



ST. ANDREW LUTHERAN CHURCH
And
Early Childhood Campus

Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m.
Bible Class 7:45 a.m.

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

One of Those Days

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go." – **Joshua 1:9**

We all have them. The alarm clock doesn't go off. We can't find the car keys. We miss a doctor's appointment. The dog gets loose and we spend half of the morning looking for him (or her). The washing machine breaks down in the middle of a cycle. And to top it all off, the car won't start. It goes on and on! It is one of those days!

There is one constant, however, whether the day is a good one, or "one of those days." It is Jesus. He is there when the alarm goes off and when it doesn't. He is there in all of our missed appointments. He is there the whole morning when we were out looking for the dog and the whole afternoon and evening, as well. He is there when, "if it isn't one thing, it's another."

We seem to have a lot of "those days" in our lives. Today may be one of them, when it may seem that we would be better off to have just stayed in bed. But think about this! Jesus (who lived for us, died for us, rose for us, and now rules for us) is with us. Doesn't that make this a good day, even though it may be "one of those days?"

As always, dear brothers and sisters, please contact me if you or a loved one is in the hospital, celebrating a milestone, or would just like a visit. I would especially love to visit

homebound and others who may be staying home due to health-related concerns and bring God's Word and Jesus' body and blood in the sacrament to you. Please do not hesitate to give me a call me.

Let's stay connected!
Your Brother in Christ,
Pr. Jonathan Vierkant

ELDERS

Starting Sunday, May 30 (Memorial Day weekend) we will be changing to one 9:00 service each week with Bible Study Hour @ 7:45. We will continue with both the inside and the outside drive-in services with Communion for both (weather permitting for outside service) every Sunday. If you cannot make a service, you can still watch it by going to the St. Andrew Lutheran web site and hitting the St. Andrew YouTube Channel button which is on the right side of the home page about half way down. You can also go directly to YouTube and look up St. Andrew Lutheran, West Bend.

After discussion at the May Congregation Quarterly meeting, our members have decided to restore some church practices that were put on hold for more than a year. On June 6th we will begin greeting each other before the service but we ask that you stay in your pew and only greet the people close to you. We have taken down the chains that were up on every other row of pews so now you should be able to social distance easier by using both sides of the pews.

Pastor will again be giving a children's sermon so make sure you bring the younger ones so he has someone to talk to. We will also start to use the Communion rail for

communion. If you are not comfortable kneeling because you might touch the railing you are more than welcomed to stay standing when the Elders serve communion. Pastor will also be serving the wine using the Common Cup and it will be up to you if you want to use the individual cup or the Common Cup. Elders and Pastor will continue to wear a mask and gloves while serving communion.

We will continue to use the box in the back of church for your offerings and communion cards. The bulletins will be in front of the offering box so please take one on your way into church.

Since we are returning to communion at the communion rail, we will need ushers to help by releasing people from the pews. If you were on an usher team and would like to start volunteering again, or if you always thought you would like to help usher, now is a good time to start. Please call Bob Buehler (see below for his phone number) or one of the other Elders to let us know you would like to be put on the schedule.

We have several more ways you can volunteer to help our worship service. We are always looking for more lay readers, ushers and anyone that would like to help out with operating our Live Streaming equipment. If you are willing to learn, we are willing to train you for any of these positions. Please see one of the Elders, Cathy or Jeff Grande, or Pastor if you are interested.

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 you think. 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,
Rick Bruss--Chairman & Sick/Shut-ins (262-338-8149)
Ken Betz--Youth/Confirmation,
Fundraisers/Personnel (262-424-0643)
Dave Brehmer--In-Actives,
Fundraiser/Personnel (414-870-2715)
Bob Buehler--Sick/Shut-ins, Ushers
(262-334-4013)
Randy Sheffield--Secretary, Music/Reader
(262-689-5405)

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please have **all** newsletter articles in by **Thursday, June 24th** to Cathy Grande at **standrewchurchwb@gmail.com**. Confirmations will be sent for articles sent via e-mail. Thanks.

