



Time and Talent Opportunities to SUPPORT the Mission

- See the current list of Food Pantry needs on pg. 2.
- See Pg. 2 to find out when you can help with Community Dinner.
- FA 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.

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NETWORK Deadline

The deadline to submit articles for the *July 19 Network* is: **Wednesday, July 11.**

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At Saint Andrew—July 8-15

Sunday, July 8

8:00 am **WORSHIP**
9:30 am **WORSHIP**
11:00 am Potluck Lunch with
Zeerust Guests

Monday, July 9

11:30 am OWLS “Speed Meet” and
Potluck
6:15 pm Softball vs. St. John’s @ SV4
6:15 pm **INSTALLATION WORSHIP FOR
PASTOR JENN AND RECEPTION**
7:00 pm AA, Alanon & Alateen

Tuesday, July 10

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

Thursday, July 12

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

National Youth Gathering; July 15-23

Sunday, July 15

8:00 am **WORSHIP**
9:30 am **WORSHIP**
3:00 pm Serve Community Dinner

Monday, July 16

7:00 pm AA, Alanon & Alateen
9:15 pm Softball vs. St. Peter’s @ SV4

Tuesday, July 17

9:00 am Reading Reflections
10:00 am Quilting for LWR

Thursday, July 19

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

Saturday, July 21

3:00 pm Zastrow/Whereatt Wedding
5:00 pm Sperry/Benson Wedding

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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PASTORAL REFLECTIONS—*Pastor Craig*

Pastor Jenn to be Installed

Garrison Keillor is a is an American author, storyteller, humorist, and radio personality. He is known as host of the Minnesota Public Radio show *A Prairie Home Companion* which broadcasts locally on Saturday evenings. During the program he tells of news from what he calls his home town of Lake Wobegon. The “news” resembles old newspaper columns where everyday life occurrences were considered news in otherwise ordinary life. So and so were guests in the home of Uncle Ole and Aunt Lena on Sunday evening. The crops are knee high, the fish are biting, so and so has been ill and Pastor Inkfest gave a sermon recently on money which has gotten the whole congregation in an uproar. He begins this news section by saying, “Its been a quiet week in Lake Wobegon” as if little has changed since the previous week’s report. Sometimes does indeed seems that few things change on any given week. We are in the midst of summer when the programming at the church slows and the focus is on graduation parties, family and class reunions, vacations and time on the lake and at the cabin. While all these are happening, there are changes taking place and things happening that make for a busy time in the life of Saint Andrew. Here are a few examples from this past week. I now occupy the office one door down the hall making room for the “new pastor” who arrived to move into the office at the hall intersection. On Monday last week, I gained a colleague in ministry and you gained another pastor as Pastor Jenn Collins began her call at Saint Andrew. It was a good week together and I am excited for the gifts she brings to the ministry team and the Saint Andrew community. Please join me in introducing yourself to Pastor Jenn and helping her feel welcome. **A festival service of Installation will take place on Monday, July 9 at 6:15 pm** with a sandwich fellowship to follow. I hope many can attend this special worship service.

“SKY”-VBS

Also, last week the sanctuary, fellowship hall, narthex and hallways were transformed into the theme of **“Sky” for Vacation Bible School** as the children learned that **Everything is possible with God**. Thanks to the many volunteer helpers who made it a successful week of learning and sharing.

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WEEKLY WORSHIP

Thursdays
Sundays

12:15 and 6:15 pm
8:00 and 9:30 am

Thursday, July 5 / Sunday, July 8

Saint Paul reminds the Corinthian Christians and us as well that we do not boast of their own accomplishments. Rather, Christian boasting focuses attention on how the power of Christ is present in our lives, especially in times of weakness and vulnerability. No matter what our circumstances in life, Christ’s grace is sufficient for us. Weak, yet blessed by God. That is the real power of God’s gift through Jesus.

Thursday, July 12 / Sunday, July 15

*This is the first of a 7 week focus on the letter to the Ephesians. In this week’s text, we learn that In Jesus, all of God’s plans and purposes have been made known as heaven and earth are united in Christ. Through Jesus, we have been chosen as God’s children and have been promised eternal salvation. That reality is worth repeating, in Christ we are **chosen** as God’s children and **promised** eternal life. What a gift!*

ACTIVITIES

“Christ In Our Home”
Devotionals

The 2012 third quarter of “Christ In Our Home” devotionals are now available in the Narthex. All are welcome to pick up a copy.

Ministry Night

Tuesday, July 10, 6:30 pm
This month there will be a potluck meal with the Zeerust guests prior to the meeting at 5:30. All are welcome to participate in the ministry of their choice. All ministries gather in the Fellowship Hall for devotions before breaking into their individual meetings. Come and see how your time and talent can help serve in the mission and ministry of Saint Andrew.

Community Dinner

Sunday, July 15, 3 pm
A hot meal and fellowship are offered at First Presbyterian Church, downtown Wausau, every Sunday afternoon. Saint Andrew is one of 14 area faith groups that volunteer to host the dinner. Volunteers are needed from 3-6 pm to help prepare, serve and clean up. Please call the church office to express your interest to help!

