



NOVEMBER 2025

Dear St. Andrew's Family,

The theme for the 2025 Diocesan Convention was "Watershed Moments." In Rawlins, delegates, clergy, and other leaders from around the Diocese gathered for business and fellowship. We voted on the proposed 2026 diocesan budget and proposed resolutions. We were inspired by Episcopal leaders, we celebrated Wyoming Episcopal identity and fellowship, and we elected members of Diocesan leadership teams.

A watershed moment is a place and time where the waters change direction. The waters might flow into new rivers, basins and seas. The waters will go on to nourish different climates and species. In our liturgical calendar, we find watershed moments in the penitential seasons of Advent and Lent, when we are called to reflect, repent, and change direction so that Christ's living water might more freely flow through our lives.

The Diocese is at a watershed moment as it prepares to search for a Bishop Diocesan. Leaders on the Standing Committee, Diocesan Council, Commission on Ministry, Foundation, and Diocesan Staff have worked hard to learn from past Bishop-Diocese relationships. As a Diocese, we do *not* want our next Bishop to be someone who comes in with an existing vision of what we must be, and who then tries to mold us to fit that vision. Rather, we are seeking a leader who will celebrate all that we are as Episcopal churches in Wyoming, and who is up for the challenge of coming alongside us to grow and innovate in the years ahead.

Here at St. Andrew's in the Pines, we are also at a watershed moment. Your vestry leaders have worked hard to prepare rector search documents that reflect us at our best, and that clearly articulate the kind of pastoral leader we are seeking. In the weeks ahead, you will have the opportunity to share feedback on these documents before they are publicized and the search officially begins.

For all the good and necessary work that happened at Convention, my favorite part was a session that was not on the agenda. During one of the educational breakout sessions, some members of

your vestry and lay worship leader team chose to opt out of the official programming and have a generative discussion (with the help of our supply priest plus, Rev. Mary Caucutt) about our watershed moment at St. Andrew's. Inspired by the keynote speaker, Bishop Michael Hunn of the Diocese of the Rio Grande, we reflected on how it would feel to partner with a clergy person who prioritized relational, generative ministry. We considered practicalities of calling a rector who would help us continue nourishing St. Andrew's as we are, while actively exploring how we can grow. For example, we might continue to have lay worship leader-led services once or twice each month, because we *expect* our rector to be actively taking time to explore new avenues for formation, worship, and community-building beyond Sunday mornings. What could it look like for St. Andrew's, in the years ahead, to become a "double-heliced" model of faith community, blending beloved heritage with new growth, one living body with diverse expressions suited to God's calling for our time and place?

Your perspective matters as we discern how this watershed moment will shape the future of St. Andrew's. Prayerfully review the rector search documents, and share your hopes, fears, and insights as we prepare for a rush of living water.

--**Erin Hastey, Vestry Member, Region V Representative to Diocesan Council**



Erin, Sukey, Joni and Madeleine at Luau Night, Diocesan Convention

GETTING TO KNOW: PEGGY BRYANT



My name is Peggy Bryant. We moved to Cora in 2003. The friendly people I met went to St. Andrew's, so I joined them. I think the Pinedale area is similar to where we lived in Alaska for 25 years. People are capable of tackling a variety of tasks that need to be met, while also being a social and generous community given winter's hardness. I like the spring dazzle season of sun and moonlight on snow cover.

I was born in San Francisco, Ca. My father instilled a love of camping in his kids, and my siblings live in Montana, Oregon and Arizona. I graduated from University of California, Berkeley. I moved to Denali Park, Alaska and met my husband. We worked as biologists in the Interior and Arctic. I am attracted to northern climes and Pinedale area reminds me of places in Norway and Finland.

I read the New York Times, Louise Penny, science and archeology articles. I support wildlife related-projects, as the deer and antelope move through Cora. I call politicians about human safety issues such as vaccines, food security, and on environmental and water issues.

