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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**

*God's Old Testament people celebrated the wheat harvest at the Festival of Weeks, seven weeks (50 days) after Passover – also called "Pentecost," from the Greek word that means "the fiftieth" (cf. Leviticus 23:16). On this day, 50 days after the first Easter, God sent the promised Counselor, the Holy Spirit, in power upon the disciples. This day marks the birthday of the New Testament Church and celebrates the harvest of souls won by the Son and gathered by his servants empowered by his Spirit. Pentecost is the third great festival of the Church (after Easter and Christmas), and has been commemorated since at least A.D. 217. This*

*day culminates the Season of Easter, when our risen Lord now empowers his people to be witnesses of his resurrection to the world.*

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## Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid



1 Cre - a - tor Spir - it, by whose aid The world's  
2 O Source of light, our Coun - sel - or, The Fa -  
3 Giv - er of grace, de - scend from high In an -  
4 Im - mor - tal hon - or, end - less fame, At - tend



foun - da - tions first were laid, Come, vis - it  
ther's help to us as - sure. Come down, as  
swer to our ear - nest cry. Help us e -  
th' al - might - y Fa - ther's name; The Sav - ior -



ev - 'ry hum - ble mind; Come, pour your joys on  
prom - ised, with your fire, And hearts with heav'n - ly  
ter - nal truths re - ceive And prac - tice all that  
Son be glo - ri - fied, Who for all hu - man -



hu - man-kind. From sin and sor - row set us  
love in - spire. Your sa - cred, heal - ing mes - sage  
we be - lieve. Give us your wis - dom that we  
kind has died; And e - qual ad - o - ra - tion



free; May we your liv - ing tem - ples be.  
bring To sanc - ti - fy us when we sing.  
see The glo - ry of the Trin - i - ty.  
rise To you, O Spir - it, in the skies.

Text: attr. Rhabanus Maurus, 776–856, abr.; tr. John Dryden, 1631–1700, alt.

Tune: ALL EHR UND LOB (88 88 88) *Gesangbuch . . . Psalmen, Geistliche Lieder*, Strassburg, 1541, alt.

**INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** 召喚，認罪及赦罪

**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:

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## All Glory Be to God on High

*Gloria in Excelsis*

1 All glo - ry be to God on high, Who has our  
 2 We praise, we wor - ship you, we trust; We give you  
 3 O Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son Of God, your  
 4 O Ho - ly Spir - it, pre - cious Gift, Our Com - fort -



race be - friend - ed! To us no harm shall  
 thanks for - ev - er, O Fa - ther, that your  
 heav'n - ly Fa - ther, You did for all our  
 er from heav - en, Our wea - ry hearts and



now come nigh; The strife at last is end - ed. The  
 rule is just And wise and chang - es nev - er. In  
 sins a - tone, And your lost sheep you gath - er. O  
 souls up - lift; For this our praise is giv - en. De -



Fa - ther's love, the Sav - ior's birth, Bring peace, good will, to  
 bound - less pow'r, with might - y reign, Done is what - ev - er  
 Lamb of God, to you on high From depths of woe we  
 liv - er us from doubt and fear; When Sa - tan trou - bles



all the earth; Oh, thank him for his good - ness!  
 you or - dain; Your rule brings count - less bless - ings!  
 sin - ners cry, Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus!  
 us, be near; We trust your love and pow - er.

Text: Nikolaus Decius, c. 1485–after 1546, abr., st. 1-3; Mark A. Jeske, b. 1952, st. 4; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, st. 1-3, alt.

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Tune: ALLEIN GOTT IN DER HÖH SEI EHR (87 87 887) attr. Nikolaus Decius, c. 1485–after 1546, alt.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY** 本日共祷文

**M:** Let us pray.

Holy Spirit, God and Lord, come to us this joyful day with your sevenfold gift of grace. Rekindle in our hearts the holy fire of your love that in a true and living faith we may tell abroad the glory of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Father, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

## **FIRST READING** – Genesis 11:1-9 (EHV) – 创世记 11:1-9

The whole earth had one language and a single vocabulary. <sup>2</sup>As people traveled in the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar, and they settled there. <sup>3</sup>They said to one another, “Come, let’s make bricks and bake them thoroughly.” They used mud brick instead of stone for building material, and they used tar for mortar. <sup>4</sup>They said, “Come, let’s build a city for ourselves and a tower whose top reaches to the sky, and let’s make a name for ourselves, so that we will not be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth.”

