

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.

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Lily in October — A poem by Pastor Jeff Martinson

Lily in October, what ever are you doing in this opposite season of your blooming; now the chilly eves threaten a freeze?

Where, April queen, is your pedestal, now that you're outside the unsoiled sanctuary raising your proud stem, shining leaves, and glorious white head over a grungy, stinkin' compost heap?

Lily in October, you surprise me; there is no church choir, no brass herald, no Easter alleluias, fancy bonnets, or delicious perfumes to complement you.

Only putrid potato skins, shriveled banana peels, crawling melon rinds, and rotting grass clippings to celebrate your flower.

Still, what do you care, Lily in October?

You stun and you startle me with your irrepressible hope, your invincible joy, and your splendid green attitude in this season of change, on this mound of decay; recalling ruby throats, and swallow tails.

Lily,
we should all be like you
fulfilling our
true destiny
in spite of our station
or the season;
unconcerned about who might see us,
or of meeting another's expectations,
or of satisfying our egos;

only blooming wherever planted, or discarded, to the delight, and delirium of the Gardner—

in October.



Weekly Worship

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

Join us for the 2015 ELCA National Youth Gathering! See **page 4** for details.

Deadline to Register,
October 6!

with
THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION

HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, OCTOBER 26 at 2 PM



"I do and I ask God to help and guide me..."

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Play Group at SALC

Thursday, October 2, 10-11 am Bring your children who are not yet in pre-school for conversation, fellowship and a time for playing. Join the group on the *first Thursday* of the month.

Baptism Orientation

Sunday, October 5, 9:15 am Orientation will be held in the sanctuary for families anticipating a baptism. Please call the church office if you would like to attend.

CROP Walk

Sunday, October 5, 12:30 pm The 2014 CROP Walk will be held at Marathon Park. One, three and six mile walks are offered! Forms will be available in the Fellowship Hall between Sunday services.

OWLS

Thursday, October 7 11:30 am

Meet at the Hiawatha Restaurant and Louge for lunch at 11:30 am before heading over to the Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum to enjoy Birds in Art. A perfect outing for OWLS!!

Noisy Offering

A Noisy Offering will be received on *Sunday*, *October 19* in support of Crossways Camping Ministries.

Fair Trade products will be available for purchase in the Fellowship Hall on *Sunday*, *October 19*.

SAINT ANDREW CHOIR REHEARSALS

The chancel, bell and children's choirs have begun rehearsals. It's not too late to join them in singing and ringing God's praises. Rehearsals are:

Children's Choir - Sundays at 11:30 am Chancel Choir - Wednesdays at 6:30 pm Bell Choir - Wednesdays at 8:00 pm

If you are interested in being a part of the cantata, *The Winter Rose*, which will be presented on Sunday, December 21, special rehearsals will begin on Sunday, September 28. Those rehearsals will be:

Sundays at 9:15 am Tuesdays at 7:00 pm Wednesdays at 6:30 pm

LISTEN TO MY TEACHING



"Equipping Laity for Christ's Mission"

Saturday, October 25 8:30 am-2:30 pm Come to Saint Andrew for a day of theological and

spiritual refreshment. There will be three sessions in the morning, soup and sandwich lunch and two sessions in the afternoon. 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. The fee is \$30.

FALL CLEAN-UP

Saturday, October 11, 8:30 am-12 pm

The Property Ministry is planning to prune the building landscape, pick up apples 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 light work!



BLOOD DRIVE

Thursday, October 9, 1-6 pm

Saint Andrew will be the sight of a blood drive in support of the American Red Cross. Donors can give blood every 56 days. Volunteers will be needed to help with registration, refreshments or other support. Mark your calendar now and call the church office to express your willingness to help.

Soup's On!

Sunday, October 12, 9:00-10:30 am
It's fall and time for soup! Leftover
frozen soup from Lenten Soup & Sandwich
will be available for a donation between
services in the Fellowship Hall.

A Church Picnic Thank You

A special thank you to the many volunteers who worked to make this year's church picnic a great success! Your time and generosity is greatly appreciated as food, fun, fellowship and a beautiful day were enjoyed by many.

Current Food Pantry Needs

The food pantry has recently been used by many. Any non-perishable foods are needed to help re-stock the shelves. Donations can be dropped off in the baskets located inside the entrances. Thank you!

LWR School Bags & Supplies

Thank you to everyone who gave their time and talent so that 97 quilts and 50 school bags filled with school supplies could be sent for Lutheran World Relief. The school bags and supplies helps families with children who need supplies but may not have adequate resources to purchase them.

