

Network



Weekly Newsletter May 2, 2024

Adult Bible Study

Sunday, May 5; 10:15 am

Adult Bible Study will be held in the Activity Room following worship. The theme and scripture is, "Atonement by Christ's Blood" - Romans 3:21-30.



Confirma on Bake Sale

Sundays, May 5; 10:00-11:00 am in the Fellowship Hall

The confirma on classes are raising money to install a new basketball hoop to be located near the northwest entrance of the church. Come to the Fellowship Hall and pick up some sweet treats and help our youth reach their goal!

Opportunities to Volunteer at the Good Shepherd Shelter

1. Friday evenings: 6-7 Saint Andrew volunteers work with a paid staff person to check guests in, safely store their belongings for the night, hand out t-shirts and scrubs for them to sleep in, and serve supper. Each task is simple. You just need to be at least 18, and to treat the guests with kindness and dignity. Because you would be part of a team, you can choose how often your schedule allows you to participate. To join the Saint Andrew team, see the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

2. First, third and fifth Fridays: meals that are simple, yet filling, are prepared for 30 guests by an individual or a team. If you have the skills and time to make a meal, but it is not in your budget, Social Ministry will provide financial support. If you're part of a meal-prep team, you could make a single hot dish instead of 3-4. The meal needs to be delivered to the shelter and ready to eat by 6:00 pm or make special arrangements.

3. Needed items for the shelter are being collected throughout the month of May. Pull tags are available in the Narthex along with a collection box.

A Thank You from the Tuesday Quilters

The Tuesday Quilters recently donated 14 quilts to the Wausau Women's Community

and 9 to Hospice House. Thank you to those of you who pick up quilt and school bag kits and stitch at home, who stitch complete quilts at home, and who deliver them locally. Without your help and support, we would never be able to donate so many quilts to LWR. As you spring clean, keep us in mind as



we are always in need of blankets and sheets for the "middles" of the LWR quilts. We feel very blessed and appreciative of all the donations received and the support of everyone for our quilting ministry.

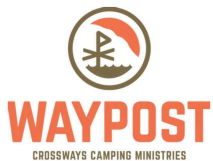


Art Devotions: Flutter/Meander Book Making

Wednesday, May 8; 1-8 pm

Lots of fun paper and a large variety of pressed flowers, stickers and rubber stamps is what you'll find with this Art Devotion event. Pam will give detailed instruction on paper folding to create a small book for that special

someone or just for yourself as a reminder that you are a one-of-a-kind (just like a flower) child of God!



Let's Bless Camp!

Synod Assembly Service Project Details

The synodical expression of the church (Synod Assembly) will meet in Oshkosh on May 17 & 18 to worship and conduct church business.

Please pray for Saint Andrew's voting members who will attend: Phil and Helen Bickley, Bob and Terri Wiederhoeft, and Denise Skare.

Following Christ's call to cultivate inclusive communities, equip servant leaders, and create formative faith experiences, the East Central Synod of Wisconsin is enriched and transformed through the mission of our vital mission partner, [Crossways Camping Ministries](#).

This year the Synod Assembly is supporting Imago Dei Village, Pine Lake Camp, and Waypost! An Amazon detailed wish list of items based on the ministry focus for our conference, which is Summer Staff, can be accessed here - [Summer Staff Amazon Wish List](#). There is a link in the checkout to send the items directly to camp: Camp Director Gift Registry Address.

Saint Andrew will receive Amazon gift cards **until Sunday, May 12** to be given to the camp in lieu of collecting wish list items. They can be placed in the marked box in the Narthex near the Information Bulletin Board.

Shoe Drive for Calvary Lutheran Church, Merrill

Calvary Lutheran Church in Merrill is holding a shoe drive in support of their youth trip to New Orleans. Saint Andrew is a drop-off site and will be collecting shoes in the Narthex in the marked container until **May 10**. [Click here for more details!](#)

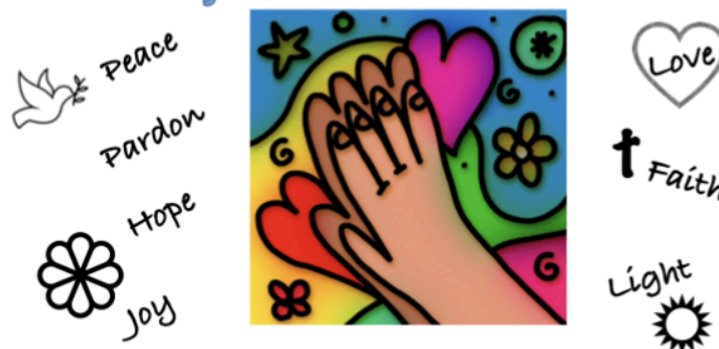


One in Spirit Yoga

Transforming the mind, body, and spirit

Yoga devotions during May & June will focus on the

Prayer of Saint Francis



Mat-based Yoga Flow Practices

Tuesdays @ 8:30 am & 4:30 pm

Chair-based Yoga Practice

Wednesdays @ 8:30 am

*Join our practice in the beautiful Chapel
Saint Andrew Lutheran Church*

Looking forward to your presence!

Game Day

Wednesdays, 10:30 am

(Except the First Wednesday of the Month)

A variety of games including Checkers, Scrabble, Monopoly, Cribbage, Yahtzee, Dominoes, Uno, and several decks of cards are available. Play Bridge, 500, Euchre,



Sheepshead, Whist, Hearts, or whatever card game that you most enjoy. Have a favorite not listed? Bring it along! Bring your friends and come and enjoy the fellowship! The coffee will be on, feel free to bring treats.



