19: Bad Guys
- 6/26: K-Pop Demon Hunters

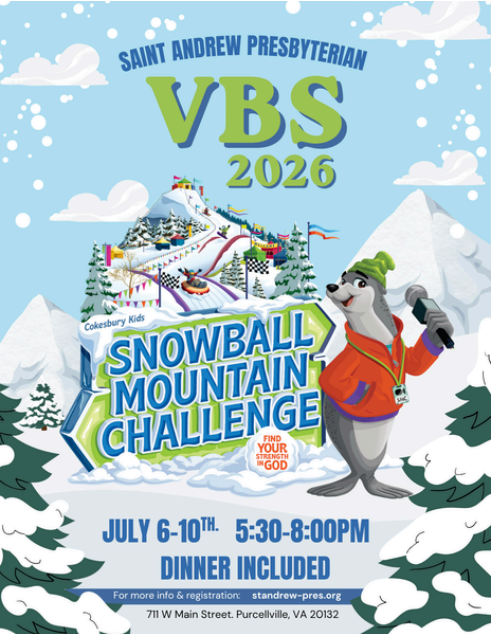


Animated Faith Outdoor Movie Nights & Worship Series

Kick off your summer weekends with us! Join us for **Animated Faith**. Every Friday from May 29th through June 26th, we'll be gathering at dusk on the front lawn for some big-screen fun. Bring your blankets, lawn chairs, and your favorite snacks/drinks—we'll provide the fresh popcorn! On Sundays, we'll use the movie of the week to engage Scripture in worship. Bring your neighbors and friends to enjoy the fun!

SAPC @ Loudon Pride | June 6

At St. Andrew, we believe that everybody belongs and is beloved by God. **On June 6th, we're taking that message to the Loudoun Pride Festival at Ida Lee Park!** We'll be hosting a booth to offer an affirming presence, friendship bracelet making, and simple blessings for anyone who stops by. We'd love for you to join the team! You can sign up to volunteer for a shift at the booth or just come by and say hello. Let's share some love! Contact Pastor Amanda for more information.



VBS: Snowball Mountain Challenge

Gear up, Challengers! From **July 6-10**, we're heading to "Snowball Mountain" for a week of frosty games, snowy surprises, and powerful lessons on resilience. We'll be exploring how we can do all things through the One who strengthens us (Philippians 4:13). Each night kicks off with a community dinner at 5:30pm, followed by VBS fun (crafts, music, stories, and recreation) from 6:00-8:00pm. It's going to be an "ice" way to grow in faith together!

Registration Coming Soon!

Community Events

Cont.

Independence Day Parade | June 27th

Scan Code to Sign-Up!



Ready to make a splash as our community celebrates Independence Day?

SAPC is heading to the **Purcellville Independence Day Parade on Saturday June 27th**, and we need you! We'll be riding on the NLC busses, handing out candy, and—the best part—helping everyone stay cool with water blasters. It's a blast for all ages. Check the link in the enews to sign up to ride along and as we celebrate and support our local community!



Want to get involved?!

We are looking for some dedicated individuals to help with upcoming community events.

Are you gifted at volunteer coordination? Do you feel passionately about spreading light and love in our neighborhood? Is setting up outdoor movie equipment a gift of yours? Do you just like parades?

Email Pastor Amanda so we can talk more.

youth + children

Upcoming Events

Saturday, May 16 - Sunday, May 17

6:00pm - 8:00am

Youth Group Lock-In!

Chaperones Needed

**Then, join us for breakfast
and Serve Sunday service projects!**

May 24

9 AM Dads with Donuts
(Youth aged 6th - 12th grade)

10:00 AM Inclusive Worship | NO CHILDREN'S CHURCH

May 3

9 AM Dads with Donuts
(Youth aged 6th - 12th grade)

10:15 AM Children's Church (PreK - Grade 2)

6 PM **YOUTH GROUP - Chalk the Town**
*Drivers/Chaperones Needed!

May 10

9 AM Dads with Donuts
(Youth aged 6th - 12th grade)

10:15 AM Children's Church (PreK - Grade 2)
+ Minis (Grade 3-Grade 5)

May 31

9 AM Dads with Donuts
(Youth aged 6th - 12th grade)

10:15 AM Children's Church (PreK - Grade 2)
+ Minis (Grade 3-Grade 5)

music

CALLING ALL MUSICIANS!



Over the next few months we'd like to add more instruments into our Sunday Worship Services. All ages, all instruments, all styles of music!!! Acoustic, electric, brass, winds, strings. We want them all!

Please reach out to Susan at **Susan.Yantis@standrew-pres.org** if you play an instrument or know someone who does. I'd love to chat with you about your music and additional opportunities to participate in our Music Ministry!!



mission

Serve Sunday | May 17th

We will begin with a **Potluck breakfast at 9:30 am** before heading out to the various service events. Coffee, Juices, and water to be provided. **Please bring your favorite breakfast item to share.**

Possible Projects!

Pollinator Gardens

@ Suzanne R Kane Nature Preserve
Bring your own garden tools & gloves
Be sure to wear comfortable clothes, bug spray and sunscreen!

Onsite SAPC Projects

Including:

- Assembling Shelving
- Trimming Branches
- Sweeping Parking Lot
- Weeding & Mulching
- Cleaning Out Closets
- Installing Splash Guards
- Cleaning HVAC vents
- Cleaning Windows & Lights
- Sealing Basement Windows

Graffiti & Silk

Sorting & Hanging Clothing Donations
Cutting Denim Strips for Weaving projects

Bear's Den

Various Outdoor Chores
Including:
Weeding
Trash Pick Up
Stacking Wood

Onsite NLC Project

Cleaning Buses

Scan the QR Code to RSVP!



