



Network



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Summer Reflections by Pastor Craig

I was thirteen when a song by Johnny Nash was released. *"I can see clearly now the rain is gone. I can see all obstacles in my way. Gone are the dark clouds that had me blind. It's gonna be a bright, bright sunshiny day."* This song easily came to mind as I write this article and look out my window at a day that is bright and beautiful, sunshine, 74 degrees, with a clear blue sky. Days like this are gifts to be savored and celebrated. God is good.

While such days are wonderful, we also know there are many other days that look quite differently. Sometimes the clouds roll in and storms threaten to take away our sense of hope and security. What do those storms of life look like for you? Are you feeling threatened by the battle of correct political rhetoric? Are you tuned into the media feeds that increase awareness of the ways our world is broken and threatened by actions, voices and images that remind us that we are not as safe as we might wish to be and that the clearing of the sky is only a respite between the storms? Who paints the image of the world in your mind's eye?

As the summer months unfold, I suspect there will be days when we long for the clouds to form and the rain to return as summer heats up. And as we long for refreshment, we will ride the wave of anxiety when the clouds form and the darkness covers the earth. When the gloomy days come and even when the storms pass through, I am encouraged to know that we are people who live with hope in a promise that will not leave us in the dark. *"I lift up my eyes to the hills from where is my help to come. My help comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth."* (Psalm 121)

This summer, we take a break from Sunday School and confirmation classes, bible studies, and choir rehearsals and maybe even take a few weekends to get away to enjoy some of nature's wonder on a trail, a lake, around a campfire or with family on vacation or recreational events, summer school, and numerous opportunities. Even while the church takes a breath and pauses from some of the structured activities, there is still plenty going on. Look inside this issue for the many opportunities that are planned and will soon take place where you can stay plugged in: ***Zeerust companion visit, Vacation Bible School and youth trip to Colorado.***

Fall programming will kick off with Rally Sunday/Church Picnic on September 11. Under the theme "God's Work. Our Hands." we will recognize the fifteenth anniversary of 9-11 and share in opportunities for outreach and service. Conversations are also taking place to identify a person or persons who may have skills and interests to coordinate and lead educational youth and family efforts to nurture faith and integrate gifts into the life of Saint Andrew. For all life holds for you this summer, I pray your lives will be enriched expressions of Christ who meets us and defines us for God's preferred and promised future filled with hope. Through Christ, every day is a bright, bright, "sonshiny" day.

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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Evangelical Lutheran
Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

Weekly Worship

Thursday: 12:15 and 6:15 pm
Sunday: 8:00 & 9:30 am

Looking Ahead

Sunday - August 21, 9:30 am
Sunday - August 28
Sunday - September 11

Pet Sunday
Blessing of Backpacks
Rally Day - Church Picnic - "Gods Work. Our Hands."

"Christ In Our Home" Devotionals

The third quarter of "Christ In Our Home" devotionals are available in the Narthex. Please pick up a copy for your family.

Food Pantry Donations

When making donations to the SALC Food Pantry, please check that items are not expired. Thank you for your continued support of the SALC Food Pantry!

OWLS

Tuesday, July 5, 6:30 pm

The OWLS will attend the Zeerust concert at Saint Andrew at 6:30 pm then enjoy refreshments and fellowship following.



Noisy Offering will be received on **July 14 & 17** in support of VBS this month.

Play Group at SALC

Friday, July 8, 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 **second Friday of each month**.

Fair Trade Products

There is a plentiful supply of coffee, tea and chocolate for everyone. Stop by the Fair Trade table in the Fellowship Hall on **Sunday, July 17** to get some of these delicious products. Your purchases help small landowner producers sustain their families and villages. Thank you for your support!

