



Then the Lord came down in the cloud and had talk with him, and put on the seventy men some of the spirit which was on him: now when the spirit came to rest on them, they were like prophets, but only at that time.

"Numbers" 11:25

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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

The gifts of God are so rich and varied that the devil uses that very generosity of God to stir up jealousy and envy. Expect it in others; recognize it in yourself as well! That weakness makes it crystal clear that our need for a Savior is a constant one. It makes it equally clear that our struggle against our own sinful nature gives us much more difficulty and anguish than the hostility or the persecution from the world.

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O Splendor of God's Glory Bright



1 O Splen - dor of God's glo - ry bright,
 2 Come, ver - y Sun of truth and love,
 3 Teach us to work with all our pow'r
 4 Oh, joy - ful be the live - long day,
 5 All praise to God the Fa - ther be,



You dai - ly bring forth light from light.
 Come in your ra - diance from a - bove,
 To con - quer in temp - ta - tion's hour.
 Our thoughts as pure as morn - ing ray,
 All praise to Christ e - ter - nal - ly,



O Light from Light, light's foun - tain - spring,
 And shed the Ho - ly Spir - it's ray
 Let faith her ea - ger fires re - new
 Our faith like noon - day's glow - ing height,
 Whom with the Spir - it we a - dore



O Day, our days en - light - en - ing:
 On all we think or do to - day.
 And hate the false and love the true.
 Our souls un - dimmed by shades of night.
 For - ev - er and for - ev - er - more.

Text: St. Ambrose, 340–97, abr., adapt.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, Rev. ed., London, 1904, alt.
 Tune: O HEILIGE DREIFALTIGKEIT (LM) Nikolaus Herman, c. 1480–1561, alt.

INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION 召唤，认罪及赦罪

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 unfailing 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 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.

Mercifully grant, O God, that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts, for without your help we are unable to please you; 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 – Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29 (EHV) – 民数记 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

⁴The foreign rabble who were among the Israelites were overcome by their craving. The Israelites also wept once again and said, “Who is going to give us meat to eat? ⁵We remember the fish we ate in Egypt free of charge, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic. ⁶But now our lives are wasting away. ^b We have nothing at all to look at except this manna.”

¹⁰Moses heard people from all the clans weeping, each one at the entrance to his own tent. At the same time, the LORD’s anger burned fiercely, and Moses was displeased. ^b ¹¹Moses said to the LORD, “Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your eyes? Why do you put the burden of all these people on me? ¹²Did

^b Literally *our soul has dried up, or we have lost our appetite, or our throat is dry*

^b Literally *it was evil in Moses’ eyes*

I conceive all these people by myself? Am I the one who gave birth to them so that you tell me to carry them in my arms to the land which you swore to their fathers, just as a woman who is nursing carries a baby? ¹³Where is there meat for me to give to all these people? Listen, they are weeping to me and saying, ‘Give us meat so that we can eat.’ ¹⁴I am not able to carry all these people by myself, because that is too much for me. ¹⁵If you are going to treat me this way, please kill me right now. If I have found favor in your eyes, do not let me see my own ruin.”

¹⁶So the LORD said to Moses, “Gather seventy men from the elders of Israel for me, men whom you know to be elders and officers for the people. Take them to the Tent of Meeting and make them stand there with you.

²⁴Moses went out and told the people the LORD’s words. He gathered seventy men from the elders of the people and had them stand all around the tent. ²⁵The LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him. He took from the Spirit that was on Moses and put it on the seventy elders. When the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied, but they did not do it again.^c

²⁶Two men, however, remained in the camp. The name of one was Eldad, and the name of the other was Medad. They were listed among the elders, but they had not gone out to the tent. The Spirit rested on them, and they prophesied back in the camp. ²⁷A young man ran and reported this to Moses. He said, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp!”

²⁸Joshua son of Nun, Moses’ aide from his youth, answered, “My lord Moses, stop them!”

²⁹Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? If only all of the LORD’s people were prophets so that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!

