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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

Just how deeply should the Word of God penetrate heart and life? Jesus himself is the model in whose footsteps we follow, stumbling though that following be.

Communicant members may wish to prepare for the Lord's Supper using the "Personal Preparation for Holy Communion" on p. 156 in the front part of the hymnal (the red book in the pew rack: Christian Worship).

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Jesus, Your Blood and Righteousness



1 Je - sus, your blood and right - eous - ness My beau - ty
 2 Bold shall I stand in that great day— Who can a
 3 Lord, I be - lieve your pre - cious blood, Which at the
 4 Lord, I be - lieve were sin - ners more Than sands up -
 5 When from the dust of death I rise To claim my



are, my glo - rious dress; Mid flam - ing worlds, in
 word a - gainst me say? Ful - ly through you ab -
 ver - y throne of God For - ev - er will for
 on the o - cean shore, You have for all a
 man - sion in the skies, E'en then this shall be



these ar - rayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.
 solved I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
 sin - ners plead, For me—e'en for my soul—was shed.
 ran - som paid, For all a full a - tone - ment made.
 all my plea: Je - sus has lived and died for me.

6 Jesus, be worshiped endlessly!
 Your boundless mercy has for me,
 For me and all your hands have made,
 An everlasting ransom paid.

Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–60, abr.; tr. John B. Wesley, 1703–91, alt.
 Tune: ST. CRISPIN (LM) George J. Elvey, 1816–93.

INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION 召喚，認罪及赦罪

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

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 wor-ship 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 本日共祷文

M: Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your mercy and grace may always go before and follow after us that, loving you with undivided hearts, we may be ready for every good and useful work; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING – Isaiah 50:4-10 (EHV) – 以赛亚书 50:4-10

⁴The Lord God gave me a tongue like the learned, an instructed tongue, so I know how to sustain the weary with a word.

He wakes me up morning by morning.

He wakes up my ears so that I listen like the learned.

⁵The Lord God opened my ear,
and I myself was not rebellious.

I did not turn back.

⁶I submitted my back to those who beat me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard.
I did not hide my face from disgrace and from spit.

⁷The Lord God will help me,
so I will not be disgraced.

Therefore I have made my face hard like flint.

I know that I will not be put to shame.

⁸The one who will acquit me is near!

Who can accuse me?

Let us take our stand.

Who can pass judgment on me?

Let him approach me.

⁹Look, the Lord God will help me.

Who then can declare me guilty?

Look, all of them will wear out like a garment.

A moth will consume them.

¹⁰Who among you worships the Lord
and listens to the voice of his servant?

Anyone who walks in darkness

and who has no bright light—

let him trust in the name of the Lord,

and let him lean on his God.

PSALM OF THE DAY – Psalm 116 – CW93 p. 107 (text NIV84)

Refrain

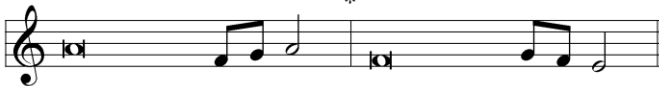


I will walk in the pres-ence of the Lord,



in the land of the liv - ing.

Psalm tone



Refrain

I love the LORD, for he heard my voice;*
he heard my cry for mercy.

Because he turned his ear to me,*
I will call on him as long as I live.

The LORD is gracious and righteous;*
when I was in great need, he saved me.

Refrain

For you, O LORD, have delivered my soul from death,*
my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

How can I repay the LORD*
for all his goodness to me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation*
and call on the name of the LORD.

**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 – James 2:1-5, 8-10, 14-18 (EHV) – 雅各书 2:1-5, 8-10, 14-18

My brothers, have faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ without showing favoritism. ²For example, suppose a man enters your worship assembly^b wearing gold rings and fine clothing, and a poor man also enters wearing filthy clothing. ³If you look with favor on the man wearing fine clothing and say, “Sit here in this good place,” but you tell the poor man, “Stand over there” or “Sit down here^c at my feet,” ⁴have you not made a distinction among yourselves and become judges with evil opinions? ⁵Listen, my dear brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom, which he promised to those who love him? ⁸However, if you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture: “You shall love your neighbor

^b Or *synagogue*

^c Some witnesses to the text omit *here*.