Memorial Gifts Received

Memorial Gifts were received in memory of Nancy Moyer, Renee Thomsen and William Harder.

Thank you for all gifts received in honor or in memory of someone special. If you would like to give a memorial gift to Saint Andrew, please contact the church office.



STEW'S SUNDAY SESSIONS

What is our SALC Endowment Program?

October 5, 6:30-8:30 pm (A nursery will be provided if requested)

How does it work, what are the different ways to invest in this fund, and then, what can we do with the money in this fund? Why should this matter to me?

Facilitator – Ray Skare is the current Chair of the SALC Endowment Committee and has been in the financial services business for over 20 years. His focus has been helping families create financial strategies that make sense based on their needs.

November 2 - Nursing Home or Long Term Care Knowledge

How is one admitted to a nursing home, what are the different levels of care available, and what are the costs for those levels? What is Long Term Care Insurance and what does it cover? What if I need Long Term Care and I can't afford it? PLUS much more you should know.

December 7 - Final Expenses

What happens when I die? How do I get to a funeral home? What are the many different funeral options available to me? What is the cost of an "average" funeral or cremation? How do I get a cemetery plot and a head stone? Are things different for children? PLUS much more you may wish to know but have not asked.

January 5, 2015 - Financial Peace University

In this nationally known 9 week course we will cover Dave Ramsey's ideas on how to reach **Financial Independence** through Family Financial Planning & Budgeting. Learn how to control your expenses and work your way out of debt. This program has helped hundreds of thousands of people get out of debt, and stay out. The average family reduces their debt by \$5,300 and saves \$2,700. That's an \$8,000 change in your financial position. The cost of purchasing this program from Dave Ramsey is \$93 per family. This course will run for 9 consecutive Sunday nights. Sign-up and order your program kit **BEFORE**



December 1st. Each Family must have this kit in order to participate. For a better understanding of what this course is all about, go to:

http:www.daveramsey.com/fpu/locations/org/51575/class/261127

Please register now so we can plan for this exciting life-changing program that has helped bring about a renewed sense of financial peace for countless families.

ELCA NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING IN DETROIT, JULY 13-19, 2015

The ELCA National Youth Gathering will be in Detroit next summer.

Will you join us? More information, including a video invitation and commitment form can be found at www.salc-wausau.org for students finishing 8th-12th grades in the summer of 2015. In order to take a group from Saint Andrew, a solid commitment needs to be made by October 6 by returning the commitment form and \$100 deposit.

Our next Gathering Meeting will be *Sunday, October 12, 11:30 am* in the Youth Room! All who plan on attending the gathering are expected to attend this meeting. We will be talking about our upcoming fundraising plan, and getting to know one another to build a solid community.



CONFIRMATION WORSHIP-9TH GRADE THIS MONTH IN CONFIRMTION...



By the grace of God, after two years of faithful preparation, thirty-two 9th grade students will affirm their baptism in worship on **Reformation Sunday, October 26 at 2 pm.** Join us in giving thanks to God for the witness of these young people!

Ninth grade students will resume confirmation on *Wednesdays, October 1, 8 and 15, 7:30-8:30 pm.* The objective of these sessions is to prepare faith statements and process the confirmation journey. Students <u>AND</u> parents are asked to be a part of the evening on *October 22, 7:30-9:30 pm, for confirmation rehearsal and pictures.*

Ever wonder what the confirmation students are studying on Wednesday nights?

In the month of October the topics include:

- Sin & the condition of human brokenness –
 How come we are captive to sin? What does
 God do about our problem?
- The story of Ruth her commitment to her family and we ask, What's up with my family?
- King David Leadership comes from even the most unexpected and imperfect people!
- The book of Job What does faith in the face of suffering look like?
- The story of Jonah What does it mean to be called and sent by God?

SAVE THE DATES!!!

9th Grade Confirmation

Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22 - 7:30 pm

ELCA Youth Gathering

Meeting

Oct. 12 - 11:30 am

Confirmation Worship

Oct. 26 - 2 pm

Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser

Nov. 9

Cup O' Joy Concert Road Trip

Nov. 1 or 8

Christmas Program

Dec. 14 - 9:15 am



3-5 GRADE WINTER RETREAT

Who: 3-5 Grade StudentsWhat: Winter Retreat

Where: Crossways Waypost Camp in Hatley, WI

When: January 2015

Cost: TBA

More information to come...

Adult Learning Opportunities

Reading Reflections

Tuesdays, 9 am

Bible Study

Sundays, 9:15 am

Bible Study

Sundays, 6:30 pm



All are welcome!

