



**ST. ANDREW LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**And**  
**Early Childhood Campus**

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**just like a visit. Please do not hesitate to give me a call.**

**PASTOR'S MESSAGE**

Have You Been Vetted?

**“But put on the Lord Jesus Christ...”**  
**Romans 13:14**

You know, of course, that those who are chosen for high office in the government must be vetted, that is, they must be carefully scrutinized to see whether they are qualified to do the job for which they have been nominated.

Have you been vetted for heaven? The answer is “yes” and you have been found wanting. In other words, you do not qualify.

You are out, since all of your righteousness is as filthy rags, inappropriate and out of place with Christ’s perfect righteousness.

But wait! God knew about your “filthy rags.” He knew that on your own you could never qualify – so – Jesus came. He took all the many sins that disqualified you and exchanged clothes with you – your “rags” for His perfect clothes of righteousness.

So, then, it isn’t vetting that enables you to walk into heaven. It is the clothes that you are wearing.

So, continue to do good things for the Lord. But to enter heaven, you must be wearing the clothes of Christ’s righteousness.

**As always, dear brothers and sisters, please contact me if you or a loved one is in the hospital, celebrating a milestone, or would**

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

Please have **all** newsletter articles in by **Tuesday, September 24** to Ginger Carerros at **standrewchurchwb@gmail.com**.

**PRESIDENT**

From your president,  
 Well now, happy late summer and fall is around the corner! Time goes faster than paper off a toilet paper roll. At least that’s what one of my friends say. Maybe it’s an age thing?

Well, whatever! Time to plan for fall here at St. A’s it’s time for fall events as I hear rumblings from the Board of Ministries and ECC. More will be discussed later.

How about this summer, what personal events happened in your family? Make a list of your summer events that occurred at your end of the world! What part did God play in those events, you were not alone you know. Write it all down and pray and give thanks for all He has done. Life and seasons both change but, God never changes and His promises are still good today. Have you made new friends this summer, did you invite them to church? That’s our mission you know, share the gospel with our neighbors whoever and wherever they are. If the Holy Spirit puts it on your heart to invite someone then we have a calling to do so. Salvation is for all not just for us, so be a disciple and share the word.

How about, Bible Classes did you or do you support the bible class we have here at St. A's? Sunday morning bible class with pastor Men's group on Saturday morning at 8:30 studying Revelation and soon to start men's bible class on Mondays at 6:00 or 6:30 Please come and invite someone else.

Many opportunities here, Sisters In Christ bible class and other women bible classes are for fellowship and learning God's word. Talk to Sandy Ruback and Kris Sheffield about them.

How about a new beginning bible class studying book of John, for you and a friend, bring them along ask me, Dan Berres.

Voters meeting please attend and help us decide on issues, and what's best for all of us as well for the future. Take part, hear the discussions and speak up. Well, that's it for now.

Blessings.  
Dan Berres

## **BOARD OF ELDERS**

Fall Already???

It's hard to believe that fall is almost here. Soon the kids will be back at school and the Green Bay Packers will start devising ways to overtake the Detroit Lions for the NFC North crown.

Exciting fall activities are starting at St. Andrew as well. Confirmation classes will be starting back up with three returning confirmand candidates and a few more first year students. Can you throw a dart??? St. Andrew's Dartball team will be starting another year of challenging the other churches in our circuit. The team is always looking for more players. If you're interested, see Rick Bruss or Dave Brehmer and they will get you on your way for scoring a homerun on the board.

On the 9th of September, the Monday Men's Bible study group will be restarting. It's help at

church every Monday at 7:00pm. Come and study God's Word and have fellowship with other fellas from St. Andrew.

There are quite a few options to study the Bible at St. Andrew.

- Sunday morning after church (10:15am).  
Currently studying the book of Romans.
- Tuesday morning (9:30am) Women's Group @ Sandy Berres' house.
- Week night (various nights depending on schedules) Women's Group. Meets at homes and church- Currently studying the book, Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World by Joanna Weaver.
- Saturday morning (8:30am) Men's Group led by Dan Berres meets at church- Currently studying the book of Revelation.
- Monday evening (6:00pm) Men's Group led by Bob Buehler -Restarting on Monday, 9/9 @ 7:00pm.

Talk to Pastor Vierkant or one of the elders and we will help get you plugged into God's word at St. Andrew.

Please contact Pastor, an Elder, or the church office if you are going in for surgery, having a hospital stay or have anything else you think we should know about. We are concerned for our members but if you do not tell us what is going on, we will not know to contact you to see if you would like a visit or would like to be included in our prayers.

