



SEPTEMBER 2025

Dear St. Andrew's Community,

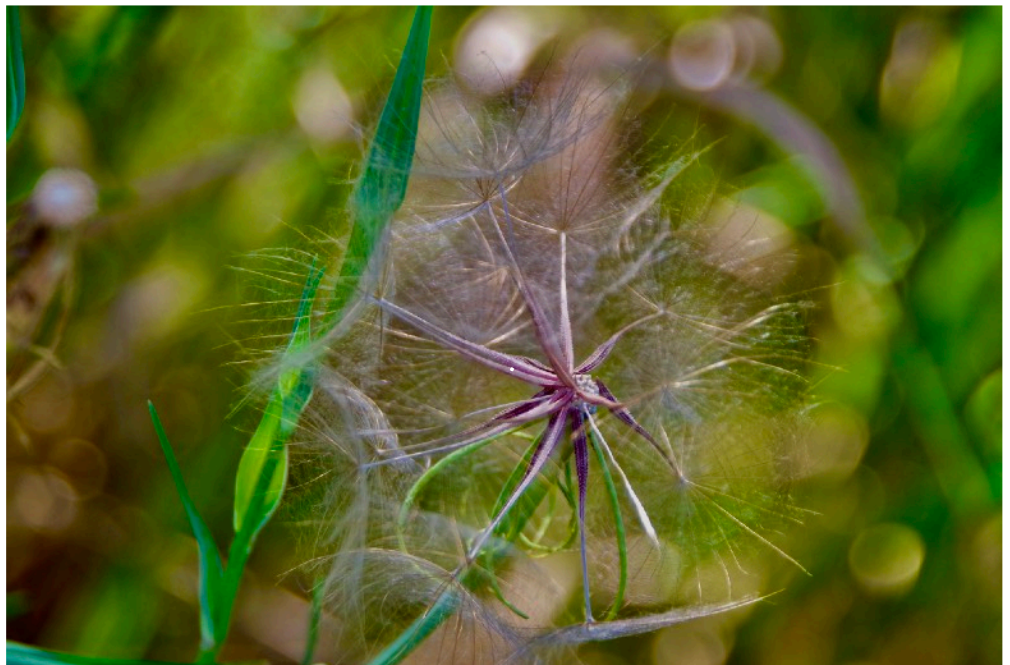
Casey and I have been blessed to join you in this time of transition. We will be with you for two Sundays every month starting in September and continuing, God willing, until you find a new rector. I will be available for pastoral, spiritual, liturgical, and teaching work in the week between the Sundays. The vestry will help me schedule that time. If you, or someone you know, has spiritual or pastoral needs, please reach out to me directly 307-250-7821.

Students, and those whose lives are connected to students, are experiencing transition as well. Fall is a time of endings when students conclude their summer freedom, aspens release their leaves and animals prepare for the long winter. Fall is a time of beginnings as student scholars begin a new year with nervous excitement that possibilities bring to our life. Transitions are complicated times. They always include release with the relief and grief it brings as well as anticipation with its accompanying joy AND anxiety. Transitions are marked by intensity. At any given time, any and all of us feel an entire range of emotions. We can't expect that our neighbor in the pew is experiencing the same thing we are. We are not often ready to move at the same time and pace together.

Transitions are times that require we slow down a bit and extend extra grace to one another. I don't know about you, but that is tough for someone like me who is always in a hurry and often convinced she is right (about almost everything). Paul has good advice for me and for the community of St. Andrew's in this: rejoice with those who are in joy and weep with those who sorrow (Romans 12:15). In times of communal transition it might be more important to practice relationship than to focus on outcome or ends. I encourage you to slowly and contemplatively read the entire chapter of Romans 12. It may provide a good template for this and other life transitions.

I look forward to being among you at the end of the month of September!

**PEACE,
MARY**



Whirl by Andrea Paulsen



Getting to Know: Caroline Brazill

How long have you been attending St.

Andrew's? About eighty years. I was raised on the Boroff Ranch about 15 miles from Pinedale. We went into town about once a month and it was a big deal. I went to a one-room school at 40 Rod—it was a shed they moved there and put in desks and a blackboard. There were from four to six students. When I was a freshman we moved into town. I knew some kids from 4H but it was a shock. I graduated from Pinedale High School. I have lived here most of my life.

