



# ST. ANDREW LUTHERAN CHURCH

And

## Early Childhood Campus

Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m.  
Bible Class 10:30 a.m.  
Office Hours M, T, TR, F 8 a.m. – noon

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### OCTOBER 2022

## PASTOR'S MESSAGE

### The Eternal Gospel

In September of 1814, Francis Scott Key was on the outside looking in on a seemingly impossible-to-win situation. The British army had begun its attack on Fort McHenry in Maryland, using long-range cannons that prevented the soldiers at the Fort from being able to fire back. All night long, the bombs kept coming. At the break of day, however, Francis Scott Key watched through a telescope to see if the Fort had been taken, and you know what he saw?

There it was still flapping in the breeze, the American flag waving over Fort McHenry. In the midst of the warfare and bombardment, the flag was still there!

The same can be said today for the Gospel. The Gospel can never be destroyed, though the devil and this world may try. For God lifts it up above all danger, so that the world might know the truth that sets people free.

In Revelation 14:6-7 an angel is described as flying overhead “with an eternal Gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people.” It is a message that goes back all the way to the beginning and before. And it is a message proclaimed with a “loud voice” – “Fear God and give Him glory, because the hour of His judgment has come, and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.” The proclamation of this “eternal Gospel” has as its goal the repentance and salvation of ALL through the announcement of Christ’s forgiveness. For God has saved us from our sins by the blood of

Jesus Christ! And “faith [which] comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ” receives what Christ has accomplished for us.

In the game of baseball, maybe you’ve seen this situation played out before. A runner is on third base and he takes off for home. As he barrels down the line for the home plate, the catcher receives the ball and braces for impact. If the runner can somehow knock the ball out of the catcher’s hand, he will be safe at home. So, it’s important for the catcher to hang on tight to that ball as hard as he can. Picture this! You are that catcher. There is sin and all kinds of error coming your way, just wanting to deck you. You need to hold onto that ball: the Gospel message. You’ve got to have a firm grip on it by making regular use of the sacrament, by hearing the Word often, by studying the Scripture on your own and with other believers, and by being in prayer frequently. For we have an “eternal Gospel” to proclaim to those who live on the earth that they too might be saved.

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 to bring God’s Word and Jesus’ body and blood in the sacrament to you. Please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Let’s Stay Connected,

Pastor Jon Vierkant

## BOARD OF ELDERS

Just a reminder that we have Sunday School and Bible Classes after the 9:00 am church service. They will be starting around 10:15 and going approximately 1 hour. Please join us to grow more in God's word.

The Board of Elders, along with the Why St. Andrew Committee, have scheduled a Strategic Planning Workshop on Saturday, 10/15/2022 starting at 9:00 am and going until 2:00 pm at the new Regner Park Beach House; lunch & refreshments will be provided. This meeting is open to all Board members and any member of St. Andrew so if you are interested, please either sign up on the bulletin board or text Kathy Muth at 262-689-8132. We are hoping that a large number of our members are willing to help develop a plan with strategic steps to help St. Andrew achieve our mission of spreading God's word to our community.

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,  
Rick Bruss--Chairman & Youth/Confirmation  
(262-338-8149)  
Randy Sheffield--Secretary, Music/Reader  
(262-689-5405)  
Bob Buehler-- In-Actives,  
Fundraiser/Personnel (262-334-4013)  
Thai Hua--Ushers (262-388-6434)  
Dan Berres--Sick/Shut-ins & Care Ministry  
(262-689-4584)

## NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please have all newsletter articles in by **Tuesday, October 25th** to Cathy Grande at [standrewchurchwb@gmail.com](mailto:standrewchurchwb@gmail.com). Confirmations will be sent for articles sent via e-mail. Thanks.

## BOARD OF MINISTRIES

### "NOW HIRING"

Qualifications: Must have faith, hope and love!

"The Harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few" Luke 10:2

Jesus turned to his disciples, telling them that the harvest is already abundant. However, there are only a small handful of laborers willing to go out to gather the ready crops. By this, Jesus is actually saying there is, in fact, a ripe harvest of spiritually lost people. Are you willing to serve the Master?

- After reviewing and making adjustments to numbers and adding Cradle Roll numbers, a copy of the budget worksheet will be given to the office.
- As of now, the Candy Cane Hunt is planned for Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Following the same format as in the past.
- St Andrew will also participate in the West Bend Christmas parade on Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> and Kewaskum on Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>. Plan to hand out candy canes at both to invite people to our candy cane hunt.
- The sign-up sheet for "Everyone His Witness" is on the bulletin board. It is planned to start in January with Dan Berres leading the sessions. Not too early to sign up, so that material can be planned.
- The board has decided to collect food for some families in need and deliver it in February. If you are aware of any families that need a little extra help, please submit their names to the office.
- A new brochure is being worked on. If you have any pictures that might be used, please give them to Sandy Berres. Also, a short blurb about your organization.

- On October 15<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am– 2:00 pm, a very important meeting is taking place. What direction St. Andrew is going to go in the next year and beyond, is going to be planned. This is your chance to state your input. Sign up on the bulletin board.

As this all started "Now Hiring", are you the person for the job? The fringe benefits are out of this world!!!!

Blessings from the board members:

Sarah Peterson, Carla Peterson, Jeff Grande, Katie Vierkant, Joanne Miller, Debbie Yenter, Sandy Berres, Rory Hetzel

## EARLY CHILDHOOD CAMPUS

The school year has begun! What a great start to the year. We have a total of 27 students and they are keeping us busy...in the best way possible! How is it the end of September already??? It must be true...time flies when you're having fun. Because we are having so much fun in the ECC and we blinked and now it's almost October!!! It has been such a pleasure to get to know all of our new students, they are all so sweet and precious. We are so thankful God brought them to St. Andrew!!! It is amazing how much they are learning and growing each and every day!!!

