



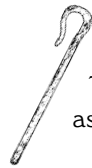
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PASTORAL REFLECTIONS *from* SUMMER READING



It's called the **KISS** principle. It states that simplicity should be the key goal and that unnecessary complexity should be avoided.

The acronym, first coined by an aeronautic engineer, now has many variations as to what each letter means — even as it relates to the length of my sermons.

Anything **simple** has always been of interest to me. I've found that my attempts at **simple** living can be joyful, rich, and creative, but keeping it **simple** isn't always that **simple**.

In his book, *Celebration of Discipline: The Path to Spiritual Growth*, the author, Richard Foster, lists nine ways to tidy up the not-so-**simple** parts of our lives in order to live more **simply**.

First, buy things for their usefulness rather than their status.

Second, reject anything that is producing an addiction in you.

Third, develop a habit of giving things away.

Fourth, refuse to be propagandized by the custodians of modern gadgetry.

Fifth, learn to enjoy things without owning them.

Sixth, develop a deeper appreciation for the creation.

Seventh, look at a healthy skepticism at all "buy now, pay later" schemes.

Eighth, obey Jesus' instructions about plain, honest speech.

Ninth, reject anything that will breed the oppression of others.

Tenth, shun whatever would distract you from your main goal.

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God." — MATTHEW 6:33

For **summer reading** you'll find a wonderful selection of books for all ages in your **Church Library**.

Pr. John +

The life and ministry of Saint Andrew Lutheran Church shall be open to all who wish to express their faith in God through Jesus Christ by *worship, learning, witness and service.*

– From Mission Statement



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WEEKLY WORSHIP

Thursdays at 12:15 — 6:15 pm

Sundays at 8:00 — 9:30 am



REFLECTIONS on the READINGS (full listing of readings on pg. 2)

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

God's word is like the rain that waters the earth and brings forth vegetation. It is also like the sower who scatters seed indiscriminately. Our lives are like seeds sown in the earth. Even from what appears to be little, dormant, or dead, God promises a harvest. At the Lord's table we are fed with the bread of life, that we may bear fruit in the world.

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

It is an age-old question: why is there evil in the world? In the parable of the wheat and the weeds Jesus suggests that both grow together until the harvest. With Paul, we long for the day that all creation will be set free from bondage and suffering. Having both weeds and wheat within us, we humbly place our hope in the promises of God, and from the Lord's table we go forth to bear the fruit of justice and mercy.

ACTIVITIES

MMMM...Another Youth Brat Fry!

July 8 & 9, 11 am-3 pm

If you missed the first one, now's your chance to come to Quality Foods IGA in Rib Mountain for a fresh, grilled brat and support the senior high youth summer mission trip to Philadelphia. They're ready to serve you!

Ministry Night

Tuesday, July 12, 6:30 pm

All are welcome to participate in the ministry of their choice on Ministry Night. All ministries gather in the Fellowship Hall for devotions before breaking off into their individual meetings. Come and see how your time and talent can help serve in the mission and ministry of Saint Andrew.

Baptism Orientation

Sunday, July 10, 10:45 am

Orientation will be held in the sanctuary for those families anticipating a baptism. Please call the church office if you would like to attend.

OWLS Go-A-Cruzin

Friday, July 15

The **Older Wiser** Lutherans (OWLS) will take a 1½ hour cruise down the Wisconsin River departing from Rhinelander at 1 pm and also stop to enjoy a meal on the way home. Those interested can *meet at church at 11 am to carpool*. The cost of the cruise is \$14. Please call the church office to **RSVP by Monday, July 11** for planning purposes.

SALC PROPERTY & FACILITY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

With the shift in seasons and programming, so do the Property and Facility needs change at Saint Andrew. Additional time and talent opportunities are available on an ongoing basis to assist in the general maintenance of the Saint Andrew building and grounds. Both interior and exterior projects such as dusting/polishing, touch-up painting and trimming of bushes have been identified with flexible time commitments ranging from a couple of hours, half day or full days. Please call the church office to inquire about these opportunities as well as indicating your availability to share your gifts and serve in this capacity.

CELEBRATION PATIO

Enjoy Fellowship on the Celebration Patio this summer! If you would like to have a paver dedicated to a loved one, pick up a form in the narthex and return it to the church office with payment. Examples of celebrations could include the following: birth, baptism, confirmation, marriage, in memory of, in honor of, new members, charter members and many more! Personalize a paver for your celebration!

ASSISTING with WORSHIP

July 10

Ushers

Shepherd Team

Layreaders

8:00 am -

9:30 am -

Altar Guild

Team 3: Cindy Brenner
Carmen Seigel
Vicki Porter

Fellowship

8:00 am - Jim & Diane
VanEyck

9:30 am - Renee Schroeder
Dennis Klockiem
Lois Irick

Greeters

8:00 am - Barry & Marge
Busse

9:30 am - Tom & Mary
Weiland

Counters-July 11

Charmaine Burnett
Jerry Kort

Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 55:10-13
Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13
Romans 8:1-11
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

July 17

Ushers

A Team

Layreaders

8:00 -

9:30 -

Altar Guild

Team 4: Joyce Schoepke
Sue McFaul
Jodi Gargulak

Fellowship

8:00 am - Larry & Annette
Bindl

9:30 am - Jerry & Marlene
Kort

Greeters

8:00 am - Dan & Lynne
Holt

9:30 am - Rosetta Ahles

Counters-July 17

Judy Paszek
Marsha Otto

Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 44:6-8
Psalm 86:11-17
Romans 8:12-25
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

VBS COUNTDOWN: 25 DAYS...

