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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# Network



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### PASTORAL REFLECTIONS—Pastor Craig

early six months ago, Pastor John informed the Church Council that he will be retiring in the spring of next year. An article entitled LONG RANGE and FUTURE PASTORAL STAFFING PLANS made this announcement public and at the time, it seemed very futuristic. Yet, with the next six months now in view, it is becoming clear that the time is growing closer and the need to plan ahead is all the more important. The following is shared as a vision of a plan that sets a timeline and encourages conversations.

- The work of the Staffing Task Force has completed their study and the Church Council will consider the proposal at the October meeting. The plan assessed all areas of the congregation's life and ministry and gives recommendations for increased efficiency and expanded opportunities for staff and volunteer members alike. As one might expect, the future needs of Saint Andrew are anticipated to grow. This is a proactive approach to addressing needs and opportunities.
- Pastor John's Mutual Ministry Committee will take an active role in suggesting
  opportunities to express remembrances and well-wishes that are both
  meaningful and appropriate for the congregation and Pastor John alike.
- As for calling another pastor, it is anticipated that a call committee will be
  established yet this year in hopes to interview potential candidates next spring.
  In anticipation of this transition, Bishop Jim Justman will worship with us on
  Sunday, November 6 and bring the message on that day. He will then provide a
  forum opportunity between services in the chapel for those who wish to learn
  more about the process and how he and the synod staff can be of assistance.

As these next weeks and months unfold, I urge you to pray that God will both empower and equip us as faithful kingdom workers who are active in bearing witness to Christ through continued mission and ministry opportunities.

### **WEEKLY WORSHIP**

Lectionary 29

In this week's first reading God uses the Gentile ruler Cyrus to accomplish divine purposes. When the Pharisees try to trap Jesus, he tells them to give the emperor what belongs to him and to God what belongs to God. To gather for worship reminds us that our ultimate allegiance is to God rather than to any earthly authority. Created in the image of God, we offer from what God has entrusted to us in the service of God and for the sake

Thursdays — 12:15 & 6:15 pm Sundays — 8:00 & 10:30 am

Lectionary 30

We are called not only to love God with heart, soul, and mind, but also to love our neighbor as ourselves. In the confession of sins, we acknowledge that we have not loved God, neighbor, and self; yet we gather to hear the word of forgiveness and to be strengthened by word and meal to be signs of God's love and mercy in the world.

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#### ACTIVITIES

#### Remembering Zeerust

Sunday, October 16 A candle will be lit during worship to highlight our partnership with our sister congregation of Zeerust Lutheran Church in South

#### Fair Trade Coffee Available

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

#### "Listen to My Teaching" Saturday, October 29,

8:45 am-2:30 pm

Saint Andrew will host a day of theological and spiritual refreshment. Four sessions and a soup & sandwich lunch will make up the day. The registration fee includes lunch but lunch is not guaranteed with same day registration. Registration forms and more information are available on the table in the Narthex.

#### RECONNECT Sunday

October 30, December 4 & 11 RECONNECT Sunday is a great way to try out assisting with Church School in a small way. If you enjoy working with kids, sign up to

be a leader, coordinator or a helper. All materials will be provided-give it a try!

#### Blood Drive at SALC

Tuesday, November 1, 2-7

Saint Andrew will be the sight of a blood drive in support of the Blood Center of Northcentral Wisconsin Donors can give blood every 56 days. Not interested in donating? Perhaps you are willing to volunteer to help with refreshments, registration, or other support. Mark your calendar now and call the church office to express your willingness to help.

#### **UPCOMING YOUTH**

Sunday, October 16, 1-4 pm. The 7th and 8th grade students will meet at church then go to the corn maze-cost: \$6. Pizza and pop will be provided at church afterward. Bring a friend!

Sub Sunday, October 23. The Senior High Youth will sell fresh -made, 8" cold cut sub sells for \$3.50 between the services and following the 10:30 am service. Profits will offset expenses of the Synod Youth Gathering. Support the senior high youth group and don't worry about lunch that day by buying a couple of subs!

National Youth Gathering Meeting, Sunday, October 23, 11:45 am for those who have signed up to attend the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans in 2012.

Progressive Dinner and Elections, Sunday, October 23, 4 pm for grades 9–12. Four houses will host the progressive dinner with elections of new officers for the Senior High board.

#### NAME TAG SUNDAY

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This Sunday, October 16

To help new members get acquainted with current members of Saint Andrew. Member Outreach volunteers will be available in the Narthex with name tags for everyone to wear. Please enjoy reconnecting and also welcoming the newest members of Saint Andrew as they are received that day!

# ASSISTING with WORSHIP

#### October 16

# Fellowship

8:00 am - John & Pat Barnett 10:30 am - Jeff & Pam

# Jonah 3:10-4:11 Psalm 145:1-8

Philippians 1:21-30 Matthew 20:1-16

## Ushers

Brekke Team Layreaders

8:00 - Jim Branning 10:30 - Renee Schroeder Altar Guild

#### Team 5: Mavis Bloom Pam Levra Mary Wittich

#### Nursery

8:00 am - Leanne & Jeff Меуег 10:30 am - Coreen Richardt

#### Fellowship

October 23

8:00 am - Dave & Maggie Mueller 10:30 am - Terry & June Grabau

#### Greeters

8:00 am - Jeff Meyer & Pam Fromm 10:30 am - Jim & Nancy Jordan

# Lectionary Readings

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 Psalm 25:1-9 Philippians 2:1-13 Matthew 21:23-32

#### Ushers B Team Layreaders

8:00 am - Ray Skare 10:30 am - Helen Bickley

# Altar Guild

Team 4: Joyce Schoepke Sue McFaul Jodi Gargulak

## Nursery

8:00 am - Tammy & Noah Radloff 10:30 am - Jess & Hannah Tipple

8:00 am - Jim Jacobson 10:30 am - DeEnna Gnatz & Annette Green

#### Greeters

Kyhos Lectionary Readings

#### GOOD STEWARDS

All should have received a mailing regarding Time and Talent. If you have not yet done so, please return these response cards as soon as possible so a revised printing can be made and get people involved. If you did not receive the mailing, please contact the church office so this can be corrected.

