
Network



Weekly Newsletter March 26, 2026

A Devotion by Pr. Jack

James 5:13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up, and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth yielded its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

As we end this season of Lent, sometimes it can feel as if we are Sisyphus from Greek mythology, who in Hades was condemned to push a boulder up a

steep hill forever, that even when he did make it to the summit, the boulder would just roll down the other side to be pushed up again. Like Sisyphus, when we take on this 'discipline' of Lent (more prayer, more worship, more service, and maybe even giving something up), it can feel like pushing a boulder up a hill endlessly, all sweat and effort with no end in sight.

As I read this passage from James, at first glance it seems like it is making a lot of promises, that so long as faithful people pray the right prayers and anoint at the right time, every disease can be healed. Is the healing of our neighbor's sickness, the salvation of their soul, dependent on our own spiritual efforts? If so, then this feeling of Lenten exhaustion should extend far beyond this season – how can we carry on, if all this depends on us and our efforts?

The answer to these questions, of course, is that the source for all healing, all salvation, and every other good thing is not us, but God. Wherever we are on this Lenten journey, whether we have become spiritually exhausted or energized, so long as we remember that it does not depend on us, but instead totally on God, we will be sustained – from Ash Wednesday to Good Friday, and finally to Resurrection Morning. Thanks be to God!

Homeless Shelters In Need of Volunteers to Prepare Meals

Volunteers are needed to prepare meals for various days and times for the local homeless shelters. All costs are covered by an anonymous donor! Please contact Bob or Janet Grady at 414-628-0291 for more details. [Read more here.](#)

One Winter Clothing Drive - Final Week!

The final week of the One Winter Clothing Drive is upon us. All donations are still being accepted as well as the ones listed below as items of the week. A sincere thank you to all who have donated to this drive to help keep those in our community safe and warm. Donations can be placed in the Narthex area in the marked containers.

"Never forget the difference you make!"

Featured Items of the Week

March 29: Heavy socks, men's boxer underwear and gloves

Lenten Learning – Lutheran 101

Sundays through March 29; 9:10 am

Wednesdays through April 1; 5:15 pm

Throughout the season of Lent, Pastor Jack will lead “Lutheran 101,” on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. These are two opportunities each week for the same class.

This class is intended to be a ‘back to basics’ of Lutheranism for everyone, whether you have been a life-long Lutheran, or if you are brand new to Lutheranism or Christianity altogether.

March 29 & April 1: Correcting Church Abuses - Augsburg Confession, Articles 21-28



OWLS

Wednesday, April 1; 10:30 am

Take a trip down memory lane with local artist Bob Becker as he presents a delightful collection of nostalgic artwork celebrating Wausau in the 1950s and '60s. Bob will share the stories and memories behind many of his detailed illustrations, offering a warm glimpse into what life in Wausau was like during those decades. Whether you grew up in the area or simply enjoy a little hometown history, you'll love seeing these scenes from the past and reminiscing about the good old days.

Join us for this special presentation and enjoy a morning of art, memories, and local history. You might even spot a place you remember! Potluck lunch follows.

Easter Food Baskets

If you or someone you know is in need of a food basket this Easter, please contact the office at 715-842-3333 by ***Thursday, March 26***. Food baskets will be available to be picked up at the Saint Andrew north entrance on ***Wednesday, April 1 between 4:00 and 5:00 pm***.

If you would like to contribute food items for the Easter food baskets, please bring them to Saint Andrew by ***Sunday, March 29***. Non-perishable items can be placed in the baskets by the entrances of the church. Perishable items should be labeled for Easter food baskets and placed in the refrigerator or freezer in the designated areas. All donations are very much appreciated! Items needed are:

***Half Ham**

***Stuffing mix**

***Pie filling**

***Refrigerated Pie Crusts**

- *Potatoes
- *Dinner Rolls
- *Canned Cranberries

Easter Sunrise Service Volunteers Needed!

Help us bring the dawn to **Rib Mountain** on **Sunday, April 5**. It takes a village to move a mountain (or at least the equipment on it!), and we need your hands to make it happen.

Easter Morning - Sunday, April 5

- **The Heavy Lifters - 4:45 am:** 2 drivers with trucks & 4 set-up volunteers to prep the worship space. Load vehicles on Friday, April 3 or Saturday afternoon, April 4.
- **The Welcome Team - 5:00 am:** 3 greeters at the gate & 4 ushers for seating and offering.
- **The Clean-up Crew - 7:00 am:** 4 Clean-up volunteers to pack up after the service.

