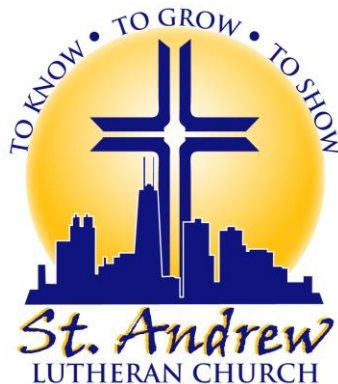


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But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?” And he said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.”

Genesis 3:9–10

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost June 9, 2024**

**SERVICE THEME:  
God Pursues the Sinner in Love**



# 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

## June 9, 2024 – St. Andrew Lutheran Church

### SERVICE THEME: God Pursues the Sinner in Love

**WELCOME** — We're so glad that you've joined us for this worship service! Please let us know if you need any assistance while you're here.

**OUR MISSION** — The mission of St. Andrew Lutheran Church is to guide people **to know** Jesus as their Savior, **to grow** in their faith, and **to show** Jesus to others.

**OUR BELIEF** — We believe that the Bible is the inspired Word of God and the only source of all Christian doctrine and teaching. We believe that the only true God is the Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We believe that we are saved not by anything we do, but only through faith in Jesus Christ, who gave his life for our sins. We will be happy to tell you more about what we believe!

**OUR HISTORY** — St. Andrew Lutheran Church was established in 1888 and is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS), a confessional Lutheran church body with over 1,200 congregations in North America and with more than 30 sister church bodies worldwide.

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### INTRODUCTION TO TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

*God is serious about his Word in both law and gospel. It is addressed to us both collectively and individually. This Sunday it is well summed up in God's question to Adam after he sinned: "Where are you?" In the liturgy of confession, may we answer honestly! In the absolution and the gospel, may we hear God's response! For faith begins and ends with confession and absolution. They are its constants that are never to be taken for granted.*

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Just As I Am, without One Plea



1 Just as I am, with - out one plea  
 2 Just as I am and wait - ing not  
 3 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout  
 4 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind;  
 5 Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive,



But that thy blood was shed for me  
 To rid my soul of one dark blot,  
 With man - y a con - flict, man - y a doubt,  
 Sight, rich - es, heal - ing of the mind,  
 Wilt wel - come, par - don, cleanse, re - lieve;



And that thou bidd'st me come to thee,  
 To thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,  
 Fight - ings and fears with - in, with - out,  
 Yea, all I need, in thee to find,  
 Be - cause thy prom - ise I be - lieve,



O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am; thy love unknown  
 Has broken ev'ry barrier down.  
 Now to be thine, yea, thine alone,  
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Text: Charlotte Elliott, 1789-1871.

Tune: WOODWORTH (LM) William B. Bradbury, 1816-68.

**M:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

**M:** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

**C:** **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unending love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

**M:** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

**C:** **Amen.**

**M:** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



**C:** Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we worship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the

sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the  
 sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of  
 God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on - ly are holy;  
 you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,  
 are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who trust in you, mercifully hear our prayers. Be gracious to us in our weakness and give us strength to keep your commandments in all we say and do; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

### FIRST READING – Genesis 3:8-15 (EHV)

<sup>8</sup>They heard the voice of the LORD God, who was walking around in the garden during the cooler part<sup>b</sup> of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

<sup>9</sup>The LORD God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?”

<sup>10</sup>The man said, “I heard your voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, so I hid myself.”

<sup>11</sup>God said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten

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<sup>b</sup> Literally *the wind or breeze* of the day, that is, late afternoon or evening

from the tree from which I commanded you not to eat?”

<sup>12</sup>The man said, “The woman you gave to be with me—she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate it.”

<sup>13</sup>The LORD God said to the woman, “What have you done?”

The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

<sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent:

Because you have done this,  
you are cursed more than all the livestock,  
and more than every wild animal.

You shall crawl on your belly,  
and you shall eat dust all the days of your life.

