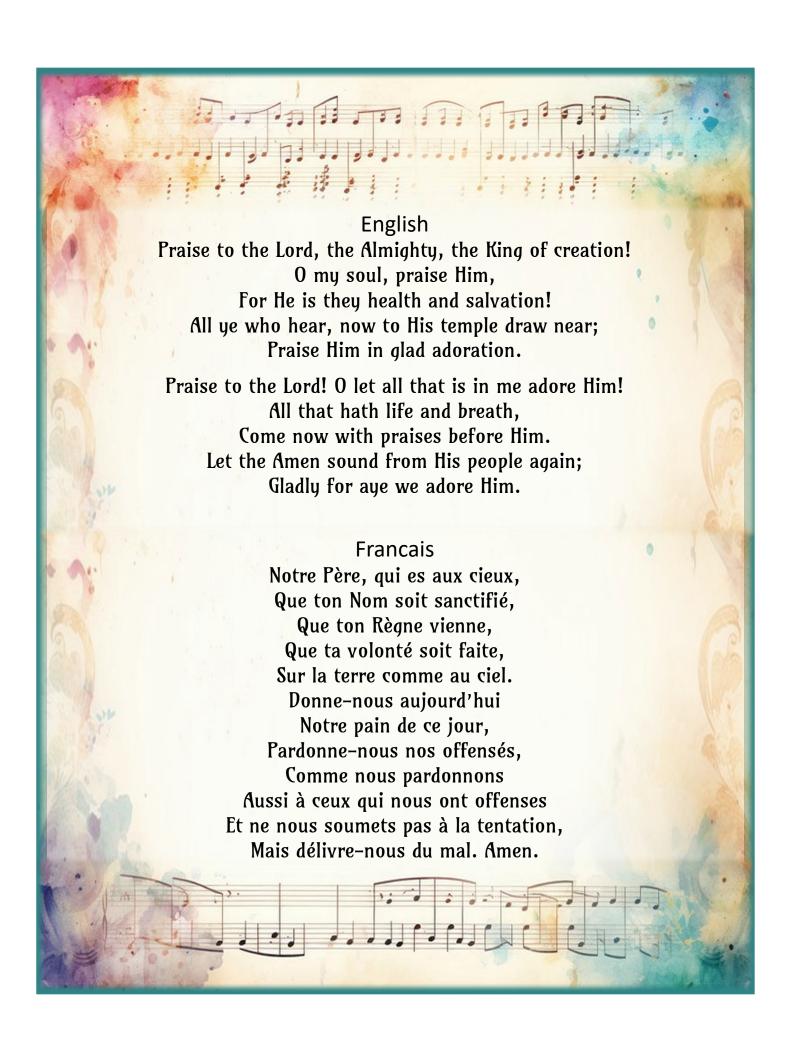
St. Andrew's Signpost

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October Reflections

In October 2025, the Revised Common Lectionary (Year C, Track 1) presents a rich tapestry of prophetic urgency, communal accountability, and divine mercy. The month begins with Habakkuk 1–2, voicing lament over injustice and waiting for God's response, paired with Psalm 37's call to trust in divine righteousness. Jeremiah 29 follows, urging exiles to seek the welfare of the city—a radical call to faithful presence amid displacement.

Mid-month, Genesis 32 recounts Jacob's wrestling with God, a powerful metaphor for spiritual transformation through struggle. Jeremiah 31 then offers a vision of restoration, echoing themes of covenant renewal. The Gospel readings from Luke—including the parables of the persistent widow and the Pharisee and tax collector—underscore humility, perseverance, and the reversal of expectations in God's kingdom.

Throughout October, the lectionary invites communities to wrestle with divine justice, embody mercy, and remain faithful in the tension between exile and promise.