EDUCATION

This time of year my thoughts and prayers are with the Confirmation students and their families. Congratulations to Toby Hua and Matthew Gnatzig. It reminds me of my own Confirmation and the people in my life that helped me study and memorize and work on the assignments that I was required to complete. May God be with you every day in your life and guide you in the faith. Continue to learn and attend worship and you will be blessed throughout your life!

Our first fundraiser is the plant sale and is Sunday, June 6th after service, outside by the picnic tables. A variety of plants will be for sale with all proceeds going to the Tuition Assistance Fund. Please come!

July 31st and August 1st is on the church calendar for the Brat Fry at Sausage

Plus. We have sign-up sheets now posted on the bulletin board. Volunteers and supplies are needed so please sign up. Tell your friends and families. These are the 2 fundraisers planned this summer by the Board of Education. We appreciate your support and look forward to seeing you there! Thank you!

Gods blessings to you,
Rory Hetzel, Joanne Miller, Judi Riedel and Debra Yenter, chair

TUITION ASSISTANCE POLICY

We provide tuition assistance as a portion of our budgeted amount each year, funds permitting. For children who are attending elementary school, middle school, or high school at a Lutheran Church Missouri Synod place of learning, we provide tuition assistance up to 50% of the cost.

So that we may plan a budget for tuition, we ask that all families apply for tuition assistance by August 1st, annually for the following school year.

Those who request tuition assistance should be St. Andrew members who are regular in their worship attendance and financial assistance. *Board of Education*

BOARD OF MINISTRIES

The Board of Ministries had its first combined meeting in May. We are now a board of seven members working together from Education, Evangelism, and Stewardship. Our first meeting was focused on working out the details of events each board was already in the process of planning. Below will be a list of the events scheduled, please keep an eye out for volunteer requests as we get closer to the events. Starting in the fall, we would like to start posting fellowship opportunities for the following calendar year. We have two goals in mind for posting events in fall; one being to get it on everyone's calendar early. The other is to get volunteers to lead the event. These events

will be a great opportunity to help out without making a long-term commitment.

Upcoming events:

- June 6 - Plant Sale (Support for Tuition Assistance Fund)
- July 10 - Farmers Market @ West Bend
- July 31 - Blood Drive @ St Andrew
- July 31 / Aug 1 - Brat Fry @ Sausage Plus (Support for Tuition Assistance Fund)
- Aug 5 - 12 - Alaska Mission Trip (8 Members going)
- Aug 27 / Aug 28 - Rummage @ St Andrew (Support for Tuition Assistance and Sign Fund)

NOTE: Please wait to drop off donations until July. The carpet replacement needs to be done before we start the donation drive for stuff.

EARLY CHILDHOOD CAMPUS

As I reflect on this past school year, 2020-2021 will be one to remember. When so many schools kept their doors closed due to COVID 19 and the pandemic St. Andrew opened ours wide! I felt strongly that children needed to be in the classroom where learning and growing could take place face to face, even if our teachers had to wear a mask. I had faith that God would watch over our students and teachers and would bless us with riches beyond my imagination if I just kept the faith, shared that faith, and continued to be the hands and feet of Jesus.

In Proverbs 16:3 God tells us this, ***Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and He will establish your plans.***

God took my plans for our ECC this year and led me to what He wanted in our children's ministry. Although my staff and I did all we needed to do to keep our campus sanitized and safe, while following the guidelines our state required of us, I knew only God could protect us. And God did! God blessed our

campus beyond my imagination with classrooms that could stay open, with limited staff being sick, with children staying healthy, and with state funding not one time, but 3 times over! Our work is not done yet! Thanks be to God for the gift of new carpeting, fresh paint, repairs that were so needed, new TV's for our classrooms, a playard that can now be repaired and improved and even more, as God sees fit! I am feeling so blessed!

A huge thank you to all the people that will be helping with our projects over the summer! There is no way any of it could be done without your kindness and your service. May God bless each of you abundantly!

For the 2021-2022 school year there will be one 4K student that is in need of financial support. I would like him to have a sponsor, someone from our congregation that is willing to give his family a scholarship of 50% of the tuition. Also someone who will pray for him and his family. I will be sending you some of his schoolwork and artwork and keep you abreast to how he is doing. This family is in need financially, emotionally, and spiritually. I will not turn him away. My prayer is that he will be baptized and that his mother will feel the compassion and care she needs from Christian people. If you have prayerfully considered this commitment, and would like to speak to me regarding more details, please seek me out. Thank you for considering this opportunity to bless this family.