Ready to serve? Contact Patrick at 715-842-3333 or patrick@salc-wausau.org

The graphic features a light background with a mountain range at the bottom. It lists the events of Holy Week with corresponding icons: a palm frond for Palm Sunday, a chalice and bread for Maundy Thursday, a crown of thorns for Good Friday, and a rising sun behind a cross for Easter Sunday.

March 29	April 2	April 3	April 5
Palm Sunday	Maundy Thursday	Good Friday	Easter Sunday
8:00 am - Traditional 10:00 am - Modern	12:15 pm 6:15 pm	12:15 pm 6:15 pm	6:00 am Rib Mtn Ampitheater 8:00 am and 9:30 am Saint Andrew- Traditional 11:00 am Saint Andrew- Modern

*Maundy Thursday Worship and Communion - April 2; 12:15 pm and 6:15 pm

The service will take place in the Sanctuary, with communion around the table in the Fellowship Hall. Maundy Thursday worship will not be livestreamed. Please consider attending the 12:15 or 6:15 pm services if you are able and experiencing a service focused on Holy Communion at the table, strengthening our relationships to Jesus and each other.

*Good Friday - April 3; 12:15 and 6:15 pm

Come to pray, reflect, and ponder the stations of the cross. We will start together in worship before you are invited to visit interactive stations in the Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall, and Chapel.

[Good Friday YouTube](#)

[Good Friday Facebook](#)

***Easter Sunday Sunrise Service - April 5; 6:00 am at the Rib Mountain Amphitheater**

***Easter Breakfast - Sunday, April 5 at Saint Andrew**

7-9:30 am - hot breakfast

9:30-11:00 - pastries and coffee

A free-will donation will be received in support of the youth service trip to Milwaukee in June.

***Easter Sunday Worship, April 5 at Saint Andrew**

8:00 and 9:30 am - Traditional Worship

[Easter Sunday Traditional YouTube](#)

[Easter Sunday Traditional Facebook](#)

11:00 am - Modern Worship

[Easter Sunday Modern YouTube](#)

[Easter Sunday Modern Facebook](#)

Traffic Flow Instructions for Easter Morning Worship

To assist with the traffic flow for Easter morning worship services, please follow the following directions to ease any congestion.