<sup>5</sup>The LORD came down to see the city and the tower that the people were building. <sup>6</sup>The LORD said, “If this is the first thing they are doing as one people, who all have one language, then nothing that they intend to do will be too difficult for them. <sup>7</sup>Come, let’s go down there and confuse their language, so that they cannot understand one another’s speech.”

<sup>8</sup>So the LORD scattered them from there over the face of the whole earth, and they stopped building the city. <sup>9</sup>It was named Babel,<sup>e</sup> because there the LORD confused the language of the whole earth. From there the LORD scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

**PSALM OF THE DAY** – Psalm 51b – CW93 p. 87 (text NIV84) – 诗篇 51b –  
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<sup>e</sup> *Babel* sounds like the Hebrew word for *confusion*.

*Refrain*



*Psalm tone*



**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 – Acts 2:1-21 (EHV) – 使徒行传 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place.

<sup>2</sup>Suddenly a sound like the rushing of a violent wind came from heaven, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>They saw divided tongues that were like fire resting on each one of them. <sup>4</sup>They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, since the Spirit was giving them the ability to speak fluently.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were godly Jewish men from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>When this sound was heard, a crowd came together and was confused, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. <sup>7</sup>They were completely baffled and said to each other,<sup>e</sup> “Look, are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>Then how is it that each of us hears them speaking in his own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, and of Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt, and the parts of Libya around Cyrene; visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes; <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring in our own languages the wonderful works of God.” <sup>12</sup>They were all amazed and perplexed. They kept saying to one another, “What does this mean?” <sup>13</sup>But others mocked them and said, “They are full of new wine.”

<sup>14</sup>Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and spoke loudly and clearly to them: “Men of Judea, and all you residents of Jerusalem, understand this, and listen closely to my words. <sup>15</sup>These men are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only the third hour of the day.<sup>a</sup>

<sup>16</sup>On the contrary, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup>This is what God says will happen in the last days:

I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh.

Your sons and your daughters will prophesy.

Your young men will see visions.

Your old men will dream dreams.

<sup>18</sup>Even on my servants, both men and women,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days,

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<sup>e</sup> Some witnesses to the text omit *to each other*.

<sup>a</sup> 9 AM



and they will prophesy.

<sup>19</sup>I will show wonders in the sky above,  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood and fire and a rising cloud of smoke.

<sup>20</sup>The sun will be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood  
before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

<sup>21</sup>And this will happen: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord  
will be saved.<sup>b</sup>

## VERSE OF THE DAY 备福音词及哈利路亚

**M:** Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia. (*From the antiphon: Come, Holy Spirit*)



## GOSPEL – John 15:26-27 (EHV) – 约翰福音 15:26-27

<sup>26</sup>“When the Counselor comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father—he will testify about me. <sup>27</sup>And you also are going to testify, because you have been with me from the beginning.”

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



## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**HYMN OF THE DAY** – *Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord* – CW93 #176 –  
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<sup>b</sup> Joel 2:28–32

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## Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord



1 Come, Ho - ly Ghost, God and Lord! May all your gra - ces  
 2 Come, ho - ly Light, Guide di - vine, And cause the Word of  
 3 Come, ho - ly Fire, Com - fort true; Grant us the will your



be out-poured On each be - liev - er's mind and heart;  
 life to shine. Teach us to know our God a - right  
 work to do And in your ser - vice to a - bide;



Your fer - vent love to them im - part. Lord, by the bright-ness  
 And call him Fa - ther with de-light. From ev - 'ry er - ror  
 Let tri - als turn us not a - side. Lord, by your pow'r pre -



of your light In ho - ly faith your church u - nite  
 keep us free; Let none but Christ our Mas - ter be  
 pare each heart, And to our weak-ness strength im - part



From ev - 'ry land and ev - 'ry tongue; This to your  
 That we in liv - ing faith a - bide, In him, our  
 That brave-ly here we may con - tend, Through life and



praise, O Lord our God, be sung: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Lord, with all our might con - fide. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 death to you, our Lord, as - cend. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: German hymn, 15th century, st. 1; Martin Luther, 1483–1546, st. 2-3; tr. *The Lutheran Hymnal*, St. Louis, 1941, alt.  
 Tune: KOMM, HEILIGER GEIST, HERRE GOTT (78 88 88 8 10 8) *Eyn Enchiridion oder Handbüchlein*, Erfurt, 1524.

