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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Network



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Network Note from Pastor Jenn

Recently in worship we heard the passage from Luke 16:13: "No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money."

Jesus challenges his disciples to put their trust in God—not in money; to serve God and not serve the purpose of acquiring wealth. Yet we live in an economy and in a country where one needs to work to earn the kind of income that would support a standard of living. As we work in a performance based and merit driven system, our quality and quantity of work often (but not always) translates into our sense of personal value or worth. The message we then receive whether overtly or subconsciously is this: the more I work the more I'm worth. Do you believe that to be true?

The truth is that is not true at all. Your value is solely based in the way God sees you. Your value is inherent because of the claim God makes on you in baptism. You are priceless treasure. There is no one else like you. The world is in need of what you can uniquely offer. No one else can be you but you. No one else can give what you give or make the difference you make.

When it comes down to it, Jesus knew that we would struggle with our sense of worth or value. He encouraged that where the power of money tries to strip us of life, God can offer us even more life than money could ever buy. This is the reason that offering happens as an act of worship. We are given a chance to release the very thing that we are often convinced gives us the most value. The offering takes place right before communion because when we release some of what is ours to steward we create space to be filled by the Good news of God received in the meal: "The body and blood of Christ *given* for you." This gift, this life changing gift, is what gives us value. The very presence of Christ in us.

It is also true that the church does have a practical need for the gift of money. These offerings then are used to do the work of ministry on behalf of all of us. Our annual budget for 2019 was set at \$789,445. Saint Andrew's mortgage payment, staff salaries, and other expenses totaled approximately \$58,142.22 in the month of August. Each month, these numbers translate into real live life changing interactions. Families are ministered to in crisis. Babies are baptized and young couples married. People are taught and engage in scripture and other readings. Music that inspires is shared. And this congregation is generous with organizations that are making a substantial difference in the world. This last quarter, \$3500 was shared with the Neighbors Place, Marathon County Faith in Action, Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services, and in support of our Seminarian, Karoline Schwantes.

For your part in this massive undertaking that we share together, thank you. For the value your presence adds to our life together, thank you. I would encourage you to consider your current level of generosity and ponder stepping out in faith again this year by utilizing the pledge card you receive in the mail this month. This will help church leaders to plan and dream about the way Saint Andrew can continue to make a difference in the lives of people, reminding them of their incredible value and worth as children of God.

Weekly Worship

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

HOLY COMMUNION
with
THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION



Sunday, OCTOBER 27
at
2:00 PM

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

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Older Wiser Lutherans! Tuesday, October 1 11:30 am

The OWLS will
meet at 11:30 am
for a potluck lunch
then will meet Saint
Andrew's newest staff
member, Jenna Diedrich,
Faith Formation
Coordinator.

LWR—Load the Semi On Saturday, October 5 at 8:00 am, volunteers will be needed to help load a semi at Kolbe & Kolbe with school bags and quilts from the area for Lutheran World Relief. Please contact the church office if you would like to help!

Noisy Offering

Change to spare for a worthy cause? A Noisy Offering will be received on *Thursday and Sunday, October 17 & 20* in support of the Wausau Warming Center.

Fair Trade Products

will be available for purchase on *Sunday, October 20.* All purchases help small landowner producers sustain their families and villages.

A team of two people are still needed to oversee the purchasing and selling of Fair Trade products. Can you help? Contact the church office at 715-842-3333.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Thursday, October 3, 1-6 pm

A blood drive in support of the American Red Cross will take place in the Fellowship Hall. Donors can give blood every 56 days. Volunteers will be needed to help with registration, refreshments or other support.

Donors can sign up through the American Red Cross website: redcrossblood.org, or at the Information Desk or call the church office. Volunteers can also sign up at the Information Desk or call the church office. Appointments are preferred but walk-ins are welcome!

FALL CLEAN-UP

Saturday, October 12, 8:30 am Raindate: October 19

The Property Ministry is planning to prune the plants, pick up apples and other fall clean-up tasks. Please join us in service and fellowship as we care for Christ's church at Saint Andrew. Many hands make light work!

