

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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# Network



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Visions by Pastor Craig

Along with the shift into the fall season this past month, came information from the ELCA regarding World Hunger. Each year, the church gives emphasis to the needs of people around the world and encourages congregations to take part in helping to address concerns where food, shelter, water and other basic needs are limited. While difficult enough to identify local needs, it is all the more challenging to know how we can share what we have been given with people halfway around the world in a way that is useful.

What is great about being part of a larger church community is that there are branches of the church that work diligently to assess needs and help provide resources that care for the dignity of human life and community. The ELCA World Hunger organization is an extension of the church that is vital in caring for the needs of others by collecting and distributing resources where most needed. A packet of information has come through the mail that will soon be available to individuals and families who wish to take part in this year's hunger programs. Beginning in Advent, there will be a booklet for weekly devotions for families that raise awareness to the issues related to hunger. There will also be Advent calendars available as a daily pilgrimage through the four week season leading up to Christmas. The daily tabs have quotes from hymns, scripture or other ideas that families might consider as ways to take part in caring for the world's poor and hungry in the name of Jesus. A giving tree will be available in the fellowship hall with ornaments for hats and mittens for local children plus ornaments that can be taken to make a donation for a pig, goat, cow, bee hive, chick or other needs as good gifts ideas. In this way, as you begin to shop for Christmas gifts for loved ones, you can consider making a gift that will impact someone else in a meaningful and tangible way as well.

This year, over 80 quilts and 50 school bags were made and sent from Saint Andrew through Lutheran World Relief. Monthly, Fair Trade items are sold in the fellowship hall to assist farmers who are struggling to make ends meet in a capitalist economy. It is a blessing to see efforts made to help others. This Advent, as we again prepare to celebrate the Christmas story of the Christ child born among us, I encourage you to prepare a place in your hearts for opportunities to share in the ELCA's efforts to be the body of Christ for the world on behalf of world hunger. When we share what has been entrusted to us and we pool resources through the organized efforts of the church, we can effect real change for people and we can care for others in ways that we may never fully realize but we entrust are pleasing in God's sight.

Weekly Worship

Thursday: 12:15 and 6:15 pm Sunday: 8:00, 9:30 + 10:45 am

Remembering the Saints during
"All Saints Sunday" Worship
Thursday, November 2 & Sunday, November 5

Daylight Saving Time Ends
Sunday, November 5 at 2 am
Remember to set your clocks back one hour.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Wednesday, November 22, 6:15 pm



Sunday, December 24
Advent 4 Worship: 9:30 am

Christmas Eve Worship: 4, 6, 8 & 10 pm

Monday, December 25 Christmas Day Worship: 9:30 am

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#### **OWLS**

Tuesday, November 7 11:30 am

The OWLS will meet for a potluck lunch in the Saint Andrew Fellowship Hall then enjoy a presentation by Dr. Niveen Sarras from Immanuel Lutheran Church. She will share her experience and insight on Palestinian church and life. All are welcome!

#### **Christ in Our Home**

The fourth quarter of Christ in Our Home Devotional is now available in the Narthex. Please pick up a copy for your family.

#### **Noisy Offering**

A Noisy Offering will be received on *Thursday and* Sunday, November 16 & 19 during worship in support of the ELCA World Hunger.

#### **Blood Pressure** Checks

Blood pressure checks will be available on November 19, **9:00-9:30 am** in the library area of the Fellowship Hall.

#### **Fair Trade Products**

Sunday, November 19 Fair Trade products—coffees, teas and chocolates—will be available for purchase on Sunday morning in the Fellowship Hall. Your purchases help small landholder farmers.

#### **LUTHER'S LIFE AND LEGACY**

On Sunday, November 19 at 10:45 am, join Pastor Jenn in the Fellowship Hall as she teaches about the life and legacy of Martin Luther by sharing pictures and stories from her travels to Germany during the first part of her Sabbatical. (The second portion of her sabbatical will be taken during portions of January and February, 2018.)

#### THANKSGIVING HARVEST ITEMS

Bring your pumpkins, gourds, bittersweet, dried flowers, apples or other fall decorations to help complete the Thanksgiving altar display by Monday, November 6. A basket is available in the Narthex for these items.