**SERMON** – Genesis 11:1-9 – We Are Pentecost People – 讲道：基于 创世记 11:1-9

**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.**

**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).*



**HYMN** – *O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God* – CW93 #186 – printed on the following page – 圣诗 — 在下一页

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## O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God



1 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God, Re - veal - er  
 2 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God, En - light - en  
 3 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God, In - crease our  
 4 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God, Lead us to



of God's ho - ly Word, You come to us from  
 us by that same Word; Un - less your grace the  
 faith in our dear Lord; Teach us to know the  
 love your sa - cred Word; The ho - ly flame of



God's great throne, From God the Fa - ther and the  
 pow'r should give, None can be - lieve in Christ and  
 Fa - ther's love And his dear Son, who reigns a -  
 love im - part, That kind - ness may in - spire each



Son, O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God.  
 live, O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God.  
 bove, O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God.  
 heart, O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God.

Text: Johann Niedling, 1602–68, abr., adapt.; tr. John C. Mattes, 1876–1948, alt.

Tune: O JESULEIN SUSS (10 8 88 10) *Ausserlesene, Catholische, Geistliche Kirchengesäng*, Köln, 1623, alt.

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** 教会公祷 – *incorporating Luther's explanation to the Third Article of the Apostles' Creed, from his Small Catechism*

**M:** Praise to you, Holy Spirit. We worship and glorify you as the Lord and the giver of life. As you were present at the beginning of the world to shed life on all created things, as you gave a new life of understanding to the disciples in your Pentecost baptism of fire, so by the baptism of water with the Word, you have made the light of faith shine in our hearts to know Jesus as our Lord.  
 In thanksgiving for your gifts to us, we confess:

**C: I believe that I cannot by my own thinking or choosing believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to him. But the Holy Spirit has called me by the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way he calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.**

**M:** Holy Spirit, all-seeing Counselor and fountain of all spiritual gifts, stand by us in the weakness of our sinful flesh. Grant us a right understanding of the truths that Jesus taught. Give us strength to endure with patience whatever afflictions God may send into our lives. Help us, intercede for us, train us that we may pray to the Father with boldness and confidence. Preserve us by the power of your Word in our most holy faith as members of the Church, the body of Jesus, where there is forgiveness for all.

**C: In this Christian Church he daily and fully forgives all sins to me and all believers.**

**M:** Holy Spirit, highest comfort in every need, in these gray and last days of the world, strengthen our feeble hands, steady our weak knees, encourage our fearful hearts. Remind us of your Word and promises: “Be strong; do not fear. Your Lord will come again. He will come to save you” (Isaiah 35:4). And in your final, mighty, creative act, O Holy Spirit, raise up our bodies so that we, together with all the saints, may lift up our heads and with glorified eyes see our Savior drawing near.

**C: On the Last Day he will raise me and all the dead and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.**

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

*for mission trips:*

Lord Jesus, you taught us to pray, “Thy kingdom come.” We thank you for bringing us into your kingdom and giving us the high privilege of sharing it with others. We pray that you would protect those embarking on summer mission trips. Bless these opportunities for them to engage in your kingdom work as they proclaim your gospel. Amen.

*Additional special prayers may be included.*

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

*Silent prayer.*

**M:** All these things and whatever else you know that we need, grant us, Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with you and the Father, one God, now and forever.

**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.**

### **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.**

**CLOSING HYMN** – *When God the Spirit Came* – CW93 #187 – printed on the following page – 圣诗 — 在下一页

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When God the Spirit Came



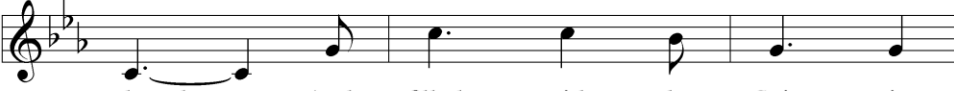
1 When God the Spir - it came Up - on his  
2 What cour - age, pow'r, and grace That youth - ful  
3 They saw God's Word pre - vail, His king - dom  
4 Their theme was Christ a - lone, The Lord who  
5 So to this pre - sent hour Our task is



church out - poured In sound of wind and  
church dis - played! To those of ev - 'ry  
still in - crease, No part of all his  
lived and died, Who rose to his e -  
still the same: In Pen - te - cos - tal



sign of flame, They spread his truth a -  
tribe and race They wit - nessed un - a -  
pur - pose fail, No prom - ised bless - ing  
ter - nal throne At God the Fa - ther's  
love and pow'r His gos - pel to pro -



broad And, filled with the Spir - it,  
fraud. And, filled with the Spir - it,  
cease And, filled with the Spir - it,  
side, And, filled with the Spir - it,  
claim And, filled with the Spir - it,



Pro - claimed that Christ is Lord.  
They broke their bread and prayed.  
Knew love joy and peace.  
The church was mul - ti - plied.  
Re - joice in Je - sus' name.

