

Network



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PASTORAL REFLECTIONS — "LUTHERAN THOUGHTS"



The next two Sundays are about remembering — remember our history and identity as Lutherans on **Reformation Sunday**; and, remembering on **All Saints' Sunday** all those who have gone before us and who now by God's grace reside in the "Church Triumphant".

Remembering these times — I have often found myself having what some may call "**Lutheran Thoughts**". Some are inherited, some are thought through, and some need more thought. For example, I think about and wonder why some folks choose to belong to a Lutheran church. Is it because of what they believe or is it simply the name of the church to which they belong?

Those kind of "**Lutheran**" thoughts began when Martin Luther nailed the "95 Theses" about baptism and how a person receives forgiveness (absolution) to the door of All Saints' Church in Wittenberg, Germany. It was the beginning of what is now called the Protestant Reformation. Five hundred years after the Reformation began Lutherans still hold to the basic principles of Luther's teachings that the Christian life is about **grace alone** (*sola gratia*), **faith alone** (*sola fide*), and **Scripture alone** (*sola scriptura*).

The Latin word *sola* means "alone" or "only" in English. These three "*solas*" are the fundamental beliefs of the Protestant Reformation, pillars which the early Reformers believed to be essentials of the Christian life and practice.



These three teachings comprise the very essence of "**Lutheran**" thought. *We are saved by the grace of God alone* — not by anything we do; *our salvation is through faith alone* — a confident trust in God, who in Christ promises us forgiveness, life and salvation; and *the Bible is the norm for faith and life* — the true standard by which teachings and doctrines are to be judged.

Saint Andrew is a church of the Reformation, a Lutheran church, because we remain a church "open to all who wish to express their faith in God through Jesus Christ by worship, learning, witness, and service."

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

WEEKLY WORSHIP SER-

Thursdays
Sundays

12:15 and 6:15 pm
8:00 and 10:30 am

Reformation Sunday

Thursday, Oct 27 / Sunday, Oct 30

On this day we celebrate the heart of our faith: the gospel of Christ — the good news — that makes us free! In the waters of baptism we are made one body; we pray for the day that all Christians will also be one at the Lord's table.

JOHN 8:31-36

— from Lectionary for Reformation —

All Saints Sunday

Thursday, Nov 3 / Sunday, Nov 6

All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. The readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. Bishop James Justman will bring the message.

MATTHEW 5:1-12

— from Lectionary for All Saints —



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ACTIVITIES

Blood Drive at SALC

Tuesday, November 1, 2-7 pm

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.

Community Dinner

Sunday, November 20

Fellowship and a hot meal are offered every Sunday afternoon from 4-5 pm at First Presbyterian Church, downtown Wausau. Saint Andrew hosts the third Sunday of every other month and is one of fourteen area faith groups that volunteer to host this dinner. Volunteers are needed from 3-6 pm to help prepare, serve and clean up. If you would like to help with this community ministry, please call the church.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

Wednesday, November 23, 6:15 pm

Please note also, on Thanksgiving Day, November 24, there will be no mid-week services.

Altar Flowers for 2012

Honor a loved one or special event and help beautify the altar with flowers. Sign up on the 2012 Flower Chart on the kiosk in the Narthex.

turkey, potatoes, onions, vegetables, boxed stuffing, canned yams and cranberries, kidney beans, pie or dessert ingredients and monetary donations.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

Daylight Saving Time will end on Sunday, November 6 at 2 am. Remember to set your clocks *back 1 hour*.



THANKSGIVING BIRDS/CHRISTMAS

Can you help those families less fortunate? The following items are now being accepted for holiday food baskets at this time: **turkeys, potatoes, onions, vegetables, boxed stuffing, canned yams and cranberries, kidney beans, pie/dessert ingredients and monetary donations.** Baskets will be assembled **Saturday, November 19**. If you know someone who needs a basket please call the church office by November 16 at (715)842-3333.

THANKSGIVING HARVEST ITEMS

Bring your pumpkins, gourds, bittersweet, dried flowers/weeds, apples or anything else you may have to help complete the Thanksgiving altar display by Friday, November 4. A box is available in the Narthex for these items.