Check the Weekly Email to see a list of supplies needed for each project

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

Sunday, May 3

Sunday, June 14

Sunday, July 12

Sunday, August 9

Save the Date!

NLC Teacher Appreciation Luncheon

Monday, May 4th

Pasta Dinner for VBS families in July

Always Happening

Food Donations for Loudoun Hunger Relief

Collection of plastics to recycle through the NexTrex Recycling Challenge

worship

A Thank You Note

The Worship Committee would like to thank everyone for providing tulips for our Easter service!

Your tulip team,
Sally Brenton, Nancy Gilmore and
Nancy Noerpel



More views of the tulips & communion set-up from Easter Sunday



Beautiful set-up for dinner & devotion on Maundy Thursday



Sanctuary Flower Sign-Ups

Celebrate special occasions and people in your life by providing flowers for any worship service.

Please contact
nancy.gilmore@standrew-pres.org

if interested in displaying a floral arrangement in the sanctuary.

Want to assist in worship?

Let your individual and familial light shine during Sunday morning worship by volunteering to be a **liturgist** who reads Scripture and guides prayers or **an usher** who passes the collection plates. You can even volunteer as a family, serving for an entire month and dividing the Sundays between the roles of readers and ushers. We welcome your radiant volunteer spirit as you offer your talents in serving our faith community!

Please contact lynn.krepich@standrew-pres.org if you are interested.

Find the sign-up sheet in the church entryway!

fellowship

Personal Note of Thanks

Dearest St. Andrew Family,
Thank you for the care, prayers, and outreach you extended to me and my family during my knee replacement surgery recovery period. The meals, calls, texts, rides, and wave of get-well cards lightened my load more than I can say. I am eternally grateful for all of your love and support.

Peace,
Ally Fetch

Upcoming Events

May 4

Breakfast for NLC Staff

May 17

Church Workday +
Potluck Breakfast

June 7

Church Picnic
@Franklin Park
Senior Recognition Day!

Have
Questions?

Contact

Leslie.Dragonestandrew-pres.org or
Deacons@standrew-pres.org
for more information

deacons

Send some joy with Shower of Cards!

The Deacons have started a **Shower of Cards ministry**, where we encourage members to stop by our table and sign a card to members who need a little cheer. Deacons provide the cards and will take care of mailing the cards. We had great success with this on March 15 and want to do it on a regular basis. If you know of anyone who could use some cheer or good wishes, please let Debra or Sarah (or any Deacon) know.



bulletin board

RECYCLING HELP!

Do you have 15 minutes once or twice a week to help take the recycling from the building to the recycling container at the end of the parking lot?

Contact Josh if you can help!
josh.shields@standrew-pres.org

Book Club

4TH SATURDAY
@ 7:30 PM

MEET AT A MEMBER'S HOME

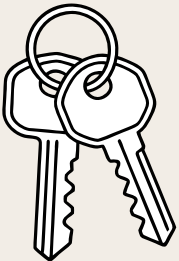
Interested in joining?

Email bookclub@standrew-pres.org

Coffee & Conversation

THURSDAYS, 9:15AM
@ DOPPIO BUNNY

All are welcome!

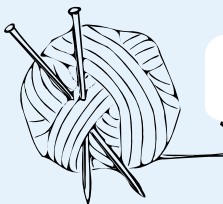


Key Fobs

Any member of St Andrew may request a key fob for entry to the church on Sunday mornings for worship!

If you would like a fob, please contact
Josh Shields or Ally Fetch.

josh.shields@standrew-pres.org
ally.fetch@standrew-pres.org



St. Andrew Stitches

Bring a project you're working on, and join friends to chat and craft! So far we have quilting, knitting, crocheting, needlepoint, cross stitch, and sometimes even "to do" projects like assembling goodie bags. Come hang out with us!

Interested or have questions?
Email ally.fetch@standrew-pres.org

Bible Bunch



2ND MONDAYS @10 AM IN THE YOUTH LOUNGE

The Bible Bunch is a member-guided fellowship, study, and prayer group that uses the Presbyterian Women Horizon Bible Study, "Finding Resilience, Joy and Our Identity in Jesus Christ" by Rhashell D. Hunter.

Interested or have questions? Email nancy.gilmore@standrew-pres.org

committees & groups

CONTACT

A/V

To help behind-the-scenes with AV at worship services and special events, contact Tom Hill.

hillkid@earthlink.net

Fellowship

Our Fellowship Committee seeks to provide fun opportunities to visit together as siblings in Christ!

fellowship@standrew-pres.org

Property

From light bulbs to air conditioners, the Property team makes sure our campus is well kept and welcoming. Hands are always needed!

josh.shields@standrew-pres.org

NLC Board

Church Members

- Suzanne Wade (President)
- Leslie Dragon
- Kirsten Shields

NLC Parents

- Jessica Cassidy (Treasurer)
- Kalena Moore (Secretary)

nlcboard@nlcenter.com

Deacons

- Debra Gutenson (co-chair)
- Sarah Sassak (co-chair)
- Susan Cassutto
- Frank Diehl
- Nancy Gilmore
- Leslie Dragon
- Pat Quinn
- Evan Read
- Katie Schweiger

deacons@standrew-pres.org

If you or someone you know needs meals, help with errands, rides, or simply prayers, please reach out.

Session

Class of 2026

- Stephen Fike
- Daniel Gillispie
- Josh Shields

Class of 2027

- Randy Dragon
- Deborah Hill
- Kyle Hottinger

Class of 2028

- Lynn Krepich
- Sarah Read
- Rob Weaver

session@standrew-pres.org

WANT TO JOIN A GROUP OR HAVE A QUESTION?

Feel free to reach out directly using the contact information above or email the Church Office at info@standrew-pres.org