Food Pantry Needs

The SALC Food pantry currently needs the following items: *tuna, maple syrup, mayonnaise, rice, frosting, vegetable oil, cereal, juice and toilet paper.* Please drop off items in the designated baskets at the building entrances. Thank you for supporting the SALC Food Pantry!

OWLS GROUP WILL “SPEED MEET”

Tuesday, July 10, 11:30 am
Have you heard of “Speed Dating”? The OWLS decided they weren’t quite up for that so they would try “Speed Meeting” instead! Meet the guests from Zeerust and share *short stories* as they move around the room in 2-3 minute increments. Please bring a **large** dish to pass for the potluck and your very cheery selves!

PASTOR JENN’S INSTALLATION

Pastor Jenn will be formally installed at a special service on **Monday, July 9 at 6:15 pm.** Bishop Jim Justman and his assistant, Pastor Joy Mortensen-Wiebe will be present for this special service. The offering received will go toward the Seminary Support Fund that has been established with generous gifts received in honor of Pastor John and Darlene. A light meal will follow the service which will serve as a time of fellowship so you can meet and greet Pastor Jenn. Please mark your calendars and plan now to attend this festival worship service and show your support for Pastor Jenn as a valued leader in Christ’s Church at Saint Andrew.

ASSISTING *with* WORSHIP

July 8

Ushers
Weidman Team

Layreaders
8:00 am - Chris Kensmoe
9:30 am - Shelby Niskanen

Altar Guild
Team 6: Stephanie Wage
Pam Levra
Mary Wittich

Fellowship
8:00 am - Larry & Annette Bindl
9:30 am - Susie & Ashley Soukup

Greeters
8:00 am - Pastor Jeff and Faith Martinson
9:30 am - Wayne & Laura Johnson

Lectionary Readings
Ezekiel 2:1–5
Psalm 123
2 Corinthians 12:2–10
Mark 6:1–13

July 15

Ushers
Johnson Team

Layreaders
8:00 am - Dan Malm
9:30 am - Susan Paisar

Altar Guild
Team 1: Shelby Niskanen
Sandra Fischer
Mary Weiland

Fellowship
8:00 am - Gary Hibbard & Judy Rusch
9:30 am - Adam & Kathy Wurz

Greeters
8:00 am - Gary Hibbard and Judy Rusch
9:30 am - Rosetta Ahles and Linda Vogen

Lectionary Readings
Amos 7:7–15
Psalm 85:8–13
Ephesians 1:3–14
Mark 6:14–29

PASTORAL REFLECTIONS, *CONT.*

Guests Arrive from South Africa

On Wednesday, ***we welcomed 65 visitors from South Africa*** who are among the conference congregations for three weeks. Seventeen are from our companion congregation at Zeerust. Thanks again to the many volunteers who have provided transportation, food or financial support as well as those who have opened their homes and lives to share hospitality and conversation with our visitors and make them feel welcome. There are many events that are taking place while our guests are here. ***A potluck lunch will be shared beginning at 11 am on July 8*** where you can take advantage of an opportunity to meet and greet our guests. Later that same day, ***the entire group of 65 will perform a concert on the 400 Block in downtown Wausau beginning at 6:30 pm.***

Christian Education Transitions

Next month ***Matt Seegert will join the staff at Saint Andrew as Coordinator of Christian Education.*** Matt is completing a commitment with Lutheran Volunteer Corp and will return to the area later this month with plans to begin work on August 1. His biography will appear on the SALC website later this month. Matt’s participation is a shift of staff leadership prompted by the five-year staffing plan that is intended to help nurture the good things that are taking place for Saint Andrew youth and families. Schmidty has served as the Minister/Coordinator of Youth for the past 17 years and will conclude his service at Saint Andrew by accompanying the senior high youth on their trip to the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans this month. Thank you Schmidty for your many years of service to the youth of Saint Andrew. May the good that has been done continue to produce fruit revealed in lives of faithfulness.

This is also a busy wedding season. Five so far with another 12 on the way. As you can see, while it may be a quiet week in Lake Wobegon, these are busy weeks in the life of Saint Andrew. I look forward to the coming weeks knowing that though changes are taking place, God remains faithful and promises to be among us to empower us in the mission of Christ’s Church.

MADIKWE CIRCUIT VISIT
June 27 - July 16

The Delegation from the Madikwe Circuit has arrived at Saint Andrew and other area churches. If you are not hosting but would like to meet them or be involved in their visit, below are some activities they will be participating in while they are here.

Friday, July 6	6:00 pm	Delegation Tomahawk Area Concert
Sunday, July 8	9:30 am	Worship at SALC
	11:00 am	Potluck lunch at SALC
	6:30 pm	Delegation Concert on the Square (400 Block)
Monday, July 9	11:30 am	OWLS Potluck and “Speed Meeting”
Tuesday, July 10	5:30 pm	Potluck at SALC
	6:00 pm	Delegation Sings at the Kayak Races
Wednesday, July 11	6:30 pm	Farewell Event at Saint Stephen’s
Sunday, July 15	5:05 pm	Wausau Woodchucks Game