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Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spoke



1 "Come, fol - low me," the Sav - ior spoke, "All in my
 2 "I am the light; I light the way, A god - ly
 3 "My heart a - bounds in low - li - ness, My soul with
 4 "I teach you how to shun and flee What harms your
 5 Then let us fol - low Christ our Lord And take the



way a - bid - ing. De - ny your - selves; the
 life dis - play - ing. I bid you walk as
 love is glow - ing, And gra - cious words my
 souls' sal - va - tion, Your hearts from ev - 'ry
 cross ap - point - ed And, firm - ly cling - ing



world for - sake; O - bey my call and guid - ing.
 in the day; I keep your feet from stray - ing.
 lips ex - press, With meek - ness o - ver - flow - ing.
 guile to free, From sin and its temp - ta - tion.
 to his Word, In suf - f'ring be un - daunt - ed.



Oh, bear the cross, what - e'er be - tide; Take
 I am the way, and well I show How
 My heart, my mind, my strength, my all To
 I am the ref - uge of the soul And
 For those who bear the bat - tle's strain The

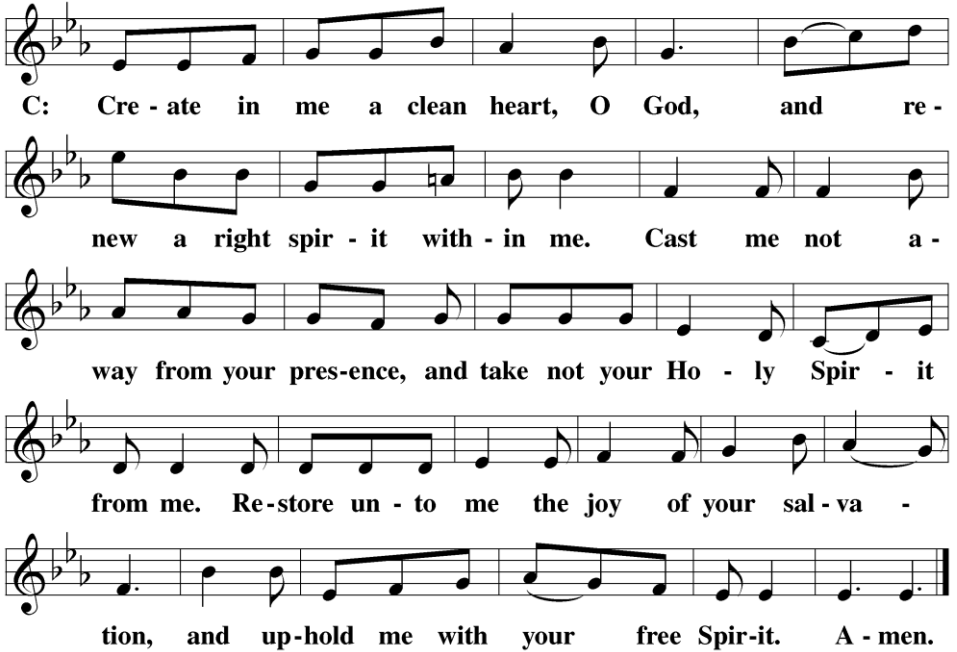


my ex - am - ple for your guide.
 you should jour - ney here be - low.
 God I yield; on him I call.
 lead you to your heav'n - ly goal."
 crown of heav'n - ly life ob - tain.

Text: Johann Scheffler, 1624–77, abr., st. 1-3, 5; *Geistliche Lieder und Lobgesänge*, 1695, st. 4; tr. Charles W. Schaeffer, 1813–96, alt.
 Tune: MACHS MIT MIR, GOTT (87 87 88) Bartholomäus Gesius, c. 1555–1613, adapt.

SERMON – James 2:1-5, 8-10, 14-18 – Dealing with Differences – 讲道：
基于 雅各书 2:1-5, 8-10, 14-18

After the sermon, the congregation sings: – 讲道后，会众齐唱：



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

OFFERING 奉献

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. 23).

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH 教会公祷

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 WELS Christian Aid and Relief:

Lord of mercy, you show love to all people by supplying their needs. Bless the work of WELS Christian Aid and Relief as they reflect your love for people in our nation and around the world by meeting their needs in times of trouble. We thank you for

the offerings of your people that have enabled Christian Aid and Relief to provide humanitarian grants as expressions of your love. Lord, bring relief to all who are still in need or danger. We pray this through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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 主祷文

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.