<sup>15</sup>I will put hostility between you and the woman,  
and between your seed and her seed.<sup>c</sup>

He will crush your head,  
and you will crush his heel.

**PSALM OF THE DAY** – Psalm 51a – CWS p. 48 (text NIV84)

*Refrain*



God, have mer - cy on me, a sin-ner,



have mer - cy on me, O Lord.

*Psalm Tone*



**Refrain**

Have mercy on me, O God,  
according to your unfailing love;

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<sup>c</sup> In the promises of Genesis and their fulfillment, the translation retains the literal expression *seed* rather than *offspring* or *descendants*, to keep the imagery of the Messiah as the Seed of the Woman.

according to your great compassion  
blot out my transgressions.

Wash away all my iniquity  
and cleanse me from my sin.  
For I know my transgressions,  
and my sin is always before me.

***Refrain***

Against you, you only, have I sinned  
and done what is evil in your sight.  
Surely I was sinful at birth,  
sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

Hide your face from my sins  
and blot out all my iniquity.  
Restore to me the joy of your salvation  
and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

**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.**

***Refrain***

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**SECOND READING – Revelation 20:1-6 (EHV)**

Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven. He had the key to the abyss and a great chain in his hand. <sup>2</sup>He seized the dragon, the ancient serpent, who is the Devil and Satan, bound him for a thousand years, <sup>3</sup>threw him into the abyss, locked it, and set a seal on it, so that he could no longer deceive the nations until the thousand years come to an end. After this he must be released for a short time.

<sup>4</sup>Then I saw thrones, and those who were sitting on them were given the authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony about Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshipped the beast and his image, and they did not receive his mark on their forehead and on their hand. They

lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. <sup>5</sup>(The rest of the dead did not live until the thousand years came to an end.) This is the first resurrection.

<sup>6</sup>Blessed and holy is the one who has a share in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them. Instead they will be priests of God and of Christ. And they will reign with him for a thousand years.

## VERSE OF THE DAY

**M:** Alleluia. In Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and he has committed the message of reconciliation to us. Alleluia. (2 Corinthians 5:19, CSB)



## GOSPEL – Mark 3:20-35 (EHV)

<sup>20</sup>They went<sup>b</sup> into a house. A crowd gathered again so that they were not even able to eat a meal. <sup>21</sup>When his own people<sup>c</sup> heard this, they went out to take control of him, because they were saying, “He is out of his mind.”

<sup>22</sup>The experts in the law who came down from Jerusalem were saying, “He is possessed by Beelzebul,” and “He drives out demons by the ruler of demons.”

<sup>23</sup>Jesus called them together and spoke to them in parables. “How can Satan drive out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand but is finished. <sup>27</sup>On the other hand, no one can enter a strong man’s house to steal his possessions unless he ties up the strong man first. Then he can plunder his house. <sup>28</sup>Amen<sup>d</sup> I tell you: Everything will be forgiven people, their sins and whatever blasphemies

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<sup>b</sup> A few witnesses to the text read *He went*.

<sup>c</sup> Or *his family*

<sup>d</sup> Usually people say *Amen* at the end of a prayer, but Jesus used this Hebrew word at the beginning of a statement, which was unique. The inspired writer simply transliterated the Hebrew word that Jesus spoke, instead of using a Greek term. This translation does the same in English. The basic meaning is *I solemnly tell you the truth*.



they may speak. <sup>29</sup>But whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin.”<sup>e</sup> <sup>30</sup>Jesus said this because they were saying, “He has an unclean spirit.”

<sup>31</sup>Then his mother and his brothers arrived. While they were standing outside, they sent word to Jesus, calling for him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him. They began to tell him, “Look, your mother and your brothers are outside looking for you.”

<sup>33</sup>He replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” <sup>34</sup>He looked at those who sat around him in a circle and he said, “Look, my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup>For whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

*After the reading of the Gospel, the congregation sings:*



## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**HYMN OF THE DAY** – *Let Me Be Yours Forever* – CW93 #596 – printed on the following page

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<sup>e</sup> Some witnesses to the text read *but deserves eternal condemnation*.