PSALM OF THE DAY – Psalm 51b – CW93 p. 87 (text NIV84) – printed on the following page – 诗篇 51下, 在下一页

^c Or, with a different reading of the Hebrew, *and they continued to do so*

Refrain



Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, re - new our hearts and
kin - dle in us the fire of your love.

Psalm tone



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Refrain

O Lord, open my lips,*
and my mouth will declare your praise.

You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it;*
you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;*
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Refrain

Create in me a pure heart, O God,*
and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Do not cast me from your presence*
or take your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,*
and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Then I will teach transgressors your ways,*
and sinners will turn back to you.

**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 4:7-12 (EHV) – 雅各书 4:7-12

⁷So, submit yourselves to God. Resist the Devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸Come near to God, and he will come near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded people.

⁹Lament, mourn, and weep. Let your laughter be changed into mourning and your joy into gloom. ¹⁰Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he will lift you up.

¹¹Do not speak against one another, brothers. The one who speaks against a brother or judges his brother is speaking against the law and judging the law. But if you judge the law, you are not one who does the law, but a judge. ¹²There is one lawgiver and judge. He is able to save and to destroy. But who are you to judge your neighbor?

VERSE OF THE DAY 备福音词及哈利路亚

M: Alleluia. At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Alleluia. (*Philippians 2:10-11 – NIV*)



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL – Mark 9:38-50 (EHV) – 马可福音 9:38-50

³⁸John said to him, “Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name. We tried to stop him, because he was not following us.”

³⁹But Jesus said, “Do not try to stop him, because no one who does a miracle in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil about me. ⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹Amen I tell you: Whoever gives you a cup of water to drink in my name, because you belong to Christ, will certainly not lose his reward.

⁴²“Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to fall into sin,^a it would be better for him if he were thrown into the sea with a large millstone hung around his neck. ⁴³If your hand causes you to fall into sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life maimed, than to have two hands and go into hell,^b into the unquenchable fire, ⁴⁴‘where their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.’^c ⁴⁵If your foot causes you to fall into sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell,^d ⁴⁶‘where their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.’ ⁴⁷If your eye causes you to fall into sin, pluck it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell,^e ⁴⁸‘where their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.’ ⁴⁹For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰Salt is good. But if the salt loses its flavor, how will you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

After the reading of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY – *Renew Me, O Eternal Light* – CW93 #471 – printed on the following page – 圣诗 — 在下一页

^a Or *fall from faith* (Greek *skandalizo* is also used in verses 43, 45, and 47)

^b Or *Gehenna*

^c Isaiah 66:24 is quoted in verses 44, 46, and 48. A few witnesses to the text omit verses 44 and 46.

^d Or *Gehenna*

^e Or *Gehenna*



1 Re - new me, O e - ter - nal Light, And let my
 2 De - stroy in me the lust of sin; From all im -
 3 Cre - ate in me a new heart, Lord, That glad - ly
 4 Grant that I on - ly you may love And seek those



heart and soul be bright, Il - lu - mined with the
 pure - ness make me clean. Oh, grant me pow'r and
 I o - bey your Word. Oh, let your will be
 things which are a - bove Till I be - hold you



light of grace That is - sues from your ho - ly face.
 strength, my God, To strive a - gainst my flesh and blood.
 my de - sire And with new life my soul in - spire.
 face to face, O Light e - ter - nal, through your grace.

Text: Johann F. Ruopp, 1672–1708, abr.; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt.

Tune: HERR JESU CHRIST, MEINS (LM) *As hymnodus sacer*, Leipzig, 1625, alt.

SERMON – Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29 – God’s Promise in Prayer – 讲道：基于民数记 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

APOSTLES’ CREED 使徒信经

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.

