

**St. Andrew Lutheran Church
& Early Childhood Campus**

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Worship Hours: Sunday 9:00 a.m.

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**Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
February 2, 2025**

PRESERVICE MUSIC WHILE WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME & GREET ONE ANOTHER WITH GOD'S PEACE

OPENING HYMN "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" LSB 803

DIVINE SERVICE (Setting Four) (p 203 in the front of the hymnal)

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

INTROIT

Ps. 10:12; 16-18

P: Arise, O Lord; O God, lift up your hand; forget not the afflicted.

C: The Lord is king forever and ever; the nations perish from his land.

P: O Lord, you hear the desire of the afflicted; you will strengthen their heart; you will incline your ear

C: To do justice to the fatherless and the oppressed, so that man who is of the earth may strike terror no more.

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

KYRIE

C: ♪ Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Gloria In Excelsis"

(p.204)

SALUTATION AND COLLECT (PRAYER) OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Jeremiah 1:4-10

⁴Now the word of the Lord came to me, saying, ⁵"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." ⁶Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Behold, I do not know how to speak, for I am only a youth." ⁷But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a youth'; for to all to whom I send you, you shall go, and whatever I command you, you shall speak. ⁸Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, declares the Lord." ⁹Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth. And the Lord said to me, "Behold, I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰See, I have set you this day over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to break down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 12:31b-13:13

³¹And I will show you a still more excellent way. If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ²And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. ³If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing. ⁴Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. ⁷Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. ⁸Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. ¹¹When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. ¹²For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE

C: ♪ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

These things are written that you may believe

That Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 4:31-44

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

³¹And he went down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee. And he was teaching them on the Sabbath, ³²and they were astonished at his teaching, for his word possessed authority. ³³And in the synagogue there was a man who had the spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud voice, ³⁴“Ha! What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God.” ³⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent and come out of him!” And when the demon had thrown him down in their midst, he came out of him, having done him no harm. ³⁶And they were all amazed and said to one another, “What is this word? For with authority and power he commands the unclean

spirits, and they come out!” ³⁷And reports about him went out into every place in the surrounding region. ³⁸And he arose and left the synagogue and entered Simon's house. Now Simon's mother-in-law was ill with a high fever, and they appealed to him on her behalf. ³⁹And he stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her, and immediately she rose and began to serve them. ⁴⁰Now when the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various diseases brought them to him, and he laid his hands on every one of them and healed them. ⁴¹And demons also came out of many, crying, “You are the Son of God!” But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew that he was the Christ. ⁴²And when it was day, he departed and went into a desolate place. And the people sought him and came to him, and would have kept him from leaving them, ⁴³but he said to them, “I must preach the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns as well; for I was sent for this purpose.” ⁴⁴And he was preaching in the synagogues of Judea.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

“Nicene Creed”

(p. 206)

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling”

LSB 827

SERMON

“What’s Your Excuse?”

Jeremiah 1:4-10

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Gracious Creator, Your Son commanded demons and they obeyed Him, so that afflicted people were set free. Cast out the forces of darkness both open and hidden in our world. Give courage, faith, peace and relief to our brotherhood throughout the world who suffer for the sake of Christ, and hold Your children in Your care. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

(following each petition the congregation responds)

C: Hear our prayer.

(our petitions this day)

P: Join these, our prayers and praises, with those of Your faithful people of all times and places, and unite them in the ceaseless petitions of our great High Priest, Jesus Christ, until He comes again in glory as victorious Lord of all. Through Him, with Him and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is Yours, almighty Father, forever and ever.

C: Amen.

OFFERING

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface (p. 208)
Sanctus
Prayer of Thanksgiving
Lord's Prayer
The Words of Our Lord
Pax Domini – "The Peace of the Lord" (p. 209)
Agnus Dei – "Lamb of God"

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord" LSB 637
"Son of God, Eternal Savior" LSB 842
"All People That on Earth Do Dwell" LSB 791

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

Nunc Dimittis – "Song of Simeon" (p. 211)

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

C: AMEN

BENEDICAMUS & BENEDICTION

PRAYER FOR SPECIAL REQUESTS AND NEEDS

CLOSING HYMN "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer" LSB 918

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

OFFICIANT: Rev. Jonathan Vierkant

ORGANIST: Rinda Bye

LAY READER: Jessica Dreska

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW

Monday, February 3 - 6:00 p.m. Men's Group
- 6:45 p.m. Handbell Practice
Tuesday, February 4 - 9:30 a.m. Sister's In Christ Bible Study
- 6:30 p.m. Weeders & Seeders
Wednesday, February 5 - 7:00 p.m. Dartball @ Home
Friday, February 7 - 6 - 8 p.m. Youth Group
Saturday, February 8 - 8:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study Dan
Sunday, February 9 - 9:00 a.m. Worship
- 10:15 a.m. Family Education Hour
- 10:15 a.m. Altar Guild Meeting

DID YOU KNOW?

Please check the bulletin board for other announcements.

SHHHHH. . . THERE IS A "QUIET ROOM" AT ST. ANDREW in the back of the Sanctuary. It has a sound system and the service can be heard in that room. Please be considerate of the worshipful attitude of others and use it as necessary. It is there for your comfort and convenience.

We have **reduced gluten communion wafers**. If you desire to receive one during communion, please identify yourself before the service to the Elder for that service so we can distribute one to you.

