

Network



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February 2019

Reflections by Pastor Gary

As we come to the end of February and the season of Epiphany the staff and Altar Guild will be preparing the Sanctuary for the season of Lent. One of their tasks will be to place the Lenten banner before the congregation. The banner announces the Lenten Journey. If you take a moment to view the banner you will see the cross with a crown of thorns. To me, the Lenten banner pictures Jesus' journey to the cross of suffering and death.

Each year the church takes this Lenten journey. You are invited to participate in the Lenten journey this year by attending the soup and sandwich meals and worship services each week. May you discover the ancient experience is really a journey all of us take at specific times in our lives.

This year I would like to suggest that a Lenten journey can be a time of wilderness experiences. What is a wilderness time in our life? A wilderness experience in our life is those places we do not want to go and experiences we would not want to experience. Many of them are centered in the times we feel a loss in our life. This Lent you are invited to read and discover joy, even in a wilderness time through the Lenten book study being offered. More details will be shared in next month's Network and upcoming bulletins.

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



LENTEN THEME:

"LIFE IN THE WILDERNESS"

Wednesdays in Lent
12:15 & 6:15 pm

March 6—Ash Wednesday

March 13—Lenten Worship: Accepting a Wilderness

March 20—Lenten Worship: Loss of Financial Security

March 27—Lenten Worship: Loss of Possessions

April 3—Lenten Worship: Loss of Health

April 10—Lenten Worship: Loss of Faith

THE THREE DAYS

April 18—Maundy Thursday: Loss of Relationship
12:15 & 6:15 pm

April 19—Good Friday: Loss of Physical Life
12:15 & 6:15 pm

April 21—Easter: Eternal Life-No More Loss!
6:00, 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am



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Weekly Worship

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

Super Bowl Snacks

Sunday, February 3

Snack donations for the Super Bowl Sunday Snack Sale can be dropped off at church **Friday, February 1 before 4 pm** or on Super Bowl Sunday before the services. Please package items for individual sale to be sold for \$1 each and label if there are nuts, peanut butter or if lactose or gluten-free for allergy concerns. Your support of the ASP Youth Mission Trip through snack donations and purchases is appreciated!

OWLS

Tuesday, February 5

11:30 am

Join the OWLS for a potluck lunch followed by a presentation by JoAnn Janikowski from the Alzheimer's Association on caregiving.



Noisy Offering

A Noisy Offering will be received on **Thursday and Sunday, February 14 & 17** in support of the youth participating in the summer mission trip through ASP.

Blood Pressure Checks

Blood pressure checks will be available **February 17, 9:00-9:30 am** in the library area of the Fellowship Hall.

Fair Trade Products

will be available for purchase on **Sunday, February 17**. All purchases help small landowner producers sustain their families and villages.

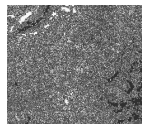
NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

If you or someone you know is interested in joining Saint Andrew, New Member Orientation will be held on **Tuesday, February 19, 6:30-8:30 pm**. New members will be received during the 9:30 am worship service on **Sunday, February 24**. Please call the church office by **Monday, February 11** to sign up.

PAINT POURING WORKSHOP

Tuesday, February 19 at 6:30 pm

Save the date to attend this fun workshop then watch for more details in the bulletin and on Facebook. Sign up at the Information Desk in the Narthex.



RETREAT RESCHEDULED

Sunday, February 10, 1-7 pm

The Advent Retreat, originally scheduled for December 8, has been rescheduled for February 10. The retreat will be held at Waypost Camp on Mission Lake in Hatley. The theme, **"Knowing Christ"** helps us to better recognize, articulate and share our faith. It's not too late to join! The cost of the retreat is \$15 which includes dinner and resource materials. Register online at www.salc-wausau.org or at the Information Desk.

LENTEN SOUP AND SANDWICH

Soup and Sandwich fellowship follows

12:15 pm worship and is also before and after 6:15 pm worship on **Wednesdays beginning March 13**. Pre-Ordered Soup-to-Go will be available. Look for order forms on the Information Desk.

March 13

Turkey Noodle
Taco
Portuguese Bean

March 20

Chili
Chicken and Wild Rice
Corned Beef/Cabbage

March 27

Cheeseburger
Chicken Noodle
Northwoods Cheese

April 3

Unstuffed Pepper
Split Pea
Chicken Dumpling

April 10

Chicken Tortilla
Beef Barley Mushroom
Loaded Baked Potato

If you are interested in assisting with soup preparation, equipment, ingredients and guidance are provided. Please call the church office at 715-842-3333.

Soup and Sandwich Ministry Hosting Schedule

March 13: Social and Fellowship

March 20: Faith Formation

March 27: Worship and Altar Guild

April 3: Finance/Stewardship and Personnel

April 10: Memorial Gift and Property

Volunteers are needed from each ministry group to assist with serving, clean-up and to bring desserts. Thank you!