ASSISTING with WORSHIP

October 30

Ushers

Weidman Team

Layreaders

8:00 am - Eric Verber
10:30 am - Jim Jordan

Altar Guild

Team 5: Mavis Bloom
Pam Levra
Mary Wittich

Nursery

8:00 am -
10:30 am - Steph Birchler

Fellowship

8:00 am - Marv & Joleen Meier

10:30 am - Pete & Cheri Brodzeller

Greeters

8:00 am - Marv & Joleen Meier
10:30 am - Pam Clark & Cindy Markowski

Lectionary Readings

Jeremiah 31:31-34
Psalm 46
Romans 3:19-28
John 8:31-36

November 6

Ushers

Johnson Team

Layreaders

8:00 - Jonnie Malm
10:30 - Linda Vogan

Altar Guild

Team 6: Stephanie Wage
Patty Marceille
Julie Weller

Nursery

8:00 am - Steph Birchler
Linda Bartelt
10:30 am - Ken & Jess Bloom

Fellowship

8:00 am - Mark, Cyndi & Kayla Moser

10:30 am - Jerry & Marlene Kort

Greeters

8:00 am - Bob & Pam Levra
10:30 am - Dave & Sue Paisar

Lectionary Readings

Amos 5:18-24
Psalm 70
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 25:1-13

2012 STEWARDSHIP RESPONSE

Thank you to the many people who have returned their Time and Talent cards indicating how their gifts and talents can be used to support the mission of Saint Andrew. In addition to the Time and Talent cards, the financial commitment cards have now been sent out. Please review the letter that you received and then after prayerful calculation, indicate your financial support and return the enclosed cards to the church by mail or along with your offerings by **Sunday, November 6**. A box is also available for the cards in the Narthex. Thank you for your faithful participation in the life and mission of Christ's church through Saint Andrew.

NEW TRADITION OF GIVING

December will be an exciting time at Saint Andrew. We are looking forward to visiting area shut-ins, hospitals and elderly housing during the Sunday Church School time on December 18 to share the Christmas story and songs. Sunday Church School children and their families would like to invite everyone to be a part of this "giving" time. More details to come in future Networks.

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!

"LISTEN TO MY TEACHING"

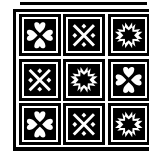


Saturday, October 29; 8:45 am-2:30 pm

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.

THANK YOU...

Thank you to all the quilt-makers! Saint Andrew donated 62 quilts to Lutheran World Relief (LWR), of which one member made 33 herself. Approximately 20 additional quilts were made and donated to individuals in need around the Wausau area. In addition, 42 school bags were made and donated to LWR by Saint Andrew.



Also a big thank you to the Saint Andrew congregation for making the Soup and Sandwich benefit for Merrill Tornado families a great success. With the help of 42 volunteers and 40 dessert-bakers, we were ready to serve the many members of the congregation and public that came out on a beautiful 80-degree day to support the benefit.

With the additional matching funds from Thrivent Financial, Saint Andrew will present Our Savior Lutheran Church, Merrill, with a check for \$4,252.50 to help the Merrill families. To all who were a part of the benefit, know your efforts are greatly appreciated by many.



**Time and Talent
Opportunities to
SUPPORT
the Mission**

- If you enjoy working with kids, pg. 3 has the details on how to get involved with **RECONNECT Sunday**.
- **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 *November 10* Network is: **Wednesday, November 2.**

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At Saint Andrew—October 30 - November 12

Sunday, October 30

8:00 am WORSHIP
 9:15 am Church School
 10:30 am WORSHIP
 11:30 am *Reh:* Children's Choir
 6:30 pm Bible Study

Monday, October 31

7:00 pm AA & Alanon
 7:30 pm Dartball vs. St. Anne's

Tuesday, November 1

9:00 am *Mtg:* Reading Reflections
 11:30 am *Mtg:* OWLS-Game Day
 2:00 pm **Blood Drive**

Wednesday, November 2

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

Thursday, November 3

12:15 pm WORSHIP
 5:30 pm Church School
 6:15 pm WORSHIP

Sunday, November 6

8:00 am WORSHIP
 9:15 am Church School
 9:15 am Baptism Orientation
 10:30 am WORSHIP
 11:30 am *Reh:* Children's Choir
 6:30 pm Bible Study

Monday, November 7

10:00 am Quilting for LWR
 7:00 pm AA & Alanon
 7:30 pm Dartball at Immanuel Baptist

Tuesday, November 8

9:00 am *Mtg:* Reading Reflections
 10:00 am Quilting Group
 6:30 pm *Mtg:* Ministry Night

Wednesday, November 9

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

Thursday, November 10

12:15 pm WORSHIP
 5:30 pm Church School
 6:15 pm WORSHIP

Friday, November 11

5:00 pm Lay School of Ministry

Saturday, November 12

8:00 am Lay School of Ministry