THE SACRAMENT 圣餐礼

Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy Supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this Supper, we celebrate the gift of his redemption, we bear witness to the fellowship we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he returns.

Following the teaching of the Bible (1 Corinthians 10:17; 11:27-29; etc.), our church practices "close communion." We ask that only those who are current communicant members of this church or another congregation of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) or Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS) partake of the sacrament today. If you are not a current member of this church or one of our sister churches, our pastor would be happy to speak with you about receiving the Lord's Supper with us in the future. Please mention it to him after the service.

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: **It is good and right so to do.**

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

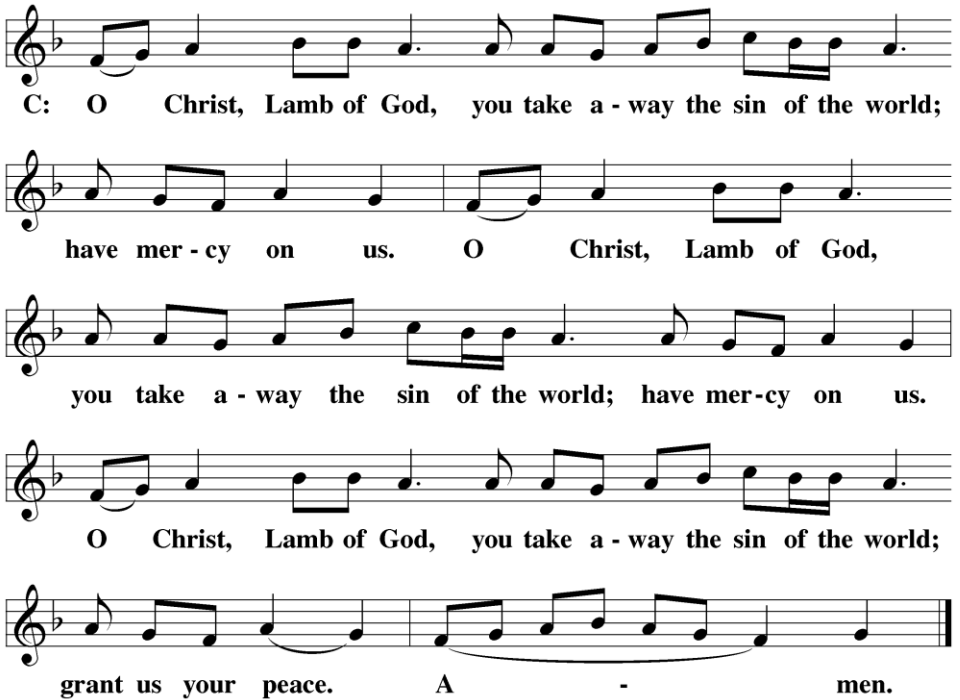
WORDS OF INSTITUTION 耶稣设立圣餐的话

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - - men.

DISTRIBUTION 分发圣餐 – 只邀请已经受坚信礼的本会成员来领受
At the direction of the usher, current communicant members of St. Andrew and our sister churches in the WELS and ELS may come forward down the center aisle, then wait until directed by an usher to go to the communion rail. Communicants may kneel or stay standing. Please hold out your hand to receive the bread. If you wish to partake of the

common cup, do not take an individual cup when the assistant comes by with the tray. Those who need to receive grape juice instead of wine may take the purple individual cups in the center of the tray. The minister and assistant will use hand sanitizer before and/or wear sterile gloves during communion setup and distribution. Gluten-free wafers are available; please speak with the pastor or an usher to receive one.

After the distribution, the congregation sings: – 分发圣餐后，会众齐唱：



C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing
to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-
pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the
Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

PRAYER and BLESSING 祷告及祝福

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: **And his mercy endures forever.**

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

M: 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.