Looking forward to a very busy summer here at St. Andrew!

May you walk with Jesus,
Sandy

SISTERS IN CHRIST

Starting Wednesday, June 9th at 10:00am our Women's Bible Study called, A Chocolate Life will begin. If you have not signed up for this study, please do so. Our goal is to have women of many ages together to share their

experiences and help each other along the way of life. We also want to meet at a park so that the children can play while we study and talk. Judi and I will be calling each one of you that have signed up on the bulletin board and we will give you the final location details.

May our study be a blessing to many!

In Christian Love and Sisterhood,
Sandy and Judi

Mauthe Lake

Our Mauthe Lake park outing is coming up on June 27th. After service, join us at Mauthe Lake, which is part of the Kettle Moraine North State Forest. You will need a state park sticker or pay for a day pass. We will have a picnic area reserved with grills available. Bring food for our potluck of snacks or pack your own lunch, but come have fellowship with us. It is a great low-key way to get to know each other.

ARE YOU GRADUATING?

If you (or one of your children) will be graduating from either high school or college this year we would like to know the following:

- the name of the school you will be graduating from,
- the date of the graduation,
- your plans for the future,

We would like to include this information in our Sunday bulletin and monthly newsletter. Please give this information to the church office. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES!!! Also, please notify the office if there are any additions to this list.

Reader Schedule

June 6

Old Testament: Genesis 3:8-15
Epistle Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:13 - 5:1

June 13

Old Testament: Genesis 19:1-11
Epistle Reading: 1 Timothy 6:6-10

June 20

Old Testament: 2 Kings 5:8-10, 14-16, 19-27
Epistle Reading: 1 Timothy 6:11-16

June 27

First Reading: Proverbs 3:5-10
Epistle Reading: 1 Timothy 6:17-19

ST. ANDREW WISH LIST

Approved by Church Council 10/22/20

Organ

**White tables
(type that we have in the fellowship
hall)**

**Replacement chairs for the
fellowship hall**

**Carpet cleaner
(contact a Trustee for specifications)**

HandBell Maintenance

(approx.. \$2,000)

Church Sign for Front Yard

(Update and/or Move)

***If you wish to purchase one of the above items be aware that St. Andrew is a tax-exempt organization. That means we do not have to pay tax on such purchases.

Please ask us for a tax-exempt form so tax does not have to be paid.

We would also be glad to give you a 'donation statement' for your tax purposes.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

3 Bob Lompa
4 Norm Bandler
5 Jim Konzal
5 Evelyn Nuoffer
6 Amber Schellinger
10 Carolyn Janz
11 Donald Keaton
11 Charlotte Legate
12 Ron Nuoffer
14 Elizabeth Schultz
15 Karen Hammen
16 Ruthann Gray
18 Paige Kirchner
18 Dan Yenter
19 Megan Johnson
23 Benjamin Kelln
23 Jameson Schellinger
24 Lucille Woods
27 Adam Ruback
29 Jim Peterson



24 Norm Bandler
28 Amber Dieringer
28 Owen Hua
28 Charlotte Legate
28 Peter Muth
30 Bob Lompa

JUNE WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

2 Tom & Katie Schilling
11 Dan & Nancy Legate
17 Paul & Cindy Heinz
19 Ron & Evelyn Nuoffer
19 Josie & Mike Pfeiffer
22 Thai & Margie Hua
26 Beverly & Dan Struebing
27 Dan & Deb Yenter



JUNE BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

1 Peter Dummann
1 Dale Hartmann
1 Michelle Sommerfeld
3 Violet Justman
6 Dan Arps
9 Amy Justman
9 Mark Ruback
11 Dorene Betz
12 John Unruh
13 Monica Jantz
15 Mark Oehme
16 Josh Miller
17 Michaela Grande
18 Kailyn Arps
18 Faith Sommerfeld
18 Dan Yenter
20 Jeff Schmidt
21 Bob Buehler
22 Alexander Betz
23 Brady Falk