FALL GROUP HIKE AT EAU CLAIRE DELLS

Saturday, October 12, 10:00 am

What to bring: water bottle, good shoes, appropriate attire for the weather, a curiosity for God's natural world. We will go in the cold and/or light rain (as that is part of nature). Meet at the shelter in the main parking lot of the Eau Claire Dells located at 2150 County Road Y, Aniwa. Need a ride? Call or text Jon Seamon at 608-361-8987.

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

The next New Member Orientation will be held on **Sunday**, **October 13**, **10**:**45** am. New members will be received during the 9:30 am worship service on **October 20**. If you or someone you know is interested in joining Saint Andrew, please call the church office by **Monday**, **October 7**.

ADDRESS CHANGES

Saint Andrew's address has changed: 150202 County Rd. NN Wausau, WI 54401

Has yours changed too? Please email the office at office@salc-wausau.org or fill out a change of address card on the Information Desk.

TRUNK OR TREAT AT SALC!

Sunday, October 27

3:30 pm—Vehicle Set-Up
4:00-6:00 pm—Trunk or Treating

All are welcome!!

THE GENEROSITY PROJECT: 5G

Saturday, November 16, 10:00-2:00 (includes lunch)

Congregational teams will immerse in a lively intergenerational workshop where all ages engage with one another about generosity through fun activities and meaningful conversations. This event will provide teams with a way to energize and inspire intergenerational engagement within the congregation.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Plover, WI

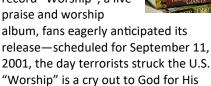
With Gratitude

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the church picnic on September 8. We hope everyone had a good time.

Thank you to all the ministries and volunteers who put on the Ministry Fair in September and to everyone who took the time to visit the various tables and learn more about the work and activities at Saint Andrew.

Check It Out...From the SALC Library

"Worship" by Michael W. Smith
When Michael W. Smith
and a choir of other
prominent Christian
artists came together to
record "Worship", a live
praise and worship



presence, His direction and His peace.

Christmas Quilt Kits

Christmas quilt kits are now available in the kiosk in the Narthex. The finished quilts will then be given to local facilities at Christmas time. Please return completed quilts by October 31.

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.

NEW! HOLY SPIRITS

<u>NEW!</u> Holy Spirits, Tuesday, October 29 at 7:00 pm at Timekeeper Distillery, 720 Grant Street, Wausau. Spend an evening with the Holy Spirits—join us for an evening of fellowship and faith-based discussion. Partake in spirited conversation and signature spirits! No RSVP needed, just come. See Jenna with questions.

YOUR PLEDGE IS IMPORTANT

Each year, members are asked to pledge their financial offerings to Saint Andrew for the coming year. This is your best estimate on what you would like to offer to Saint Andrew. It is not a binding obligation because we

"Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above."

- JAMES 1:17A

understand that as the year goes on, your circumstances might dictate that you will not be able to do what you wanted to. And that's OK.

As the church leaders put together the spending plan for 2020, each of the ministries must plan their activities based upon what is financially available. Historically, pledged offerings account for about 75% of the income. The rest is a best guess. The more members who pledge, the more accurate the planning can be. It's that simple and that important.

And please know that whether pledged or not, all offerings and gifts to Saint Andrew are greatly appreciated and essential to the mission.

FINANCIAL PEACE - LIVE!

Wednesday, November 20, 5:45 or 7:45 pm

This is a 3-hour accelerated version of the 9-week Financial Peace University course previously offered at Saint Andrew. The cost is only \$9.99 and you watch it online at home. It is a great way to get a jump start to eliminate your debt and build wealth. For more information check out the Finance/Stewardship bulletin board.

SHARING THE GIFTS WE OFFER

Each quarter the Church Council chooses recipients for a benevolence contribution from Saint Andrew. This past quarter, a total of \$3500 was shared with the Neighbors Place, Marathon County Faith in Action, Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services, and in support of our Seminarian, Karoline Schwantes.

HELP PLAN SAINT ANDREW'S 40th Anniversary Celebration

In anticipation of SALC's 40th anniversary, members are invited to help with a variety of special events and projects to celebrate 40 years of ministry at Saint Andrew. We are looking for about 25-30 individuals interested in archiving, sharing stories, fundraising, and event planning. Everyone is welcome! If you are interested in joining the Anniversary Planning Team, e-mail jenna@salc-wausau or join us for the first meeting: **Tuesday October 8 at 5:00 pm** in the Fellowship Hall prior to Ministry Night meetings.

