

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

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Worship Hours: Sunday 9:00 a.m.

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Ninth Sunday after Pentecost July 26, 2026

PRESERVICE MUSIC WHILE WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME & GREET ONE ANOTHER WITH GOD'S PEACE

OPENING HYMN "Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing" LSB 737

DIVINE SERVICE (Setting Three) *(p. 184 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.

OPENING SENTENCES *Romans 11:33; Deuteronomy 7:7, 9; Romans 11:36*

P: Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

C: How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways!

P: The LORD set His love on you and chose you.

C: Know therefore that the LORD is God.

P: For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.

C: To Him be glory forever. Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Romans 8:31-32

P: You are a people holy to the Lord your God.

C: We confess our unholy thoughts, words, and actions.

Silence for personal reflection.

P: Almighty God,

C: we have not lived up to our calling as Your treasured possession. Our desires are selfish and our love is shallow. We have turned aside from doing good and chosen to treasure

things of creation rather than our Creator. In our sinful state we are vulnerable to the devil, death, and darkness. And so we seek Your mercy. We surrender to Your loving kindness in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

P: "What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?"

C: "He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He not also with Him graciously give us all things?"

P: Indeed, the mercy of almighty God is displayed in the giving of His Son, Jesus, to die for you, and for His sake God forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word 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.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

Ps. 105:1-6

P: Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!

C: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works!

P: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

C: Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually!

P: Remember the wondrous works that he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,

C: O offspring of Abraham, his servant, children of Jacob, his chosen ones!

THE GLORIA PATRI

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C: ♪ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE KYRIE

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C: ♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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P: Glory be to God on high:

C: ♪ And on earth peace, good-will toward men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,

We glorify Thee, We give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
Art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT (PRAYER) OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with thy spirit.

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love, that, receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have commanded; 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 READING

Deuteronomy 7:6-9

⁶“For you are a people holy to the Lord your God. The Lord your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. ⁷It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the Lord set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, ⁸but it is because the Lord loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the Lord has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. ⁹Know therefore that the Lord your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations...”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Romans 8:28-39

²⁸And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up

for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE

C: ♪ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 13:44-52

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter

C: ♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

⁴⁴“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. ⁴⁵Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, ⁴⁶who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it. ⁴⁷Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. ⁴⁸When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁵¹“Have you understood all these things? They said to him, “Yes.” ⁵²And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: ♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

“Apostle Creed”

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY "What Is the World to Me" LSB 730

SERMON "Jesus Bought a Treasure"

OFFERTORY HYMN "Create in Me" pp. 192-193

OFFERING "Morning is Breaking" Piano Soloist

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: O Lord, preserve us from error and deliver us from temptation. Grant that we may abide in Christ and His word of truth, remaining steadfast and immovable until the end. Lord, in Your mercy,
(following each petition the congregation responds)

C: Hear our prayer.
(our petitions this day)

P: These and whatsoever other things You would have us ask of You, O God, grant us for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your only Son, our Lord and Savior, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

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Sanctus

Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini – "The Peace of the Lord" p. 197

Agnus Dei – "Lamb of God"

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"I Love Your Kingdom, Lord" LSB 651

"Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness" LSB 636:1-4

"Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart" LSB 806

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

Nunc Dimittis – "Song of Simeon" p. 199

Thanksgiving p. 200

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BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

"In Thee Is Gladness"

LSB 818

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

OFFICIANT: Rev. Jonathan Vierkant

ACCOMPANIST: Matthias Raffa

LAY READER: Jessica Dreska

PIANO SOLOIST: Matthew Gutschmidt

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW

Tuesday, July 28	-	4:45 VBS Dinner
		5:30 Vacation Bible School
Wednesday, July 29		4:45 VBS Dinner
		5:30 Vacation Bible School
Thursday, July 30		4:45 VBS Dinner
		5:30 Vacation Bible School
Sunday, August 2	-	9:00 a.m. Worship
	-	10:30 a.m. VOTERS 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 **gluten free 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.