This is your church home and we are your church family so we are very interested in what your concerns are. Please contact one of the Elders and let us know if you have any concerns, questions, need help or just want to talk. We are here to help you in any way we can. Below is the list of Elders and which area of responsibilities they are heading. You can talk to any Elder about any concerns or questions and we will bring it up to the full board and most importantly, please keep us in your prayers.

In God's service,  
Randy Sheffield—Chairman, Sick/Shut-Ins, Care Ministry

Thai Hua—Secretary, Ushers  
Mark Oehme— In-Actives  
Jeff Grande – Youth/Confirmation  
Rory Hetzel—Lay Readers  
George Muth—Fund Raisers/Personnel

## **BOARD OF MINISTRIES**

Stewardship is a concept deeply rooted in the teachings of the Bible. It refers to the responsible use of resources, such as money, time, and talents, in the service of God.

Beloved brothers and sisters of St Andrew thank you so much for the wonderful servants who consistently serve our Lord and church family.

If anyone would like to join our church family in Gods service, join a committee, join the church cleaning team contact an elder, pastor or committee member for opportunities or questions. Please pray on this we love you and we need you.

**Monthly missions:** September- Canned vegetables, donations can be placed in basket in back of church.

**Prayer Sunday**-We had quite a few prayers in the box on Sunday, Aug 4th. Will continue to do it on the first Sunday of the month.

**Foraging Class** (St. Andrew Weeders and Seeders)-1st Tuesday of every month, see bulletin for details.

**VBS** was Aug 6-8 with a great turnout. 45 kids each day. Thank you, wonderful volunteers it was such a blessing to all who attended and participated.

**Harvest Dinner** will be Oct 20 see Carla Peterson for volunteer opportunities, a sign-up sheet will be posted and more details to follow.

**Hwy cleanup** will be Sept 8th at noon meet in Boltonville.

**Pumpkin Painting**-Sept 27 at church 5:30-8:30pm see you there.

Blessings,

Sandy Berres, Sue Hetzel, Joanne Miller, Sarah Peterson, Kris Sheffield

## **CARE MINISTRY**

God's blessings to all of you! I wanted to remind you of our "Care Ministry" opportunity here at St. Andrew. This ministry can be use by any of you that may be going through a difficult time. It may be for only a short time like coming home from the hospital and would like someone to come and share a prayer or two and a brief devotional with you. Or something more long lasting like finding out you are not able to drive any more or health related trials perhaps dealing with the struggles with aging. Divorce or marriage difficulties.

There are many reasons to take advantage of this ministry. It may be a feeling of loneliness and just need to talk and need a listening ear to listen. You may be struggling with your faith, let us know! You may have received serious diagnoses from the doctors! Family difficulties! Life change decisions! Depression! Perhaps just asking "why am I always sad!" Do you have a family member in a nursing home? We will walk through the muck and brokenness of this world with you.

This ministry is for all of us from time to time, and no need to feel embarrassed or reluctant to ask. Please reach out to Pastor or myself. Don't hesitate to let us know. We are trained to be care ministries; all is kept private and is our privilege and blessing to serve God and His people in this way. You are a blessing to us and we don't want you to ever think you are alone because you are "never alone "Please, please, please," let us be a friend and have a meaningful relationship with you!

Dan Berres

## **SISTER'S IN CHRIST**

***The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God endures forever.*** Isaiah 40:48

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, November 10th for our Fall Craft and Luncheon Event.** All women and girls are invited to join us for a light lunch and two craft activities. We will be creating a simple project by learning the technique of Needle Felting. We will have several women who will be able to teach us along the way if you have never tried this. We will also be creating a cute and simple Christmas ornament using white buttons. More details and invitations will be coming soon.

**Sisters Bible Study** on Tuesday mornings continue to study, The Women of the Bible. Please join us at 9:30am at Sandy Berres home. Coffee, fellowship, laughter, and God's word equals a winning combination!

Our **Mission Store** will be changed for fall soon. Be sure to take a look and take home a treasure! Donations are appreciated and help support our mission and activity projects.

**Prayer Shawls** are still available in the narthex. Please take a shawl and give it to someone you know who is in need of a warm hug, care and compassion.

God's richest blessings to our Sister's in Christ! Sandy R., Judi B., and Kathy M.

## **DARTBALL**

The Dartball Season is set and as always we could use a few more participants.