#### THANKSGIVING DINNER AT SALC

The SALC Social Ministry will prepare the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner at Saint Andrew on Thursday, November 23, 11 am-1 pm. Whether you are alone or you want to bring your family, whether you are a church member or a member of the community, all are welcome! Tables of all sizes will be set up to accommodate your group, both large and small. Signing up prior to Sunday, November 19 would be greatly appreciated, but not required. A sign-up sheet is available on the Information Desk.

#### SALC "GIVING TREE"

As the holiday season approaches there will be a "Giving Tree" in the Fellowship Hall. Please feel welcome to take a paper ornament as a reminder when out shopping to purchase an extra gift of a child/youth size hat or pair of insulated gloves and mittens to then be shared in our local schools. Ornaments will also be available to support ELCA World Hunger. Watch for fliers that help highlight these gifts. Thank you for sharing in ministry and outreach in the community and our world through Saint Andrew.

#### **COOKIE EXCHANGE**

#### Sunday, December 10

Bring your homemade cookies to exchange (pre-packaged) and enjoy fellowship while your assortment of treats are put together for you. More details and sign-up will be available at the Information Desk and will also be coming in the December Network. All are invited to participate!

#### GINGERBREAD HOUSE DECORATING

Sunday, December 3

Get into the



holiday spirit by helping to decorate a gingerbread village that will be donated to a local nursing home. The gingerbread houses, frosting and candy will be provided. Sign-up will be available at the Information Desk.

# Sharing the Gifts We Offer

Each quarter the Church Council chooses recipients for a benevolence contribution from Saint Andrew. This past quarter, a total of \$3500 was given to ELCA disaster relief, Wausau Warming Center, and Women's Community Center.

# **SALC Food Pantry Current Needs**

The food pantry currently needs: canned soup, canned tomato products, jelly, macaroni and cheese, dry pasta, ketchup, mustard and mayonnaise. Items can be dropped off in the baskets inside the building entrances. Thank you for supporting the food pantry! \*Note: expired food cannot be utilized.

#### Thank You!

The Property
Ministry would
like to thank
those who
participated in the
fall clean-up. A
beautiful day combined with
great attitudes and energy
made the event a quick
success.

#### **Pastoral Care**

As a practice, three area hospitals are contacted during the work week to inquire about member hospitalization. If you or a family member is in need of pastoral care during a particularly challenging time, please contact the church office.

#### **NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED**

Saint Andrew is blessed to have the following new members received into its faith family on October 29: Grace Clark, Larry and Lori Degenhardt, Jim and Sue Hahn, Herb and Ruth Heyne, Derek, Kim and Violet Hoff, Carolyn Johnson, Holly Koeppel, Brenna Mikula, Luke Mroczenski and Samantha Oliver, Don and Ruth Nelson, Clint, Amber, Alexander and Macie Oelhafen, Ed Raasch and Michelle Tlusty. Please give them a warm welcome as you see them at worship and participating in the life of Saint Andrew!

#### **MEMORIAL GIFTS RECEIVED**

A gift of stained glass windows was recommended by the Memorial Gift Committee and approved by council. Daniels Art Glass is currently making panels for the upper portion of the sanctuary windows. This gift will be in loving memory of Sara Quirt-Sann from her family. The windows are expected to be completed and installed yet this year. Memorial gifts were also received in memory of Lucy Lahr and in honor of Billie Schmidt. 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.

#### **GOOD STEWARDS**

Watch for a packet in November from Saint Andrew which helps make connections for members to participate in the life of the church by offering time and talent as an expression of ministry. Please look over the booklet and consider ways you can get involved. If you have an idea but do not see a category, please feel free to share your idea. Others may also be considering a similar possibility. Thank you for sharing in the life of Saint Andrew from your resources.

"Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above." — James 1:17a

#### Poinsettia Order Form

Help beautify the sanctuary at Christmas with a poinsettia to remember or honor a loved one. Detach this order form and return it to the church office with payment by **Sunday December 3. Cost:** \$16 each

White Poinsettia	Red Poinsettia Please make payment payable to:
Given in honor of	Saint Andrew Lutheran Church Mail to:
Given in memory of	3200 N. Mountain Rd., Wausau 54401
Given in recognition of	place in the designated box
Given in thanksgiving of	at the Information Desk in the Narthex
From:	Phone:

#### CONFIRMATION ON REFORMATION



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

By the grace of God, after two years of faithful preparation, thirty 9<sup>th</sup> grade students affirmed their baptism in worship on **Reformation Sunday, October 29.** Join us in giving thanks to God for the witness of these young people!