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Let Me Be Yours Forever



1 Let me be yours for - ev - er, My faith - ful  
 2 Lord Je - sus, my sal - va - tion, My light, my  
 3 O gra - cious Ho - ly Spir - it, My com - fort -



God and Lord; Let me for - sake you nev - er  
 life di - vine, My on - ly con - so - la - tion,  
 er and guide, Grant that in Je - sus' mer - it



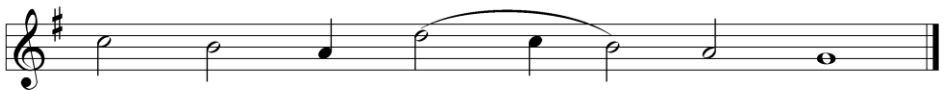
Nor wan - der from your Word. Lord, do not  
 To you I all re - sign, For you have  
 I al - ways may con - fide, Him to the



let me wa - ver But give me stead -  
 dear - ly bought me With blood and bit -  
 end con - fess - ing Whom I have known



fast - ness, And for such grace and fa - vor  
 ter pain. Let me, since you have sought me,  
 by faith. Give me your con - stant bless - ing



Your ho - ly name I'll bless.  
 E - ter - nal life ob - tain.  
 And grant a Chris - tian death.

Text: Nikolaus Selnecker, 1532-92, st. 1; *Gesangbuch*, Rudolstadt, 1688, st. 2-3; tr. Matthias Loy, 1828-1915, alt.  
 Tune: ICH DANKE DIR, LIEBER HERRE (76 76 D) *Musika Teutsch*, Nürnberg, 1532, alt.

**SERMON** – Genesis 3:8-15 – God Pursues the Sinner in Love

## APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## OFFERING

*Members of St. Andrew Lutheran Church use this time to respond to God's goodness with gifts of thanks and love. Our giving is guided by God's Word: "Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits from your entire harvest" (Proverbs 3:9); "Each one should give as he has determined in his heart, not reluctantly or under pressure, for God loves a cheerful giver. God is able to make all grace overflow to you, so that in all things, at all times, having all that you need, you will overflow in every good work" (2 Corinthians 9:7-8, EHV).*

*Feel free also to make use of online giving options: 1) via our website: go to <http://standrewchicago.org/>, then click on the "Giving" tab; or just click on [this link](#); or scan this QR code with your mobile device; or 2) via the Vanco Mobile app: use our invite code: GEVWA7, or search for our church name and address (links to the app & more info on p. 20).*



**HYMN – Christ, the Lord of Hosts, Unshaken – CWS #726 – printed on the following page**

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Tune: FORTUNATUS NEW (87 87 87) Carl F. Schalk, b. 1929 © 1967 Concordia Publishing House. All rights reserved. Used by permission.



1 Christ, the Lord of hosts, un - shak - en  
 2 Mi - chael fought the heav'n - ly bat - tle,  
 3 Long on earth the bat - tle rag - es,  
 4 Je - sus came, this word ful - fill - ing,  
 5 Swift as light - ning falls the ty - rant  
 6 Je - sus, send your an - gel le - gions



By the dev - il's seeth - ing rage,  
 God - ly an - gels by his side;  
 Since the ser - pent's first de - ceit  
 Tram - pled Sa - tan, death de - fied;  
 From his heav'n - ly perch on high,  
 When the foe would us en - slave.



Thwarts the plan of Sa - tan's min - ions;  
 Warred a - gainst the an - cient ser - pent,  
 Twist - ed God's com - mand to Ad - am,  
 Bore the brunt of our temp - ta - tion,  
 As the word of Je - sus' vic - t'ry  
 Hold us fast when sin as - saults us;



Wins the strife from age to age;  
 Foiled the beast, so full of pride,  
 Made for - bid - den fruit look sweet.  
 On the wretch - ed tree he died.  
 Floods the earth and fills the sky.  
 Come then, Lord, your peo - ple save.



