

# Network



## Weekly Newsletter September 11, 2025



### **SALC Annual Church Picnic**

***Sunday, September 14; Following Worship***

All are invited to gather in the Fellowship Hall and on the Celebration Patio for the annual church picnic. Pulled pork sandwiches, hot dogs, and potluck dishes will be served. Enjoy fellowship, games, bounce house, a cake walk, yard games and face painting!

**Volunteers are especially needed to help set up 8:00-9:00 am and to tear down afterward.**

**Fall is here!**  
**Let's "Gear Up" Kids and Families!**

Our September Sunday schedule is full of fun! Please join us!



**September 14** – 9:00 am worship followed by the church picnic and activities.

Everyone is welcome! It's a great opportunity to meet people and eat great food!

**September 21** – 9:00 am worship followed by Fellowship and Family Scavenger Hunt Activity.

**September 28** – 9:00 am worship followed by Fellowship and Family Art/Interaction Activity.

**October 5** – New worship schedule begins!

8:00 am - Worship

9:00 am - Fellowship and Sunday School

10:00 am - Modern Worship (this is a new offering at Saint Andrew)

### **Some Sunday School Details:**

- Sunday School is offered between our two worship services beginning October 5
- Students in grades Pre-K through 5th Grade will have Sunday School from 9:10-9:50 am. There is a short time allowed after the first service for using the bathroom, washing hands, and perhaps grabbing a cookie before gathering for a short opening together and then heading to the classrooms.
- We are planning for age groupings of Pre-K/K, Grades 1 & 2, and Grades 3-5
- Parents pick up their children at the classrooms at 9:50 am - just in time to make it to the Modern Service!
- **We need a village of people!** Feel a call (or even just a “nudge”!) to be a part of a teaching team??? We would love to have enough teachers and helpers to make it a commitment that isn't overwhelming or too demanding, just extremely enjoyable! Please contact Pastor Rich Block at 715-432-6348 or [pastor.rich.block@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.rich.block@gmail.com)
- Sunday School registration is available on the [Saint Andrew website](#). Paper registration forms will be available at church or can be printed from [the website](#).

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## **Wausau Marathon County (WMC) and Good Shepherd Shelters Need You**

**Does Matthew 25:35 call to you?**

*For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me.*

Consider joining the Saint Andrew team at the homeless shelters. Currently, only one shelter is open. We are fully staffing it every Friday and provide supper every Friday. Starting November 1, there will be two shelters. We would like to fully staff and provide supper at each shelter every Friday.

**To do this, we will need more volunteers!** This would typically be a 3-hour shift (6:00-9:00 pm) once or twice a month and/or you could be part of a meal team. We work around your schedule.

To sign up, or to request more information, a sign-up sheet is available on the Information Desk. Ruth Poutanen will then call you.

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## **New Member Orientation - Mark Your Calendar**

***Sundays, September 21 & 28; 10:30 am (Please note time change from 10:15 am)***

A letter has gone out to those who have expressed an interest in joining Saint Andrew. If you haven't received a letter and are interested in joining, **please contact Joy by Monday, September 15** at 715-842-3333. New members will be received during worship on ***Sunday, September 28.***

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## **American Red Cross Blood Drive**

***Thursday, September 18; 12:00-5:00 pm***

Give blood from 8/29 to 9/21 for 1 of 4 mystery tees with an iconic Red Cross/Peanuts design - limited quantity! **[Click here to make an appointment](#) or call 1 800 RED CROSS (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](mailto:jannelson.79@gmail.com)** or 715-470-0038 if you have questions or want to volunteer.

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## **September Noisy Offering**

***Thursday & Sunday, September 18 & 21***

A Noisy Offering will be received in worship to help offset shipping costs of LWR (Lutheran World Relief) quilts, school bags and personal care kits. Last month we received \$147.50 in support of the preparation of Saint Andrew expanding to two worship services. Thank you for your generosity!!

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## **Lay School Registration is Open!**

***Classes Begin Friday, September 19***

Don't miss your chance to deepen your faith and understanding! Registration for Lay School classes is officially open. You can find detailed class descriptions and register directly on the East Central Synod of Wisconsin Lay School website: [Lay School ECSW](#)

Important Note: Classes are capped at 25 participants, so we encourage you to register early to ensure your spot! We look forward to welcoming you. Classes are held at Saint Andrew in Wausau or Christ the King Lutheran Church in Combined Locks.

[Learn more on the Lay School Website](#)

New for 2025-2026: More options for lay school education!