Arriving at Saint Andrew

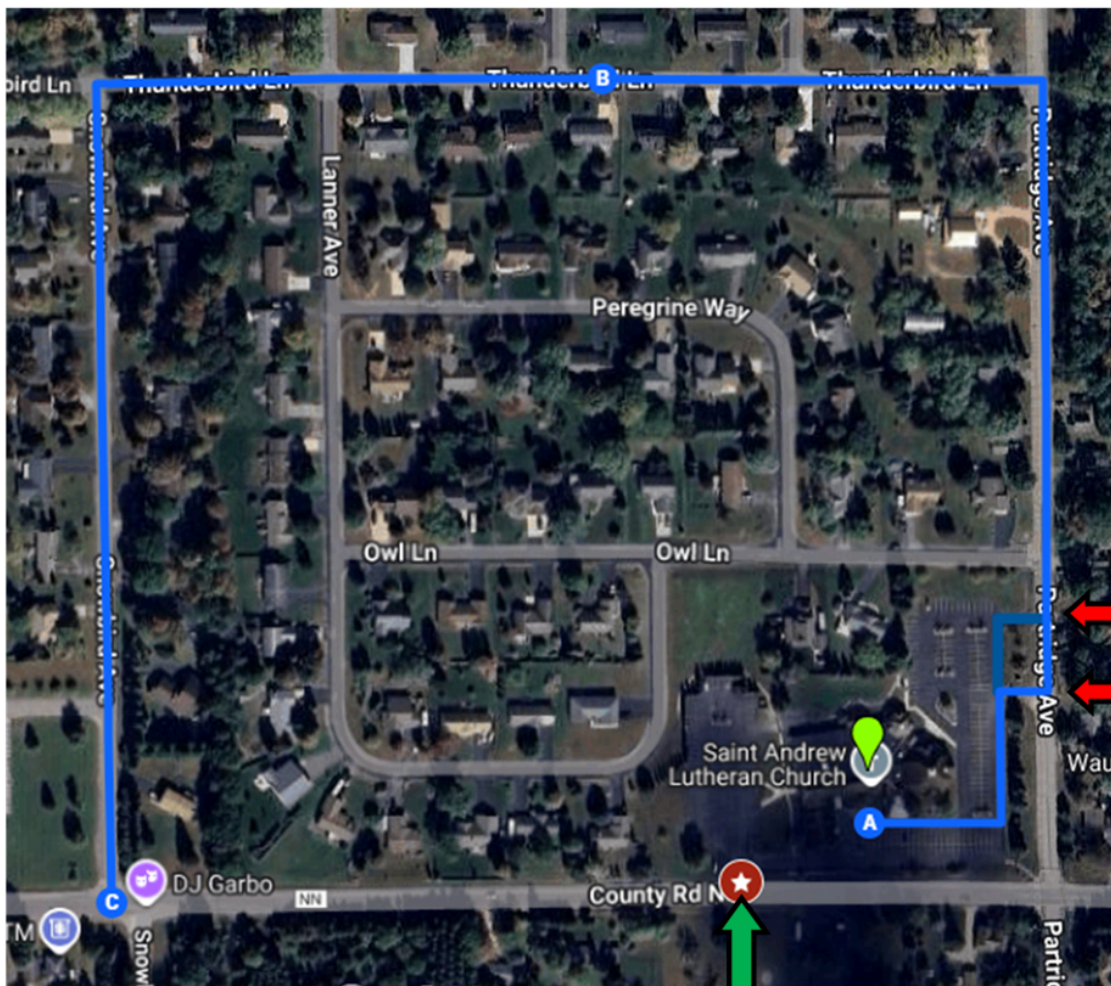
Please enter the parking lot from County Road NN, into the West Parking lot near the electronic marquee sign. Follow the directions of our parking lot attendants, as needed.

Departing from Saint Andrew

Please exit the parking lot on the east side turning left onto Partridge Ave.

Follow the detour signs around the block to get back to County Road NN.

1. Leave – East Parking Lot, turn left/north onto Partridge Ave.
2. Turn left (west) onto Thunderbird Ln.
3. Turn left (south) onto Snowbird Ave.
4. Travel south on Snowbird Ave. to County Road NN.



ENTER parking lot from Cty Rd NN

EXIT parking lot
turning left onto
Partridge Ave.
Follow detour signs
back to Cty NN

Easter Eggs on Easter Sunday



Easter Sunday, April 5

Children are invited to bring a hard-boiled, decorated Easter egg to the 8:00, 9:30 or 11:00 am Easter worship service. Eggs will then be donated to the Salvation Army.

Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 5; 9:00-11:00 am - Activity Room

Bring your basket to church (or borrow one from us) and join us for an egg hunt. Come to the activity room anytime between 9:00-11:00 am to search for eggs that you can trade in for fun prizes! A special area for toddlers is also available.

Easter Breakfast Donations Needed

Eggs, ham, potatoes, fresh fruit and pastries will be served Easter morning. Pull-tags are available in the Narthex for needed breakfast items which can be brought to

church by ***Friday, April 3.***

Easter Breakfast Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to assist with Easter Breakfast for the following times:

Saturday, April 5 - 10:00 am-12:00 pm: Set up and food prep

Easter Morning - 6:30-7:30 am: Prep and serve

Easter Morning - 7:30-9:00 am: Serve and reset

Easter Morning - 9:00-10:30 am: Serve and clean up

Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

New Member Dinner and Orientation

***New Member Connections Dinner - Wednesday, April 15; 5:00-7:00 pm**

***New Member Orientation - Sunday, April 19; 9:15 am**

***New Members Received in Worship - Sunday, April 26**

A letter has gone out to those who have expressed an interest in joining Saint Andrew with details about orientation in April. If you do not receive a letter and are interested in joining, please contact Joy by ***Monday, April 6*** at 715-842-3333.

Sawmill Jump Night

Sponsored by Faith Formation Ministry

SAWMILL JUMP NIGHT

Families are Invited for a **FREE** evening at
SAWMILL ADVENTURE PARK
on **APRIL 22!**

THINGS TO KNOW:

-  Jump Time: 5:30 - 7pm
-  Please register so we know you're coming!
-  Bring your jump socks (if you have them)
-  Toddler area open for ages 4 & under!
-  The kitchen will be open for snacks & dinner!