Check It Out...From the SALC Library

New on the shelves:

"Wild Grace" (Lucado) (248.8 LUC)

Big pressures, big choices, and an even bigger future. You wonder if you are able to keep up. Sometimes you wonder if you even measure up. But best-selling author Max Lucado offers a close look at God's answer for the confusion of life - grace. (Adapted for teens)

"A Hope More Powerful Than the Sea: the Story of Doaa Al Zanul" (Fleming) (956 FLE)

This story provides a portrait of the refugee crisis that cannot be matched by any amount of cable news coverage.

SALC Memorial Gifts

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.

SALC Mailing List

Would you like to receive emails from Saint Andrew with announcements of activities, events and information? You could also receive the Network via email rather than a paper copy in the mail. Simply call the office or email: office@salc-wausau.org with your preference to begin receiving SALC notifications and/or the Network.

SOCIAL MINISTRY UPDATE

The Social Ministry works each year to financially support many organizations. Donations are reported to the church council for the annual report, but often times the ministry members are asked how the money is spent. The members are grateful to everyone who support this ministry with donations of time or money. The following is a list of organizations and events the ministry supported in 2018 totaling \$5,640: Saint Andrew Vacation Bible School, Hardel's Hope, Blessings in a Back Pack, Hearts of Hope, Channel 7 Share the Blessings, Peyton's Promise, Mosinee Community of Hope Food Pantry, Faith in Action Hygiene Drive, Sunday Community Dinners, Emergency Food Baskets, Christmas and Easter Food Baskets, the Annual Thanksgiving Dinner, the Neighbor's Place, and the trip to Zeerust, South Africa.

As a part of Social Ministry, a total of \$2,000 of Fair Trade coffee, tea and chocolate was sold in 2018. Fair trade is a foundation whose stated goal is to help producers in developing countries achieve better trading conditions. We are happy to support this foundation. We hope that you share our concern for these organizations, and by knowing what the ministry does, you will continue to support the Social Ministry. New members to the Social Ministry group are always welcome!

COFFEE & COOKIE UPDATE

Fair Trade Coffee is now being served for Sunday fellowship. As a congregation we understand the importance to support these products and the mission and Fellowship and Social Ministries are working together currently to provide Equal Exchange coffees.

Due to changes with a local supplier, the Fellowship ministry is actively exploring new options for cookies to be baked on Sunday. Please contact the office if you know of a cost friendly resource to consider.

SPRING TREASURE SALE

Mark your calendar for *early May* to bring in your gently used donations for the Treasure Sale. Donated items should be in good working order and in very good condition. The following items will not be accepted: computers, printers, televisions, phones, batteries, chargers, light bulbs, microwaves, carpets/rugs, paint/chemicals, large appliances or exercise equipment.



CROSSWAYS
CAMPING MINISTRIES

SUMMER WORK OPPORTUNITY

Crossways Waypost Camp in Hatley is currently interviewing male and female cabin leaders as well as camp support staff, 18 years and older, for summer employment. Those interested are encouraged to contact Crossways Camping Ministries at www.crosswayscamps.org/join-our-summer-staff.html.

LET'S GO TO SUMMER CAMP!!

Each summer, Crossways Camps receive children of all ages and families for time to build community, play in God's creation, and engage in personal development including faith formation and worship opportunities. With programs ranging from a couple of days to a couple of weeks, check out www.crosswayscamps.org and see if there is a program that would benefit your child as they develop their life of faith.

LENTEN BOOK STUDY

All are invited to participate in the Lenten book study to meet weekly at Saint Andrew and/or in the community. Watch for more details coming soon in the bulletin and the March Network.

WHAT IS FAITH FORMATION?

Faith Formation is - living out our baptismal covenant as expressed during **Affirmation of Baptism Confirmation:** *"The presiding minister addresses those making public affirmation of baptism.*

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

**to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?**

Each person responds:

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

FIRST COMMUNION INSTRUCTION

For three weeks in March, students and families will have interactive conversation to learn about Holy Communion. A mailing will soon go out with more information for fifth grade students and their parents. For those who are beyond fifth grade and interested in First Communion, please contact the office for more information.