I am a good observer of small details and like living on a sagebrush terrain. We spend a few months each year near Kanab, Utah on the Colorado Plateau in another sage brush location. I miss this church group when we are away.

Memories of St Andrew's include joining the pie assembly crew at Coralee Peterson's house with the Ports as a newbie. Watching the kid in the camel outfit trying to enter the church during the Christmas Pageant. I enjoy the ECW get togethers.

St Andrew's is important to me and I feel comfortable here as I see others in this church active in the community to make sure people's needs are met. The Thanksgiving Dinner, Christmas Community Carol program, Halloween candy on the steps of the church, the laundry & soap program, mental health meetings, other groups using the Church building, plus the Food Basket give us all a chance to help others. I have faith that needs and wishes are met. The purpose of the New Testament is that Jesus works through people and all people can benefit. The fact that Nelson Mandela was released from prison and was the President of South Africa is a true miracle to me. I see small miracles around me all the time.

ST. ANDREW'S IN THE PINES VESTRY

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NEW PARISH DIRECTORY: In preparation for a new rector, the Vestry is planning a new parish directory with photos. Photographer Gretchen Yost will be at St. Andrew's on Sunday, December 7 after the service to take head shots. You will also get a copy of your photo in digital format. There will be a make up date in the new year if you can't make it that Sunday or you can submit a photo of your own choosing

NEW RECTOR PACKET: The packet the Vestry is submitting to the Diocese will be available both electronically via the weekly email and with print copies the can be viewed in the church. The packet consists of a color multi-page handout and our answers to a required questionnaire called the OTM..

SUBLETTE CENTER SERVICES: We will begin having mid-week services at Sublette Center starting in October. When Mary is here for the week it will be Holy Eucharist; if she is not here, we will have ante-(before) communion. The services will be in the Heritage Room at 10 am. Everyone is invited to attend; Aspen Grove residents and their families, too! November 12, 10 am Morning Prayer November 26, 10 am Holy Eucharist December 10, 2 pm Christmas Tea Party December 24, 3:30 pm Christmas Eve Service

STEWARSHIP BRUNCH AND INGATHERING OF PLEDGES: November 23, The Rev. Mary Caucutt will return for Holy Eucharist and Stewardship Sunday. Potluck brunch follows the service. She will be here for Sublette Center's 2 pm Holy Eucharist Wednesday November 26, and Sunday church November 30 (1st Sunday in Advent) and December 7th (Lessons and Carols with Holy Eucharist).

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING. A big thank you to Jocelyn Moore and Andrea Paulsen who will be representing St. Andrew's in this important community event. We are not hosting this year but will still be preparing and donating food. Keep your eye out for sign up sheets.

GREENING OF THE CHURCH: Saturday, November 29 at 1 pm. Dave Hohl is bringing the tree and greens. Everyone is invited to make the traditional window decorations, the Advent wreath, change the altar linens to purple, and prepare the way of the Lord in general.

CHRISTMAS TEA: We are also planning a Christmas Tea at the Sublette Center on Wednesday, December

10 at 2 pm. All members of St. Andrew's and the residents of Sublette Center, Aspen Grove, and Heritage Home are invited. If you would like to bring treats or help set up, serve and take down, please contact Sukey.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: The parish-wide Christmas Party is planned for Saturday, December 6th, St. Nicholas Day, at 5:30 in the Undercroft. Please bring a dish to share, a wrapped ornament for the ornament exchange, and a donation for the Food Basket. A bottle of wine is also appreciated. Please contact a Vestry member if. You need a ride.

ROTA: Helpful hint: even if you aren't signed up for a task, looking at the monthly rota in this newsletter will give you a lot of helpful information about what's going on every Sunday—take a look!

GENEALOGY: Joan Balue and Joni Mack stand ready to help anyone work on their genealogy. Contact one of us to figure out a mutually workable time and we'll sort out your ancestry! Joan: joanbalue.azwy@yahoo.com or Joni: shapeshifter2913@gmail.com.