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How Can I Thank You, Lord



1 How can I thank you, Lord, For all your lov - ing -
2 It is your work a - lone That I am now con -
3 Lord, you have raised me up To joy and ex - ul -
4 Grant that your Spir - it's help To me be al - ways
5 O Fa - ther, God of love, Now hear my sup - pli -



kind - ness, That you have pa - tient - ly Borne
vert - ed; O'er Sa - tan's work in me You
ta - tion; And clear - ly shown the way That
giv - en Lest I should fall a - gain And
ca - tion; O Sav - ior, Son of God, Ac -



with me in my blind - ness! When dead in man - y
have your pow'r as - sert - ed. Your mer - cy and your
leads me to sal - va - tion. My sins are washed a -
lose the way to heav - en. Grant that he give me
cept my ad - o - ra - tion; O Ho - ly Spir - it,



sins And tres - pass - es I lay, I kin - dled,
grace That rise a - fresh each morn Have turned my
way; For this I thank you, Lord. Now with my
strength In my in - fir - mi - ty; May he re -
be My ev - er faith - ful guide That I may



ho - ly God, Your an - ger ev - 'ry day.
ston - y heart In - to a heart new - born.
heart and soul All e - vil I ab - hor.
new my heart To serve you will - ing - ly.
serve you here And there with you a - bide.

Text: attr. David Denicke, 1603–80, abr.; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt.

Tune: O GOTT, DU FROMMER GOTT (II) (67 67 66 66) *Neu-vermehrtes . . . Gesangbuch*, 3rd ed., Meiningen, 1693, alt.

ST. ANDREW'S MINISTRY THIS WEEK
September 15-22, 2024

Today	9:30 AM	Worship Service w. Lord's Supper
	11:00 AM	Sunday School & Adult Bible study
Saturday	7:45 PM	中文聚会 (Chinese Ministry)
Sunday (9/22)	9:30 AM	Worship Service
	11:00 AM	Sunday School & Adult Bible study

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!

MEMORIAL — In loving memory of Lee Essig on his birthday, Sept. 8, 1938, by Barbara Essig.

YOUTH CONFIRMATION CLASS RESUMES IN SEPTEMBER

Youth confirmation class will resume in September. Youth confirmation class is open to youth in grades 5 through 8, and to high-schoolers who have not yet been confirmed. If you have a potential student in mind, please speak with Pastor Gawel or St. Andrew's elder for Christian education, George Lawson. All are welcome!

BENEFIT FOR STACY CYGAN – SEPT. 22 (SUN.) 1-5PM

A benefit for our sister in Christ, Stacy Cygan, who is battling stage four colorectal, liver, and lung cancer, is planned for Sept. 22 (Sun.) from

1:00 to 5:00 at Bourbon Street (3359 W. 115th St., Chicago) in Merrionette Park. Event and raffle tickets are available in our church office or by speaking with Brian Garcia or Rose Heelan (nee Cygan). See the poster in the center hallway in church for more info. We also have a box on the tables in the back of the worship space for special donations for Stacy and/or for the benefit. Please continue to pray for Stacy and her family and friends for God's strength, for healing, and relief!

RUMMAGE SALE & WEENIE ROAST HELP NEEDED – Sept. 28 (Sat.)

Come join the Rummage Sale Team in developing and implementing this event to raise funds for families in need. There are five volunteer teams:

- Advertising – Gail Schoenbeck
- Distribution/ Promotion – Maureen Murphy
- Food – Christine & Glenn Young
- Money – Karen Taylor
- Organizing & Set-up – Michele Starr

What sub-committee do you have an interest in? Please let the Team Lead know that you have an interest in working with them on their team. ... We are in need of more tables for the rummage sale, so if you have a folding table you can bring, please plan to bring it in advance if possible. Just label it underneath somewhere with your name. ... And, you are welcome to bring donations for the rummage sale to church on the Sunday before hand (9/22), or during the week before, by appointment with Michele Starr.

KIDS FISHING DERBY IN MCKINLEY PARK – Sept. 21 (Sat.), 9:00-noon

Get ready for a splash of excitement on September 21, 2024, at the McKinley Park Lagoon, as the Steve Demitro Fishing Derby celebrates its 5th year of being Chicago's Best Kids Fishing Derby. This free event is open to kids aged 7-13, accompanied by an adult, with online registration required. Spaces are limited. The fun kicks off at 9:00am sharp, bringing the community together for a day filled with fishing, prizes, and outdoor learning. Register here:

<https://neighborhoodjournal.info/reel-in-the-fun-chicagos-premier-kids-fishing-derby-launches-sign-up-today/>

SUNDAY SCHOOL – 11:00 / 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 8th 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!