TEXAS ROADHOUSE: When you go to Texas Roadhouse in West Bend on a Sunday, take our church bulletin with you and they will donate 10% of your food purchases back to church.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR - SUNDAYS: 6 a.m. WGN Chicago 720 AM; 7:30 a.m. WTKM Hartford 104.9 FM; 6:30 a.m. WTMJ Milwaukee 620 AM & 103.3 FM; 5 p.m. WJUB Plymouth 1420 AM; 9 a.m. WIBD West Bend 1470 AM

**Lutheran Church Radio Service – JOY/WJYI (1340 AM)
7 a.m. Sundays**

St. Andrew Financials: If you are interested in seeing our monthly givings and expenses, please check the latest newsletter. Newsletters are sent out once a month and can be found in your email (if you have an email on file), in your mailbox, or on the table in the Narthex.

Reminder: Check your mailboxes regularly.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK: February 2 thru February 8

BIRTHDAY: Peggy Kriefall, Jeffrey Grande, Liam Ratzel

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES: Josie Pfeiffer

Prayers For Health, Healing, and/or Strength

Tom Alexander (brother of Karen Hammen),

Cindy Behling (friend of the Buehler's)

Adrian Buntrock (friend of Darryl and Laurie Pree),

Mike Deschler (friend of Rory Hetzel),

Deborah and Phil Ferris (sister and brother-in-law of Michele Buehler),

Dan and Mert Fischer, Rob Fleichman (friend of Sue Mueller),

Brad Gerndt (friend of Michele Buehler),

Sue Graff (friend of Deb Puestow),

Ruthann Grey, Tim Hackbarth (nephew of Cliff Hetzel),

Judy Harrison (sister of Darrell Harrison),

Sue & Sarah Harrison

Mike Kaufmann (friend of Darrell and Sue Harrison),

Bruce Koenig, Carolyn Kreis, Fred Legate,

Gina Leonard (sister of Randy and Kris Sheffield's daughter-in-law),

Ardene Lettau, Wade Muth,

Vern Nagel (great aunt of Meghan Kelley),

Diane Nelson, Sharon Oelke, Roger Sauter, Jim Schmoltdt,

Kevin Stoutz (friend of Dan and Sandy Berres),

Larry Wahler (brother-in-law of Rick Bruss)

Prayers For Comfort

Family and friends of Jim Scott(Cliff Hetzel's neighbor) – Jim was called home on Sunday, January 26th.

Prayers For Those in Active Military

William Bowman (brother of Katie Vierkant),

Brandon and Benjamin Roeglin (grandson of Jim Schmoltdt),

Matthew Speaks (nephew of Darryl and Laurie Pree),

Beau Szczerbinski (brother of Meghan Kelley)

Prayers For Those Incarcerated

Greg Beyer (friend of Chris and Karen Callen)

Michael Meyer

Steven Steinpreis

WELCOME VISITORS! We are glad you chose to worship with us. Sign our Guest Book in the Narthex or one of the cards in the pews and please talk to Pastor, an Usher or Elder if you have any questions.

DIFFERENT CHURCHES HAVE DIFFERENT UNDERSTANDINGS regarding Holy Communion. For this reason, because of what 1Corinthians 11:27-30 tells us, we ask that visitors talk to Pastor if they wish to commune with us. **ALSO**, see the back of the communion cards for a statement by Synod.

WE HAVE A PRAYER CHAIN AT ST. ANDREW. Please contact Josie Pfeiffer at 262-626-4303 or pfeiffer4303@charter.net

ELDER SERVING TODAY: Thai Hua & Jeff Grande

Next Sunday: Randy Sheffield & Rory Hetzel

CLEANING THIS WEEK ENDING February 8 Randy Sheffield, Kris Sheffield, Stephanie Gutschmidt, Cathy Grande

NEXT WEEK February 10 THRU February 15 Sue Hetzel, Rory Hetzel, Paul Heinz, Cindy Heinz

Altar Guild for February: Katie Vierkant, Debbie Puestow, Cathy Grande, Melissa Knox

March: Pam Beaupre w/Sue Hetzel, Peggy Kriefall, Tracy Rochwite, Debbie Yenter

Please contact Pastor Jon (262)808-7974 if you or a loved one is in the hospital, celebrating a milestone, or would just like a visit..

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS: February - Kewaskum food pantry - soups/ easy boxed meals

ALTAR GUILD Altar Guild refresher lesson will be Sunday, Feb. 9 after service. Altar Guild members (or anyone who wants to consider joining) are asked to attend. If you cannot and have questions or need information, please reach out to Melissa Knox at melissaknox24@gmail.com or at 414-581-6500.

ELDER BOARDS: that help keep St. Andrew running are looking for members. If you have an interest, please talk to Pastor Jon or an elder and they'll direct you to the right person.

CHILI DINNER: St. John Lutheran Church, N683 County Rd S, Kewaskum (New Fane) will hold its Chili Dinner on Sunday, February 23 from 10:30 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. All you can eat chili, fresh bread, cheese and crackers, hotdogs and homemade desserts. There is no charge for the dinner, however a free will offering will be taken. Carry Out's are available.

Cedarburg RIVOLI – FREE showing of the movie LIFEMARK (PG-13) *Sun. April 6th 11:30am-1:45 pm* (movie starts at noon); no ticket necessary-just walk in! You will need to purchase your snacks!

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It is important to involve family in your gifting plan from your estate. It is true that most often, the biggest gifts from an estate are aimed at the family, blessing with inheritance. However, families often grant inheritance without any conversation about how to use it well. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you articulate your family plan. Contact Craig Toerpe, Gift Planning Counselor of the LCMS Foundation to answer questions regarding gifts to family, ministry, or other questions you may have regarding estate plan and gift plan at 262-707-3005 or craig.toerpe@lfnd.org