A final mailing will be coming to you with cards to indicate your financial commitment to the ministry needs and opportunities of Saint Andrew for 2012. Please return these cards by November 6. Thank you for your support and participation.

#### **PRAYERS**

In response to personal requests, the Prayer Center list will not only be recognized in worship but also in the Network each month. As you review the day-to-day list of events that take place at Saint Andrew, please also give consideration to those who have requested prayers. Do you know of someone who is in need of prayer? (*Please ask first*). Call the church office at 842-3333 to have names added to the list at the Prayer Center. Names will be updated on a regular basis.



Amy & Christopher Amy Libertoski Aunt Dorothy Barb Bill Rader Brad Cory Callie and Zak Teeters Carrie Zimmer Chris S. Craig
Dean
Gary Somers
Gavin & Cullen
George Schoeder
Irene Soroko
Jan Waraksa
Jean Bassett
Jennifer Bradley

Jim & Marilyn Whitney John Pagel Judy Paszek Leann Ninabuck Mary Noah Renee Thomsen Ron Horst Sabrina & Shane Bresnahan Suzi Kittson Thomas Roberts Harvey Lauermann Irma Koenig Laura Glassford Ruth Kruzan Roland Zemeke

Thank you, Lord, for always answering prayer, but not indulging my every petty, private request. Thank you for winnowing and refining, vetoing and delaying, refusing and revising. Thank you for being God and never less, for freeing me for wide horizons, for protecting me from my limited vision and wayward will. Thank you for foiling my every effort to unseat you and make myself king. Thank you for keeping it safe for me to pray.

-Gerhard E. Frost

# A Baptism Prayer...



May the unity that is shared be a witness of the unity we share together by our common identity in Christ. Giving thanks for the gift of baptism, we lift up those children, parents and sponsors who have recently been received into the family of faith. We pray especially for:

Sophia Ann Schroeder - July 31
Alexandra Jean Brandt - July 31
Ethan Lee Feit - August 7
Paige Victoria Christianson - September 18
Maxwell Joseph Harris - September 25
Norah Marie Birchler - September 25
Evan Michael Drolshagen - October 9

Evelyn June Sandquist - October 9 Marshall Robert Best - October 16 Beau William Streeter - October 16 Ella Marina Gossett – November 6 Maxwell Bradley Murphy - November

May intentional efforts be made that bear witness to the unity that we share through the life-giving waters only God can provide.

# A Wedding



In celebration for lives joined together in the covenant of marriage,

Tiffani & Christopher Plautz - August 20 Sara & Greg Knighton - September 3 Carrie & Dan Fecker - September 17 Amanda & Andrew Mroczenski - September 23 Tonya & Josh Manning - September 24 Jessica & Kyle Wagner - September 24 Amanda and Todd Seubert - September 29 Miranda & Nicolas Babl - September 30 Lisa & Andrew Sershon - October 1



# Time and Talent Opportunities to SUPPORT the Mission

- If you enjoy working with kids, pg. 2 has the details on how to get involved with RECONNECT Sunday.
- Sub sandwich sale to support the Senior High Youth trip to SYG; see pg. 2.
- Blood Drive at Saint Andrew, November 1, see pg. 2 for details.
- 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 October 27 Network is: Wednesday, October 19.

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# At Saint Andrew—October 16 - October 29

Sunday, October 16

8:00 am WORSHIP 9:15 am Church School

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9:15 am New Member Orientation 10:30 am WORSHIP with Reception

of New Members

11:30 am Reh: Children's Choir

6:30 pm Bible Study Monday, October 17

7:00 pm AA & Alanon

7:00 pm Dartball vs. St. Mark's

Tuesday, October 18

9:00 am Mtg: Reading Reflections

Wednesday, October 19

6:15 pm Confirmation Classes 6:30 pm Reh: Chancel Choir

8:00 pm Reh: Handbell Choir

Thursday, October 20

12:15 pm WORSHIP 5:30 pm Church School

6:15 pm Worship

Friday, October 21

5:00 pm Lay School of Ministry

Saturday, October 22

8:00 am Lay School of Ministry

Sunday, October 23

8:00 am WORSHIP 9:15 am Church School

9:15 am Youth Sub Sandwich Sale

10:30 am Worship

11:30 am Reh: Children's Choir

6:30 pm Bible Study **Monday, October 24** 7:00 pm AA & Alanon

7:30 pm Dartball vs. Peace Lutheran

Tuesday, October 25

9:00 am Mtg: Reading Reflections

Wednesday, October 26

6:15 pm Confirmation Classes 6:30 pm Reh: Chancel Choir 8:00 pm Reh: Handbell Choir

Thursday, October 27

12:15 pm WORSHIP 5:30 pm Church School

6:15 pm Worship

7:00 pm Mtg: Church Council

Saturday, October 29

8:45 am "Listen To My Teaching" Lay School Event