Where would you like to visit? The east coast and the south.

What historical figure do you most admire? The wives of the presidents, especially Abigail Adams.

Who is your favorite writer? I like a lot of different writers—Kristen Hannah and Jan Karon are two favorites. I really enjoy both history books and novels about women in history.

What are your hobbies, interests? Knitting and quilting. I always have one project each going at any time.

What do you love most about Sublette County? What's not to love?

Tell us about your family: I had three boys—Chuck, Brian and Kevin and that kept me busy!

Favorite memory/story about St. Andrew's: The Christmas pageants. The kids were so cute in their costumes!

ST. ANDREW'S IN THE PINES VESTRY

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Erin Hastey		(608) 228-897	erinhastey@gmail.co	2027
Sukey Hohl	Senior Warden	(307) 231-3030	sukeybook@gmail.com	2027
Sarah Hixson	Junior Warden	(307) 231-9666	sarahmi5@wyoming.com	2028
Joni Mack	Treasurer	(307) 690-0669	joni@ravenscrowne.com	

MILESTONES: Students: Lily Cenac has returned to the University of Wyoming, Canon Cenac begins his secondary education journey at Western Wyoming College, and Sari Cenac continues her studies at Pinedale High School.

RECTORY RENOVATION UPDATE: Josh Beck, our contractor, reports that the electrical wiring has been pulled throughout the house and will be connected to the new breakers and panel. Electricity should be restored by the 1st week in September. With that complete, they will then move to finishing the bathrooms and bedrooms, with resurfacing and painting the exterior while the weather is good.

SEARCH UPDATE: The Vestry will be submitting our profile draft to the Diocese after Convention in October when they are less busy. We should have our pictures back from the photographer next month. Thanks to everyone who submitted their questionnaires; we had very good participation!

BISHOP TODD OUSLEY'S OFFICIAL VISIT: Mark your calendar, during his brief time with us last summer, our Bishop Provisional (an interim position) let us know he would like to continue the conversations we had regarding what possibilities

and opportunities there are for us. The tentative schedule is: Saturday October 4 - dinner with parishioners to discuss our way forward, Sunday October 5 - Bishop Todd will preside as Celebrant at church (we are asking if he'd like to do the blessing of the animals.)

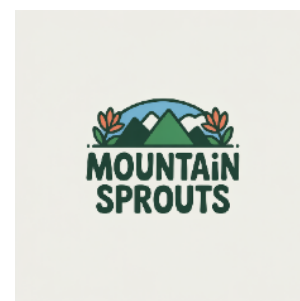
DIOCESAN CONVENTION SILENT AUCTION

BASKET: During Convention October 9-12 (ask a Vestry member if you need more information) there will be a Silent Auction featuring baskets filled by every church in the diocese. St. Andrew's has always had a popular collection of interesting items, including handmade jewelry, quilted items, wine (yay!), books, greeting cards made by members, etc. We'll have a basket to collect contributions in the narthex. Thank you!

GENEALOGY NIGHT: for your calendar—Who: anyone who would like to trace their ancestry; when: Let's start September 25th at 5:30 pm at church, after a quick choir practice; what: bring a laptop if you have one and be ready with a few names of your ancestors (start with parents and birthdates, grandparents and anyone before that) we can have a go at rooting out your family tree!

WORSHIP LEADER MEETING September 17, 5:30

pm at Joni Mack's home, 1311 Club House Rd., Pinedale. We'll be planning worship and events for October through December. If you have a specific request for a worship opportunity, please let Julie Belton, Sukey Hohl, Joni Mack or Erin Hastey know and we will try to accommodate your wishes.



MOUNTAIN SPROUTS CHILDCARE would like to thank the vestry and congregation of St. Andrew's for allowing the school aged program to use the under-croft area. It has been a blessing to have so much space to spread out. The kitchen and creek next door make this an exciting play zone while giving them a chance to explore and connect with nature. We are eternally grateful. We will continue to use the space for the "no school" Fridays during the school year to continue to enrich our school aged children. Again, thank you!

