



Weekly Newsletter August 15, 2024



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.

Sidewalk Replacement

The main front entrance sidewalk is scheduled to be replaced the week of August 26. If you are visiting the church between Monday, August 26 and Friday, August 30, please enter through the Courtyard entrance (near Pr. Gary's office) or South/Chapel entrance. Thank you!

Fall Program Update

In June, Faith Formation introduced a new format for our Sunday morning programming to try out this fall. Like previous programs, this format was reliant on sufficient volunteer support to ensure safe supervision ratios and flexibility for the volunteers serving. Unfortunately, we did not receive enough support to successfully run Sunday Spark in the fall.

To stay connected with families this year, **Faith Formation will be hosting Family Faith events once a month for the 2024-2025 program year**. These events will be fun, project-based activities to do as a family that are a mix of new (such as making advent wreaths) and familiar (such as participating in our Epiphany pageant or creating valentines to send to members on our prayer list).

Thank you to those who expressed interested in assisting with programming; we hope you will consider serving during our monthly events. Faith Formation Ministry will continue to find ways to encourage members of all ages to connect with the Saint Andrew vision to *Worship, Serve, Love. Together.*

If you are interested in joining the Faith Formation ministry team to help plan yearly programs and events, recruit volunteers, and support lifelong faith formation for all Saint Andrew members, please contact jenna@salcwausau.org for more information.

Report to the Bishop

Copies of Pr. Gary's third quarterly report to the Bishop are available on the table near the Information Bulletin Board in the Narthex.

Church Council Change

With great sadness the congregation council has accepted the resignation of Diane Goetsch as congregational president and as a member of the council. Diane has recently accepted a position that will take her away from Saint Andrew. The council has elected Mark Clark to be president and is in the process of selecting a member to assume Diane's seat on the council.

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>.

WELCA (Women of the ELCA) Fall Retreat

Saturday, September 14; 8:00 am-3:00 pm Imago Dei Village, Clintonville

Did you know that the Fall Retreat is open to ALL women (18 and older)? You don't need to be from the East Central Synod of Wisconsin, and you don't even need to be a member of an ELCA Church!

Invite your friends and enjoy an event that's sure to inspire and rejuvenate your soul. The day will feature several sessions with keynote speaker <u>Gaye Lindfors</u>, who will share her unique blend of faith, encouragement, humor, and stories. The day will also include:

- A worship service with Pastor Kristina Jensen
- Music with Dr. Kartika Putri and fellow musicians
- Crafts and Fellowship
- An in-kind offering to Handbags for Hope
- A silent auction
- Lunch!

Register Online with this link.

Registrations due Monday, August 26.



Altar Flower Vases

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 a 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.



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*.



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



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.