Con - quers sin and death for - ev - er;  
 Cast him earth - bound with his an - gels;  
 Then the curse of God was spok - en:  
 Yet to life was raised vic - to - rious;  
 Wound - ed by a wound e - ter - nal  
 O - ver - throw at last the drag - on;



Slams them in their steel - y cage.  
 Now he prowls, un - sat - is - fied.  
 "You'll lie crushed be - neath his feet!"  
 By his life our life sup - plied.  
 Now his judg - ment has drawn nigh!  
 Send him to his fier - y grave.

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

- M:** O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.
- C: We praise you for every grace and blessing.**
- M:** Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.
- C: Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.**
- M:** We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state, and local governments.
- C: Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.**
- M:** Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.
- C: Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.**
- M:** Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.
- C: Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.**
- M:** Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.
- C: Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow, including the following special prayers:*

*for Asia Lutheran Seminary:*

Lord of the Church, your Spirit is working in the hearts of people across Asia to want to serve you by proclaiming your gospel. We thank you that, through Asia Lutheran Seminary and its new Regional Theological Education Program, we can train these people in their various life situations. Bless the leaders of Asia Lutheran Seminary and their students so that the message of your grace in Jesus Christ may spread to many more people still lost in the hopelessness of sin and death. Amen.

*Additional special prayers may be included.*

**M:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

**M:** Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

**C: Amen.**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

### **PRAYER and BLESSING**

**M:** O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



**C: A - men. A - men. A - men.**

### **CLOSING HYMN – Drawn to the Cross – CW93 #387**

## 387

## Drawn to the Cross



1 Drawn to the cross, which you have blessed With heal - ing  
 2 How well you know my griefs and fears, Your grace a -  
 3 Wash me and take a - way each stain; Let noth - ing  
 4 To pledge my la - bor will - ing - ly, Which shall so



gifts for souls dis - tressed, To find in you my  
 bused, my mis - spent years; So now to you with  
 of my sin re - main. For cleans - ing through your  
 sweet a ser - vice be That an - gels well might



life, my rest, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.  
 con - trite tears, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.  
 cross and pain, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.  
 en - vy me, Christ cru - ci - fied, I come.

Text: Genevieve M. Irons, 1855–1928, alt.

Tune: JUST AS I AM (888 6) Joseph Bamby, 1838–96.

**ST. ANDREW'S MINISTRY THIS WEEK**  
**June 9-16, 2024**

Today	9:30 AM	<b>Worship Service</b>
	11:00 AM	<b>Sunday School &amp; Adult Bible study</b>
Saturday	7:45 PM	中文聚会 (Chinese Ministry)
Sunday (6/16)	9:30 AM	<b>Worship Service w. Lord's Supper</b>
	11:00 AM	<b>Sunday School &amp; Adult Bible study</b>

*The paraments are green for the Sundays after Pentecost. Green represents growth. The Sundays after Pentecost emphasize the growth in faith and godly living that the Holy Spirit works in us through the Word of God.*

**WELCOME, GUESTS!** – We are glad to have you worship with us today! Please sign the guest register in the center church entryway so that we have a record of your visit. Our pastor, Adam Gawel, would be happy to speak with you if you would like; please contact him (see page 2 for contact information). Please join us for worship or Bible study again!

**TASTE OF MISSIONS – June 15 (Sat.), Mequon, WI (and online)**

This family-friendly event, held at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Mequon, Wis., and online, will give WELS members a “taste of missions”, no matter where you might be around the world. The event kicks off with a special worship service where we will commission new home and world missionaries. Sample ethnic cuisine from some of our mission fields while enjoying fellowship and presentations from home and world missionaries alike. View displays, participate in outdoor family-friendly activities, and ask questions about the ups and downs of mission work during panel discussions. Register at <https://tasteofmissions.com/>



