



# Weekly Newsletter August 24, 2023

## **Worship and Fall Programming Times**

After much reflection and discussion with various ministry leaders, it has been officially decided to move forward with **one 9:00 am service time this fall starting Sunday, September 24.** Sunday service will continue to be livestreamed and broadcast on Spectrum channel 980.

Sunday School will meet at 10:15 am for a large group gathering in the Sanctuary and then be dismissed for classroom time from 10:30-11:00 am.

Adult Bible Studies and programs will have more flexibility to begin either at 10:15, 10:30, or even at 8:00 am. Watch for more information on adult studies coming soon!

Many factors went into planning this change for fall.

- Having a full church this summer is feeling great and is connecting congregants together in new ways.
- One service will help ensure the various volunteer needs of worship are covered fully without more commitment or over-taxing the current volunteers.
- One service will ease the commitment for altar guild members, musicians, and fellowship volunteers.

• Faith formation events will fall more easily to either side of the worship service, allowing for expanded offerings.

#### **Midweek Worship**

Due to staffing changes, midweek worship will not resume as originally stated in last week's Network. This opportunity is important to us and we will continue to seek ways to connect with those unable to worship on Sunday.



## **Assisting Ministers Needed**

Fall is soon approaching, and that means planning schedules for who is serving when. This fall, consider serving as an Assisting Minister. Assisting Ministers serve in helping gather the congregation, hear the Word, share in God's Holy Meal, and send the congregation out into the community to make a difference. If you would like to

make a difference through serving as an Assisting Minister, reach out to jonathan@salc-wausau.org to learn more.

### Intro to Handbell Choir

#### Sunday, August 27, 2-4 pm

All are welcome to try Handbell Choir this Sunday in the Sanctuary. Those who have never played an instrument before are welcome, as well as those with experience. Learn how to ring a handbell, make basic music notation, how to count, how to follow a conductor, and how to read sheet music. Shortly into the time together we will be playing songs together



and ringing praises to God! Email <u>jonathan@salc-wausau.org</u> if you are interested or if you cannot make this one but want another opportunity to try out handbells!



## **Parking Lot Repairs**

Over the next couple of weeks, the parking lot will be repaired in the area surrounding the current drain to help eliminate the standing water issues near the Courtyard entrance. Some potholes will be repaired as well.

#### Tuesday, August 29; 2:45-4:00 pm

Hi students of all ages! We want to celebrate the start of a new school year with you by offering a frozen treat after school. Either drive through on your way home or stop and hang out a while. Look for the signs!





### Confirmation 2023-2024

<u>Confirmation orientation and lunch</u> for new and returning students in **grades 6-9** will be held on *Sunday, September 10* at 12:00 pm.

<u>Confirmation classes</u> for students in grades 6-8 grade will begin on *September 20 at 6:15 pm*. If your family has a student who will be attending confirmation but did not receive a letter and class schedule in the mail, please contact <u>jenna@salc-wausau.org</u>.

9th grade classes will resume on September 27 at 6:15 pm.

New and returning students can register **here**.

#### **Save the Date**

Confirmation Worship: Sunday, October 29 at 9:00 am

Pastor Dara Clifford from the synod office will be with us preaching, presiding, and celebrating confirmation with our students that day.

## **Confirmation Mentors Needed**

Wednesdays 6:15-7:30 pm (September-April)

Confirmation is looking for dedicated and caring adults to act as small group mentors for the 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Mentors are provided with all materials and will lead a group of 8-10 students for roughly 30 minutes after a large group lesson.

Mentoring a small group is a great faith forming and enriching experience. Mentors are not limited to parents with students in confirmation. Any caring adult who is looking to connect and help youth mature in their faith is welcome to join us! If you are interested in becoming a confirmation mentor, or would like more information, please contact jenna@salc-wausau.org.



Join us at the Saint Andrew Lutheran Church

## **Church Picnic**

Held on the Celebration Patio and north lawn.



## Sunday, Sept. 17, 2023 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

(Following the 10:30 am Service)

#### Food provided -

Hamburgers, brats, hotdogs, and beverages.

#### - Potluck -

Tear off a tab from display in the Narthex to bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share.

