

Network



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FAITHFUL AND FRUITFUL...

One of the most beloved Psalms includes this phrase, "he leads me along right pathways for his name's sake." We most often think of Psalm 23 at the time of a death for it describes a shepherd who is with us in dark valleys even death's valley, lest we be afraid. It includes a confidence that those guided by the shepherd will dwell in the Lord's house forever. These indeed are comforting words at the time of a death but they are also reassuring words for life's journey as well.

Leading and guiding are active parts of faithful living. We are part of the journey together and those who serve as teachers, encouragers and stewards among us are real blessings from God for they make the journey a little easier and more enjoyable.

Recently, a sidewalk was added to the southeast corner of the property at Saint Andrew. The walkway was made possible by a generous donation of a family who had a vision of highlighting another entrance to the parking lot and ultimately to the doors of the church. Several years ago the marquee was removed from the corner to increase visibility at the intersection and to encourage the use of the west entrance. Until recently, that left a void at the corner. The new sidewalk fills this void and enhances the intersection. Along with the paved walkway, the family ordered three pavers to honor the years Pastor John served to help shape the mission of Saint Andrew that defines the congregation as a place of welcome.

WELCOME ALL WHO PASS THIS WAY

PASTOR JOHN ROSETH

FAITHFUL STEWARD OF CHRIST'S MISSION

I once heard it said that the mark of a good pastor is not dependent upon the fruit that is produced while he or she is present but that fruit is produced as a result of seeds that were sown. Though the mission is defined, sidewalk complete and Pastor John has transitioned into retirement, the work we do and the journey we share in Christ continues. May we both welcome those who share the mission and strive to extend the mission of Christ's church through faithful and fruitful living.

Pastor Craig

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
Sundays

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

Thursday, October 11 / Sunday, October 14

The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.

Thursday, October 18 / Sunday, October 21

The gospel for this week starts with disciples obsessing over who's number one, which leads Jesus to say something about God's take on importance and power. Here Jesus makes it explicit that the reversal of values in God's community is a direct challenge to the values of the dominant culture, where wielding power over others is what makes you great. When we pray "your kingdom come" we are praying for an end to tyranny and oppression. We pray for this gathered around the cross, a sign of great shame yet transformed to be the sign of great honor and service.

ACTIVITIES



Fall Clean-Up and Pruning

*Saturday, October 13,
8:30 am-12 pm*

The Property Ministry is planning to prune shrubs and do the fall clean-up. Please join us in service and fellowship as we care for Christ's church at Saint Andrew. Many hands make for light work!

Questions: Please call the church office at 715-842-3333.

Outdoor Ministry Connection

Sunday, October 14, 2012

Pastor John Meachen, Executive Director of Crossways Camping Ministries, will join us to share God's word and information about Crossways Camping Ministries.

New Member Orientation

*Sundays, October 14 & 21,
9:15 am*

Orientation will be held on both Sundays, October 14 & 21. New members will then be received at the 10:30 am worship service on October 21. If you or someone you know is interested in joining Saint Andrew, please call the church office at 715-842-3333 to express your intent.

Worship Workshop

Saturday, October 20

8:30 am-12 pm

Plan to attend 'Equipping the Saints' - a workshop for those who serve the servants in worship at Saint Andrew. **For all current and new** ushers, lay readers, communion servers, nursery volunteers, altar guild members and anyone who is interested in learning more about these roles. All are welcome for a morning to meet together and refresh skills.

ZEERUST

Thursday, October 18 & Sunday, October 21

A candle will be lit during worship to highlight our partnership with our sister congregation, Zeerust Lutheran Church in South Africa. A "Noisy Offering" will continue to be taken to support this partnership.

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

LISTEN TO MY TEACHING



"Equipping Laity for Christ's Mission"

*Saturday, October 27,
8:45 am-2:30 pm*

Come to Saint Andrew for a day of theological and spiritual refreshment. There will be two

sessions in the morning, soup and sandwich lunch and two sessions in the afternoon. A choice of three topics are available to choose from for each session. The registration fee includes lunch but lunch is not guaranteed with same day registration at the door. Registration information and forms are available on the table in the Narthex.