## **FREE APOLOGETICS & WORLDVIEW CONFERENCE ONLINE – 6/20 (Thur.)**

On June 20 (Thur.), the Center for Apologetics and Worldviews at Bethany Lutheran College (Mankato, MN), is presenting a conference that will be livestreamed for free, entitled “Defending the Gospel of God: The Apologetics of Jesus, Paul, and the Historical Reliability of the New Testament Records.” Here is a summary of the conference topics: “When bringing Christ to others, we rightly assume the historical reliability of the gospel records. But our neighbor may not. We may also think that the saving gospel cannot or does not need to be defended – thus, evidence for its truthfulness becomes unnecessary, at best. And so, our unbelieving neighbor views Christian faith as nothing more than a blind leap. ... Three questions will be discussed and answered at this conference:

1. Can the gospel records of Jesus of Nazareth be shown to be reliable? Something much more than exaggerations, myths, legends, or worse?
2. If they are reliable, is the gospel that saves defended by Jesus and the apostles? Is evidence given that it is true?
3. And if the records are reliable and the gospel is defended by Jesus, Paul, and others, how can the Christian make use of these for the sake of his neighbor – both non-Christian and Christian?

The conference schedule is as follows:

- 10:00 a.m. – *“Defending the Historical Reliability of the Gospels”*  
– Dr. Adam Francisco, LCMS
- 12:30 p.m. – *“Understanding and Applying the Apologetics of Paul”*  
– Prof. Luke Thompson, Martin Luther College, WELS
- 2:00 p.m. – *“Understanding and Applying the Apologetics of Jesus”*  
– Rev. David Thompson, Center for Apologetics and Worldviews, ELS
- 3:30 p.m. – *Table Talk* with presenters

To view the livestream on the day of the conference, or to share this info with others, go to: <https://apologeticscenter.org/upcoming-conference/>

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL – 10:45 / after worship**

Sunday school is held after the worship service, either in the church basement or in the ministry center next-door to church. Sunday school is open to children from age 3 through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. (High-schoolers are welcome to join adult Bible study in church during the same time.) All are welcome!

### **ADULT BIBLE STUDY: “10 Lies About God” – Sundays after worship**

On Sundays in adult Bible study, we’re going through a series entitled "10 Lies about God," in which we use the Bible to evaluate some popular statements about God and religion that sound good but that actually contain serious errors. Feel free to join us whenever you’re able. All are welcome!

### **PASTORAL COUNSELING; PRIVATE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION**

Pastor Gawel is available for confidential pastoral counseling and for private confession and absolution. Please feel free to make an appointment to see him. (You may call or text Pastor Gawel on his cell phone: 773-217-8132.)

### **SATURDAY EVENING CHINESE MINISTRY**

On Saturday evenings at 7:45pm in our ministry center (the house next-door to church), we have Chinese ministry, which includes elements of a worship service, Bible study, and prayer, all in Mandarin Chinese. New friends are always welcome to join! Please invite any Chinese friends or neighbors. You may share with them the following invitation:

每周六晚上 7:45, 圣安得烈基督教路德宗教会成人中文圣经学习。欢迎您参加! 我们在教会的事工中心(教堂旁边的房子)现场聚会; 地址是 3650 S. Honore St., Chicago。如果你想了解更多, 请联系高乐仁牧师: 手机: 773-217-8132。欢迎!

### **BIBLE INFORMATION CLASS**

This class is open to anyone who is interested in learning more – or who would like a review – about what the Bible teaches and what Lutheran Christians believe. At the conclusion of the class, those who are in agreement in faith are invited to join our church, though this is not a requirement for taking the class. Pastor Gawel is able to teach the class in English and Mandarin Chinese, and we have class materials in Spanish available as well. If you or someone you know are interested in starting Bible information class, please contact Pastor Gawel.