Drawing on October's lectionary themes—prophetic lament, spiritual struggle, covenant renewal, and humility—here are some examples of how these ideas can take shape in everyday life. Consider how they might be lived out personally, within the congregation, and through connections with others in the community. (Some of you "Snow-birds" may be setting out soon. These ideas can travel south with you. You might discover fresh strategies and approaches that you can bring back and share when you return to the Lake Chelan area.)

Seeking the Welfare of the City (Jeremiah 29)

- Faith-rooted civic engagement: Partner with local organizations to address housing insecurity or advocate for just policies, embodying the call to bless the place of exile.
- Community listening sessions: Particularly as some of your fellow seniors find themselves in more difficult situations regarding health, social, and other householding issues, seek out and plug into projects serving marginalized voices, fostering mutual understanding and shaping ministries around real needs.
 - o Are your Senior Centers maintaining funding for their community lunches?
 - o What is the status of your communities' "Meals on Wheels" programs?
 - o Are Vets in your area able to get to medical and educational services?

Wrestling Toward Transformation (Genesis 32)

- Conflict resolution: Especially within families, help one another create spaces and situations for honest dialogue and reconciliation, modeling Jacob's struggle as a path to blessing.
- Small Spiritual formation groups: Explore personal and communal struggles through scripture, prayer, and storytelling. (It's easy to Google reliable, tested, and inexpensive study and reflective implementation or thematic Bible study guides.

Covenant Renewal and Restoration (Jeremiah 31)

- Liturgical renewal: Worship services which include rituals of recommitment—e.g., communal confession or Baptismal renewals, to mark new seasons of faithfulness.
- Restorative justice circles: Might we work with like-minded people to facilitate healing between harmed and harming people, reflecting God's promise to write the law on hearts?

Humility and Mercy in Practice (Luke 18)

- Radical hospitality: Communities prioritize inclusion of those often excluded—immigrants, the unhoused, LGBTQ+ persons—mirroring the tax collector's welcome.
- Leadership reimagined: Let us work together to elevate humble, servant- hearted people eager and willing to challenge ill-founded norms to promote kingdom renewal.

These are only a few ideas to encourage the lectionary's call to be a people shaped by mercy, justice, and transformative grace.



St. Andrew's News and Around Town



In 2024 the food bank supported 10,973 families (37,000 individuals) and made 764 home deliveries to shut-ins. They are in need of: financial donations, Food Pantry items [non-perishable, no/low prep (open & eat) meals/food items for the 24/7], and travel sized hygiene items. There is a collection box in the Parish hall for your donations.

The Food Pantry

We are collecting *non-perishable*, *no/low prep* (open & eat) meals/food items for the 24/7 (monitored) Food Pantry. Examples of acceptable items: Heat & Eat soups/stews, tuna/meat (pouches or cans), Spam, nuts, trail mix, individual servings/packages of jerky, boxed milk, pre-packaged meals, etc. *Note: cans should have pull tab lids for ease of use/preparation*.

The Hygiene Pantry

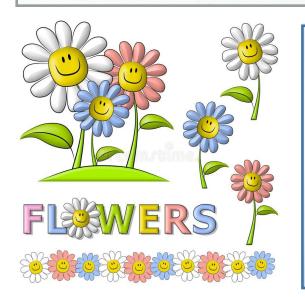
We are also collecting travel or motel sized hygiene items such as soaps, shampoo/ conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, etc.



VOLUNTEER

Please take a moment to see how you can serve.





Our Flower Calendar is hanging in the Parish Hall.

We have a few open dates in September.

Please take a moment to sign up if you would like to help provide flowers for our services, or in celebration or memory of a loved one.

~ Thank you

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October 31st - Trick or Treating in Downtown Chelan. We will be handing out candy again this year to the children in our community. If you would like to help, we will be collecting candy and monetary donations for this event.

Candy may be left in the office. For more information or to give a monetary donation, Contact Bob Beeson.



Experience the power of worship as we lift up the name of Jesus in one voice!

When:

Saturday, October 11, 2025 Starts at 7:00 pm (Doors open at 6:00 pm)

Where:

Lake Chelan Community Gym 317 E. Johnson Avenue



Best wishes and prayers go with our dear friends Ellis and Kathy Nierenberg.

