



Weekly Newsletter August 29, 2024

Mortgage Pay-Off Update

Saint Andrew's mortgage was completely paid off as of July 31, 2024. The Congregation had approved spending up to \$100,000 of our Contingency Fund to pay off the remaining balance after all contributions and matching funds had been paid. The actual amount of Contingency Funds used was \$76,726.75. The remaining balance in the Contingency Fund as of July 31 is \$55,133.22. Thank You to everyone who contributed to making this effort a huge success.

Do You Have "Additional Mortgage Reduction Offering" Envelopes Left?

Sunday, September 15, 9:00 am

Here are two options to use your remaining mortgage reduction envelopes:

1. Place a contribution in the envelope(s) which will be used to offset the Contingency Fund used to eliminate the mortgage.

2. Bring the envelope(s) to worship and place them in the fire along with the other mortgage documents.

Be sure to join us at worship on Sunday, September 15 at 9:00 am! Worship will begin with the mortgage burning ceremony outside the south/main entrance near the bell tower, then we will process into the Sanctuary. John Roseth, Pastor Emeritus, will be preaching on this celebration Sunday. Stay for the annual church picnic following worship!



SALC Annual Church Picnic

Sunday, September 15; Following Worship All are invited to gather on the Celebration Patio for the annual church picnic. Pulled pork sandwiches, hot dogs, roasted corn on the cob and potluck dishes will be served. Enjoy fellowship, games, bouncy

house, a cake walk and more! If you would like to bring a dish to pass or a cake for the cake walk, please check out the display in the Narthex with pull-tabs for needed items.

Picnic Volunteers

Big, fun events don't happen without volunteers who make it happen...and we are looking for people to help in many different areas for our Annual Church Picnic: setup, food prep, face painting, bouncy house attendants; clean-up/take down. <u>Sign up</u> <u>here</u> or sign up in the Narthex.



PROGRAM UPDATE

Fall Faith Formation 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 interest 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.



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 confirmation 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@salc-wausau.org for information.

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

Please register before September 15. Registration fee of \$25 can be mailed to:

Saint Andrew 150202 County Rd NN Wausau WI 54401

Small Group Mentors

Wednesday evening classes include time for large group teaching and small group conversation. To continue with this format, adults are needed to serve as small group mentors/leaders. Please give serious consideration for helping in this faith forming and enriching opportunity. If we do not have enough volunteer support, we will restructure class without small group time.

If you are interested in being a small group mentor, please contact Jenna at jenna@salc-wausau.org by September 6.



ECSW Lay School of Ministry

Have you felt like you are stuck and looking for a new adventure? Lay School of Ministry could be your answer. Lay school meets once a month from September to May and offers the opportunity to build new friendships, learn about church history, the Bible, worship and liturgy along with other topics. There are three ways to participate - here, at Saint Andrew,

Christ the King Lutheran Church in Combined Locks or via Zoom in the comfort of your own home. Check it out! **Registration deadline is Friday, September 6.**

Learn More or Register!

Lay School Brochure

Lay School 2024-2025 Scholarships Available

Saint Andrew and Faith Formation Ministry is excited to offer 3 scholarships to help financially support individuals who are interested in attending Lay School. Please contact jenna@salc-wausau.org for more information.

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.



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!



"One in Spirit" Devotional Yoga Transforming the mind, body, and spirit

Thinking about practicing yoga?

Come join our non-judgement, welcoming, mixed-level practice where you are invited to take the practice and make it your own. Yoga is a spiritual practice of connecting with yourself through awareness of body, mind and spirit. We begin with connecting and devotion, warm up and move our bodies, and finally surrender.

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 join our practice in the beautiful Chapel (No mat, no problem! We have extras available! Props, including chairs, blocks and straps will be available) Saint Andrew Lutheran Church 150202 N Mountain Road, Wausau

All are welcome! Looking forward to your presence! 💗

"Yoga was never intended to be separate from devotion to God. The physical practice is to settle our bodies so we can sit with our breath, enjoy the healing Presence, and be connected in our relationship to God and each other. Union of body, mind, and spirit has always been the intended outcome of yoga practice." *Yogadevotion: Practicing in the Presence* (Senarighi & Green, 2017,

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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

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 *The office will be closed on Labor Day, Monday, September 2*

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. SALC Calendar Worship Education Calendar **Contact Us** About Saint Andrew Lutheran Church (715) 842-3333 office@salc-wausau.org www.salc-wausau.org

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