WELCOME ZEERUST GUESTS

Saint Andrew members, please join our Zeerust guests and host families for events listed below. As noted, you will see that some events are planned just for the Zeerust guests. Saint Andrew is excited to be hosting the South African Choir for a concert on **Tuesday, July 5 at 6:30 pm**. Refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall following. Worship on **Thursday, July 7, 12:15 pm** will offer a light lunch and fellowship following. **Sunday, July 10, 9:30 am** worship will offer fellowship and potluck following a send-off for our Zeerust guests. Please bring a dish to pass according to the first letter of your last name: A-G: Warm Side Dish; H-M: Cold Salad Side Dish; N-Z: Dessert. A roasted pork loin will be provided.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR ZEERUST VISIT (Subject to Change)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
June 26 Midnight: Guests Arrive at SALC	27 Day of Rest	28 3-7:30 pm Zeerust Guests Invited to Dinner	29 Zeerust Guests Invited to Dinner	30 Orientation at Pine Lake Camp 12:30 pm Depart SALC	July 1 4:00 pm Orientation Ends-Return to Host Homes	2
3	4	5 1:00 pm Text Study for all clergy at First English-Wausau 6:30 pm CONCERT at SALC	6	7 Following 12:15 pm worship: Fellowship & Light Meal @ SALC	8 9:15 am Zeerust Guests Depart for Tomahawk 4:30 pm Brat Fry 6:00 pm Concert (Both @ Memorial Park, Tomahawk)	9 1:00 pm Farewell Worship Service @ St. John's-Marion
10 Following 9:30 am Worship: Potluck @ SALC 12:30 pm Gather & Depart from SALC	11	12	13	14	15	16

Memorial Gifts Received

Memorial Gifts were received in memory of Ray Gross and in honor of Mary Wittich. 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.

CROP Walk 2016

October 2, 1 pm

Make plans to participate in Wausau's 2016 CROP (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) Walk at Marathon Park. Watch the August Network for more information. If interested in participating or assisting with the walk, please contact Wayne Johnson at 715-370-5263.

Blood Pressure Checks

SALC volunteers are available in the Bethlehem Room on the *3rd Sunday* of each month, 9-9:30 am, to assist you in a free blood pressure check. These are not diagnostic but informative. No sign up necessary. Basic blood pressure information is also available.

Pastoral Care

As a practice, three area hospitals are contacted during the work week to inquire about member hospitalization. We are grateful when we learn about pastoral care opportunities and make every effort to respond in a timely fashion. If you or a family member is in need of pastoral care, please contact the church office.

SALC GOLF OUTING

Saturday, July 23, 8 am

Rib Mountain Golf Course

The fun starts with a shot-gun start and continues with a 9-hole scramble which includes prizes for special hole events (longest putt, closest to the hole, etc). Sign up your foursome or be a part of a "potluck" team. At least one church member per team. Fee: \$20. Sign up at church or call 715-842-3333. All are welcome to join in the fun!



UPCOMING YOUTH ACTIVITIES

All youth are invited to participate in the following activities:

July 30—Day trip to the Eau Claire Dells

August 20-21—Camping

Sign up at the Information Desk in the Narthex!

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Mark your calendar to attend worship on **Sunday, August 28** as students and their backpacks, parents and teachers are blessed as they begin a new school year.

GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS.

September 10-11

Opportunities for community outreach are currently being defined. Save the date and watch for details including the chance to purchase a "God's Work. Our Hands." t-shirt as we join in reaching out with Christ's love. Rally Sunday will kick off Sunday school and the church picnic will follow the 9:30 worship.

ALZHEIMER'S ACTIVITY MATS

The Quilting Group has adopted a new project—making activity mats for local Alzheimer patients. Donations from the list below are now being accepted. Many items can also be found at the Dollar Store.

Please note that items can be any color but cannot be too small to fit in the mouth and be swallowed. Holes in items should be large enough to fit a shoe string through.

Keys

Washers, wing nuts, nuts

Fishing lures – NO hooks

Buttons - medium to large

Foam shapes

Plastic or wooden bracelets

Wooden napkin rings

Wooden beads - medium to large

Wooden blocks with a hole

Clothespins - plastic - must have a hole in them

7" Zippers

Straps of any kind—i.e. luggage or lifejacket straps

Shoestrings

Fleece fabric

Fun fur

Baby rattles

Headbands - elastic

Appliques on children's clothing

Bib overalls - baby to toddler sizes

Jeans - with back pockets

Cash donations to purchase supplies

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!



Saint Andrew Lutheran Church VBS

"The Jesus Walk!"