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STEWARDSHIP DISTINCTION

July 2025

Sarah Hixson

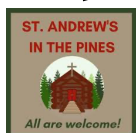


The I SPY Stewardship Distinction is not a reward, nor is it a competition. It is simply an accolade, for a person or persons that are caught red-handed faithfully sharing God's good gifts with others. The distinction is an opportunity for us to raise an alleluia for someone's service and to show our appreciation. It is time to recognize St. Andrew's I SPY Stewardship Distinction for the second quarter of 2025!

Our Junior Warden keeps a low profile. But maybe you've seen her shoveling snow off the steps as you drive by the church. You definitely didn't see her when she dealt with that light bulb ten feet above the stairs. She's also our ecological warrior—doing all our recycling and making sure St. Andrew's keeps as green a profile as possible. She's washed a million dishes, attended a thousand meetings (she probably holds the record for most Vestry terms served) and has just done the training to relicense as Lay Eucharistic Minister and Worship Leader. She's always willing to pitch in and get the job done, whatever it is and has the kindest heart we know.

Due to her work, she is also able to give the Vestry word of people in need (never divulging names of course) so that St. Andrew's outreach funds can help Sublette County residents in a tough spot. She is our recipient of the I SPY Stewardship Distinction for the second QTR 2025.

Please join us in giving thanks and praise to God for Sarah Hixson and celebrating her ministry amongst us!



St. Andrew's in the Pines
Episcopal Church
Pinedale, Wyoming

S'More Church

September 20th 7:00 PM

Gather around the campfire for s'mores, songs, stories, and star gazing. Enjoy an outdoor environment to foster an inner peace and connection with others.

1

Make S'mores by Roasting Marshmallows

Toast marshmallows to create delicious s'mores with chocolate and graham crackers.

2

Sing Classic Campfire Songs or Not

Sing timeless campfire songs like "Kumbaya" and "This Land Is Your Land."

3

Share Tales and Adventures

Gather to tell share exciting personal camping adventures, or outdoor spiritual experiences.

4

Star Gazing

Explore the world of wonder and the night sky. If weather permits. We will have a new moon and just days before the September Equinox.

5

This evening is open to any and all areas of connection

The lists above are some of the options. Anything is possible when we are all together. We aim to build a bond and open our hearts to infinite possibilities.



