



Network



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PASTORAL REFLECTIONS



Have you ever wondered about the structure of worship? Have you wondered about the symbols and colors of the church year? Why do we call the sharing of gifts an “offering” rather than a “collection?” Where does the money go? What happens to the left over bread and wine from communion? Who bakes the bread? Perhaps there are questions you have often wondered about but were afraid to ask or didn’t think you could ask. This fall the children’s message will be used to address symbols, liturgical images and the rich traditions that we so often take for granted but that are very much part of how we worship. Children are not afraid to say what’s on their minds and seeing the world through their eyes can be refreshing for all of us. Come to worship prepared not only to pray and praise God but also to learn about the liturgical pattern of worship and the structure that helps tell God’s story of love and grace. Worship is central to the life of the Saint Andrew community. I am hopeful we can learn with and from each other. The next messages will focus on the “Entrance Rite” and what role acolytes serve in worship.

- *Fr. Craig*

WEEKLY WORSHIP

Thursdays—12:15 and 6:15 pm
Sundays—8:00 and 10:30 am

REFLECTIONS ON THE READINGS



Pentecost 18— September 23/September 26

Consideration of and care for those in need (especially those "at our gate," visible to us, of whom we are aware) is an essential component of good stewardship. It is in the sharing of wealth that we avoid the snare of wealth. It is the one whom death could not hold—who comes to us risen from the dead—who can free us from the death grip of greed.

Pentecost 19 — September 30/ October 3

A little faith goes a long way is our Lord’s point in the gospel. A mustard seed’s-worth has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in water and the word (holy baptism), bread and wine (holy communion), the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.

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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ACTIVITIES

Bible Study

Pastor Craig will facilitate a seven-week Bible Study beginning *Sunday, September 19 at 6:30 pm* focused on "Faith Practices: Pray, Study, Worship, Invite, Encourage, Serve, Give."

All are welcome. Meet in the Activity Room. "How Lutherans Interpret the Bible" will be repeated beginning November 14.

New Member Reception

Sunday, September 26 Following the 10:30 am worship service, everyone is invited to a potluck lunch in the Fellowship Hall welcoming the newest members of our church. Please bring the following dish(es) to share according to the first letter of your last name: A-C Dessert
D-R Hot Dish
S-Z Cold Dish

Baptism Orientation

Sunday, October 3, 9:30 am Orientation will be held in the sanctuary for those families anticipating a baptism. Please call the church office at (715) 842-3333 if you would like to attend.

Calling All OWLS

~Older Wiser
Lutherans~
Destination: Colorful Council Grounds
When: Tuesday, October 5, departing Saint Andrew at 1:30 pm
Lunch: Bring your picnic lunch to enjoy riverside
Attire: Warm, comfortable walking clothes
Please call the church office at 842-3333 to sign

CROP WALK

Help CROP (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) fight local and global hunger. Join the 2010 Wausau Area CROP Walk for Hunger on *Sunday, October 3 at Marathon Park. Registration begins at 12:00 pm and the 10k walk begins at 12:30 pm.* Participate as a walker or make a donation or both. Of the funds raised, 25% will support the Salvation Army and the Neighbors' Place and 75% will support the Church World Service's global hunger program in USA and in over 80 countries. So, put on your walking shoes and help fight local and global hunger! See Wayne Johnson in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday morning, September 26 to get a pledge form.

DEVOTIONALS AVAILABLE

Now available in the Narthex are the fourth quarter (October, November and December) "Christ In Our Home" devotionals. Readers can draw on a daily scripture passage, reflection and prayer to nourish their need for Christ and His invitation to a life of faith. Devotions are organized on a daily basis so it's very easy to pick up and begin reading any time. All are invited to pick up a copy available in the Narthex.

ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP

September 26

October 3

<p>Ushers A Team</p> <p>Layreaders 8:00 am - Shirley Bickford 10:30 am - Cheryl Allen</p> <p>Altar Guild Team 1: Marilyn Olson, Sandra Fischer, Mary Weiland and Tammy Radloff</p> <p>Fellowship 8:00 am - Betty Dotseth and Joanne Howard 10:30 am - Danny and Vicky Beeler</p>	<p>Greeters 8:00 am - Joleen Meier and Jean Hutchinson 10:30 am - Fred and Pat Fuchs</p> <p>Counters-September 27 Leslie Sorensen and Mary Wittich</p> <p>Lectionary Readings Amos 6:1a, 4-7 Psalm 146 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Luke 16:19-31</p>	<p>Ushers B Team</p> <p>Layreaders 8:00 am - Betty Dotseth 10:30 am - Helen Bickley</p> <p>Altar Guild Team 1: Marilyn Olson, Sandra Fischer, Mary Weiland and Tammy Radloff</p> <p>Fellowship 8:00 am - Eric and Jamie Hane 10:30 am - Marilyn and Doug Olson</p>	<p>Greeters 8:00 am - Eugene and Nancy Moyer 10:30 am - Pam Clark and Cindy Markofski</p> <p>Counters-September 4 Annette Green and Will Allmandinger</p> <p>Lectionary Readings Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 Psalm 37:1-9 2 Timothy 1:1-14 Luke 17:5-10</p>
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GOOD STEWARDS