In partnership with synods from Iowa, Illinois, and Wisconsin, we are excited to share there are more opportunities for you to attend lay school through the Region 5 Lay School Consortium! To get more information on participating lay schools and to see a course catalog, visit [region5layschools.org](http://region5layschools.org)

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## LWR School Bag Supplies and Personal Care Kits

Thanks to everyone who has donated supplies for the school kits and personal hygiene kits! Please look at the lists below for what is still needed to complete 50 kits of each and consider making a purchase.

***Bring supplies to church no later than Sunday, September 28.*** Supplies can be placed in the marked baskets in the Narthex.

The following **School Supplies** are still needed:

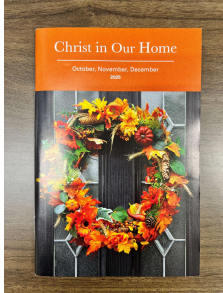
- 88 Spiral Notebooks
- 31 Rulers
- 36 Pencil Sharpeners
- 9 Boxes of Crayons (16-24 count)

The following **Personal Care Kit** supplies are still needed:

- 7 Bath Towels
  - 42 Bars of Soap (4 oz.)
  - 38 Adult Toothbrushes
  - 27 Sturdy Combs
  - 39 Metal Nail Clippers
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## Christ in Our Home Devotionals

The 2025 fourth quarter of "Christ In Our Home" devotionals are available in the Narthex. All are welcome to pick up a copy for your family.

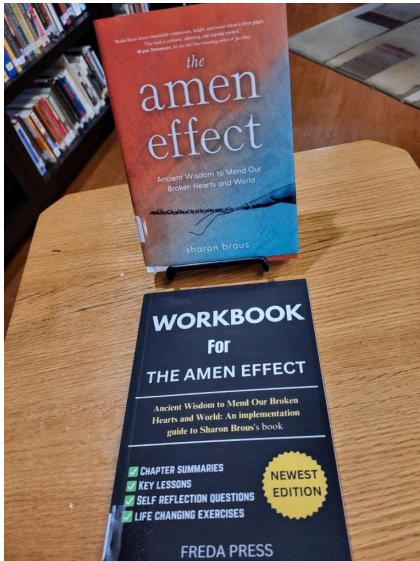


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## New in the SALC Library

*The Amen Effect: Ancient Wisdom to Mend Our Broken Hearts and World*

~Sharon Brous



Brous contends that it is through honoring our most basic human instinct - the yearning for real connection - that we reawaken our shared humanity and begin to heal. This kind of sacred presence is captured by the word "Amen," the powerful, ancient idea that we affirm the fullness of one another's experiences by demonstrating, in body and word: "I see you. you are not alone." A workbook is also

available to go along with this book.

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## New Men's Discussion Group

**Thursdays; 7:30 am - Garden Room**

This discussion group from Immanuel Lutheran Church has found a new home at Saint Andrew and is welcoming anyone interested to attend. The format is viewing a Great Courses lecture on various broadly religious/philosophical topics for about 25 minutes and then open discussion. The discussions may sometimes go until close to 9:00 am, though you are welcome to leave as needed. Stop in and check it out and enjoy coffee, a not too stale pastry, interesting conversation and a group of eccentric characters willing to share their insights and opinions.

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## Upcoming Important Dates and Events

**Sunday, September 14; 10:15 am:** Church Picnic Rally Day

**Wednesday, September 17; 6:15 pm:** 6th-8th Grades Confirmation Orientation

**Thursday, September 18; 12:00-5:00 pm:** Blood Drive

**Friday, September 19;** Lay School Classes Begin

**Sunday, September 21; 10:30 am:** 9th Grade Confirmation Class Begins

**Sunday, September 21 & 28; 10:30 am:** New Member Orientation



**Sunday, October 5:** New Weekly Worship Schedule Begins

**8:00 am:** Traditional Worship

**9:00 am:** Fellowship/Sunday School/Bible Studies

**10:00 am:** Modern Worship

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## Saint Andrew Food Pantry Current Needs

The Saint Andrew food pantry provides assistance regularly. The following items are currently needed to restock the shelves. A grab and go list is also available in the Narthex on the table to take with you the next time you head to the store. Donations can be placed in the baskets by the entrances of the church. Thank you!

Pancake Mix	Canned Tuna
Maple Syrup	Canned Soup
Cereal	Spaghetti Sauce
Canned Fruit	Ketchup
Applesauce	Mustard
Peanut Butter	Non-Perishable Items
Jelly	

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## Saint Andrew Prayer List

Do you know of someone who is in need of prayer? (*Please ask first*). Call the church office at 842-3333 to have names added to the list at the Prayer Center. You can also visit the Prayer Center in the back of the Sanctuary, light a candle and write your prayer request in the prayer book. The list will be updated on a regular basis. The first names of those needing prayer will be recognized in worship weekly. As you review the day to day list of events that take place at Saint Andrew, please also give consideration to those who have requested prayers.