### **“TRAINING CAMP” WELS YOUTH CAMP – JULY 14-19, INGLESIDE, IL – still room in boys’ cabin; girls’ cabin full**

Proverbs 22:6 says, *“Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.”* The purpose of Training Camp is to provide an opportunity for kids to grow in God’s Word and enjoy God’s

creation. Youth entering grades 3 - 9 in the fall are eligible to be campers. Youth entering grades 11 and 12 in the fall are eligible to be junior counselors. Under the guidance of Christian counselors, your child will be involved in daily devotions and Bible studies, arts and crafts, hiking, boating, tower climbing, swimming, singing, and athletics of all types. The total cost per camper is \$500. This includes lodging, meals, camp T-shirt, and all activities. Training Camp is held at YMCA Camp Duncan, in Ingleside, IL. Pastor Paul Spaude from St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in Niles, IL, is the head counselor of Training Camp; you may email him with questions at [paul.spaude@smniles.org](mailto:paul.spaude@smniles.org) ; or contact Pastor Gawel or Sherry. Register for camp or find more info at <https://smniles.org/overnight-bible-camp> .

### **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY AT JERUSALEM, MORTON GROVE – alternating Mondays this summer**

The women of Jerusalem Lutheran Church (Morton Grove, IL) are hosting a bi-weekly Bible Study led by women of Jerusalem for women high-school aged and older. We will be using the book "Joy: A Study of Philippians" by Deb Burma. Books will be provided free of charge for all participants. We will meet the following Mondays from 10:00am-11:00am: June 17, July 1, July 15, July 29, August 12. Dates and times may change based upon the group's availability. Kids are welcome to come if needed, but childcare is not provided. Kindly sign up by using the link below. Contact Emily Buetow ([emilysting@gmail.com](mailto:emilysting@gmail.com)) with any questions. <https://tinyurl.com/JelsBiblestudy>

### **WELS NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON WORSHIP, MUSIC, & THE ARTS July 30 evening – Aug. 2 noon, at Carthage College, Kenosha, WI – teens also welcome!**

The worship conference offers something for everyone. It's not only for pastors and musicians but also for lay people who love worship and want to encourage worship enrichment in their congregations. Highlights include: 50+ presentations; Plenary address: "Lutheran Worship: What Now?" by Pastor Jonathan Bauer; Vendors offering music, art, instruments, and professional services to congregations and individuals; Opportunities for relaxation and fellowship; Concerts and recitals; Keyboard and choral reading sessions on new repertoire; 120-voice Festival Choir (with full orchestra); 120-voice high school Honor Choir (with full orchestra); 70-voice children's choir. Register and more info here: <https://welsworshipconference.net/> . (1-day also available.)

## WELS Family Devotions

Get your family into God’s Word during the week! WELS has developed short devotions for the entire family to use. Each devotion comes complete with a set of questions for different age groups, a prayer, and hymn verses that can be sung or spoken. Downloadable printable versions are also available. Find the family devotions at [www.wels.net/family-devotions](http://www.wels.net/family-devotions)

## ONLINE GIVING INFORMATION

There are a number of ways to give to St. Andrew online: 1) via our website: go to <http://standrewchicago.org/>, then click on the “Giving” tab; or just click on [this link](#); or scan this QR code with your mobile device; or 2) via the Vanco Mobile app: use our church’s invite code: GEVWA7, or search for our church name and address. You can download the Vanco Mobile app from the [Apple App Store](#) for iOS devices or the [Google Play Store](#) for Android devices. Please contact St. Andrew’s elder for stewardship, Sam DeLaurentis [del Laurentis.sam@gmail.com](mailto:del Laurentis.sam@gmail.com) with any questions.



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Budgeted need each month	Total offerings received in May
\$14,517.92	\$6,335.79

Offerings received last week: \$1,445.44  
(budgeted need each week: \$3,350.29)

### **Ministry Attendance Last Week**

**In-church worship attendance last Sunday: 36** (33 adults, 3 children)

**Sunday service live-stream peak concurrent viewing devices: 5**

**Last weekend’s Saturday Chinese ministry: 9**

**Adult Bible study attendance: 2** (Tue.: 2)

**Sunday school: n/a    Youth confirmation class: 4**

**God bless you this week as you share the joy of the gospel with others!**