Donate cakes for the cake walk.

Enjoy fellowship, food & fun!

## Volunteers are needed to help with the picnic! <u>Sign up here!</u>



## **Sunday School Classes**

Begin Sunday, September 24; 10:15 - 11:00 am

Classes will be offered for children 3 years old through grade 6. Students will meet in the Sanctuary for a large group opening and then head to classrooms where they can be picked up at 11:00 am. Please register online <a href="here">here</a>.

## **Sunday School Teachers and Classroom Helpers Needed**

Dedicated and caring adults are needed to ensure the success of our Sunday school program. As part of our Safe Place Policy, 2 adults are needed in each classroom every week. If you are interested in teaching or occasionally helping in a classroom this

program year, please contact **jenna@salc-wausau.org** for more information about completing the Safe Gatherings screening.

## **Safe Gatherings Volunteer Screening**

Saint Andrew is committed to the safety of our youngest members and will be asking all those who wish to volunteer with our children and youth programs to complete requirements as part of an updated Safe Place Once completed, this certification will be good for 2 years.





## Lay School Kicks Off in September

Lay School kicks off in just a few weeks! The Lay School exists to equip and challenge adults for their lives as disciples of Christ, empowering them for service and ministry in their churches and communities. All of the details for the Lay School class offerings, schedules, and registration can be found at <a href="https://www.ecswlayshcool.org">www.ecswlayshcool.org</a>. Brochures are available on the Information Desk in the Narthex and also by clicking on the link below.

**ECSW Lay School** 

Lay School Brochure



## LWR School Supply and Personal Care Kits

Social Ministry is again collecting items for school supply and personal care kits in support of Lutheran World Relief (LWR).

A display with detailed information and grab n' go shopping lists with requested items is available in the Narthex along with a basket to receive donated items. The shopping lists are also printed below. LWR is very specific regarding donated items. If the items are not exact, they



are destroyed rather than used or donated elsewhere.

Thank you for your continued support to assist those in need across the globe. God's blessings to you all.

INC	CLUDE THE FOLLOWING IN EACH SCHOOL KIT
	FOUR 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper, approximately 8" x 10 ½"; no loose leaf paper
	<b>ONE</b> 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
	ONE pencil sharpener
	ONE pair of blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
	FIVE unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
	FIVE black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band
	ONE box of 16 or 24 crayons
	ONE 2 1/2" eraser
	ONE sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bag, approximately 14" x 17" with shoulder straps (no standard backpacks)
INCL	UDE THE FOLLOWING IN EACH PERSONAL CARE KIT
_	ONE light-weight bath-size towel (between 20" x 40" and 52" x 27"), dark color recommended
	<b>TW0</b> or three bath-size bars of soap equaling 8 to 9 oz., any brand, in original wrapping
	ONE adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging*
	ONE sturdy comb, remove packaging
	ONE metal nail clippers (attached file optional), remove packaging

<sup>\*</sup> Toothbrush multi-packs may be used by sealing an individual toothbrush in a business-size envelope; no plastic bags or wrap

## **Sexton Positions Open**

Saint Andrew is seeking 2-4 high school students to share Sunday Sexton responsibilities beginning this summer for the 9:00 am service and continue into the fall. The role of the Sexton is to collaborate with the pastor, staff, and lay leadership of the congregation to help maintain campus order during Sunday worship and activities at Saint Andrew Lutheran Church. This is a paid position and monthly schedules are worked out based on availability. If you are interested, please send an email to <a href="mailto:personnel@salc-wausau.org">personnel@salc-wausau.org</a> or call or text Wayne Johnson @715-370-5263 and additional information will be provided and an interview set up if desired. Job shadowing can be set up with the current Sexton, Nick Josiger.

## **Summer Worship**

Sundays 9:00 am

## Summer Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:30 am-4:30 pm

The office will be closed on Labor Day
Monday, September 4

## Recorded Worship on Spectrum

Sunday worship is livestreamed on the SALC Facebook page each week. The recorded service can then be found on Charter/Spectrum channel 980 on the following days and times:

Tuesday - 2:00 pm Thursday - 10:30 am Friday - 6:00 pm Sunday - 7:00 am

### **August Calendar**

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