



Network



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PASTORAL REFLECTIONS — *Pastor Craig*

I recently had the privilege of participating in the ordination of a young lady from Illinois. It was a day of mixed blessings as it provided an opportunity to see members of a former congregation whom I had not seen in over two years and to preach at the special service of a young lady who will make a great pastor in the life of the church. It was fun to share in her journey and see how God had been shaping her for 15 years since her baptism to this special day. It was also time for me to realize there is a new pastor in the community. Time has moved along and likewise so have I.

Many life experiences provide opportunities to reflect and reassess life's journey. I spent the week following this experience as time for continuing education thinking about the satisfaction of where I have come from, the gratitude of where I am and the anticipation of the possibilities of where the journey of life might yet lead over the next 5, 10, 20 years. There is indeed much we can learn if we but take the time to reflect and ponder the world around us. It was, in a way, a Sabbath week. *(For more about Sabbath, check out an article in the most recent issue of The Lutheran from the church library.)*

Going back to what was home for 14 years but now is two years removed reminded me that here in Wisconsin, I am home, for this is where I believe God has called me to live and serve and to continue my journey of faith at this time.

So when you ask me "what did you **do** during your week of continuing education?" I might just respond with, "Not much. Not much at all and it was a wonderful Sabbath week." I sincerely hope your summer included time of Sabbath—to rest and reflect upon your journey of faith and life and to consider the blessings and opportunities that are around you.

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

Lectionary 21

Paul urges us to not be conformed to this world, but to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, using our individual gifts to build up the body of Christ. In response to God's merciful activity, we are to worship by living holistic, God-pleasing lives. Our values and viewpoints are not molded by this age, but are transformed by the Spirit's renewing work. God's grace empowers different forms of service among Christians, but all forms of ministry function to build up the body of Christ.

Lectionary 22

Paul presents benchmarks for faithful relationships with Christians and non-Christians. Love is the unflinching standard of our behavior. When we encounter evil, we do not resort to its tactics but seek to overcome it with good. While Christians cannot control the actions and attitudes of others, we seek to live at peace with all people. In worship we gather as a community that we might offer ourselves for the sake of the suffering world.

ACTIVITIES

Blessing of Pets and Animals

Sunday, August 21, 9:30 am



Bring the **whole** family — all socially adapted creatures great and small are welcome.

The service will take place on the north side of the property in front of the Celebration Patio. Help with clean-up is needed.

Fair Trade Coffee Available for Purchase



Sunday, August 21

Fair Trade Coffee will be available for purchase between worship services. Coffee Project is a justice relief effort through Lutheran World Relief.

Choirs to Begin Rehearsals

All who are interested in being a part of the Saint Andrew Chancel, Bell or Children's choirs are welcome to come to rehearsal as listed below:

Wednesday, September 7:

6:30 pm-Chancel Choir

meet in the sanctuary

8:00 pm-Bell Choir

meet in the chapel

Sunday, September 18:

11:45 am-Children's Choir

meet in the chapel

Fall Clean-Up Scheduled

Wednesday, Sept. 14, 6-9 pm

Come one, come all, to help with the SALC Building and Grounds Fall Clean-up and Small Project Night. No project is too big or too small—something for everyone!

Many hands make light work!

LWR School Bag Kits

School bag kits for Lutheran World Relief are available in the Narthex in the Kiosk.

Take a kit home, sew the school bag and return it to SALC by September 18.

LUTHERAN COLLEGE FAIRS

Admissions representatives will be available to answer questions regarding admission, academic programs, student life, housing and financial aid. Students of all ages (and their families) are welcome to attend.

Sunday, August 28-Madison

Sunday, August 28, Hartland

Monday, August 29-Appleton

See their website for more information: lutherancolleges.org.

ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC

When: Sunday, September 11, 10:45 am

Where: Celebration Patio (Rain location-Fellowship Hall)

Hamburgers, brats and hot dogs will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass according to the first letter of your last name:

A-O Salad or Side Dish; P-Z Dessert

Picnic Helpers Needed:

Before picnic-set up chairs, tables, small tents and kids' games

During picnic-run kids' games (teens are encouraged to help)

After picnic-take down chairs, tables, small tents and kids' games

Please call the church office to indicate your willingness to help!

Prize Donations Needed:

Toys (new or very good condition used) for kids' prizes can be dropped off at church by September 9.