We wish you great joy and happiness on your new adventure.

Still One in Spirit

You may be stepping into new terrain, But our prayers will follow like gentle rain. Though miles may stretch and roads divide, We remain one body, side by side.

From potlucks shared to hands held tight, From whispered prayers to candlelight— The Spirit bound us heart to heart, And no goodbye can pull that apart.

You've served with grace, you've loved with light, You've made our burdens feel more slight. Now go with peace, with joy, with flame—Our fellowship still speaks your name.

So while you leave this sacred space,
You carry love, you carry grace.
And when we worship, sing, or pray—
You're with us still, not far away.

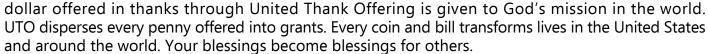
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United Thank Offering—Collecting October 5th & 12th

The United Thank Offering (UTO) is a ministry of The Episcopal Church for the mission of the whole church. Through UTO, individuals are invited to embrace and deepen a personal daily spiritual discipline of gratitude. UTO encourages people to notice the good things that happen each day, give thanks to God for those blessings and make an UTO offering for each blessing.

UTO is entrusted to receive the offerings, and to distribute the 100% of what is collected to support innovative mission and ministry throughout The Episcopal Church and Provinces of the Anglican Communion.

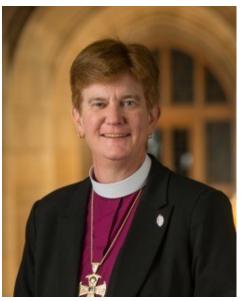
Notice the good things that happen each day. Give thanks to God for your blessings. Every penny, nickel, dime, quarter, and



Notice all of the ways that God is blessing you each day. From the simple quiet moments to moments of interaction with people who are helping you, good things are happening all the time that we simply miss because we are rushing to the next thing. Today, we challenge you to notice all of the good things happening or simply start and end the day with a prayer of thankfulness.



The Rt. Rev'd Gretchen M. Rehberg will be coming to Chelan to visit St. Andrew's on October 12th



Bishop Gretchen Rehberg, Ph.D., D.Min. was ordained and consecrated March 18, 2017 as ninth bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Spokane.

She is passionate about proclaiming the inclusive love of God and equipping the people of God for transformation and growth. Christian formation for all ages is of vital importance to Gretchen, and she stresses the need for both rigorous engagement and the need for openness and humility in learning. She served as the Rector of the Episcopal Church of the Nativity from 2006 to 2017, after having been elected bishop in 2016.

She has served as the Chair of the Commission on Ministry, a Canon for Regional Mission, and a trainer for the College for Congregational Development. In these ministries, she combined her passion for equipping people for ministry and assisting congregations in becoming more faithful, healthy, and effective communities of faith. She has a M.Div. from General Seminary, a D. Min. from Wesley Seminary, and Ph.D. in Chemistry. Previously she was a professor of organic chemistry, and served her community as an EMT/firefighter.

Please join us in prayer for Bishop Rehberg's ministry and visit. We also lift her physical needs up in prayer.

Heavenly Creator, who makes us whole, we offer our prayer for a donor for Bishop Gretchen Rehberg. May she be strengthened in her weakness and may she have confidence in your loving care.

When You welcome a donor into your loving arms, provide comfort to those who will feel their loss and help them find peace and solace knowing that even in death the donor will be providing life for another. In Jesus Christ, the great healer's name, we pray. Amen

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Fitting and Showing Swine

Maddoc Finch, Reserve Grand Champion
Peyton Baker, Call Back and Blue Ribbon
Colton Bowthorpe, Call Back and Blue Ribbon
Melissa Mendoza, Blue Ribbon







JoAnne Taxelius

JoAnne Taxelius passed away on January 23, 2024, at the age of 92. She died at home with her family in Grants Pass, Oregon. JoAnne was a long-time member of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Chelan before moving to Oregon to be closer to her family. She was born in Cotter, Arkansas, a small ranching and farming community, before journeying west to Seattle, Washington, with her sisters as a young woman.