Classes:

Sundays, March 17, 31 and April 7; 4-5:30 pm

IMPORTANT DATES

February

Tuesday 27

Last Confirmation Class

March

Tuesday, 5

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Wednesday, 6

No Confirmation-Ash Wed. Worship

Monday, 11

Confirmation Camp Registration Due

Sunday, 17

First Communion Class

Sunday, 31

First Communion Class

April

Sunday, 7

First Communion Class

Sunday, 14

Palm Sunday/Holy Week Begins

First Communion Worship

Thursday, 18

Maundy Thursday

Friday, 19

Good Friday

Sunday, 21

Easter Sunday

No Sunday School

Easter Sunday Breakfast

May

Sunday, 19

Last Day of Sunday School

July

16, 17 & 18

Day Camp at Waypost

August

5-9

Vacation Bible School



First Communion Worship:

Palm Sunday, April 14, 2:00 pm

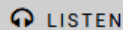
APPALACHIA SERVICE PROJECT—YOUTH SUMMER MISSION TRIP 2019



Saint Andrew is currently planning for a group of youth and adults to return to Kentucky this summer to help bring hope and warmth to people in need through the Appalachia Service Project. The trip will be **June 22-28, 2019**. Basic requirements for the trip are that you have completed 9th grade and have a willing attitude with an open heart. Expenses for the week will be approximately \$250 or less with fundraising participation. Scholarship support is available. In addition to youth, adult leaders are required and needed for the teams. Please contact the church office if you are interested or have any questions. Registration is available online at www-salc-wausau.org or at the Information Desk in the Narthex. There are 3 spots left for youth—register soon before they are filled!

SERMONS ARE ON-LINE

"Indeed the word of God is living and active..." (Hebrews 4:12) The sermons preached on Sunday mornings at Saint Andrew are now available on-line. You can listen to them by visiting www.salc-wausau.org. Navigate to the bottom of the home page and click on the sermon you would like to hear. That will take you to a page with a link to the gospel text (you can read that first, if you'd like!) and then click on the word "listen" to hear God's Word proclaimed. Use the share buttons below to *share* the sermons with one another or on social media.



WEEKLY WORSHIP PODCASTS

Since April of 2018, the Gospel and sermon from one of our weekly services have been recorded and posted on our website. Now available is a podcast of the entire worship service; typically the 9:30 am Sunday service. Also included is a link to a copy of the worship bulletin for the week. Visit www.salc-wausau.org/podcasts/ to view an entire list of the podcasts. Starting with January services, these are also available for subscribing on iTunes, Google Play, Spotify, and TuneIn (for Alexa).

ASSISTING IN DECEMBER

	Time	February 3	February 10	February 17	February 24
Altar Guild	8:00 am 9:30 am	Team 5	Team 6	Team 6	Team 2
Usher Team	8:00 am 9:30 am	Weidman	Johnson	Shepherd	A
Lay Readers	8:00 am 9:30 am	Mary Jarvis Lynn Lawson	Diane Goetsch Susan Paisar	Eric Verber Shirley Bickford	Ron Dotseth Kim Plansky
Greeters	8:00 am 9:30 am	Bickford Jacobson Weiland	Mike Spalding Rickstad Nelson Wittich	Weidman Koch	Garton Soukup
Fellowship	8:00 am 9:30 am	Rickstad MdDonald Wittich	Sorensen	Alafouzoz	Rusch Wurz
Cookie Bakers	7:30 am	Lemke	Hersperger	Miller Alafouzoz	Mrotek

LECTIONARY READINGS

January 6	January 13	January 20	January 27
Jeremiah 1:4-10 Psalm 71:1-6 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 Luke 4:21-30	Isaiah 6:1-8 [9-13] Psalm 138 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Luke 5:1-11	Jeremiah 17:5-10 Psalm 1 1 Corinthians 15:12-20 Luke 6:17-26	Genesis 45:3-11, 15 Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50 Luke 6:27-38

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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:

Audny Jean Smithback - December 2

Henry William Zastrow - January 13

Kinzley Marie Remondini - January 13

Eleanor Jean Waraksa - February 10

For Weddings:

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

Scott & Trena Williamson - January 19

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...

Aiden	Jay	Pam	Laura	Becky
Ali	Jennifer	Phil	Frank	Dale
Amy	Jim	Robin	Pam	Angie & Laura
Ashley	Kim & Ashley	Ron	Angie	Barb
Babs	Julie	Siri	Helen	Lorissa
Bill	Leann	Tom	Riley	Harper
Brian	Lynne & Dan	Tony	Rebecca	Emmerson
Callie & Zak	Maxine	Zurn	Ted	Agnes
Carl	Meg	Ella	Katie	Jay
Charles & Gerry	Michael	Amy	Joe	
Charles	Monica	Tom	Katie	
Ed	Nikki	Yvonne	Judy	

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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Jenna Rusch, *Sexton*

Upcoming Events/Activities

FEBRUARY

3		Super Bowl Snack Sale
5		OWLS Potluck and Presentation
10	1:00-7:00 pm	"Knowing Christ" Retreat
17	9:00 am	Blood Pressure Checks
17		Fair Trade Products Available
19	6:30-8:30 pm	New Member Orientation
19	6:30 pm	Paint Pouring Workshop

MARCH

5		Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper (ASP Fundraiser)
6	12:15 & 6:15 pm	Ash Wednesday Worship
13, 20, 27	12:15 & 6:15 pm	Lenten Worship w/Soup & Sandwich
17 & 31	4:00-5:30 pm	First Communion Classes



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and click "like" to keep up with the latest news and events!