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An Invitation to Listen—by Pastor Jenn

A wise mentor once told me, **“Listen to understand—not respond.”**

It is a powerful thing – when someone takes the time to listen. Jesus invites, **“Let anyone with ears, listen!”** seven times in the gospels! The word, “listen,” appears 397 times across the entire Bible! Jesus invites us all to listen to his voice, the voice of those in need, the voice of our brothers and sisters in faith, the voice of God again and again and again and again...

Listening is an important and essential part of being together as the body of Christ.

As part of the larger church through the East Central Synod of Wisconsin of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, we were encouraged last month at the synod assembly held in Green Bay to **“listen deeply to the voice of the other.”** With so many voices speaking about so many things, what would it mean if we, the body of Christ, took the role of not just hearing, but truly listening, and listening deeply to the needs around us? To the voices of those who are different from us? To those that feel as though they are not heard? To the voices of the aged and the voices of the youth? To the voices of young parents and the voices of single persons? And when we listen, to take the time needed to not only understand, but also to respond in ways that are truly meaningful – so that lives may be transformed for the sake of Christ. We all long to be truly heard.

This summer at Saint Andrew, there will be many opportunities for listening and sharing together. Simply put, your help is needed in **listening to the voices of our brothers and sisters who will be joining us from Zeerust, South Africa from June 26 to July 10.** The need for host homes is great. Currently we are receiving nine guests—some couples and some individuals. We are hopeful that 18 families from Saint Andrew will be able to support two guests for approximately four nights each. What does a host do? They provide a place for guests to sleep, simple meals, and invite conversation.

Because various activities are being planned for our guests, help will also be needed by those who would be willing to provide hospitality throughout the visit. Drivers will be needed to help our guests travel throughout the synod to experience connecting with the larger church. Because we are all hosts, any and everyone is invited to a special workshop/host training which will be held at Saint Andrew on June 5th from 3:30-7 pm. Please consider hosting and attending. A special mailing will be arriving with more details soon.

We are invited to **listen to the voices of our children as they will gather for Vacation Bible School July 11-14.** The theme this year is “The Jesus Walk.” Camp counselors from Crossways camping ministries will join us once again as we play, sing, and learn about following Jesus! Check out more information within the network or online to register.

As the summer quickly comes, we also recognize that time is also needed for silence and rest. As the pace and rhythm of life changes, take the time to respond to the invitation to listen. After all, **we give thanks to God, the Great Listener**, who takes time to hear us and who holds us in love.

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

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

Memorial Gifts Received

Memorial Gifts were received in memory of David Miller and Grace Mittelstaedt. 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.

OWLS in Africa — Part 2

Tuesday, June 7, 11:30 am

Enjoy Part 2 of Alice and Russ Van Skike's presentation of their trip to South Africa. A potluck lunch will begin at 11:30 and presentation to follow.



Noisy Offering will be received on *June 16 & 19* in support of the summer visit from our companion congregation in Zeerust, South Africa.

Play Group at SALC

Friday, June 10, 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, June 19-Father's Day** to get some of these delicious products. Your purchases help small landowner producers sustain their families and villages. Thank you for your support!

ZEERUST COMPANION CHURCH VISIT: JUNE 26-JULY 10

Excitement continues to build as the SALC task force is in the final stages of preparations for the June 26- July 10 visit of 10 guests from our companion congregation in Zeerust, South Africa. There will be many ways for Saint Andrew members to share time with them in worship and a concert being held in our sanctuary as well as the many, many volunteer opportunities yet to be filled for overnight housing, daytime or meal hosting, transportation etc. Please prayerfully consider the ways you can step up to participate and watch for a special mailing to your home next week that will provide very specific & detailed needs for volunteering that have yet to be filled.

SAINT ANDREW IS "IN THE LOOP"

Thanks to a grant from the Endowment Fund, a synod grant, two designated gifts, a new hearing loop system is now installed in the sanctuary. Those with hearing devices equipped with a t-coil are encouraged to turn them on or ask to have them programmed by an audiologist to take advantage of this improved system.



LIBRARY NEWS

Among the many great books in the SALC library are a couple by Alton Gansky, a Baptist pastor. "The Incumbent" is an exciting mystery about a small town mayor who encounters lots of problems - life and death matters - when she tries to do her job. It's a great read! Also by Gansky is "Out of time" which starts with a trip on a "catamaran" getting lost in a storm and then a mysterious ship, missing since 1913, appears and brings many surprises.

NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED

Saint Andrew is blessed to have received many new members into its faith family in May: Paul Debuhr & Angela Raatz, Nate & Mari Card, Tom & Deb Garton, Priscilla Grittner, Aaron Kapellusch and Jim Rufledt. Please give them a warm welcome as you see their many new faces at worship and participating in the life of Saint Andrew!

SPRING TREASURE SALE

The SALC annual treasure sale was a great success. Over \$1200 was raised and will support the VBS program this summer. Thank you to all who donated items, volunteered their time preparing the sale, at the sale and after the sale and to all those who purchased treasures.

CROP Walk 2016*October 2*

Time to begin planning for the Wausau 2016 CROP (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) Walk at Marathon Park. Last year 161 walkers from 15 area congregations and their sponsors raised \$16,321 to fight hunger worldwide and locally. Contact Wayne Johnson at 715-370-5263 if interested in participating or assisting with the walk.

Memorial Gifts Received

Memorial Gifts were received in memory of Paul Grittner, John Howard and Grace Mittelstaedt. 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.

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.

SKY RANCH YOUTH CAR WASH/BAKE SALE*Sunday, June 5*

Get your car washed while you're in worship? Yes! At the Saint Andrew Sky Ranch Youth Car Wash! Watch for an adult "attendant" in the parking lot who will guide you to a designated parking space and the youth and parents will wash your car inside and out while you are in worship. Got a sweet tooth? Stop in the Fellowship Hall where you will find a delicious assortment of baked goods to choose from. All proceeds from the car wash and bake sale will support the youth going to Sky Ranch Camp in Colorado.

YOUTH ROOM DEDICATION/OPEN HOUSE*Sunday, June 5—9:30 worship and following*

After months and months of work by many hands and the generous gifts of many, the youth room will be dedicated and celebrated. At the 9:30 am worship service, the youth room will be given a new name and we will pray for its presence to impact the lives of all who enter. Then stop by the room to check it out and celebrate with an ice cream sundae!

YOUTH HIKE THE MOUNTAIN*Sunday, June 12, 4 pm*

Any youth, friends, and adults who are interested are welcome to meet Pastor Craig at South Mountain School at 4 pm and we will start from there for a couple of hours of hiking the trails and sharing faith and community with one another.

ALZHEIMER'S ACTIVITY MATS

The Quilting Group has adopted a new project—making activity mats for local Alzheimer patients. Many materials and items are needed to construct them and they are asking for donations. Please note that items can be any color but cannot be too small to fit in the mouth and be swallowed.

1. Medium to large buttons
2. Embroidery floss
3. Foam shapes
4. Elastic girls' headband
5. Big wooden beads-with holes large enough to get a shoe string through
6. Wooden napkin holders
7. Wooden or plastic bracelets
8. 7" easy open zippers
9. Plastic clothespins-must have a hole in them
10. Luggage straps/Lifejacket straps
11. Colorful shoestrings
12. Fleece fabric
13. Rick-rack, lace, ribbons, craft trim, appliques, Velcro
14. Fishing lures—NO HOOKS
15. Nuts, washers—big enough to get a shoestring through
16. Fuzzy material, children's bib overalls

CONFIRMATION CAMP SEND-OFF

The week of June 19th ten confirmation students will venture to Waypost—Crossways Camp on Mission Lake to grow more fully in their lives of faith and to build community with one another. Please keep Logan, Caleb, Emily, Elena, Carson, Noah, McKenzie, Garret, Ben, Logan, and Pastor Jenn in your prayers!



Saint Andrew Lutheran Church VBS

"The Jesus Walk!"

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 _____

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Child Information

Name _____

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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.

☐ 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!

ENDOWMENT BLESSINGS

The Endowment committee would like to share with the congregation recent activities of the fund. Two grants that were requested earlier this year have been fulfilled. **The first grant** was a collaborative effort of a private memorial gift, an ELCA Synod Sanctuary grant and a \$1,000 grant from the endowment fund to be used for the installation of a hearing loop system. The system will be installed in the sanctuary and will provide signals for individuals with technology synchronized hearing devices. The hearing loop system provides a link directly to each individual with these hearing devices. The result is a clear crisp audio, eliminating all background noise and allowing each individual to hear what is being said. **The second grant** approved by the committee was a \$1,000 request for the upcoming trip of the 10 member delegation coming from our companion church in Zeerust Africa. This grant will help cover travel expenses, between Chicago (where the delegates will make their arrival) and Wausau. It will also help pay for the delegations insurance expenses while they are here in the US. The endowment committee is excited for these grants, which were possible because of our congregation's support of the endowment fund. Please call the church office if you would like to submit a request for a grant, make a donation, or have any questions about the endowment fund.

ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP IN JUNE

Date	Worship Time	Altar Guild	Usher Team	Lay Readers	Greeters	Fellowship
June 5	8:00 am 9:30 am	Team 6	Weidman	Ed Wodalski Lynn Lawson	Duane & Sharlene Kreft Pam Clark & Cindy Markowski	Dave Mueller & Joanne Howard Craig & Marnie Holmes
June 12	8:00 am 9:30 am	Team 6	Johnson	Julie Spalding <i>Open (please call to volunteer)</i>	Mike & Julie Spalding Dick & Lynn Lawson	Ray & Terri Skare Jerry & Marlene Kort
June 19	8:00 am 9:30 am	Team 2	Shepherd	Mary Jarvis Sue Paisar	Mark & Pam Czerwinski Tom & Mary Weiland	Rob & Betsy Stangel Russ & Alice Van Skike
June 26	8:00 am 9:30 am	Team 2	A	Gary Hibbard Eric Verber	Tony & Wendi Howe Susie & Ashley Soukup	Dick & Mary Jarvis Terry & June Grabau

***Layreader Note:** If you know you will be in town on the July 4th holiday weekend and would like to read on Sunday, July 3, please call the church office to let us know you are available and which service you would prefer.

LECTIONARY READINGS

June 5	June 12	June 19	June 26
1 Kings 17:17-24 Psalm 30 Galatians 1:11-24 Luke 7:11-17	2 Samuel 11:26--12:10, 13-15 Psalm 32 Galatians 2:15-21 Luke 7:36--8:3	Isaiah 65:1-9 Psalm 22:19-28 Galatians 3:23-29 Luke 8:26-39	1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21 Psalm 16 Galatians 5:1, 13-25 Luke 9:51-62

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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:

Theo Alan Hagenbucher - April 3
Emily Rose Drolshagen - April 8
Emmeline Grace Waraksa - April 24
Everett Michael Lemirand - May 1
Gavin Jerry George Zelenka - May 22
Juliette Guillermin - May 22
Nolan Frederick Doran - May 22

Brinleigh Marjorie DeBuhr - May 29
Carter Robert Socha - June 12
Camden Mac Olafson - June 12
Sonja Georgeanne Rose Wurz - June 19
Wren Matysen Gabriel - June 26
Owen Tate Bradford - August 11

A WEDDING PRAYER

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

Elizabeth Cichon & Butch Sulzor - June 11
Lauren Bloomer & Keith Steidl - June 18
Pauline Hartman & Glen Hartman - August 13
Michelle Wanty & Jake Jensen - August 20
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	Elsie	Patricia	Meg	Bonnie
Amanda & Frank	Haylee & Kory	Reggie	Tom	Joyce
Babs	Irma	Robin	Yvonne	Angie
Barb	Jennette	Roland	Dixie	Ruth
Brenda	Jennifer	Steve	Laura	Mary
Callie & Zak	Jerry	Tom	Laurel	Tim
Carrie	Kenny	Tyler	Shelly	Tiffany, Peter & Finn
Charles & Gerry	Kevin	William	Brian	John
Dan & Jessica	Lynn	Ella	Bob	Amber
Dave	Lynne	Clayton	Mike	
Dennis	Marta	Amy	Frank	
Elaine	Monica	Charlotte	Pam	

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



*We're on
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with the latest
news and events!*

May 30		OFFICE CLOSED-Memorial Holiday Weekend
June 5		Sky Ranch Youth Car Wash and Bake Sale Fundraiser
June 5		Youth Room Dedication & Renaming: Ice Cream Served!
June 5	3:30-7:00 pm	Zeerust Orientation for Hosts
June 7	11:30 am	OWLS in Africa
June 10	10:00 am	Play Group
June 12	4:00 pm	Sky Ranch Youth Hike the Mountain
June 19-24		Confirmation Camp at Waypost Camp
June 26-July 10		Zeerust Visitors in Wausau
July 5		Zeerust Visitors Concert
July 11-15		VBS