HYMN – *Take My Life and Let It Be* – CW93 #469 – printed on the following page – 圣诗 — 在下一页



1 Take my life and let it be Con - se -
 2 Take my hands and let them move At the
 3 Take my voice and let me sing Al - ways,
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; Not a
 5 Take my will and make it thine; It shall



cra - ted, Lord, to thee. Take my mo - ments
 im - pulse of thy love. Take my feet and
 on - ly for my King. Take my lips and
 mite would I with - hold. Take my in - tel -
 be no long - er mine. Take my heart— it



and my days; Let them flow in cease - less praise.
 let them be Swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 let them be Filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
 lect and use Ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.
 is thine own; It shall be thy roy - al throne.

6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour
 At thy feet its treasure store.
 Take myself, and I will be
 Ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–79.
 Tune: PATMOS (77 77) William H. Havergal, 1793–1870.

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. 20).

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH 教会公祷

M: Eternal God and Father, we give you thanks for the blessings we share as members of your holy Church, for your gracious Word and sacraments, for opportunities to worship and to grow in faith and knowledge, for occasions to serve and be served, for fellowship with believers in our congregation and in our synod.

C: Help us to rejoice in these blessings, dear Lord, and to use them faithfully.

M: Jesus Christ, Lord of the Church, you give grace to your people by calling us to be your witnesses in the world. Open our eyes to see the great and noble mission that lies before us. In the hurting eyes of the lonely, in the pained eyes of the sick, and in the searching eyes of the lost, help us to see your face, O Jesus, and to serve others as we would serve you.

C: Awaken us to the opportunities you give to proclaim your message of love.

M: Holy Spirit, giver of life, through Word and sacrament bestow on us the wisdom and power we need to witness clearly and to act boldly. Help us to speak the truth in love, to give the reason for the hope we have, and to conduct ourselves with gentleness and respect.

C: Set our hearts on fire as we work and witness for Christ.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we pray for a family member, an acquaintance, a neighbor, or a friend who does not believe in you, or whose faith is weak or troubled.

Silent prayer.

M: Bless the Church with men and women who are willing to proclaim your Word in places where we cannot go. Keep them and their loved ones in your care, and let nothing hinder their work. By the power of the gospel, restore their spirits each day, so that they do not lose heart as they serve us and others.

C: Move us to support them with our sincere prayers and generous offerings.

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

for the home mission congregation in Williston, North Dakota:

Lord Jesus, our Good Shepherd, you are gathering your people in Williston, North Dakota, through the good news of your forgiveness. These believers have been praying to start a mission congregation for more than 15 years. Through this period of waiting, you have developed a family of believers who are persistent in ministry and steadfast in your promise that you will not leave them. Use this group to proclaim your light into the darkness where unbelief and ignorance have blinded souls to your truth. Provide a pastor to shepherd them with your Word and Sacraments. Thank you for your love and the goodness you have lavished upon these fellow believers through the work of WELS Home Missions. We look forward to the blessings to come as you carry out your kingdom work through your beloved people in Williston. Amen.

Additional special prayers may be included.

M: Wherever your Word is proclaimed, O Lord, grant it success. Let your kingdom come to us and others, so that we and many more might join the assembly of saints and angels to sing your praise forever.

C: **Savior of all, hear our prayer and help us in our mission. 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.

PRAYER and BLESSING 祷告及祝福

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.

COMMITMENT

462 Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways



1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways To
2 Or - der my foot - steps by your Word, And
3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, A
4 Make me to walk in your com - mands— 'Tis



keep his stat - utes still! Oh, that my God would
make my heart sin - cere; Let sin have no do -
strict - er watch to keep; And should I e'er for -
a de - light - ful road— Nor let my head or



grant me grace To know and do his will!
min - ion, Lord, But keep my con - science clear.
get your way, Re - store your wan - d'ring sheep.
heart or hands Of - fend a - gainst my God.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, abr., alt.

Tune: EVAN (CM) William H. Havergal, 1793–1870, adapt.

ST. ANDREW'S MINISTRY THIS WEEK
September 29 – October 6, 2024

Today	9:30 AM	Worship Service
	11:00 AM	Sunday School & Adult Bible study
Monday	6:30-8:00 PM	Youth Confirmation Class
Saturday	7:45 PM	中文聚会 (Chinese Ministry)
Sunday (10/6)	9:30 AM	Worship Service w. Lord's Supper
	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!

