



August 14, 2026

*When peace like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say
It is well, it is well, with my soul*

*It is well
With my soul
It is well, it is well with my soul*

*Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed His own blood for my soul*

*It is well (it is well)
With my soul (with my soul)
It is well, it is well with my soul*

*My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought
My sin, not in part but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, o my soul*

*It is well (it is well)
With my soul (with my soul)
It is well, it is well with my soul*

*It is well (it is well)
With my soul (with my soul)
It is well, it is well with my soul*

"It Is Well With My Soul" is a hymn penned by hymnist Horatio Spafford and composed by Philip Bliss.



Meet your new rector

Come see me on Sunday or send me an email and let's find a time to meet- I'd love to be shown your favorite walks, learn the best lunch spots or chat in my office. I'm looking forward to meeting all of you!

Rev. Rita

priest@standrewsmv.org

A Joyful Welcome to Our New Rector

With grateful hearts and great anticipation, we welcome **The Reverend Rita Powell**, our new Rector, to St. Andrew's Church. We give thanks to God for guiding our parish through the search process and for calling her as our new priest to serve among us.

The beginning of a new ministry is an exciting time of hope, discovery, and shared purpose. As we come to know one another, we invite every member of the parish to extend a warm welcome, to offer your prayers and encouragement, and to participate fully in the life and mission of our church. Together, may we continue to grow in faith, deepen our fellowship, and share Christ's love with our community.

Please join us in welcoming Rita and her family and in praying for God's abundant blessing upon this new chapter in the life of St. Andrew's Church.

Father Bob Edmunds, warden Palmer Martin and parishioner Michael Brady (out of frame) post the name of our new rector to our sign board after the service on Sunday morning, August 2, 2026.

Welcome, the Rev. Rita Powell, and thanks to Father Bob for serving most recently as our bridge priest.



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Helping us meet our needs:

Dear St. Andrew's Parishioners,

We have recently encountered two important expenses that were not included in our 2026 budget, and we are asking you to prayerfully consider helping us meet these needs.

Sound System Upgrade

Our current sound system is no longer providing the clarity and reliability our parish needs for worship. Unfortunately, replacing or upgrading the system is not within our current budget. If you are able to help support this project financially, we would be deeply grateful. We approximate \$12,000.00 for this upgrade.

Rectory Freshen-Up

As you know, we are preparing to welcome our new Rector. To make the Rectory ready, several necessary repairs, updates, and general clean-up projects have been completed. These unexpected expenses were also not included in our 2026 budget. If you would consider contributing toward the Rectory freshen-up, we would sincerely appreciate your support.

If you would like to make a donation by check, you may place it in the offering plate or mail it to the church. Please note either "**Sound System**" or "**Rectory Work**" in the memo line so we can direct your gift appropriately. We approximate \$10,000.00 for the repairs and updates.

Thank you for your generosity, your prayers, and your continued support of the ministry of St. Andrew's.

Palmer Marrin and Barbara Rush, *Wardens*



Support our mission

Giving to St. Andrew's:

You may now make a secure contribution to the ministry and mission of our parish by scanning the QR code above with your smartphone camera. The code will take you directly to our online giving page, where you can make one-time or recurring gifts safely and conveniently.

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If you have questions, they may be directed to: office@standrewsmv.org.

Your generosity supports the worship, outreach, pastoral care, and many ministries of this congregation. We are grateful for every gift and for all who share in the work of Christ through this parish.

Each must give as they decide in their heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. — 2 Corinthians 9:7

The Rev. Rita Teschner Powell

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Photos:

Above: The Osprey Return, Chappu

Changing the outdoor sign, by Tom Dunlop

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