HELP STILL NEEDED

We are still in need of 3 key positions to be filled for VBS; Bible Story Adventures Leader, Chadder's Theater Leader and Bamboo Blast Games Leader. These can be shared positions. A packet containing all scripted conversations, supply lists and directions for set up are provided. Please consider joining the fun at PandaMania Adventures! Please call the church office at 715-842-3333 to let us know how you can help!



SUPPORT VBS

Looking for a way to support our Pandamania VBS Adventure this year? Check out the new VBS donation display in the Fellowship Hall. It's full of "Panda Pull-Tags" listing snack and craft items to donate as well as some "borrowed" items. Pull the tag, purchase the item(s) and return to the basket by August 1. Thank you for your support!

NEED TO REGISTER?

Registration is easy! Stop by the Fellowship Hall, pick up a form and turn it into the office with payment. OR, register on-line at www.salc-wausau.org.

CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS AND CAREGIVERS NEEDED

Church School Teachers

Full programming is **only two months away!** How is God calling you to share your gift of teaching? Saint Andrew needs motivated individuals for the 2011-2012 Sunday School year, Thursdays *and* Sundays, who want to share their Christian faith by helping prepare our youngest members for a life with Christ. Flexible schedules are available, including: job sharing, rotations, part-time, etc. A substitute pool will also be established to have available for teacher absences. Please call the church office at 715-842-3333 to let us know you can be a part of Saint Andrew's Christian Education.

Nursery Caregivers

Saint Andrew has a great need for volunteers to supervise the nursery. Would you be willing to give your time and your talent just one Sunday every few months during the school year? It's very easy and you get to play with toys, color or read a Christian story to a child! In addition, it would assist many parents in attending worship service knowing their child is being well-taken care of. Please call the church office to let us know when you can help in the nursery!

YOUTH MISSION TRIP SEND-OFF

Twenty youth and four adult chaperones will participate in the Philadelphia Mission Trip. While at the site, they will serve in local ministries such as children's programs, elderly centers, soup kitchens/homeless shelters or thrift stores and a Kids Club. They will also learn about the lives of local residents and culture of the area in the evenings. There will be a send-off for them at the 9:30 am service on Sunday, July 10. Please keep them in your prayers as they travel and are doing God's work as they give their time and talent to this important ministry.



Time and Talent Opportunities to SUPPORT the Mission

- Facility Volunteers Needed- Pg. 2 outlines the details.
- Opportunities available for Christian Educators or Nursery Caregivers-pg. 3 has all the information.
- A great way to **recycle your paper**-drop your recyclable paper in the **Magic Paper Box** in the West Parking Lot.
- **VBS**-Can you help? Need to Register? See pg. 3 for more details.
- Prayer requests are welcome through the **Prayer Center** in the sanctuary and will be acknowledged weekly in worship.

Parish Staff

Rev. John Roseth, *Pastor*
Rev. Craig Swenson, *Pastor*
Everett Schmidt, *Coordinator of Youth*
Al Freiberg, *Coordinator of Music*
Shelby Gjertson, *Parish Administrator*
Joy Mitchell, *Secretary*
Sheldon Geiger, *Bookkeeper*
Shannon Vujnovich, *Custodian*
Ron Sandquist, *Sexton*

NETWORK Deadline

The deadline to submit articles for the *July 21, 2011* Network is: **Wednesday, July 13, 2011**

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At Saint Andrew—July 10 - July 23

Sunday, July 10

8:00 am **WORSHIP**
9:30 am **WORSHIP**
10:45 am Baptism Orientation

Monday, July 11

7:00 pm AA, Alanon, Alateen
7:45 pm Softball vs. Grace Maine—SV4

Tuesday, July 12

9:00 am *Mtg:* Book Club
10:00 am *Mtg:* Quilting Group
6:30 pm *Mtg:* Ministry Night

Thursday, July 14

12:15 pm **WORSHIP**
6:15 pm **WORSHIP**

Friday, July 15

Youth Leave for Philadelphia Mission Trip
11:00 am OWLS Go-A-Cruzin

Saturday, July 16

2:00 pm Marcell/Lancell Wedding

Sunday, July 17

8:00 am **WORSHIP**
9:30 am **WORSHIP**

Monday, July 18

7:00 pm AA, Alanon
7:45 pm Softball vs. Our Saviours—SV4

Tuesday, July 19

9:00 am *Mtg:* Book Club
11:45 am *Mtg:* Executive Committee

Thursday, July 21

12:15 pm **WORSHIP**
6:15 pm **WORSHIP**