JoAnne was known for her consistent support of her family and friends and was loved by all who knew her. She was heavily involved in the communities she lived in, with devotion to local churches and other charitable organizations.

JoAnne was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas, in 2019, who is inurned in the St. Andrew's Columbarium. During their marriage, she and Thomas lived in Pennsylvania, Idaho, Colorado,

Grant Rest Eternal

Leader: Into Your keeping, Lord of Light, we commend this servant of Christ.

People: Grant rest eternal, and let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader: From weary toil and earthly strife, receive them into everlasting life.

People: Grant rest eternal, and let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader: Surround with angels, calm and near, and wipe away all grief and fear.

People: Grant rest eternal, and let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader: Made whole, made holy, now in You, their journey ends, their joy is new.

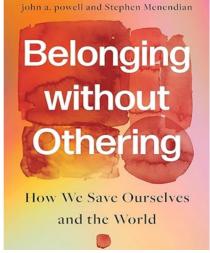
People: Grant rest eternal, and let light perpetual shine upon them.

and Oregon before retiring along Lake Chelan. She is survived by her son Robert of La Pine and Terry Colvin of Grants Pass, Oregon, two grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

An inurnment service was held at the St. Andrew's Columbarium on September 11, 2025.

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Explore a paradigm of belonging that heals divisions and opens our world to a shared future

Engage this foundational material on the following Mondays at either

- •4:00-5:15pm in person (808 East Sprague) and simultaneously via zoom
- •OR 6:30-7:45pm via zoom

October 6—Chapter 4 (Chapter 1 optional)

October 13—Chapter 5 (Chapter 2 optional)

October 20—Chapter 6 (Chapter 3 optional)

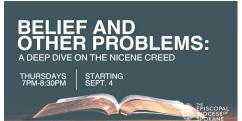
October 27—Brainstorm Applications

Register/Questions at rickmatters@gmail.com

Let Your Love Be Inclusive

Join conversations about loving without excluding people different from yourself, in the manner of Jesus Christ. Read three chapters of the book, Belonging Without Othering, and discuss how to apply its important teachings in our language and relationships. Choose either the 4:00pm or 6:30pm session on the four Mondays in October.

Register through the diocesan Beloved Community at rickmatters@gmail.com and receive the zoom link.



Belief and Other Problems: A Deep Dive on the Nicene Creed

September 4—November 20



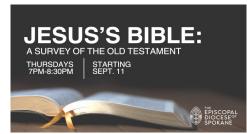
Details

In honor of the 1700th anniversary of the Nicene Creed, this

class offers a rich opportunity to explore one of Christianity's most enduring statements of faith. Belief and Other Problems will delve into the creed's historical origins, theological context, and the ways it continues to shape Christian belief today.

Classes meet over Zoom on alternating Thursdays from 7:00–8:30 PM on the following dates: **September 4, September 18, October 2, October 23, November 6, and November 20.**

Register at: https://theepiscopaldioceseofspokane.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/3071190 Curious minds and open hearts welcome—no prior background required!



Jesus's Bible: A Survey of the Old Testament

September 11—December 4



Details

Join us for an engaging exploration of the Hebrew Scriptures in Jesus's Bible: A Survey of the Old Testament. Building on the foun-

dation of our New Testament class last spring, this course will guide students through the diverse genres of the Old Testament, introduce key insights from contemporary biblical scholarship, and invite thoughtful reflection on how Christians engage with these ancient texts.

Classes meet over Zoom on alternating Thursdays from 7:00–8:30 PM on the following dates: September 11, September 25, October 9, October 30, November 13, and December 4.

Register at: https://theepiscopaldioceseofspokane.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/3071130 All are welcome—no prior experience required!



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