Roadside Clean-Up

Saturday, May 11, 9:00 am

All are welcome to come and help keep our stretch of Highway NN looking good and healthy for the environment. Cleaning up the grounds of Saint Andrew to get ready for summer will also be on the agenda. Kids/youth under 16 years of age are welcome to help with a supervising adult. Safety vests and garbage bags will be provided. Please dress for the weather, bring gloves and wear closed-toe shoes.



Celebration of First Communion

Sunday, May 12; 9:00 am

The Celebration of First Communion will take place during worship for children who have completed our communion instruction class. We rejoice with them as they come to the table, some for the first time, to receive the gifts of Christ's body and blood.

Special Congregational Meeting: Mortgage Congregational Vote

Sunday, May 19 Following 9:00 am Worship

Thank you very much for your contributions to the Mortgage Reduction Campaign. Through your gifts and the matching funds, we have been able to reduce our mortgage by over \$233,000 so far!

Because of the success of this appeal, we are VERY close to completely paying off our mortgage. The Finance Ministry and Church Council considered different options and decided it made great sense to use up to \$100,000 of the Contingency Fund to completely pay off the remaining balance of the mortgage. Paying off the balance would eliminate the need to refinance the balance on July 30 at a much higher interest rate.

In order to take advantage of this amazing blessing, we will continue the current Mortgage Reduction Campaign to raise an additional \$20,000 which will be matched. These new funds, coupled with up to \$100,000 from the Contingency Fund, will allow for the mortgage to be paid in full.

Because spending part of the Contingency Fund is a change to the 2024 Spending Plan, the congregation must approve it. The Church Council is calling for a special congregational meeting to vote Yes or No "To approve spending up to \$100,000 of the Contingency Fund to pay off the mortgage balance." The Contingency Fund currently has a balance of \$131,859.97.

Your participation is important. Please plan to attend to vote on this proposal.

Congregation Forum

Sunday, May 19; 10:15 am - Fellowship Hall

From the beginning of this interim, I have offered a series of Sunday morning presentations every two months to keep members up-to-date on both our long-range planning process and on our process in the call process.

Your leaders have been very busy during these two months. They have studied and scored Saint Andrew's effectiveness in each of the "Twelve Keys" that have served as our road map.

Based on those scores, they have selected three "keys" to build upon during the next three years. I will review the process and the decisions that have been made to this point. The next forum will be in mid-July.

A parallel point: It is time for my second quarterly report to the bishop. If you have items/ministries/successes/failures that you think should be included, contact me before Monday, May 6. This report is for the period February through April.

Thank you for all that you do. I am available for private conversations whenever the need arises.



High School Graduate Recognition

Sunday, May 19

Saint Andrew would like to recognize the high school seniors in the congregation and celebrate their plans for the future. Join us at worship and we will pray for seniors and send them off with a small gift. If you would like to recognize a senior in your life, [click here](#) to submit a picture and information. We will share graduate names and pictures during the announcement slideshow prior to worship.

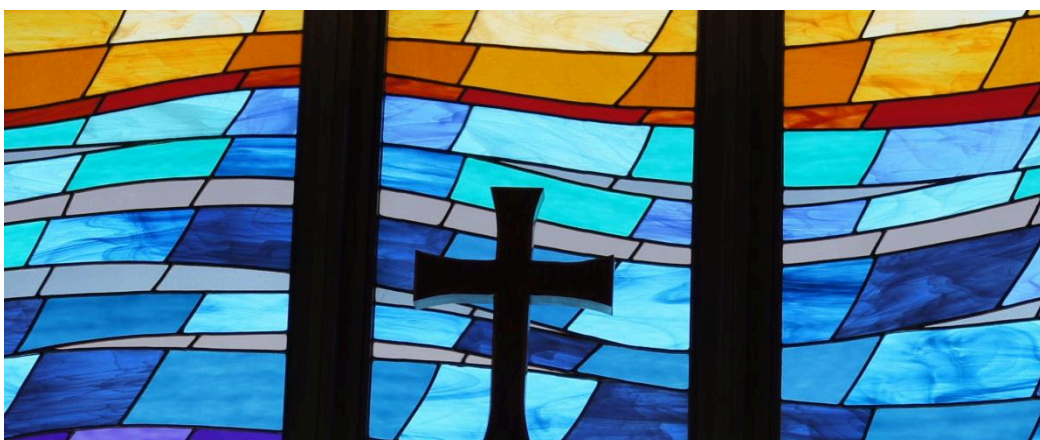


Give the Gift of Blood

Thursday, May 23 - 12:00-5:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

Donors can give blood every 56 days. Walk-ins are welcome, however, appointments are helpful and can be made online at www.redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-REDCROSS (1-800-733-2767). Two

volunteers are needed to help with registration, refreshments, or other support. Please contact Jan Nelson at jannelson.79@gmail.com or 715-470-0038 if you have questions or want to volunteer.



Thursday Mid-Week Evening Worship to Begin

Thursday, May 23; 6:15 pm

Planning to be out of town over the weekend, but don't want to miss out on worship? Or maybe you just enjoy a more relaxed, evening worship service. This service will be a shortened version of the upcoming Sunday morning's service. In

approximately 30 minutes, we will gather in community, sing hymns, hear a sermon, celebrate Holy Communion, and be sent out in mission and service to the world.

Worship

Sundays

9:00 am - Sanctuary

(The Sanctuary is

T-Coil Hearing Loop Enabled)

6:00 pm - Fellowship Hall

Thursdays

12:15 pm - Chapel



Office Hours

Monday-Thursday

8:30 am-4:30 pm

Recorded Worship on Spectrum

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

Tuesday - 2:00 pm

Thursday - 10:30 am

Friday - 6:00 pm

Sunday - 7:00 am

Network and Bulletin Weekly Deadline

Submissions for the Network and/or bulletin is 3:00 pm on Monday and should be submitted electronically to joy@salc-wausau.org.

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