PRAYER CHAIN: Lauren McKeever is starting the Prayer Chain for St. Andrew's in Advent; you will see details in December's newsletter and weekly email.

LOVE THY NEIGHBOR GRANT: St. Andrew's has applied for a new \$5,000 Diocesan Foundation grant. We are focusing on SAFV, the Food Basket's emergency box program, Rendezvous Pointe's homemaker in-home services, the school lunch arrears payment program, childcare past due payments and utility/rent assistance. Our rummage sale from last summer will match \$500 of this gift.

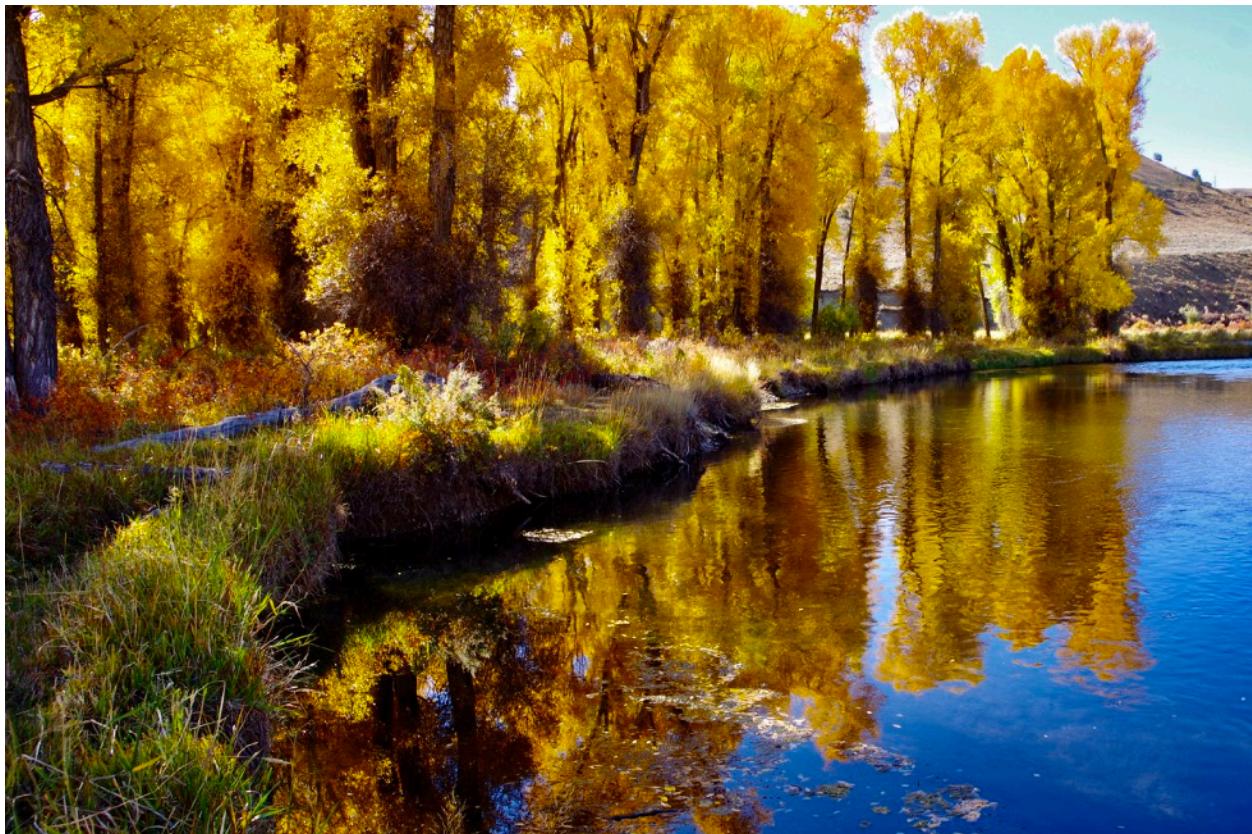


Sam Cook

November ROTA

Type of Service	2-Nov Morning Prayer All Saints 10:00 AM	9-Nov Morning Prayer	16-Nov Ante Communion	11/23//2025 Holy Eucharist Stewardship Sunday Potluck luncheon	30-Nov Holy Eucharist Advent 1
Altar	Mary Lankford	Jen Wilson	Joni Mack	Julia Cook	Kendra Cross
Worship Leader	Madeleine Murdock	Sarah Hixson	Madeleine Murdock	Rev. Mary Caucutt	Rev. Mary Caucutt
Chalice	N/A	N/A	N/A	Julie Belton	Madeleine Murdock
Greeter/Plate	Sukey Hohl	Jen Wilson	Jocelyn Moore	Julie Belton	Sarah Hixson
Lector	Susan Brennan	Sandy Cenac	Jocelyn Moore	Erin Haste	Sukey Hohl
Coffee Hour	Sukey Hohl	Jen Wilson	Julie Belton		Sukey Hohl
Advent Wreath				Laura Shell Mark Reinwald	

If you are unable to serve or fulfill the duties assigned, please make arrangements to switch dates or ask someone to serve. For assistance, please call Julie Belton at 307) 231-1856 to help.



Most Precious Gold by Andrea Paulen

St. Andrew's in the Pines Vestry Minutes
September 8, 2025

- 1. Opening Prayer**
- 2. Call to Order:** 5:40 pm. Present: Sukey Hohl, Senior Warden, Sarah Hixson, Junior Warden, Joni Mack, Treasurer, Julie Belton, Clerk, and Sandy Cenac and Erin Hastey via Zoom.
- 3. August Minutes:** Joni moved to have the August Minutes accepted as presented, Sarah seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Rector Update:** Joni reported that the electrical work is now completed. Because it took longer than expected, our contractor Josh is recommending that they now focus on getting the house exterior prepped and painted while the weather is still good. Sukey and Joni are working with Josh on paint and finishes that keep within the budget. They are planning for a fresh, light, neutral and cohesive look.