The league play starts September 25th and consists of 18 weeks of play ending January 31st. There will be no games the week of Thanksgiving or the week between Christmas and New Years. League play is followed by a league wide tournament exact date and location to come. Games are played on Wednesday nights starting at 7:00 and completing around 9:00. This is a traveling league with half the

games played at St Andrew and the other half at area churches.

We will be having a practice on September 18th at 7:00 PM the week before league play starts at St Andrew in the Sunday school area. If you are interested in playing there is a signup sheet on the bulletin board. The team is open to all confirmed members of St Andrew. If you are not quite sure of what Dartball is feel free to stop at the practice and check it out we could really use a few more players either full or part time if we have enough.

We had a great time playing last year and would enjoy having more involved for fun & fellowship one night a week during the winter months. If you have questions, please contact Dave Brehmer or Rick Bruss.

## **TRUSTEES**

### **An Update from Trustees**

Our church's Trustees have been checking off their To Do List! The following is what has been accomplished so far.

- Windows inside and out have been washed.
- Gutters were added to the shed and back of the garage.
- Replacement window for the Pastor's office has been ordered with delivery in October.
- Bushes and trees along the ECC entrance have been trimmed.
- Outdoor lights needing replacement have been replaced.
- Shelving and organization have been completed in the shed.
- Several dead trees along our property line have been cut down.
- Area in the back by the hill has been trimmed and cut. The grape vines have a new support frame and the cross area has been cleaned up.
- Broken lights in the ECC classrooms, gym, and fellowship area have been fixed and repaired.
- 2 church furnaces have been installed.

Projects to be addressed

- Wheelchair ramp railing needs repair.
- Replacement of shed roof.
- Repair of grass around circular drive.
- Investigating the lighting of our fish.

Major Long-Term Projects

- Replacement of church carpeting.
- Replacement of 7 air conditioners as needed.
- Replacement of entry doors as needed.

If you see a maintenance concern either inside or outside our church building, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Did you know that right off the back parking lot to the north, we have an apple tree. Apples are ready for picking so help yourself!

In Service to God and St. Andrew,  
Mark Ruback and the board of Trustees

**EARLY CHILDHOOD CAMPUS**

Dear St. Andrew Congregation,  
The teachers are back at work. The classrooms have been reorganized, cleaned and all set up. The toys can't wait to be played with. The lessons are starting to be prepared. We had our Meet and Greet, where we were able to meet each of our new students. School starts September 3rd. We as a staff are so excited for this school year to begin. We can't wait to share God's love with all these precious children and their families. Thank you all for your continued support, love, and prayers. God answered our prayers and brought us eight 4K families and twelve 3K families. ***With God all things are possible. Matthew 19:26***

Blessings to you always,  
Lindsey

**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

- 2 Matthew Gnatzig
- 6 Linda Bruss
- 8 Jay Benz
- 8 Xander McKee
- 10 Austin Jantz
- 10 Troy Justman
- 10 Leo Ruback

- 11 Amanda Dieringer
- 11 Graci Roller
- 12 Randy Sheffield
- 14 Darren Keaton
- 19 Kim Gremminger
- 20 Zaxton Roeglin
- 22 Lillith Schlosser
- 25 Judi Bastian
- 27 Carla Peterson
- 30 Cristopher Kiel
- 30 Katherine Vierkant



**SEPTEMBER BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES**

- 1 Jacquelyn Beaupre'
- 1 George Muth
- 4 Dan Fischer
- 6 Matthew Gutschmidt
- 6 Dan Legate
- 6 Randy Sheffield
- 11 Gary Baertlein
- 11 John Schlicht
- 13 Matthew Ratzel
- 15 Pamela Beaupre'
- 19 Susan Mueller
- 19 Nic Sheffield
- 20 Gary Leipold
- 25 Ron Bastian
- 26 Mert Fischer
- 26 Robert Miller



**SEPTEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

- 2 Rick & Linda Bruss
- 3 Jeffrey & Aimee Schmidt
- 5 Gregory & Melissa Knox
- 6 Jay & Debbie Benz
- 6 Daniel & Suzanne Woods
- 8 Dan & Mert Fischer
- 8 Lori & Bennett Turenske
- 11 Mark & Shary Kraft
- 15 Peter & Darlene Dummann
- 19 Darryl & Laurie Pree
- 24 Robert & Victoria Miller
- 25 Troy & Amy Justman
- 26 David & Amy Brehmer