MISSION PRESENTATION ON EAST ASIA TODAY AFTER WORSHIP

This Sunday during our Bible study time after worship (starting about 11:00), we have the opportunity to hear a presentation from a long-time WELS missionary to East Asia, who spent more than 30 years serving in Taiwan and Hong Kong, as well as other more restricted places in East Asia. This missionary is still active in teaching online classes to church leaders in East Asia. And, he knows our former members Jason and Mei-shu well from the time he spent serving in Taiwan. Please join us this Sunday after worship to hear from this veteran missionary about WELS mission work in East Asia and how we can support it with our prayers and offerings, as well as how we can

participate in the mission God has given to the church, right here in our own backyard!

RUMMAGE SALE – THANKS TO VOLUNTEERS! ; FOLLOW-UP SALE

Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped with all aspects of the rummage sale yesterday – planning, advertising, donations, sorting, preparation, grilling, greeting, and staffing the event. It was a great opportunity to meet a number of people from our community and welcome them to our church, as well as raising money for families in need. There is still quite a lot of items that weren't sold, so we're planning to have one or more follow-up rummage sales in the coming weeks. We'll share more details when they're finalized.

YOUTH CONFIRMATION CLASS – Mondays 6:30pm; other time possible

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. All are welcome! The class is currently held on Monday evenings from 6:30-8:00, but we can adjust the class day or time or add a second class-time if needed, to accommodate the schedules of everyone who is interested.

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!

LWMS CIRCUIT RALLY – Oct. 19 (Sat.), at Resurrection, Aurora

You are invited to the **2024 Fall Rally** of the Chicago Area Circuit of the Lutheran Women's Missionary Society on **Saturday, October 19**, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Resurrection Lutheran Church, 2567 W Sullivan Rd, Aurora, IL 60506. All women in an LWMS member congregation (confirmation age and older) are members of LWMS and are encouraged to attend. Guests are also welcome. **There will be a mystery prize given away at the rally. Come to find out what it is!**

Our theme is "All Things are Possible with God," highlighting the mission field in Bangladesh, and our speaker is Pastor Paul Prange. Plan to bring friends and family and join us at Resurrection, Aurora, for

fellowship, fun, and food, as we worship and learn how God is working in Bangladesh. You won't want to miss it!

Rally schedule:

9:00 Registration & coffee hour

9:30 Opening Devotion/Offering – Host Pastor Christian Willick

9:45 Business Meeting & Presentation on the LWMS convention
by Pastor and Alex Nicholson

10:15 Break

10:30 Presentation on Bangladesh by Pastor Paul Prange

12:00 Closing devotion – Pastor Paul Spaude

12:15 Lunch

Childcare is available for this event. Please email Circuit Secretary Raquel Willick at rwillick@relcs.org if you need childcare. Let her know the number of children and their ages.

We are looking to **collect Walmart Gift Cards** for our brothers and sisters on the Peridot and San Carlos, Arizona, reservations affected by wildfires. Please bring items to the LWMS Fall Rally on October 19. We will then send them along to Peridot and San Carlos. Thank you for praying for the reservations and LWMS www.lwms.org

PRAYER GROUP

Prayer Group is held via phone on Wednesdays at 2:00pm. Join us for a half hour to an hour of prayer. If interested, let Eloise or me know. We'd love to have you join us. Blessings, Gail

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Women's Bible Study has started up again on Wednesdays 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, 圣安得烈基督教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 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. 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. 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: \$2,086.72

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

Total offerings received so far this month: \$7,288.49

Ministry Attendance Last Week

In-church worship attendance last Sunday: 46 (31 adults, 15 children)

Sunday service live-stream peak concurrent viewing devices: 11

Last weekend’s Saturday Chinese ministry: 3

Adult Bible study attendance: 10 (Sun.: 8; Thur.: 2)

Sunday school: 7

Youth confirmation class: 5

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