\$25 - by October 13

\$30 - by October 20

\$30 - at the door

ASSISTING with WORSHIP

October 14

Ushers

Shepherd Team

Layreaders

8:00 am - Chris Kensmoe

10:30 am - Jayne Germinaro

Altar Guild

Team 1: Shelby Niskanen
Sandra Fischer
Mary Weiland

Fellowship

8:00 am - Bill & Doreen

Radloff

10:30 am - George & Bonnie
Alafouz

Greeters

8:00 am - John & Jan Mann

10:30 am - George & Bonnie
Alafouz

Nursery

10:30 am - Ken & Jess Bloom

Lectionary Readings

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16,
24-29

Psalms 19:7-14

James 5:13-20

Mark 9:38-50

October 21

Ushers

A Team

Layreaders

8:00 am - Dan Malm

10:30 am - Susan Paisar

Altar Guild

Team 4: Joyce Schoepke
Sue McFaul
Jodi Gargulak

Fellowship

8:00 am - Matthew & Kristin
Young

10:30 am - Jerry & Marlene
Kort

Greeters

8:00 am - Marv & Joleen
Meier

10:30 am - Jeff & Pam
Kyhos

Nursery

10:30 am - Open

Lectionary Readings

Genesis 2:18-24

Psalms 8

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Mark 10:2-16



From the earliest days of the church, volunteering and getting involved have been important to the life of the church and gives meaning and purpose to its members. Each year efforts are made to extend an invitation to members of Saint Andrew to intentionally consider ways of participating in the life of the congregation. In a regular offertory prayer of the church we give thanks to God for what we have first been given; *self, time and possessions*, signs of God's gracious love for us. So how will we share these gifts with

others to enhance the life of the community of faith not only locally but across the whole of the church?

There are a variety of gifts and many ways to share them. Please consider ways you can share a portion of what you have been given through your faithful participation in the mission and ministry of Christ's Church through Saint Andrew. If you have time or a talent you wish to share please indicate your intentions by returning your Participation Card by the week of October 28th. Thank you.

YOUTH NEWS FROM MATT

Are you in Junior High or Middle School? Join your peers from Saint Andrew Lutheran Church and other churches in the East Central Synod at the Synod's Junior High Youth Gathering on February 15th and 16th.

Adult chaperones are needed for events happening this year. If you enjoy working with youth and want to get involved with the SALC youth, possible upcoming events include a trip to a corn maze in October, Movie Night at Saint Andrew, the Synod's Junior High Youth Gathering and many more.

This Saturday, October 13th, there are two service events: one at Saint Andrew (8:30 am—noon) and one at Crossway's Waypost Camp (8:30 am—3 pm includes a lunch!). These are great ways to assist with fall clean-up (aside from your own yards) and for those currently in confirmation to complete one of the self-directed service projects included on their covenant cards.

If you are interested in finding out more information about any of the above events/activities, contact Matt Seegert at matt@salc-wausau.org or 715-842-3333.



Find us on Facebook



A REFORMING CHURCH...

Indeed the word of God is living and active...

HEBREWS 4:12

October is a month of change – changing leaves, changing weather, changing daylight... On October 31st, the Lutheran church celebrates its heritage with a day called Reformation Day. *Reformation* is a word that can mean *change*. But the word, *Reformation*, as we use it to describe the church, is broader than that.

To be a church born in a spirit of Reformation means that we are continually asking how God might be calling us to be a *church* in the world in new ways. Martin Luther challenged the church to think about how it could more clearly align its identity and activity to be tied more closely to the gospel, that the living word might not be hindered by the church – but more clearly heard. As we look forward with that same reforming spirit, how can we be a place where the living word of God might be clearly heard?

Pastor Jenn



Time and Talent Opportunities to SUPPORT the Mission

- Learn more about assisting in Worship-see page 2 for workshop information.
- Help with SALC fall clean-up. Page 2 has dates and times.
- 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. Craig Swenson, *Pastor*
 Rev. Jenn Collins, *Pastor*
 Rev. Jeff Martinson, *Pastor*
 Shelby Gjertson, *Parish Administrator*
 Joy Mitchell, *Secretary*
 Matt Seegert, *Coordinator of Christian Education*
 Al Freiberg, *Coordinator of Music*
 Sheldon Geiger, *Bookkeeper*
 Shannon Vujnovich, *Custodian*
 Jared Gjertson, *Sexton*

NETWORK Deadline

The deadline to submit articles for the October 25 Network is:
Wednesday, October 17.

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At Saint Andrew—October 14-27

Sunday, October 14

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

Monday, October 15

7:00 pm AA, Alanon & Alateen
 7:00 pm Dartball @ SALC

Tuesday, October 16

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

Wednesday, October 17

6:30 pm *Reh:* Chancel Choir
 8:00 pm *Reh:* Handbell Choir

Thursday, October 18

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

Friday, October 19

5:00 pm Lay School of Ministry

Saturday, October 20

8:00 am Lay School of Ministry
 8:30 am "Equipping the Saints"
 Worship Workshop

Sunday, October 21

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

Monday, October 22

6:30 pm *Mtg:* Church Council
 7:00 pm AA, Alanon & Alateen
 7:00 pm Dartball @ Saint Paul

Tuesday, October 23

9:00 am Reading Reflections
 11:30 am *Mtg:* Memorial Gift

Wednesday, October 24

6:30 pm *Reh:* Chancel Choir
 8:00 pm *Reh:* Handbell Choir

Thursday, October 25

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

Saturday, October 27

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