- 5. Treasurer's Report/Grants/Fundraising:** Income is very close to what was budgeted and expenses are on track also. The outreach checks approved at the August meeting have been sent out. There was some discussion about the Boulder Roll funds and it was agreed that if the Boulder Roll folks want the money to go into the mental health fund, that would be fine, but they should take over their own spending for anything else since they have their own 501 (c) (3) status now. The Audit Committee has met and should be done by September 30. Julie moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, Sarah seconded, The motion passed unanimously.
- 6. Stewardship.** Joni has written a draft of this year's stewardship letter which everyone agreed is excellent and will suit the purpose. We will continue her harvest theme with cutouts for the lighted trees and have the usual potluck. We will work on finding volunteers to speak about stewardship in the weeks leading up to Stewardship Sunday the third week in November.
- 7. Transition/Search.** Sukey is holding on to our draft profile until the Diocesan staff is done with budget and convention. She is working on culling quotes from the questionnaires and we don't have the photographs from Gretchen Yost yet. We don't expect to get information on how to calculate rector pay until after convention either.
- 8. Preparation/Refresh:** The logs have been cleaned and the steps stained thanks to Sarah Hixson and Andrea Paulsen. The website refresh also has to wait on the new photos. We discussed getting the carpets cleaned. We may need to rent equipment and do it ourselves. We are having technical difficulties with our free Google Drive account and Sukey will look into purchasing one paid account.
- 9. Miscellaneous**
 - A. Bylaws:** Bylaws discussion is put off to later. We also discussed developing a Policy/Procedure Manual for St. Andrew's, which will be a major project.
 - B. Upcoming Events:** In September we will have another S'More Church, a Genealogy Night and a fall/winter worship committee meeting. The Bishop visit and convention take place in October, we plan to have a Senior Tea at the Sublette Center before Thanksgiving.
 - C. Yellow Jackets:** In the process of preparing the steps, Sarah discovered that we have a yellow jacket nest under the bell. It seems to be a terrible year for yellow jackets; they are all over the place. Joni got up in the middle of night twice to spray the nest with multiple cans of poison to no avail. We will get an exterminator.
- 10. Closing Prayer**
- 11. Meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm.**

Treasurer's Report for November newsletter**Joni Mack, Treasurer**

If you would like to sit down and have a detailed explanation of our finances, please be in touch. I'm glad to do that! The renovation of the rectory continues, with the electrical work, the exterior, and interior prep and prime completed.