Grades Pre-K through 5

Monday-Thursday, July 11-14; 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Friday, July 15; 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

(Closing program on Friday at 11:30 am & family luncheon following)



REGISTRATION FORM

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Street Address, City, Zip _____

E-mail Address _____

Phone Number: Home _____ Cell _____

Child Information

Name _____

Grade Completed _____ Allergies/Special Needs _____

Child Information

Name _____

Grade Completed _____ Allergies/Special Needs _____

Child Information

Name _____

Grade Completed _____ Allergies/Special Needs _____

Emergency Contact

Name _____ Phone _____

*Return this form with a \$15 registration fee per child (maximum \$30 per family) to Saint Andrew Lutheran Church by June 27

On Thursday, July 14 children who have **completed** grades 2-5 will have the opportunity to travel to Waypost Camp for the day. Transportation will be provided from Saint Andrew to camp and back. Students will need to arrive at 9:00 am on this day and will return to Saint Andrew for 4:00 pm pick-up.

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My child meets the grade requirement and has my permission to travel to Waypost Camp on Thursday, July 14.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

*If there is any other information about your child(ren) you think would be helpful for us to know, please attach an addition sheet for notes. Thank you!

PET SUNDAY

Sunday, August 21, 9:30 am

Bring the **whole** family — all socially adapted creatures, great and small, are welcome.



In an attempt to make worship a little more comfortable, the congregation will be seated on the Celebration Patio on the north side of the Fellowship Hall. **Bring a lawn chair or blanket and sunglasses** and enjoy this outdoor worship experience. Please help with your pet's clean-up if needed.

SALC ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC

Family - Food - Fun

Sunday, September 11

10:45 am (after worship)

Fellowship Hall & Celebration Patio

Join us for food, fellowship and fun! The cooks will be grilling burgers, brats and hotdogs. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share according to the first letter of your last name:

A-M salad or side dish

N-Z dessert

VOUNTEERS NEEDED: Contact the office if you can help with picnic set-up or clean-up.



ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP IN JULY

Date	Worship Time	Altar Guild	Usher Team	Lay Readers	Greeters	Fellowship
July 3	8:00 am 9:30 am	Team 3	B	Open to Volunteer Call 715-842-3333	Shirley Bickford & Jim Jacobson Mary Wittich & Bev DeHaan	Jim Jacobson & Susie Soukup Jason & DeDe Gnatz
July 10	8:00 am 9:30 am	Team 3	Brekke	Gary Hibbard Laura Beranek	Tony & Wendi Howe Brad & Lisa Werger	Barb Breese & Tina Spiegel Adam & Kathy Wurz
July 17	8:00 am 9:30 am	Team 4	Weidman	Ray Skare Nate Card	Ann McDonald & Mary Kregel Craig & Marni Holmes	Sheldon & Connie Geiger Roger & Ruth Poutanen
July 24	8:00 am 9:30 am	Team 4	Johnson	Michael Spalding Courtney Grieser	Mike & Lyn Weis Joel & Sara Widmann	David & Nancy Larson Amy Frolik & Pam Mielke
July 31	8:00 am 9:30 am	Team 5	Shepherd	April Mascorro Cheryl Allen	Noah Radloff & Eugene Moyer Jeff, Pam & Alex Kyhos	Keith & Sandi Rusch Greg & Jeanne Willems

LECTIONARY READINGS

July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31
Isaiah 66:10-14 Psalm 66:1-9 Galatians 6:[1-6] 7-16 Luke 10:1-11, 16-20	Deuteronomy 30:9-14 Psalm 25:1-10 Colossians 1:1-14 Luke 10:25-37	Genesis 18:1-10a Psalm 15 Colossians 1:15-28 Luke 10:38-42	Genesis 18:20-32 Psalm 138 Colossians 2:6-15 Luke 11:1-13	Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23 Psalm 49:1-12 Colossians 3:1-11 Luke 12:13-21