GROWING IN FAITH AT EVERY STAGE OF LIFE



9th Grade Confirmation

- ♦ Faith Statement Writing Continues: Wednesdays, October 2 & 9, 7:35 pm
- ♦ Confirmation Retreat: *Saturday and Sunday, October 12 & 13* at Crossways Waypost Camp where they will continue their confirmation journey.
- Confirmation rehearsal and pictures: October 23 at 6:30 for students AND parents.
- By the grace of God, after two years of faithful preparation, these students will affirm their baptism in worship on **Reformation Sunday, October 27 at 2:00 pm (arrive at 1:00 pm).** Join us in giving thanks to God for the witness of these young people!

BOOK STUDIES AND FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

- <u>NEW!</u> Holy Spirits, Tuesday, October 29 at 7:00 pm at Time Keeper Distillery. Spend an evening with the HOLY SPIRITS. Join us for an evening of fellowship, faith-based discussion, spirited conversation and signature spirits!
- **Adult Sunday School,** Sundays, 9:30 am. The lessons follow the International Sunday School lesson schedule and are each self-contained, so it is OK if you can't make it every week. Please feel welcome to join us any time.
- Reading Reflections, Tuesdays, 9:00 am.
- **NEW:** Art Devo Wednesdays, 11 am-1 pm. A new form of spiritual relaxation and meditative mindfulness with Pam Clark. First class: \$20 suggested donation includes two 8 x 10 canvases; Classes thereafter: \$10 plus the price of the canvas.

Hear the scriptures BEFORE worship on Sunday.

These three groups meet on **Wednesday** mornings and examine the preaching texts for the week ahead:

- "Son-Risers" Men's Bible Study and Breakfast, 6:45 am (Come read the bible AND eat bacon and eggs!)
- "Wonder? Women" Lectionary Bible Study, 9:30 am
- Men's Bible Study, 10:00 am

FIRST COMMUNION INSTRUCTION

Last month families of 5th grade students were surveyed and a majority of responses indicated that December 8 would be a better time of year to receive first communion. It was less clear however, as to whether it would be more convenient to meet on a weekend or a weekday night for instruction. Because of this, two time frames will be offered for students and one or two parents or caring adults are asked to attend only one of the sessions. Each session will involve interactive learning, baking and tasting communion elements, hands on learning, and will be about an hour and a half in length. A mailing with further details will go out soon. As always, if the time frame does not work for your family, Pastor Jenn is available for one on one conversation and instruction.

First Communion Instruction:

Sunday, November 24 at 1:00 pm <u>or</u> Tuesday, November 26 at 6:15 pm

First Communion Worship:

Sunday Morning, December 8

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

October	
2 & 9	9 th Grade Confirmation - 7:35 pm
12 & 13	9 th Grade Conf. Retreat at
	Waypost

November

27 No Confirmation
Thanksgiving Eve Worship—6:15 pm

December

15 Sun. School Christmas Program (tentative)

22 & 29 No Sunday SchoolNo Confirmation

CALL PROCESS UPDATES

In conjunction with the synod, the call committee meets as potential candidates are identified. Interviews may be arranged or conducted.



SAINT ANDREW SPENDING

Looking back at August:

Average attendance 294
Your gifts returned to God \$ 49,080
Ministry costs for Saint Andrew 58,142
Gifts greater (less) than costs \$ (9,063)



For more information, please see the Finance and Stewardship bulletin board just outside the office.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP IN OCTOBER

	Time	October 6	October 13	October 20	October 27
Altar Guild	8:00 am 9:30 am	Team 4	Team 4	Team 5	Team 5
Usher Team	8:00 am 9:30 am	В	Tipple	Weidman	Johnson *Also 2:00 pm Confirmation Worship
Lay Readers	8:00 am 9:30 am	Duane Zietlow Daniel Malm	Faith Martinson Judith Marshall	Lyn Weis Susan Paisar	Paul Nelson Tammy Schilling
Nursery	9:30 am	Knighton	Riege	Brandt	Hardel
Greeters	8:00 am 9:30 am	Dotseth Tipple Smith	Weis Paisar	Garton Weiland	Skadahl Klein
Fellowship	8:00 am 9:30 am	Geiger Clemment	Jacobson Soukup Holmes	Jarvis Grabau	Mueller Frolik Mielke
Cookie Bakers	7:30 am	Geiger	Alafouzos	Spiegel	Clemment

