

A reading from Genesis.

(Not Printed)

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40**

A reading from First Corinthians.

But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven. What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

The word of the Lord.

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The gospel according to Luke

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] "But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you. "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. "Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SEVENTH SUNDAY  
AFTER EPIPHANY**



*"And whether our tomorrows  
be filled with good or ill,  
we'll triumph through our sorrows  
and rise to bless you still:  
To marvel at your beauty  
and glory in your ways,  
and make a joyful duty  
our sacrifice of praise."*

Michael Perry  
ELW 880



**SAINT  
ANDREW**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Sunday*  
**February 24, 2019**  
**8:00 + 9:30 am**

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**GATHERED TO WORSHIP**

*Setting 3: Pgs. 138-146*

**GATHERING**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

*(Inside back of hymnal)*

**Gathering Song No. 880**

*"O God Beyond All Praising"*

**Apostolic Greeting**

**Canticle of Praise** p. 139

**Prayer of the Day**

**Children's Sermon 9:30 am**

**Chancel Choir "In This Very Room"**

**WORD**

Genesis 45:3-11,15

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

**Gospel Acclamation** p. 142

Luke 6:27-38

**Sermon**

**Hymn No. 644**

*"Although I Speak with Angel's Tongue"*

**Apostle's Creed**

*(Inside back of hymnal)*

**Reception of New Members 9:30 am**

**Prayers of Intercession**

**Peace**

**MEAL**

**Offering**

**Offertory Prayer**

**Great Thanksgiving** p. 144

**Holy, Holy, Holy** p. 144

**Lord's Prayer** p. 145

**Lamb of God** p. 146

**Communion Distribution**

**Distribution Hymns No. 708**

*"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"*

**No. 471**

*"Let Us Break Bread Together"*

**Post-Communion Prayer**

**SENDING**

**Blessing**

**Sending Song No. 793**

*"Be Thou My Vision"*

**Dismissal**

**SENT TO SERVE**

## WELCOME

### Visiting Today

If you are visiting today, thank you. If you wish, please fill out a "Visitor Card" located in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.

### Holy Communion

All are welcome. Distribution is by intinction, taking a piece of bread, dip it in the wine, and receive both elements at once. There is a gluten-free/grape juice option available near the baptismal font.

**Offerings** are part of worship and an important part of sharing in the life of Saint Andrew. Scripture teaches us to be "first fruits" givers and to do so with glad and generous hearts. Thank you for all who contribute and thereby share in the work of Christ's church.

### Altar Flowers

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by Rob, Cheryl and Hayden Hanson in memory of Jeff Hanson and Frances Seefeld.

### New Members Received Today

Saint Andrew is blessed to have Josh Daley and Tia Maguire, Linda Price, Mark, Jennifer, Connor and Quitin Schommer, and Ron and Sandra Stillman received into its faith family. Please give them a warm welcome as you see them at worship and participating in the life of Saint Andrew!

### Constitution Reading Session

**Sunday, February 24, 10:45 am**

Visit with members of council regarding amendments and updates of the Saint Andrew Constitution to be voted upon at our next congregational meeting. Find a link to the Constitution under the "About" tab on the SALC website: [salc-wausau.org](http://salc-wausau.org).

### OWLS

**Tuesday, March 5, 11:30 am**

Meet for lunch and fellowship at Pizza Ranch—2715 Schofield Ave. (just south of Target).

### Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

**Tuesday, March 5, 5:00-6:30 pm**

Come for a "feast before the fast" Pancake Supper where you can eat all you want before the season of Lent begins! Various kinds of pancakes, sausage and beverages will be served. A pull-tag board is available at the Information Desk with needed items. A free-will donation will be received in support of the youth mission trip this summer through ASP.



### Pretzel Sunday

**Sunday, March 10**

Join the Fellowship Ministry for a warm pretzel as a special Lenten treat as we begin our Lenten journey.

### Current Food Pantry Needs

The Saint Andrew food pantry currently needs the following items:

catsup(24 oz), mustard(6 oz),  
mayo(32 oz), saltine crackers,  
pancake mix and syrup, canned  
soup(18 oz), jelly, spaghetti  
sauce(24 oz), tomatoes-diced and  
whole cans and tomato sauce

Items can be dropped off in the baskets inside the building entrances. Thank you!

**ELCA World Hunger's 40 Days of Giving**  
Social Ministry is planning to donate 10% of Lenten Soup donations to support the ELCA World Hunger's 40 Days of Giving. In addition, they will also match up to \$600 of what the congregation gives to the ELCA World Hunger throughout Lent. Look for more details at the Information Desk soon.