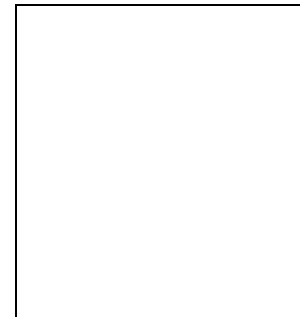
Members of church council and the Stewardship Ministry have made calls to Saint Andrew members about pledge support for 2010. Some people have expressed intent to catch up and some have expressed regret that a change in personal finances makes it more difficult. Regardless of how people have been able to respond, most of these calls have been positive allowing a conversation to take place to help people express ministry ideas and insights that may well translate into new opportunities to address congregational needs. The first mission for Saint Andrew was to enter into conversation with the local community. As we move into the fall and plan for another year of ministry for 2011, it would be great to find ways to continue that missional conversation and learn more about ways you can share your gifts out of gratitude for God has and continues to do among us. Your Stewardship Ministry would be glad to learn with you. This year's Every Member Response program will include opportunities to share ideas as well as intended support of and participation in the mission and ministry of Saint Andrew.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



As part of this year's confirmation program, each student will participate in acolyte training and will be encouraged to share in this important leadership role during worship. While not a requirement, this is an opportunity and each student is expected to consider this as part of their confirmation experience. Parents can do much to support and encourage their child to participate. A signup sheet will be posted on the bulletin board across from the church office. Thanks for your help.

A new student bible is being presented to second grade students this year. The Bible has stickers and other helpful learning tips that will be helpful for children to both begin and grow in their knowledge and understanding of the first language of faith. Bibles will be presented at the beginning of worship on **Thursday, September 23 at 6:15 pm and Sunday, September 26 at 10:30 am.**





Time and Talent Opportunities to SUPPORT the Mission

- Prayer requests are welcome through the *Prayer Center* in the sanctuary and will be acknowledged weekly in worship.

Parish Staff

Rev. John Roseth, *Pastor*
 Rev. Craig Swenson, *Pastor*
 Everett Schmidt, *Minister of Youth*
 Al Freiberg, *Minister of Music*
 Shelby Reif, *Parish Administrator*
 Joy Mitchell, *Secretary*
 Sheldon Geiger, *Bookkeeper*
 Shannon Vujnovich, *Custodian*
 Dennis Gillingham, *Custodian*
 Ron Sandquist, *Sexton*

NETWORK Deadline

The deadline to submit articles for the October 7 Network is:
Wednesday, September 29

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At Saint Andrew—September 26 - October 10

Sunday, September 26

8:00 am **WORSHIP**
 9:15 am Church School and Adult Education Class
 10:30 am **WORSHIP**
 11:45 am *Reh:* Children's Choir

Monday, September 27

6:00 pm ACOA
 7:00 pm AA, Alanon, Alateen

Tuesday, September 28

9:00 am *Mtg:* Book Club
 6:30 pm *Mtg:* Staff

Wednesday, September 29

6:15 pm Confirmation Class
 6:30 pm *Reh:* Chancel Choir
 8:00 pm *Reh:* Handbell Choir

Thursday, September 30

12:15 pm **WORSHIP**
 5:30 pm Church School
 6:15 pm **WORSHIP**
 7:00 pm *Mtg:* Church Council

Friday, October 1

4:00 pm Christi Skare and Donnie Imhoff Wedding

Saturday, October 2

2:00 pm Luke Skidahl and Nicole Sikorski Wedding

Sunday, October 3

8:00 am **WORSHIP**
 9:15 am Church School and Adult Education Class
 9:30 am Baptism Orientation
 10:30 am **WORSHIP**
 11:45 am *Reh:* Children's Choir
 12:30 pm CROP Walk

Monday, October 4

6:00 pm ACOA
 7:00 pm AA, Alanon, Alateen

Tuesday, October 5

9:00 am *Mtg:* Book Club

Wednesday, October 6

6:15pm Confirmation Class
 6:30pm *Reh:* Choir Rehearsal
 8:00pm *Reh:* Handbell Rehearsal

Thursday, October 7

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

Saturday, October 9

2:00 pm Troy Radtke and Tina Tiege Wedding
 7:00 pm Sr. high Dance

Sunday, October 10

8:00 am **WORSHIP**
 9:15 am Church School and Adult Education Class
 10:30 am **WORSHIP**
 11:45 am *Reh:* Children's Choir

COMMUNITY DINNER SERVED

Thank you to the nineteen members from Saint Andrew, which included individuals, two complete family units and four Sr. High youth, who volunteered their time and talents last Sunday afternoon to help provide supper for others in need. Fellowship and a hot meal of tuna casserole, green beans, acorn squash, coleslaw, cupcakes and ice cream were offered at the First Presbyterian Church in downtown Wausau. Total served was just under 100 plates.

In addition to cooking and serving, our Saint Andrew volunteers were welcoming and shared conversation to help the guests have a warm and friendly experience. Time well spent and an enjoyable chance to help out was communicated by those who participated.

A heartfelt thank you to Saint Andrew's Social Ministry group for their efforts to plan, coordinate and prepare this wonderful outreach opportunity in our community. Mark your calendar for the next chance to participate with this activity on Sunday, November 21.

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	Cindy Curran	Judy Rusch	Harvey Llauremann
Agnes	Dean	Leann Ninabuck	Irma Koenig
Agnes Dahlman	Dennis Klockziem	Missy Felch	Laura Glassford
Alice Klegin	Eric	Patty Rice	Ruth Kruzan
Amy Owen, Kane,	Gary Somers	Pete Porter	Roland Zerneke
Stephanie	George Schoeder	Ron Horst	
Babs	Grace Mittelstaedt	Sabrina Bresnahan	
Bill Rader	Jamie Mangels	Suzi Kittson	
Bill Radloff	John	Thomas Roberts	
Callie Teeters	Jon Winkler	Vern Wheratt	

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 revisin. 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)