Have Questions? Contact Stephanie
stephmbirchler@gmail.com



 **SAINT
ANDREW**
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Scan to Register!

Sign up [here](#) by Sunday, April 12!

First Communion Instruction

Sundays, April 26 and May 3 at 9:15

Celebration of First Communion

Sunday, May 10; 8:00 and 10:00 am Worship Services

First Communion is another step along the lifelong faith formation journey. Children of all ages are welcome! Recognizing that parents come to the table with different expectations around communion for their children, we seek to honor those expectations as well as open our Lord's table to all who seek to receive the gifts of Jesus offered there.

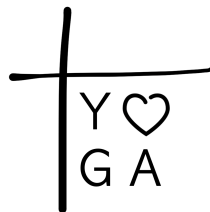
First Communion instruction is designed to encourage active participation of both students and parents, with the hope that you will find the class to be both informative and a memorable experience as your family learns about the overwhelming welcome of the Lord's Table.

We use the book, "A Place For You" to read the stories of Jesus sharing meals with others; we will explore the altar space and learn how we experience communion in our own worship services at Saint Andrew; and as a group we will bake our own communion bread that will then be shared with the congregation on **Sunday, May 10.**

Please fill out [this form](#) by **Sunday, April 19** to join us for First Communion Instruction.

Saint Andrew Mountaineer Dartball Team Finishes Their Season

The Saint Andrew dartball team just finished their season and had a very successful return to the Wausau Dartball League. They tied for second place in their division just missing being in the playoffs. A great time was had by the team members with good fellowship with the other teams. We are looking forward to better things next season! If anyone is interested in joining the team, contact Duane Zietlow at 715-573-8817 or e-mail dulazietlow@gmail.com.



"One in Spirit" Yoga

Transforming the mind, body, and spirit

"Where there is peace, God is."

- George Herbert.



"Sow and Nurture the Seeds of Peace"

March - May 2026

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

Chair-based Practices: Wednesdays at 8:30 am

Non-profit donations will benefit NAMI Northwoods in support of their work of free mental health support, education, and advocacy available across Marathon, Lincoln,

and Langlade counties.

Practices are drop in, free-will donation. Meet in the Chapel at Saint Andrew.
Props and mats available to support your practice.

All are welcome!

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.

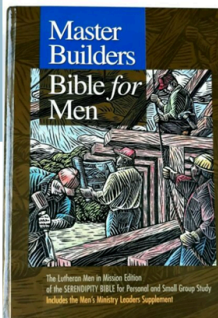
—Gerhard E. Frost

Amy	Jean	Pyxie
Annie	Jen	Renee
Ashley	Jenny	Riley
Bonnie	Jermaine	Robert
Brent	Jesse	Robin
Bruce	Jill	Ron
Carol	Jim	Rosemary
Cindy	Joan	Sandy
Dan	Josh & Family	Shirley
Darcy	Judy	Steve
Darnell	June	Steve & Janice
Darold	Katie	Therese
Dave	Kathy	Tim
Dennis	Kay	Tom
Diane	Kaye	Virjean
Don	Kim	Zak & Kathy
Doris	Linda	Frank

Doug
Ed
Gary
Heidi

Melinda
Monica
Nikki
Paulette

Sherry
Danielle
Greg



Adult Studies

Adult Bible Study

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

Please note this study will be joining the John Bible Study in the Parish Room - January 18 & 25 and February 1 & 15

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 - Parish Room (Sign up [here](#))

Men's Discussion Group

Thursdays, 7:00 am - Garden Room



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 to let us know.

Saint Andrew Sunday Worship Livestream

8:00 am Traditional

[Click here for YouTube-Traditional](#)

[Click here for Facebook-Traditional](#)

10:00 am Modern

[Click here for YouTube-Modern](#)
[Click here for Facebook-Modern](#)

Weekly Worship

Sunday

8:00 am - Traditional Worship

10:00 am - Modern Worship

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

Thursday

12:15 pm - 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

Please note the office will be closed on Monday, April 6

Network and Bulletin Weekly Deadline

Send submissions electronically for the Network and/or bulletin to

joy@salc-wausau.org by

Monday at 3:00 pm

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