

Weekly Newsletter August 8, 2024

Property Ministry needs your help!

Saint Andrew continues to thrive and Property Ministry wants to keep our facility attractive and well-maintained.

Volunteers of varying skillsets are currently needed to help with several projects to be completed this summer or early fall. We need many hands to make this work happen; painters (exterior and interior), landscapers, carpenters, and plumbers. Projects include painting recently repaired exterior walls, work room updates, patio cleaning and light repairs, and installation of the new basketball hoop. Workdays will be established for the upcoming projects as we have the volunteers to support them.

If you would be interested in helping with any of these projects or others, please contact Patrick in the church office or email <u>patrick@salc-</u> <u>wausau.org</u>.



Compassion International - August Noisy Offering Thursday, August 15 and Sunday, August 18

Saint Andrew has been sponsoring, Barbra, a Compassion International child for a number of years. The congregation provides the monthly financial support and a family from the church makes sure Barbra receives gifts on her birthday, Christmas and Easter. Barbra will be 10 years old in September and is from a family of five with a mother, father, stepbrother and brother. She loves math, baseball and football, loves to help with the family garden, loves the color blue and enjoys learning about Jesus and Christianity. A monetary gift from our congregation could help Barbra's community with food, healthcare, education and disaster relief, to name a few of the areas of need. If you would like to help Barbra, her family and her community in Uganda, please consider a donation to the noisy offering to support Compassion International.



We are DEBT FREE!!!!

Saint Andrew leadership gathered to witness the official signing of the documents on Tuesday, July 30 which closes out the mortgage loan at Peoples State Bank. A huge THANK YOU to all who contributed financial gifts toward our Debt Reduction Campaign. It is truly a blessing we have been able to pay off our \$400,000 mortgage loan balance in

less than eight months. God is good, all the time! All the time, God is good!

Pastor John to Preach on Sunday, September 15

Thanks to your incredible, beyond all expectations support, our last mortgage payment was made on *Tuesday, July 30*. The Council has scheduled a mortgage burning ceremony during our worship service on *Sunday, September 15*. It is also the day of our congregational picnic.

Because of his intimate involvement with the development and funding of this marvelous facility, I have asked Saint Andrew's Pastor Emeritus, John Roseth, if he is willing to preach on the occasion of this mortgage burning. I am thrilled to announce that he has agreed. You will want to be here! Plan to come early as I expect it will be a full house!



Altar Flowers

Thank you to everyone who has given flowers to beautify the altar on Sunday mornings. Just a reminder, to bring the vase back to church if you have taken your flowers home to enjoy following the Sunday service so it can be returned to the florist. Thank you!

Confirmation 2024-2025

Confirmation Orientation for new and returning students (confirmation years 1-3) will be held on *Wednesday, September 18 at 6:15pm* in the Fellowship Hall. We ask that at least one parent be present for this first gathering so we can meet you, present an overview of the year, and address any questions you may have.

Confirmation at Saint Andrew is a 3-year program open to students in 6th grade and up. Letters were sent to new 6th grade students and returning students in mid-July. If your family has a student who would like to attend confirmation but did not receive a letter and class schedule, please contact jenna@salcwausau.org for information.

Registration for both new and returning students can be found online here.

An Update From the Quilters Group

This group has been busy creating, stitching, tying and delivering quilts made with prayers and love. This week 16 quilts were taken to Aspirus Hospice and 19 to the Women's Community! If anyone has suggestions where quilts may



be needed in the area, please contact Linda Peterson at petersonlinda294@gmail.com.

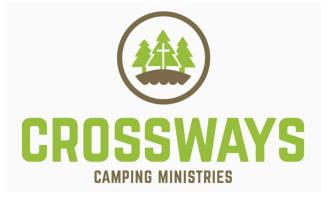
The quilters are always in need of batting or old blankets that can be used for batting. If you have any you would like to donate, they can be placed in the Fellowship Hall on or near the Fair Trade coffee table.



Welcome to the 2024-2025 ECSW Lay School of Ministry! Courses offered this year are:

- Introduction to the New Testament
- Lutheran Confessions
- Faith and Spirituality (Discover Spiritual Practices)
- Church History
- The Poetic and Prophetic: a Quest Through Psalms and Revelation
- The Transfigured Church: Faithful Congregations in New Land
- Extraordinary Care in Ordinary Times
- Preaching Class

Virtual Student Orientation will be held on *Monday, August 19 at 6:00 pm*. Course registration is not required to attend. More information and registration forms can be found on our <u>website</u>. Any questions? Please email us at <u>layschool@ecsw.org</u>.