Rachel Jo Antonson Caleb Joseph Cychosz Logan Michael Cychosz Riley Elizabeth Ferris Rianna Mae Fust Alison Iris Gilles Noah George Gnatz Carson Hunter Kleiber

Payton John Kratwell Isaac Robert Krueger Krysta Maree Lang Olivia Ann Larson Drew Michael Marquardt Zachary Cole McCabe Emily Kaye Mittelsteadt Marissa Katherine Mohr Elena Marie Mrotek
Emily Grace Mueller
Hunter James Nelson
Chentaly Isabella Phakitthong
Garrett Curtis Richardt
Brandon Ray Ricklefs
Morgan Sarah Rose
Mason Anthony Sorensen

Benjamin Harvey Stangel Keean Michael Turnquist Alexis Megan Uttecht McKenzie Lee Walters Brock Abraham Warren Logan Edward White

#### **EMPTY BOWLS SERVICE PROJECT**

All 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade youth are invited to join in the fun to purchase & paint a bowl to then be donated to the Neighbor's Place Empty Bowls Soup event on November 18 at Wausau West.

When: Sunday, October 29 at 3:00 pm

Where: Clay Corner Studio in Rib Mountain across

from Wal-Mart

Cost: \$12.00 plus extra money for pizza

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Sunday School Christmas Program will be held during **9:30** am worship on Sunday, December 17. The program will highlight three to four combined age groups each singing a song during the children's message. Christmas cookies will be served following the service. Plan to attend to receive the Christmas message from our youngest members!

#### **MID-WINTER RETREAT AT CROSSWAYS**

For the past few years, there has been a retreat for the younger members of Saint Andrew to get out to camp, have fun playing and exploring in the snow with Pastor Craig and Pastor Jenn, do group building activities and games, interactive Bible studies and worship — all in God's beautiful creation. We will spend two nights away at Waypost camp near Hatley, Wisconsin — about a 30 minute drive from church. *Chaperones are needed*. Please contact the church office if you are willing to help. THANK YOU!

Who: 3-6 Grade Students

When: Friday, January 12 (drop off: 6:30-7:00 pm) — Sunday, January 14 (pick up: 11:00 am)

Where: Crossways Waypost Camp in Hatley, WI

**Cost:** \$45 (will need to provide your own transportation)

**Register by January 3** 

#### **CONFIRMATION & SUNDAY SCHOOL UPCOMING DATES**

November 22—No Confirmation - Thanksgiving
Worship at 6:15 pm

**December 17**—Sunday School Christmas Program during 9:30 am worship

December 24 & 31—No Sunday School Classes

December 27—No Confirmation Classes

January 12-14 — Grades 3-6 Midwinter Retreat at Waypost

March 4, 11 & 18—First Communion Classes at 4:00 pm

March 25—First Communion Worship at 2:00 pm

#### **2018 ALTAR FLOWERS**

Honor a loved one or special event with altar flowers in 2018. Bouquets are routinely ordered weekly unless otherwise requested. A letter will be sent to you the week prior to the Sunday you signed up for flowers outlining the process, confirming what will be printed in the bulletin and will include an envelope for payment (cost is \$22.50). Your flowers may be taken home to be enjoyed following the last worship service on Sunday. Sign up on the Flower Chart posted on the kiosk in the Narthex.

#### MAGIC PAPER BOX

Look for the blue "Magic Paper Box" recycling bin available in the West parking lot near the dumpster enclosure. This recycling program not only promotes care for the environment but also generates revenue from being paid for the paper waste collected. SALC members and others in the community are encouraged to collect and drop off newspapers, junk mail, magazines, office/school papers and catalogs. This program is not for cardboard, plastic, metal, glass, text books, hard cover books, garbage or paper contaminated with food, chemicals etc. Thank you for recycling and helping support the ministry programs at Saint Andrew. To date, the Magic Paper Box has generated approximately \$100 which is used to support the youth program.