OCTOBER

ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP

October 26

October 19

October 12

October 5

Team 3 Team 4	В	Youth Julie Spalding Youth Jim Jordan	urphy Marv & Joleen Meier Pr. Jeff & Faith Martinson Ron & Diane Rasmussen Jeff & Pam Kyhos	Tina Spiegal & Barb Breese Jim & Diane VanEyck Ouzos Terry & June Grabau Craig & Marnie Holmes
Team 3	Shepherd	Gary Hibbard Marilyn Olson	Brandon & Melissa Murphy Jim & Nancy Jordan	Mark & Cindy Moser Bonnie & George Alafouzos
Team 2	Johnson	Joleen Meier Judith Marshall	Bill & Doreen Radloff Jayme & John Rusinek	Dick & Mary Jarvis Roger & Ruth Poutanen
		8:00 am 10:30 am	8:00 am 10:30 am	8:00 am 10:30 am
Altar Guild	Usher Team	Layreaders	Greeters	Fellowship

LECTIONARY READINGS

October 5	October 12	Ocotober 19	October 26
Isaiah 5:1–7	Isaiah 25:1–9	Isaiah 45:1–7	Jeremiah 31:31–34
Psalm 80:7–15	Psalm 23	Psalm 96:1–9 [10–13]	Psalm 46
Philippians 3:4b-14	Philippians 4:1–9	1 Thessalonians 1:1–10	Romans 3:19–28
Matthew 21:33–46	Matthew 22:1–14	Matthew 22:15–22	John 8:31–36

A BAPTISM PRAYER

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:

Evan Michael Pittsley - August 3
William James Skadahl - August 10
Parker Seth Jia Sierk - August 10
Aaron Phillip Voigt - August 24
Katherine Kelly Brandt - August 31
William John Burazin - August 31
Chase Russell Weiland - September 14
Merritt Justin Robinson - September 14

Jonathan Dean Black - September 18 Catlyn Cynthia Crabb - September 21 Maliah Daniel Kubat - September 28 Ivy Mae Kasson - October 5 Layla Jo Cornele - November 2 Taetym Jean Jirschele - November 2

A WEDDING PRAYER

In celebration for lives joined together in the covenant of marriage, we pray especially for:

Justin Socha & Sherry Norton - August 9
Jason Weith & Sara Geiger - August 23
Jon Black & Kady Henschel - September 27
Adam Malm & Ashley Patterson - October 11
Derek Hilmershausen & Kate Schutte - October 18

WE PRAY...

for the families of those who have recently joined the church triumphant:

Joseph A. Pils

PRAYER CENTER

In response to personal requests, the Prayer Center list will not only be recognized in worship but also on this side of the calendar 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.



FOR THESE WE PRAY...

Ali	Jack	Roland	Diane
Babs	James, Henry & Elsie	Sue	Chris and Cassandra
Barb	Jennette	Susan	Clayton
Bev	Jenny	Theresa	Amy
Brianna	John	Tom	Jean
Callie and Zak	Julie	Tyler	Carrie
Deb	Kevin	Walt	Noah
Dennis	Lynn	William	Bill
Felicia	Monica	Zerin	Dan and Lynne
Gary	Patricia	Ella	Sam
Gene	Quinn	Kathleen	Adrienne
Irma B.	Rebecca	Jim	Holly
Ivan	Robin	Katie	

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

From Seasons of a Lifetime: A Treasury of Meditations (Minneapolis: Augsburg Fortress, 1989, p. 118)



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Upcoming Events/Activities

	October 1, 8, 15	7:30-8:30 pm	9th Grade Confirmation/Faith Statement Writing
	October 2	10:00 am	Play Group
	October 5	9:15 am	Baptism Orientation
	October 5	12:30 pm	CROP Walk - Marathon Park
	October 5	6:30 pm	Stewardship Event - Endowment
	October 7	11:30 am	OWLS Group to Hiawatha/Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum
	October 9	1-6 pm	American Red Cross Blood Drive
	October 11	8:30 am-12 pm	Fall Property Clean-Up
	October 12	9:15 am	New Member Orientation
	October 14	6:30 pm	Ministry Night
	October 19	9:15 am	New Member Orientation
	October 22	7:30-9:30 pm	9th Grade Confirmation
			Faith Statement Sharing /Rehearsal/Pictures
	October 23	7:00 pm	Church Council Meeting
	October 26	2:00 pm	9th Grade Confirmation Worship
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November 1 or 8			Cup O' Joy Concert Road Trip
	November 2	6:30 pm	Stew's Sunday Session: Nursing Home or Long Term Care?
	November 9		Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser for NYG