### For these we pray...

*Thank you, Lord, for always answering prayer, but not indulging my every petty, private request. Thank you for winnowing and refining, vetoing and delaying, refusing and revising. Thank you for being God and never less, for freeing me for wide horizons, for protecting me from my limited vision and wayward will. Thank you for foiling my every effort to unseat you and make myself king. Thank you for keeping it safe for me to pray.*

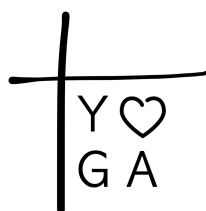
—Gerhard E. Frost

Allan  
Amy  
Ashley  
Bella

Heidi  
Hilmar & Rosemary  
Jean  
Jen

Renee  
Riley  
Robert  
Robin

Bonnie	Jermaine	Sandy
Brent	Jesse	Shirley
Bruce	Jill	Steve
Carol	Jim	Steve & Janice
Cindy	Joan	Terry
Dan	Karen	Therese
Darcy	Kathy	Thomas
Dave	Kay	Tim
De Ann	Kim	Tom
Dennis	Leann	Virjean
Diane	Linda	Zak & Kathy
Don & Joan	Louise	Frank
Doris	Monica	Cullen
Doug	Neal	Pat
Ed	Nikki	Sherry
Gary	Pyxie	



***“One in Spirit” Yoga***  
*Transforming the mind, body, and spirit*

## **Yoga for Beginnings**

Fall is a fabulous time to consider beginnings! From the change of weather to changes in routines to changes in mindset, fall is the perfect time to begin!

Whether you have never practiced yoga or have practiced thousands of times, a beginner’s mind is always the start. You are invited to join us as we begin an eleven week series of “Yoga for Beginnings” with the conclusion on the eleventh week (November 11/12) featuring a relaxing restorative yoga practice!

**Mat-based Practices:** Tuesdays, 8:30 am & 4:30 pm

**Chair-based Practices:** Wednesdays, 8:30 am

Donations from April-August of \$1000 will support the Community Center of Hope in Mosinee. Amy Bergstrom of Saint Andrew says “We just celebrated 20 years of service to our community. Most of our clientele are from smaller and/or rural communities so they have fewer options on how to earn or where to spend their money. We certainly have a lot of hurting people so I appreciate you thinking of us!” A donation of \$121 was also given to Saint Andrew towards lights, heat, etc.

Donations during this “Yoga for Beginnings” series will support the Never Forgotten Honor Flight. For every \$500 we donate, a veteran will be fully funded to go on his/her trip of a lifetime!



## Adult Bible Studies

### Adult Bible Study

Sundays, 9:15 am - Activity Room (Sign up [here](#))

### Men's Bible Study

1st Wednesday of the month, 7:00 am - Fellowship Hall for breakfast and bible study (Sign up [here](#))

2nd-5th Wednesdays, 7:15 am - [Zoom](#)

### Wonder? Women's Bible Study

Wednesdays, 9:30 am, Begins September 17 - Parish Room (Sign up [here](#))



## Texas Roadhouse

Continue Sunday fellowship on Sundays after worship at Texas Roadhouse. Present the Sunday bulletin to the server and 10% of your food sales will be donated back to Saint Andrew!



## Connect With the Wider Church

Saint Andrew is a part of the East Central Synod of Wisconsin or ECSW. The ECSW is one of 12 synods that make up Region 5 of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church of America) in the United States. Visit the [ECSW website](#) and read their weekly newsletter, The Wave. To stay up to date on synod news and for resources, visit the [ECSW website](#) and to stay connected to the ELCA churchwide, visit the [ELCA website](#).

## Network Newsletter

Printed copies of the weekly Network newsletter are available on the table in the Narthex. If you would like to receive the newsletter via email, please call the church office at 715-842-3333 or email [joy@salc-wausau.org](mailto:joy@salc-wausau.org) to let us know.

## Saint Andrew Sunday Worship Livestream-9:00 am

[Click here for Youtube](#)

[Click here for Facebook](#)



*Sunday Morning Worship*

**9:00 am**

In person, on Facebook,  
and now on Youtube.



## **Worship**

### **Sunday**

**9:00 am - Sanctuary**

***(The Sanctuary is  
T-Coil Hearing Loop Enabled)***

### **Thursday**

**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 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

## **Office Hours**

**Monday-Thursday**

**8:30 am-4:30 pm**

## **Network and Bulletin Weekly Deadline**

Send submissions electronically for the Network and/or bulletin to

[joy@salc-wausau.org](mailto:joy@salc-wausau.org) by

**Monday at 3:00 pm**

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