ASSISTING with WORSHIP

August 21

Ushers

Shepherd Team

Layreaders

8:00 am - Shirley Bickford

Altar Guild

Team 6: Stephanie Wage

Patty Marceille

Julie Weller

Fellowship

8:00 am - David & Nancy

Larson

9:30 am - Carrie Peterson

Greeters

8:00 am - Dan & Lynne

Holt

9:30 am - Dave & Sue

Paisar

Counters-August 22

Leslie Sorenson &

Mary Wittich

Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 51:1-6

Psalms 138

Romans 12:1-8

Matthew 16:13-20

August 28

Ushers

A Team

Layreaders

8:00 - Marv Meier

9:30 - Lynn Lawson

Altar Guild

Team 1: Marilyn Olson

Sandra Fischer

Mary Weiland

Fellowship

8:00 am - Roger & Ruth

Poutanen

9:30 am - Adam & Kathy

Wurz

Greeters

8:00 am - Marv & Jolene

Meier

9:30 am - Dick & Lynn

Lawson

Counters-August 29

Charmaine Burnett &

Mindy Branning

Lectionary Readings

Jeremiah 15:15-21

Psalms 26:1-8

Romans 12:9-21

Matthew 16:21-28

STEWARDSHIP NEWS AND EVENT

Next month, a mailing will be sent to all members with information to respond with participation of Time and Talent in service to the church. Please watch for this mailing the second week of September and consider ways you can get involved. A second mailing will arrive later this fall with an opportunity to renew pledge support for the 2012 ministry year.

Rethinking Stewardship: Empowered to Give: is a synod sponsored event scheduled at Saint Andrew for *Monday, September 12 at 6:30 pm*. There is no cost and no pre-registration. Rev. Charles Lane, Director of the Center for Stewardship Leaders at Luther Seminary in St. Paul will be the guest presenter. All are welcome to attend this informative event.

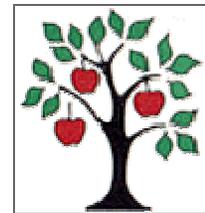
LAY SCHOOL BEGINS FALL CLASSES

Classes will begin **September 9 and 10** and are held Friday evenings and Saturdays once a month at Saint Andrew. For more information, contact Jeanette Carlson at jeanette@bobs-electric.com or at 715-848-2108.

CHRISTIAN ED NEWS AND IDEAS

Giving Tree

On the first week, the Giving Tree was picked clean! The “apples” will help stock supplies for the hundreds of attendees in education programs at Saint Andrew! **Thank you for your generosity!**



Rally Day is Family Day!

Be here as a family (activities require parents to attend-(please no drop-offs). Please make plans to attend **Rally Day/Picnic Day on Sunday, September 11** following the 9:30 am church service. A few surprises are planned. Come and check out the fun!

Teachers and Substitute Teachers Needed for Fall Church School

Thank you to all who have stepped forward to offer your time and talent in teaching Sunday and Thursday church school. Teachers and substitute teachers are still needed. Training will be provided for the use of the on-line curriculum on September 18 during the Sunday School hour while students are involved with RECONNECT Sunday Activities.

Vacation Bible School Review

PandaMania was a great program for 130 kids and 50 volunteers helping throughout the week! Also, thank you to the kids and families for the total donation of \$144.22 for the Malaria Campaign.

Fall Christian Education Schedule:

- Church School: Thursday classes begin September 8 at 5:30 pm
 Sunday classes begin September 11 at 9:30 am (*the following weeks classes begin with large group in the sanctuary at 9:15 am.*)
- Adult Bible Study: Sunday mornings begin September 18 at 9:30 am in the Parish Room
 Sunday evenings begin September 18 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Room
- Confirmation
 Grades 6-8: Wednesday, September 7, 6:30 pm with Parent/Student registration and orientation.
(the following weeks begin with large group in the Fellowship Hall at 6:15 pm)



Time and Talent Opportunities to SUPPORT the Mission

- Lend a hand at the annual SALC picnic-see pg. 2 for more information.
- Many hands make light work for the SALC Building and Grounds Fall Clean-up and Small Project Night-pg. 2 has all the details!
- LWR School Bag Kits available in the Narthex in the kiosk-pg. 3 has more information.
- Please drop off non-perishable food items in the baskets at the entries for the SALC Food Pantry.
- A great way to **recycle your paper** -drop your recyclable paper in the **Magic Paper Box** in the West Parking Lot.
- 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 *September 1, 2011* Network is:
Wednesday, August 24, 2011.

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At Saint Andrew—August 21 - September 3

Sunday, August 21

8:00 am **WORSHIP**
9:30 am **WORSHIP** *
* *Blessing of Pets and Animals*

Monday, August 22

7:00 pm AA, Alanon, Alateen

Tuesday, August 23

9:00 am *Mtg:* Book Club

Thursday, August 25

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

Sunday, August 28

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

Monday, August 29

7:00 pm AA, Alanon

Tuesday, August 30

9:00 am *Mtg:* Book Club

Thursday, September 1

12:15 pm **WORSHIP**
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