### Lenten Book Study

Faith Formation Ministry invites you to journey through Lent with a six week study of the book "Because of This I Rejoice" which looks at Paul's letter to the Philippians for ways to find joy during Lent. There are three weekly opportunities planned for discussion in a casual small group setting, but feel free to coordinate your own small group! Please contact the church office with any questions and look for more information to come on the Saint Andrew website, Facebook, and in the Narthex. The study begins:

**Sunday March 10**, 10:45-11:45 am at Saint Andrew

**Wednesday March 13**, 7:15-8:15 pm at Saint Andrew

**Thursday March 14**, 7:00-8:00 pm at Bull Falls Brewery

### LENTEN THEME

## "Life In the Wilderness"

### ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

March 6

12:15 pm & 6:15 pm

### MIDWEEK LENTEN WORSHIP

Wednesdays, March 6—April 10

12:15 pm & 6:15 pm

### Soup & Sandwich Fellowship

Wednesdays-Beginning March 13

After 12:15 pm worship and  
before & after 6:15 pm worship

### Soup Menu - March 13

Turkey Noodle - Taco - Portuguese  
Bean

Soup pre-order forms for soup-to-go will be available on the Information Desk.

## THIS WEEK AT SALC

### Sunday, February 24

8:00 am **WORSHIP**  
9:30 am **WORSHIP w/RECEPTION  
OF NEW MEMBERS**  
9:40 am Sunday School Classes  
10:45 am **WORSHIP**  
10:45 am Constitution Reading  
Session (Parish Room)  
6:30 pm Bible Study

### Monday, February 25

7:00 pm AA, Alanon & Alateen  
7:00 pm Dartball at St. Mark's

### Tuesday, February 26

9:00 am Reading Reflections

### Wednesday, February 27

6:45 am Son Riser's Bible Study  
9:30 am Women's Lectionary Study  
10:00 am Men's Bible Study  
5:15 pm Handbell Choir  
6:15 pm Confirmation Classes  
6:30 pm Chancel Choir

### Thursday, February 28

12:15 pm **WORSHIP**  
6:15 pm **WORSHIP**  
7:00 pm Council Orientation &  
Meeting

## SERVING IN WORSHIP

Pastors	Gary Brandenburg Jenn Collins
Pianist	Joel Freiberg
Ushers	A Team
Lectors	Ron Dotseth Kim Plansky
Greeters	Tom & Deb Garton Susie & Ashley Soukup
Altar Guild	Ann McDonald, Denise Skare & Jennifer Luer



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FEBRUARY 24, 2019  
SEVENTH SUNDAY  
AFTER EPIPHANY

# taking<sup>+</sup> faith home

*Be merciful as God is merciful.*

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Luke 6:27-38	Love for enemies
Monday	Genesis 45:3-11, 15	Joseph reveals himself
Tuesday	1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50	The resurrection body
Wednesday	Genesis 43:16-34	Joseph is kind to his brothers
Thursday	Romans 8:1-11	Life in the Spirit
Friday	1 John 2:7-17	A new commandment
Saturday	Psalms 37:1-11, 39-40	Trust the Lord
Sunday	Luke 9:28-43a	Jesus is transfigured

## SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. **Luke 6:36-37 (NRSV)**

## PRAYERS AND BLESSING

### **A Prayer for the Week:**

God of mercy, let us follow the way of Jesus and do to others as we would want others to do to us. Amen.

### **Mealtime Prayer:**

May this food give us strength to overcome anger and anxiety with love and mercy. Amen.

### **A Blessing to Give:**

May the Lord rescue you from all your enemies and be your hiding place in times of trouble. (Psalm 37:40)



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FEBRUARY 24, 2019

## HYMN OF THE WEEK

*There's a Wideness in  
God's Mercy*



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## CARING CONVERSATIONS



Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- When has someone showed kindness and forgiveness toward you? Explain.
- Tell or think about a time you showed kindness and forgiveness toward someone.
- What makes it easy or difficult to show mercy to someone else?

## DEVOTIONS



*Read:* Luke 6:27-38.

Compassion is a powerful force in life. We grow up wanting to be fair, but fairness is not as easy as it might first appear, especially when we try to see life through someone else's eyes. Finally, fairness falls short. Only kindness and mercy can heal relationships and give hope to a divided and broken world. Jesus speaks as a wise sage, one who points his followers in the direction of compassion that requires courage and strength of character, grounded in knowing that our God is the God of love and mercy. When the body of Christ speaks and acts faithfully with courage and strength, it speaks and acts with mercy. The church has little to say to the world if it does not know the ultimate power of God's mercy. Take time to reflect silently on the power, beauty, and grace of God's mercy. If you are with others, talk about your thoughts after the time of silence.

*Pray:* **God of mercy, give us the grace, power, and faith to trust you so that we can love our enemies, and give without an expectation of receiving in return. Let us follow the way of Jesus and do to others as we would want others to do to us. In the name of Jesus Christ, amen.**

## SERVICE



Sometimes it is difficult to love those near and dear to us. Jesus directs us to love our enemies and pray for them. Is there a person who is hard for you to like or makes you angry or afraid? Pray for this person and then think of an act of kindness you can do for this person whether writing a note or leaving a gift.

## RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40 encourages us to trust the Lord when we are being mistreated by wrongdoers. Feeling mistreated by others can make us feel hurt and our relationship with them changes. Write a list of people who have wronged you in the past. Then say the Lord's Prayer, the prayer Jesus taught us to pray. Pause after "forgive us our trespasses (sins and debts) as we forgive those who trespass against us," and read the names you have written aloud or silently before finishing the prayer.



In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: [www.milestonesministry.org](http://www.milestonesministry.org)