Thank you, everyone for your generous support of St. Andrew's, especially during this time of transition.

Current Assets	As of September 30, 2025
Operating fund balance	2,236.41
Memorial fund	2,065.20
Savings	77,059.93
Building fund	61,127.52
Priest Discretionary	528.31
Suicide Prevention Fund	18,247.77
Dedicated Funds Checking Account	42,358.75
ECW Checking Account	883.49
Total Current Assets	204,507.38
CD – 9 month (matures 4.23.26)	10,762.64
CD – 9 month (FirstWestern) matures 6.5.26	15,980.09
Total CDs and Investments	26,742.73
Dedicated Funds	
Mental Health Grant	37,825.58
Outreach Fund	3,697.36
Summer Lunch	10,213.01
Christian Education	885.81
Total Dedicated Funds	52,621.76
Total Revenue YTD September 2025 (pledge, open offering, interest)	83,412.01
Total Expenses YTD September 2025	-48,713.50
Excess of Revenue over Expenses	34,698.51

MILESTONES

Albert Martin Carollo passed away on October 21. A service will be planned later. Al and Carolyn recently celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary.

Sari Cenac was in the play *Matilda*, as a Big Kid and the Nurse.

We are very happy to welcome back **Jocelyn Moore** after a long absence to help with her mother.

Sukey Hohl is going to Nepal on November 6 to meet up with her husband Dave. They will be back around November 20.

INSTANT POT CURRIED BUTTERNUT SQUASH AND COCONUT SOUP

Adapted from Miyoko Schinner's *The Homemade Vegan Pantry*

I had a couple of requests for this recipe at our dinner with Bishop Todd a few weeks ago, so I thought I'd share it here. It's one of my favorites this time of year. –

Erin Haste

Ingredients:

1 onion, sliced

7 cups peeled and cubed butternut squash (about 2 1/2 pounds)

1 red bell pepper, cored, seeded, and sliced

1 celery stalk, sliced

3 cups broth (vegetable or chicken)

1-2 tablespoons curry powder, depending on your taste and the spiciness of your curry powder

7 oz coconut milk (about 1/2 of a 13.5 oz can)

1 to 2 teaspoons lemon zest

Directions:

1. In an Instant Pot or other electric pressure cooker, combine the onion, squash, bell pepper, celery, broth, and curry powder.
2. Cook at high pressure for 22 minutes.
3. Allow the pressure to release naturally if possible; or wait at least ten minutes and release the pressure manually.
4. Using an immersion blender, blend the soup until it is creamy.
5. Stir in the lemon zest and coconut milk.
6. Add salt and ground black pepper to taste.
7. Optional: In a separate, smaller bowl, combine the rest of the can of the coconut milk, 1-2 tablespoons of juice from the lemon, and at least 1/4 teaspoon of salt. Use this as your lemon coconut cream to top the soup when serving.

You can make this soup on the stove as well—just add an additional cup of broth and cook the ingredients in step one until the vegetables are very tender. Then proceed from step 4 onward.

Editor's note: if you have a recipe you would like to share with the St. Andrew's community, please submit to **Sukey** any time.



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**PLACE
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**REMEMBER THE TIME CHANGE ON
NOVEMBER 2 AS WELL AS THE
SERVICE TIME: IT IS 10 AM FOR THE
WINTER!**



Breakfast of Champions by Andrea Paulsen