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: July 26 thru August 1

BIRTHDAY: Karissa Haufelder, Kara Ruback, Rory Hetzel, Susan Mueller, Kabel Wuebben, Kaitlyn Wuebben, Kennedy Wuebben, Nic Sheffield, Kathleen Buth, Monica Jantz,

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES: Adam Ruback, James Schmoldt, Dan Berres, Nicole Heinecke, Ron Nuoffer, Angela Sommer

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: Gregory & Nancy Riederer, John & Karen Unruh

Prayers For Health, Healing, and/or Strength

Dan Berres, Ken Betz, Terry Bruss (brother of Rick Bruss),

Carol Derksen (sister of Carla Peterson),

Mike Deschler (friend of Rory Hetzel),

Sandra Feltz (neighbor of Dan Fischer),

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

Rob Fleischman (friend of Sue Mueller), **Ruthann Grey, Carol Gunsburg,**

Earl Gutschmidt (grandfather of Joseph Gutschmidt),

Tim Hackbarth (nephew of Cliff Hetzel), **Sue Harrison,**

Paul Herrick (friend of Sue Mueller), **Pete Hesprich**

Mike Houdek (friend of the Gnatzigs), **Bruce Koenig, Carolyn Kreis,**

Jenny Leist (daughter of Mark & Shary Kraft), **Ardene Lettau,**

Randy Mueller, Sharon Oelke,

Barb Prevort (relative of Benjamin Roeglin),

Danelle Riederer (daughter-in-law of Greg and Nancy Riederer),

Roger Sauter, Jim Schmoldt, Michelle Sommerfeld,

Sally Stichman (friend of the Gutschmidt's), **Debbie Yenter,**

Gary Zimmer (father of Greg and Nancy Riederer's daughter-in-law)

Prayers For Those in Active Military

Jacob Blada (colleague of Adam Ruback)

William Bowman (brother of Katie Vierkant)

Kyle Juarez (friend of Curt and Michelle Gnatzig)

Andy Kmiec (brother of Cathy Grande)

Brandon and Benjamin Roeglin (grandsons of Jim Schmoldt)

Beau Szczerbinski (brother of Meghan Kelley)

Prayers For Those Incarcerated

Greg Beyer (friend of Chris and Karen Callen)

Michael Meyer,

Viktor Riederer (son of Greg and Nancy Riederer)

Steven Steinpreis,

Dave (friend of the Gutschmidt's)

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: Randy Sheffield & Thai Hua

Next Sunday: Bob Buehler & Rory Hetzel

CLEANING THIS WEEK ENDING August 1: Melissa Knox, Carla Peterson, Sandy Lompa

NEXT WEEK August 3 thru August 8: Meghan Kelley, Sharon Ellis, Karen Callen

Alter Guild for July: Melissa Knox, Carla Peterson, Charley Grande, Sandy Lompa

August Judi Bastain, Star Dzwonkowski, Cindy Heinz, Evelyn Nuoffer, Kristin Ahrens

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

MONTHLY MISSIONS JULY DONATION: school supplies (know it seems early, but we need to get the items to the family before, since a lot of schools start again in August)

HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP – We continue to serve our local community by keeping our roadsides clean. The clean-up lasts roughly 2 hours, and you will end up walking about 1 mile (all downhill). September 13th (at 11am). We will meet at the gas station in Boltonville. Please consider joining us this season.

BIBLE BUCKAROOS VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: will be July 28-30 from 5:30-7:30 each night. It will be open to kids entering 3K-6th grade, with an adult class offered for ages 7th grade-adult. A free optional dinner will be served each night beginning at 4:45. Please invite friends! Registration is open on the church website. We also welcome volunteers--if you would like to help, please sign up on the church bulletin board. We are also collecting empty toilet paper tubes for crafts--those can be turned in to the basket in the narthex.

PARKING LOT RE-SURFACING: New Schedule, Weather permitting, will be August 3, 4 and 5th. No driving on the lot for those days.



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