Our scholarship account is running <u>low,</u> We need you to make it overflow!

Nearly as soon as we shared the news about the need of support for scholarships, we also received the first of our generous responses. A family who believes deeply in the

impact of camp stepped forward to say they're prepared to match the first \$5,000 of gifts made to help us overflow!

Your generosity can be doubled as we match dollar for dollar to build up our scholarship account until it overflows. Will you make a gift today to help us reach our goal of \$28,110?

Donate to Scholarships

Scholarships are important to removing barriers for campers. They are often the difference for a first time camper being able to give us a try or a family with multiple children making this experience possible.

- 42 Youth Campers received an additional scholarship
- 5 Family Units received a scholarship
- 54% of our youth campers receive a scholarship through our

Tier Pricing model

• Over \$5,715 of Additional Scholarship money is awarded

through specialized/designated Crossways scholarships

• Over 100 campers receive scholarships from their home congregation or

ministry partners.

Any gifts beyond what is needed for scholarships this summer, will be used to provide impactful future camp experiences.



One in Spirit Yoga

Transforming the mind, body, and spirit

You are already enough!

The world would have us believe we are in lack; that we need to do something, to have something, to be something more to feel whole. But we never <u>get</u> there! This feeling of lack always keeps us looking for things outside of ourselves. In yoga, we lean into the knowing that we are already whole and equipped to thrive in this world! Yoga is a practice of destruction; the peeling alway of what we think is us, stripping away that which we cling to, <u>in order to</u> reveal to us our true selves, our **already whole** selves, and to free us to be all that God intends for us to be. Come join us!

Mat-based Yoga Flow Practices

Tuesdays @ 8:30 am & 4:30 pm Chair-based Yoga Practice Wednesdays @ 8:30 am

Classes are drop-in and free-will donation. (The Hagar House will receive 50% of all donations during August & September) Just dress comfortably and come join our practice in the beautiful Chapel (No mat, no problem! We have extras available!) Saint Andrew Lutheran Church 150202 N Mountain Road, Wausau

All are welcome! Looking forward to your presence! 🤎

New Member Orientation - Mark Your Calendar Sundays, October 6 & 13; 10:30 am

If you or someone you know is interested in joining Saint Andrew, please contact the office if you have not already done so. A letter will be sent in September with more details to those who have expressed an interest in joining. New members will then be received during worship on *Sunday, October 20*.



Seeds Monthly

Bishop Eaton Addresses Christian Nationalism

<u>Click on this link</u> to read this article and more in the the ELCA Seeds Monthly Publication.



Saint Andrew Sunday Worship Livestream Now On

Youtube and Facebook

Join the community of Saint Andrew in worship in person, on Facebook, or on

Youtube! Click here for Youtube Click here for Facebook

Worship

<u>Sunday</u> 9:00 am - Sanctuary *(The Sanctuary is T-Coil Hearing Loop Enabled)* 6:00 pm - Fellowship Hall

> <u>Thursday</u> 12:15 - Chapel

> > facility

Recorded Worship on Spectrum

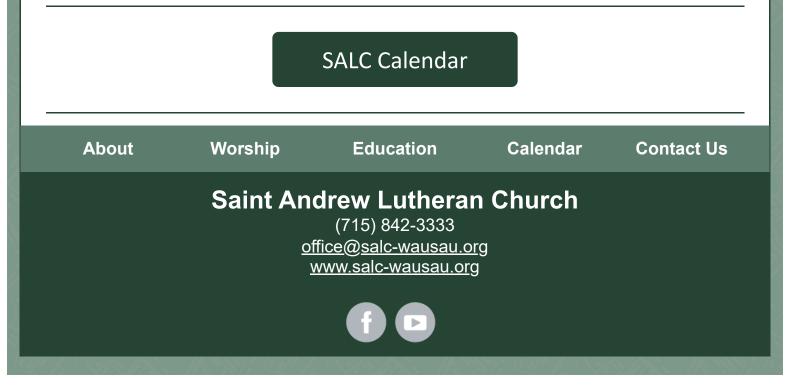
Sunday worship is livestreamed on the SALC Facebook page and on Youtube each week. The recorded service can then be found on channel 980 through Charter/Spectrum on the following days and times:

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

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

Network and Bulletin Weekly Deadline

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



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