LECTIONARY READINGS

October 6	October 13	October 20	October 27
Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4	2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c	Genesis 32:22-31	Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22
Psalm 37:1-9	Psalm 111	Psalm 121	Psalm 84:1-7
2 Timothy 1:1-14	2 Timothy 2:8-15	2 Timothy 3:144:5	2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Luke 17:5-10	Luke 17:11-19	Luke 18:1-8	Luke 18:9-14

October 2019

Saturday 5 8:00 AM LWR Quilts & School Bag Truck Loading ® Kolbe & Kolbe 11:00 AM Zietlow/Yang Wedding	12 8:30 AM Fall Clean-Up at SALC 10:00 AM Fall Group Hike at Eau Claire Dells 9th Grd Conf Retreat-Waypost	8:00 AM Lay School Classes 8:30 AM RAIN DATE-Fall Clean-Up at SALC	28	November T W T F S 5 6 7 8 9 12 13 14 15 16 19 20 21 22 23 26 27 28 29 30
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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:

Mack Carlton Melville - August 11
Beau Rylee Kaiser - August 6
Ava Mae Dantoin - September 8
Corbyn Allan Huerth - September 29
Duncan Joshua Denzin - October 6
Hailey Mroczenski - October 20

For Weddings:

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

Kyle and Megan Holtz - September 14

Chase and Ashley Drake - September 21

Josh and Tia Daley - September 28

Tou Bee Yang and Mallory Zietlow - October 5

For Those Who Have Gone Before Us:

For the families of those who have recently joined the church triumphant:

Beau Rylee Kaiser Claude Paszek

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	Jerry	Nora	Tom	Angie & Laura
Ali	Jim	Orreanna	Yvonne	Harper
Alice	Kristin	Pam	Laura	Emmerson
Ashley	Kristine & Family	Phil	Frank	Cullen
Babs	Leann	Rachel	Pam	Jay
Bev	Lynne & Dan	Robin	Helen	Barb
Bill	Meg	Roland	Riley	Angie
Brian	Meghan	Shirley	Katie	Deb
Callie & Zak	Melanie	Tom	Joe	Audrey
Charles & Gerry	Michael	Tony	Katie	
Christine	Monica	Zoe	Judy	
Ed	Neil	Zurn	Becky	
Jennifer	Nikki	Amy	Dale	

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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Matthew Clark, Sexton
Jenna Rusch, Sexton
Dave Mueller, Sexton

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Upcoming Events/Activities

OWLS Group Potluck and Meet Jenna

OCTOBER

11:30 am

2 & 9	7:35 pm	9 th Grade Confirmation Class
3	1:00-6:00 pm	Blood Drive
5	8:00 am	LWR Load the Semi at Kolbe & Kolbe
12	8:30 am	Fall Clean-Up at SALC
12	10:00 am	Fall Group Hike at Eau Claire Dells
12 & 1	3	9 th Grade Confirmation Retreat at Waypost
13	10:45 am	New Member Orientation
20	9:30 am	New Members Received in Worship
23	6:30 pm	9 th Confirmation Rehearsal & Pictures
27	2:00 pm	9 th Confirmation Worship
27	3:30 pm	Trunk or Treat at SALC
29	7:00 pm	Holy Spirits at Timekeeper Distillery
		NOVEMBER
3		All Saints Worship
16	10:00 am-2:00 pm	The Generosity Project: 5G at Good Shepherd
		Lutheran Church, Plover
20	5:45 or 7:45 pm	Financial Peace—LIVE!
24	1:00 pm	First Communion Class <u>OR</u>
26	6:15 pm	First Communion Class
27	6:15 pm	Thanksgiving Worship
28	11:00 am-1:00 pm	Thanksgiving Day Dinner at SALC
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