July 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 8:00 AM WORSHIP 9:30 AM WORSHIP	4 7:00 PM AA, Alanon & Alateen Meetings Independence Day - Office Closed	5 6:30 PM South African Delegation Concert at SALC with Fellowship following - All Are Welcome!	6	7 12:15 PM WORSHIP 1:00 PM Light Lunch Fellowship w/Zeerust guests following worship 6:15 PM WORSHIP	8 10:00 AM Play Group	9 Zeerust Visit
Zeerust Visit						
10 8:00 AM WORSHIP 9:30 AM WORSHIP 10:45 AM Potluck with Zeerust Visitors following Worship	11 7:00 PM AA, Alanon & Alateen Meetings	12 9:00 AM Reading Reflections 10:00 AM Quilting Group 6:30 PM Ministry Night Meetings	13	14 12:15 PM WORSHIP 6:15 PM WORSHIP	15	16
Vacation Bible School - The Jesus Walk 1:00-4:00 pm w/Friday from 9:00-Noon & Lunch						
Sky Ranch Youth Trip						
17 8:00 AM WORSHIP 9:30 AM WORSHIP	18 7:00 PM AA, Alanon & Alateen Meetings	19 9:00 AM Reading Reflections 10:00 AM Quilting for Lutheran World Relief	20	21 12:15 PM WORSHIP 6:15 PM WORSHIP	22	23 8:00 AM SALC Golf Outing Rib Mountain Golf Course
24 8:00 AM WORSHIP 9:30 AM WORSHIP	25 7:00 PM AA, Alanon & Alateen Meetings	26 9:00 AM Reading Reflections	27	28 12:15 PM WORSHIP 6:15 PM WORSHIP 7:00 PM Council Meeting	29	30

31 8:00 AM WORSHIP 9:30 AM WORSHIP						
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August

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A BAPTISM PRAYER

Giving thanks for the gift of baptism, we lift up those children, parents and sponsors who have recently been received or will be received into the family of faith. We pray especially for:

Everett Michael Lemirand - May 1	Camden Mac Olafson - June 12
Gavin Jerry George Zelenka - May 22	Sonja Georgeanne Rose Wurz - June 19
Juliette Guillermin - May 22	Cullen Jeffrey Ayer - June 23
Nolan Frederick Doran - May 22	Wren Matysen Gabriel - June 26
Brinleigh Marjorie DeBuhr - May 29	Eleanor Marie Seubert - August 7
Carter Robert Socha - June 12	Owen Tate Bradford - August 11

A WEDDING PRAYER

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

Butch & Elizabeth Sulzer - June 11	Beth Woller & Jesse Drake - September 10
Keith & Lauren Steidl - June 18	Brittany Spiegel & Erich Burnett - September 16
Pauline Hartman & Glen Hartman - August 13	Aaron Stelzel & Jianna Breunig - September 17
Michelle Wanty & Jake Jensen - August 20	Janet Reiss & Nick Anderson - September 24
Jessica Kurtzweil & Nate Bartz - August 26	

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	Elaine	Patricia	Tom	Bonnie
Amanda & Frank	Elsie	Reggie	Yvonne	Joyce
Annie	Haylee & Kory	Robin	Dixie	Angie
Babs	Irma	Roland	Laura	Ruth
Barb	Jennette	Steve	Laurel	Mary
Brenda	Jennifer	Tom	Shelly	John
Callie & Zak	Jerry	William	Brian	Amber
Carrie	Kevin	Ella	Bob	Dave
Charles & Gerry	Lynn	Clayton	Mike	
Dan & Jessica	Lynne	Amy	Frank	
Dave	Marta	Charlotte	Pam	
Dennis	Monica	Meg	Kim	

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



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the link on our
website and click
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with the latest
news and events!

June 26-July 10

Zeerust Visitors in Wausau

July 5	6:30 pm	OWLS Attend South African Concert @ SALC
July 5	6:30 pm	Zeerust Guests Concert
July 8	10-11 am	Playgroup
July 9-16		Youth to Sky Ranch Lutheran Camp, CO
July 11-15		VBS
July 23	8 am	SALC Annual Golf Outing @ Rib Mountain Golf Course
July 30		Youth Day Trip to the Eau Claire Dells

August 20-21

Youth Camping

August 21	9:30 am
August 28	9:30 am

Pet Sunday
Blessing of the Backpacks

September 7

Confirmation Orientation

September 10-11

God's Work. Our Hands.

September 11

Rally Sunday/Church Picnic

September 18

Fall Worship Schedule Begins: 8:00, 9:30 & 10:45 am
Sunday School Classes Begin