



Network



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PASTORAL REFLECTIONS



Do you know that Saint Andrew has a sister? In an effort to expand the identity of Christ's church throughout the world, partner relationships have been established with Lutheran synods in other parts of the world. The companion synod for the East Central Synod of Wisconsin is the Evangelical Lutheran Church in South Africa. Several years ago, congregations were linked to create more personal relationships with area congregations in our companion synod. The sister congregation for Saint Andrew is Zeerust Lutheran Church. This congregation shares a similar history with Saint Andrew as it is a mission start congregation of 34 years. It began with people meeting in a garage in September of 1997 as a group of Lutherans gathered together to pray and serve the area. Over the course of one year, efforts will be made at Saint Andrew to prepare for a visit from members of Zeerust (summer 2012). There is much we have yet to learn about our sister congregation in anticipation of their visit. Various ministries at Saint Andrew are currently involved in ways to highlight our partnership with this sister congregation. There will be a display in the Fellowship Hall on May 15 and Fair Trade Coffee will be served. Also, a banner representing Saint Andrew will be on display before it is sent to Zeerust as a symbol of our dedication to nurture this new relationship. It is exciting to consider ways this relationship can grow in support and participation as the congregations strive to remain faithful in the mission and ministry of Christ's church in Wisconsin and South Africa.

- 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 at 12:15 – 6:15 pm
Sundays at 8:00 – 10:30 am

****Summer worship times begin Sunday, May 29; 8 and 9:30 am****



REFLECTIONS on the READINGS

Fourth Week of Easter

This week is sometimes called "Good Shepherd Sunday." Jesus is called the "gate" of the sheep.. The risen Christ opens the way to abundant life. He anoints our heads with oil and guides us beside the still waters of our baptism. Each Sunday he spreads a feast before us in the midst of the world's violence and war. We go forth to be signs of the resurrection and extend God's tender care to all creation.

Fifth Week of Easter

As we continue to celebrate the fifty days of Easter, this week's gospel includes Jesus' promise that he goes to prepare a place for his followers in his Father's house. Our baptism commissions us to share Jesus' mission in the world. As First Peter reminds us, we are a holy people, called to proclaim the one who called us out of darkness into light. In words and deeds we bear witness to the risen Christ—our way, our truth, our life.

ACTIVITIES

Saint Andrew Treasure Sale & Brat Fry

Friday May 13, 8 am-6 pm;
Saturday May 14, 8 am-1 pm
Bring your "treasures" from spring cleaning to church on Wednesday or Thursday, May 11 or 12. Items that are donated should be in good working order and in very good condition. Then stop by on Friday or Saturday to enjoy a brat and see what treasures may be waiting for you! Volunteers are needed. Please call the church office to express your availability to

New Member Orientation

Sundays, May 15 & 22, 9:15 am
New Member Orientation is scheduled for Sundays, May 15 and 22 at 9:15 am. New members will then be received at the 10:30 am worship service on May 22. 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.

Fast Pitch Softball

The Saint Andrew fast pitch softball games will begin the end of May on Monday evenings at Sunny Vale Park. Call the church office at 715-842-3333 if you would like to be a part of the Saint Andrew Team!

OWLS Take Flight

Tuesday, June 7, 11 am
Join the OWLS (Older Wiser Lutherans) at Hudson's Grill, 2200 Stewart Avenue, Wausau for lunch. Pack leader, Bill Radloff will talk about Saint Andrew's unique and special Cub Scout Pack following the meal. Please join us!

IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE...

Church School Classes

The last dates for Church School will be *Thursday, May 19 and Sunday, May 22*. Ice cream will be provided for the students!

Church Office Closed

In observance of Memorial Day, the church office will be closed on *Monday, May 30*.

Summer Worship

The Sunday summer worship schedule will begin *May 29*, with worship times at *8 and 9:30 am*.

BLOODMOBILE at SAINT ANDREW

On **Friday, June 10**, Saint Andrew will be the sight of a blood drive in support of the American Red Cross. Donors can give blood every 56 days. The time for donations will be from 1-6 pm. Not interested in donating? Perhaps you are willing to volunteer time to help with registration, refreshments or other support. Mark your calendar now and call the church office to schedule a time to donate or to let us know how you can help.