#### Assisting with Worship in November

Date	Worship Time	Altar Guild	Usher Team	Lay Readers	Greeters	Fellowship
November 5	8:00 am 9:30 am	Team 3	Shepherd	Stephanie DeWitz Craig Holmes	Shirley Bickford & Jason Rickstad Dick & Lynn Lawson	Calvin & Susan Sprik Craig & Marni Holmes
November 12	8:00 am 9:30 am	Team 3	А	Diane Goetsch Cheryl Allen	Mark & Pam Czerwinski Janice Nelson & Billie Schmidt	Mike & Jeannine Matushak George & Bonnie Alafouzos
November 19	8:00 am 9:30 am	Team 4	В	Mary Jarvis Nate Card	Leann Boll & Eugene Moyer Tom & Mary Weiland	Keith & Sandi Rusch Terry & June Grabau
November 22 Thanksgiving Eve	6:15 pm	Team 4	Tipple			
November 26	8:00 am 9:30 am	Team 4	Weidman	Eric Verber Faith Martinson	Mark & Pam Czerwinski Amy & Jesse Frolic	Sheldon & Connie Geiger Bob & Terri Wiederhoeft

#### **LECTIONARY READINGS**

November 5	November 12	November 19	November 26
Revelation 7:9-17	Amos 5:18-24	Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18	Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
Psalm 34:1-10, 22	Psalm 70	Psalm 90:1-8 [9-11] 12	Psalm 95:1-7a
1 John 3:1-3	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Matthew 25:1-13	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	Ephesians 1:15-23
Matthew 5:1-12		Matthew 25:14-30	Matthew 25:31-46
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Tuesday		9:00 AM Reading Reflections 11:30 AM OWLS - Potluck & Palestinlan Church & Life presented by Rev Dr Niveen Sarras	14 9:00 AM Reading Reflections 10:00 AM Quilling Group 6:30 PM Ministry Night Meetings	21 9:00 AM Reading Reflections 10:00 AM Quilling for Lutheran World Relief	2% 9:00 AM Reading Reflections
Monday	October  S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7  8 9 10 11 12 13 14  15 16 17 18 19 20 21  22 23 24 25 26 27 28  29 30 31	6 7:00 PM AA, Alanon & Alateen Meetings Dariball - No Games	13 7:00 PM AA, Alanon & Alateen Meetings 7:00 PM Darlball - St Anne at SALC	20 7:00 PM AA, Alanon & Alateen Meetings 7:00 PM Darboll - SALC @ Covenant Community	7:7 7:00 PM AA, Alanon & Alateen Meetings 7:30 PM Dartball - Good Shepherd © SALC
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#### **WE PRAY**

#### For Baptisms:

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 Andrew Jacobson - September 17 Quinn Kai Sierk - October 1 Adalyn Marie Huerth - October 8 Emmaire Lynn Kolbe - October 22 Alexis Rae Denzin - November 12 Mila Jane Kasson - November 12 Carter James Drolshagen - December 10

#### For Weddings:

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

Rich & Charmaine Lucas - September 2 John & Wendy Zdanowski - September 9 Dennis & Renee Klockziem (vow renewal) - September 23

#### 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...

Aaron	Meg	Yvonne	Charles
Ali	Monica	Dixie	Zoe
Arlen	Nic	Laura	Shirley
Babs	Nikki	Frank	Marie
Bill	Pam	Pam	Dorothy
Brian	Pete	Angie	Chris
Callie & Zak	Robin	Ruth	Dan & Jessica
Charles & Gerry	Tom	Jerry	Devon
Elaine	Tony	Sue	Krista
Jennifer	Ella	Derrick	
Leann	Amy	Helen	
Lynne & Dan	Tom	Merlin	

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**

#### **NOVEMBER**

5		"All Saints Sunday"
7	11:30 am	OWLS Potluck and Presentation
19	10:45 am	Luther's Life and Legacy
22		No Confirmation Classes
22	6:15 pm	Thanksgiving Eve Worship
23	11 am-1 pm	Thanksgiving Dinner at Saint Andrew
23 &	24	<b>Church Office Closed</b>

#### **DECEMBER**

3		Gingerbread House Decorating
10		Christmas Cookie Exchange
17	9:30 am	Sunday School Christmas Program
24 & 3	1	No Sunday School Classes
27		No Confirmation Classes



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