St. Andrew's in the Pines Vestry Minutes
July 14, 2025

1. **Opening Prayer**
2. **Call to Order:** 5:41 pm. Present: Sukey Hohl, Senior Warden , Sarah Hixson, Junior Warden, Joni Mack, Treasurer, Julie Belton, Clerk, Sandy Cenac and Kelley Pearson and Erin Hastey via Zoom.
3. **June Minutes:** Sarah moved to have the June Minutes accepted as presented, Sandy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
4. **Rectory Update:** Joni reported that after the contract was signed and the first payment made, Josh started work. He has done the demolition and cleaned up but will be gone the month of July. Also he has found an electrician. As his gift to us, the bathrooms will have tile floors instead of vinyl. The first problem has been discovered: he cannot remove the panelling since it was glued and nailed up. He will cover the walls with sheet rock at no additional cost. Also the sprinklers are not working and The Bickering Brothers Lawn Service is working on it.
5. **Treasurer's Report/Grants/Fundraising/Stewardship:** We continue to be in good shape, the money we would have paid a rector is accumulating and Joni is moving it into savings. We are well positioned to pay for expenses related to our rector search. Sarah moved to accept the Treasurer's Report and Sandy seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Kelley moved and Sandy seconded that Sarah get a debit card, since recipients are having trouble getting our outreach checks cashed. She will use it for donating gas and grocery money and the like. Motion passed unanimously.
6. **Transition/Search.** Sukey reported that now that the survey is done, Jessica Reynolds from the Diocese has given us the profile and OTM (Office of Transitional Ministry) forms to work on. We have initiated our own parish survey to gain more information and good quotes. Erin, Sukey, and Joni will work on a draft for both items to present to the Vestry at the August meeting. It will also have to be vetted by Jessica and the congregation will have an opportunity for input also. We are aiming to finish in September, if possible. We also need to find professional quality photos. Sukey suggested that we hire a professional photographer. . Sukey also commented that we need to put our best foot forward and we could improve our parish directory, bulletin boards, information handbook, website and street side appearance of the church. We will pursue finding a photographer, a web developer to update our website and Joni will lend the church her air compressor and Sarah will use it to clean the logs. Sukey will do the new parish directory and handbook and everyone will help with the bulletin boards.
7. **Miscellaneous**
 - A. **Bylaws:** Sukey checked with the Diocese and there is a newer version of parish bylaws. Kelley will review the old and new versions and report back to the Vestry in August
 - B. **Bishop Visit:** Bishop Ousley will be visiting us again the first weekend in October. He will lead St. Andrew's in prayerful discernment on the Saturday, details to come, and worship with us on the Sunday..
 - C. **Rendezvous.** Word seemed to get out that there was no pie sale and only a couple of people showed up looking for pies. Sarah's small and attractive rummage sale went very well, making almost \$600 and the lemonade and water for dogs were appreciated. We also had handouts, including the newly revised St. Andrew's history pamphlet.
 - D. **New Rota.** Julie reported that the August rota is finished and we just need to get it in everyone's hands. In the future it will appear in the newsletter. People will no longer sign up but each month Julie will assign duties, keeping folks' wishes in mind. Servers will be responsible for finding their own replacements.
 - E. **Barbecue:** We had planned to have a barbecue at the Rectory but with the demolition work there are no bathrooms or running water so we will have the barbecue on the church grounds with a short tour of the Rectory.
 - F. **S'More Church.** Julie gave us a brief update on what is planned. Dates will be August 2 and August 15 after sound check. We will have a campfire, the makings of s'mores, and some spiritual story telling, fellowship and possibly live music.
 - G. **Confirming New Lay Ministers:** will be postponed till we have the proper paperwork.
8. **Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.**

Treasurer's Report for September 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!

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

Current Assets	As of July 31, 2025
Operating fund balance	2,547.76
Memorial fund	2,064.68
Savings	72,053.68
Building fund	83,994.31
Priest Discretionary	528.31
Suicide Prevention Fund	8,377.47
Dedicated Funds Checking Account	46,800.40
ECW Checking Account	1,633.49
Total Current Assets	218,000.10
CD – 9 month (matures 4.23.26)	10,762.64
CD – 7 month (FirstWestern) matures 9.5.25	15,980.09
Total CDs and Investments	26,742.73
Dedicated Funds	
Mental Health Grant	39,525.58
Outreach Fund	6,389.01
Summer Lunch	10,972.91
Youth	885.81
Total Dedicated Funds	57,773.31
Total Revenue YTD July 2025 (pledge, open offering, interest)	71,435.20
Total Expenses YTD July 2025	-42,279.11
Excess of Revenue over Expenses	29,156.09



Connection by Andrea Paulsen

September ROTA

	7-Sep	14-Sep	21-Sep	28-Sep
Type of Service	Morning Prayer	Ante Communion	Holy Eucharist	Holy Eucharist
Alter	Jo Crandall	Kendra/Jen	Joni Mack	Mary Lankford
Worship Leader	Madeleine Murdock	Sukey Hohl	Rev. Mary Cacutt	Rev. Mary Cacutt
Chalice	N/A	N/A	Sukey Hohl	Julie Belton
Greeter/Plate	Sarah Hixson	Julie Belton	Sukey Hohl	Julie Belton
Lector	Susan Brennan	Erin Hastey	Susan Brennan	Sandy Cenac
Coffee Hour	Julie Belton	Jennifer Wilson	Sukey Hohl	Julie Belton

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.

OTHER SEPTEMBER DATES

September 8	Vestry, 5:30 pm in the Undercroft
September 14	Vestry Update, during coffee hour
September 17	Worship Committee Meeting & Potluck, 5:30 at Joni's
September 20	S'More Church at 7 pm
September 25	Newsletter deadline

September Birthdays

Lora Grinestaff	9/2
Jenna Platt	9/2
Dan Liske	9/19



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