ASSISTING with WORSHIP

May 15

Ushers

Weidman Team

Layreaders

8:00 am - Joleen Meier

10:30 am - Chris Kensmoe

Altar Guild

Team 5: Mavis Bloom
Pam Levra
Mary Wittich

Fellowship

8:00 am - Ann McDonald

10:30 am - Roger & Ruth
Poutanen

Greeters

8:00 am - Grieser Family
10:30 am - George & Bonnie
Alafouz

Counters-May 16

Judy Paszek &
Marsha Otto

Lectionary Readings

Acts 2:42-47
Psalm 23
1 Peter 2:19-25
John 10:1-10

May 22

Ushers

Johnson Team

Layreaders

8:00 - Sean McCarthy

10:30 - Jim Jordan

Altar Guild

Team 6: Stephanie Wage
Patty Marceille
Julie Weller

Fellowship

8:00 am - Dave & Maggie

Mueller
10:30 am - Doug & Marilyn
Olson

Greeters

8:00 am - Dave & Maggie
Mueller

10:30 am - Lynn Lawson &
Reggie

Counters-May 23

Leslie Sorenson &
Mary Wittich

Lectionary Readings

Acts 7:55-60
Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
1 Peter 2:2-10
John 14:1-14

GOOD STEWARDS

Summer months often mean vacations and weekends away. Are you making summer plans? Last summer, offerings dropped significantly leading to reductions in hours for staff and limiting budget support for many ministry needs. Please remember that the needs of your church are year-around commitments and regular support is needed for the ongoing work of your church. Plans are being considered to allow automated giving through the Saint Andrew website but are not yet in place. Many have adopted another option to transfer offerings electronically using the T.O.E. program. This can be started and ended at any time. Call the church office and ask to speak to Sheldon who can assist you with setting up this method of giving. Thank you!

THE MAGIC PAPER BOX

Because of the tremendous response, a second **Magic Paper Box** will be placed at the north edge of the west parking lot and available for any community member to drop off paper to be recycled. It took only two weeks to fill the first one and now after only one week, another container is almost full! Word is getting around. Thank you for the support! Think **green!** Contribute to the **blue** box! (*not for plastic, cardboard, metal, glass, or paper contaminated with food.*)



NURSEY HELP NEEDED

Saint Andrew has a great need for volunteers to supervise the nursery. Would you be willing to give your time and your talent just one Sunday every few months during the school year? It's very easy and you get to play with toys, color or read a Christian story to a child! In addition, it would assist many parents in attending worship service knowing their child is being well-taken care of. Please call the church office to let us know when you can help in the nursery!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATORS NEEDED

Saint Andrew needs motivated individuals, for the 2011-2012 Sunday School year, who want to share their Christian faith by helping prepare our youngest members for a life with Christ. There are Thursday and Sunday school needs. Flexible schedules are available, including: job sharing, rotations, part-time, etc. We would also like to establish a substitute pool to have available for teacher absences. If you are interested in helping or have any questions, please contact Jill Hersperger at 715-359-9089 or Sandi Rusch at 715-675-2629.

VBS-MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!

Bring your child to "Pandamania"-where God is wild about them! **VBS (Vacation Bible School)** is August 1-5, 9 am-12 pm. Online registration is now available, so mark your calendar and check out the Saint Andrew website (www.salc-wausau.org) for easy registration. See you in August!





Time and Talent Opportunities to SUPPORT the Mission

- The **Treasure Sale** needs you-
pg. 2 has all the information.
- **Blood Mobile** at Saint Andrew
-see pg. 2 for details.
- A great way to **recycle your
paper**-pg. 3 has the details on
how you can be a part.
- 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, *Coordinator of
Youth*
Al Freiberg, *Coordinator of Music*
Shelby Gjertson, *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 *May 26, 2011*
Network is: **Wednesday,
May 18, 2011**

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At Saint Andrew—May 15 - May 28

Sunday, May 15

8:00 am **WORSHIP**
9:15 am Church School for all ages
9:15 am New Member Orientation
10:30 am **WORSHIP**

Monday, May 16

7:00 pm AA, Alanon, Alateen

Tuesday, May 17

9:00 am *Mtg:* Book Club

Thursday, May 19

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

Sunday, May 22

8:00 am **WORSHIP**
9:15 am Church School for all ages
9:15 am New Member Orientation
10:30 am **WORSHIP/RECEPTION OF
NEW MEMBERS**

Monday, May 23

7:00 pm AA, Alanon

Tuesday, May 24

9:00 am *Mtg:* Book Club

Thursday, May 26

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

Saturday, May 28

2:00 pm Rehwaldt/Ford Wedding