THE GRANDMOTHER’S PRAYER GROUP

After enjoying the final days of summer, The Grandmother’s Prayer Group is reconvening on Wednesday, September 11, at 2:00pm. Join us for a ½ hour to an hour of prayer for those we love. The Grandmother’s Prayer Group was started in honor of Eloise Lawson and in memory of Irene Schoenbeck, two women who love to pray for their families, their church, and their country. If interested in joining us for this prayer time via phone, let Eloise or me know. We’d love to have you join us.

Blessings, Gail

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY

Women’s Bible Study will start-up again on Wednesday, September 25, at 12:30pm, in person or via Zoom. The women currently involved are seeking to discover either a new direction or to fill a piece of what’s next in their lives. If interested, please let me know. I’d love to have you join the group! All my best, Gail

WELS WOMEN’S MINISTRY WEBINAR: “Little Lives with Jesus” – Oct. 10, 7pm

Approximately one in four pregnancies end in miscarriage, and that number might be even higher if the loss happens before the mother is aware of her pregnancy. Stillbirths, which occur later in a pregnancy, are far less common but still happen today despite medical advances. Regardless of the frequency of losing a preterm infant, many women report experiencing intense sadness or depression. They feel alone even though they are far from alone. Through this webinar we seek to compassionately demonstrate the value of pre-born life, to offer spiritual and practical comfort to those who have lost a baby, and to promote and encourage ideas for individuals and congregations on how they can

support and show the love of Jesus to those mourning such a devastating loss. Learn more and register here: <https://wels.net/serving-you/christian-life/womens-ministry/womens-ministry-webinars/>

WELS 175TH ANNIVERSARY PICTORIAL HISTORY BOOK PREORDER: *Christ Through Us: A Pictorial History of the Wisconsin Synod, 1850-2025*

Filled with more than 250 pages of captivating images and fascinating stories, [*Christ Through Us*](#) will be a great addition to your library or a thoughtful gift for people interested in the synod's history. This limited-edition book can be **pre-ordered until Sept. 30, 2024, for guaranteed availability**. Take 20% off the cover price when you **order your copy today**, here: <https://online.nph.net/christ-through-us.html>

ONLINE BIBLE STUDY: “When Politics Drives You Crazy” – 10/3, 10, 17, 24

Retired WELS pastor Charles Degner will lead an online Bible study on the first four Thursdays in October at 7:30pm (Central), based on his four-part Bible study series in *Forward in Christ* magazine titled: “When politics drives you crazy.” More info and register here: <https://forwardinchrist.net/online-study/>

SATURDAY EVENING CHINESE MINISTRY 周六晚上7:45中文圣经学习

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, 圣安得烈基督路德宗教会有成人中文圣经学习。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 or Tom Pindelski.

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.)

Help WELS Campus Ministry serve your students

WELS Campus Ministry exists to serve college students during their years on campus, often away from home. In order to do this, campus pastors need names and contact information for WELS members attending college. You can help WELS Campus Ministry serve students by letting the campus pastors know who is coming to a college or university near them. Students can sign up on the [WELS campus ministry database](#) to get in touch with the nearby campus ministry contact pastor and to receive free copies of the *Meditations* devotion booklet and the *Forward in Christ* magazine. The earlier we have students' information, the sooner our campus ministry contact pastors will be able to reach out to the students. There is also an online Sunday evening Bible study for college students available. If you have questions, please contact us at cm@wels.net .

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

Sign up today for Marriage Moments

Every marriage has its "moments." That's why marriages need moments of encouragement and refreshment. *Marriage Moments* are short, weekly videos highlighting one biblical marriage thought accompanied by a discussion question. Watch a video introduction and subscribe to receive the videos directly to your e-mail at www.welscongregationalservices.net/marriagemoments

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 with any questions.



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Budgeted need each month	Total offerings received in August
\$14,517.92	\$6,146.62

Offerings received last week: \$1,184.38

(budgeted need each week: \$3,350.29)

Total offerings received so far this month: \$2,956.33

Ministry Attendance Last Week

In-church worship attendance last Sunday: 43 (25 adults, 18 children)

Sunday service live-stream peak concurrent viewing devices: 9

Last weekend’s Saturday Chinese ministry: 9

Adult Bible study attendance: 10 (Sun.: 6; Wed.: 2; Thur.: 2)

Sunday school: 12

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