Blessings,  
Lindsey

## SISTERS IN CHRIST

We have some exciting missions and activities planned for the coming months! We invite all women confirmed and older to join us. Choose an activity that you have an interest in, you do not have to attend or participate in everything. Looking ahead...

### Bible Study

Tuesdays 10:00am Location: The Hub  
We will be wrapping up our study, *Under His Wings*, this month. This study was filled with sharing, supporting each other, and always fellowship with our fellow Sisters.

We will meet on October 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. Then we will be off on the 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, and November 1<sup>st</sup>. We will meet again on November 8<sup>th</sup> ready to begin a new study.

### Operation Christmas Child

Once again, we will be participating in Operation Christmas Child which is a project of Samaritan's Purse. OCC seeks to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world. Since 1993 more than 198 million gift-filled shoeboxes have been collected and delivered to children in more than 160 countries and territories. You can be a part of this blessed mission!

Shoeboxes will be available in the narthex on Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Return date: Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>**

Information on what to include and what not to include in your box, will be located inside each shoebox.

### Craft Project

We will be creating, *Chrismon Ornaments*, for St. Andrew's Christmas tree. "Chrismon" is a combination of the words "Christ" and "monogram" and means "symbols of Christ". Chrismons are gold and white, representing majesty and purity.

Join us after church on **Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>**. We will begin at **noon** with a pizza lunch and then begin creating. All supplies will be provided. You do not need to be crafty; this will be a simple project following 4 different ornament designs prepared for you.

A sign up sheet will be on the bulletin board

### Christmas Party

Details will be coming soon!

May you enjoy the colors of fall God has painted for us all!

In Service to Christ and our Sisters,  
Sandy, Judi, and Kathy

## 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee Update

### **STRATEGIC PLAN WORKSHOP INVITATION**

DATE: Saturday, October 15, 2022

TIME: 9:00am to 2:00pm

LOCATIONS: Regner Park NEW Beach House  
Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

The purpose of the workshop is to focus on our church strengths and develop a plan with strategic steps to best achieve our mission as we move into the future.

We are looking for everyone's input and would like to see YOU join us for this productive day along with other church family members.

Please sign up on the bulletin board by October 10 or let an elder know you plan to attend. We will have a seat for you!

PLANNING



### READINGS FOR OCTOBER

**October 2**

**Old Testament: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4**  
**Epistle Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14**

**October 9**

**Old Testament: Ruth 1:1-19a**  
**Epistle Reading: 2 Timothy 2:1-13**

**October 16**

**Old Testament: Genesis 32:22-30**  
**Epistle Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5**

**October 23**

**Old Testament: Genesis 4:1-15**  
**Epistle Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18**

**October 30**

**Old Testament: Revelation 14:6-7**  
**Epistle Reading: Romans 3:19-28**

*Please join us for*

## **LIFE CHAIN 2022**

*Sunday, October 2*

*Cedarburg – 1:00-3:30 pm at the intersection  
of Lincoln Blvd and Washington Ave*  
*West Bend – 2:00-3:00 pm at W Paradise Dr  
and S. Main St*

Life Chain is a silent prayer vigil by Christians to communicate their opposition to abortion. Participants prayerfully display uniform signs which state the truth about abortion. It is an opportunity for local churches to unite in prayer and stand for the rights of the unborn. Everyone who believes in the protection of unborn children and their mothers is invited to participate.

- The event will be safe, peaceful and legal
- You may bring chairs and strollers
- **Signs will be provided**
- All ages are welcome
- Come Rain or Shine

*2 Chronicles 7:14-15... if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land. Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayer that is made in this place.*



## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1	Darrell Harrison
2	Carolyn Hartmann
3	Amber Dieringer
3	Jessica Janz
3	Stephanie Waala
4	James Strohmeyer
5	Jennifer Becker
8	Joanne Miller
9	Jessica Dreska
9	Mark Janz
11	Curt Gnatzig
12	Cindy Heinz
12	Jane Dolata
13	Mason Falk
16	Dave Brehmer
16	Charlotte Grande
18	Ronda Koenig
18	Zach Dieringer
20	Ellen Slicker
20	Landon Thill
21	Toby Hua
22	Sydney Brehmer
22	Zachary Brehmer
23	Ted Wuebben
24	Olivia Dieringer
24	Sandy Lompa
25	Tiffany Legate
25	Lainey Vierkant
26	Emily Shebanek
27	Josie Pfeiffer
27	Nick Thill
29	Wendi Falk
29	Margie Hua
29	Pat McWilliams



## BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

4	Jessica Beaupre'
4	Linda Bruss
11	Troy Justman
15	Betty Taft
16	Austin Jantz
17	Jonathan Ratzel
18	Staci Ruback
25	Judi Bastian
26	Star Dzwonkowski
26	Megan Johnson
26	Donna Krueger
29	Margie Hua
31	Jessica Janz
31	Stephanie Waala



## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

1	Cris & Deanna Kiel
3	Jerry & Pat McWilliams
4	Ken & Wendi Falk
6	Jeff & Cathy Grande
7	Jonathan & Tina Ratzel
8	Bruce & Ronda Koenig
9	Ron & Judi Bastian
12	Mark & Deborah Osgood
13	George & Kathy Muth
14	Darrell & Sue Harrison
14	Bob & Sandy Lompa
19	Nancy & Gary Kawczynski
21	Gary & Kristi Leipold
28	Curt & Michelle Gnatzig
28	Mark & Sandy Ruback
29	Fred & Charlotte Legate
31	Blake & Angela Sommer