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**ST. ANDREW'S MINISTRY THIS WEEK**  
**June 8-15, 2025**

Today	9:30 AM	<b>Pentecost Worship Service</b>
	11:00 AM	<b>Sunday School &amp; Adult Bible study</b>
Thursday	6:30-8:00 PM	<b>Youth Confirmation Class</b>
Saturday	7:45 PM	<b>中文聚会 (Chinese Ministry)</b>
Sunday (6/15)	9:30 AM	<b>Holy Trinity Worship Service w. Lord's Supper</b>
	10:45 AM	<b>Father's Day Brunch</b>

*The paraments are red for the festival of Pentecost. Red recalls the flames that accompanied the Holy Spirit's outpouring on Pentecost, and the strength and power he gives in order for God's people to call on the name of Jesus Christ and share that powerful name with others. Red also symbolizes the martyrs of the church, whose blood shed in defense of the gospel encourages God's people to be resolute in living the faith.*

**WELCOME, GUESTS!** – We are glad to have you worship with us today! Please sign the guest book 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 (773-217-8132 / [pastor@standrewchicago.org](mailto:pastor@standrewchicago.org)). Please join us again soon!

**FATHER'S DAY BRUNCH SIGN-UP – next Sun. (June 15), after worship**  
Next Sunday, June 15, after the worship service, there will be a brunch for Father's Day, featuring "pizza, wings, & things." If you are able to attend, please indicate on the sign-up sheet on the Bible study table how many people will attend with you. All are welcome! No need to bring anything.



## **ADULT BIBLE STUDY: “Helping the Hurting with Hope” – Sundays 11:00**

This Bible study seeks to help participants appreciate the role of compassion in a Christian’s personal and congregational life. It provides gospel motivation for participants to go beyond their comfort zones and act in compassionate ways through the Spirit’s power. By cultivating compassion, congregations will be better spiritual refuges for people who are hurting, and welcome people looking for a church family where they can walk a new path after release from prison, or in recovery from addiction, or starting a new life after a public fall into sin.

## **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 8<sup>th</sup> grade. (High-schoolers are welcome to join adult Bible study in church during the same time.) All are welcome!

## **PASTOR GAWEL’S CALL DELIBERATION**

From Pastor Gawel:

On May 25, I received a call to serve as pastor of Crown of Life Lutheran Church in West St. Paul and Eagan, MN. As you may know, this does not mean that I have to accept the call and go there, but that I now get to spend some time in prayer and deliberation between these two calls from God -- the one to serve with you here at St. Andrew, the other to go and serve with our brothers and sisters in Christ at Crown of Life. Please pray for God's blessing of wisdom and guidance for me as I deliberate, and for his blessing on Sherry and our kids, and on all of the members of St. Andrew and all the members of Crown of Life during this time. I would be happy to talk with you to hear your thoughts as I deliberate. Feel free to arrange a time to get together to talk, or give me a call.

## **LUTHER PREP SUMMER CAMPS – June & July – Watertown, WI**

Calling all incoming K - 8th grade students: Join us at Luther Prep this summer for a variety of sports camps. For all incoming 6th - 8th graders, check out our Phoenix Adventure Camp geared towards seeing what living in the dorms and life on campus at LPS could be like someday!

*June features overnight **basketball** camps:*

K-3rd Parent-Child -- June 13-14

3rd-6th Parent-Child -- June 14-15

8th-9th Boys -- June 15-18

6th-7th Boys -- June 18-21

7th-9th Girls -- June 22-25

*July features all other overnight & day camps:*

8th-9th overnight Girls Volleyball -- July 6-9

5th-9th overnight Boys Wrestling -- July 7-8

6th - 7th overnight Girls Volleyball -- July 9-12

6th-8th overnight Phoenix Adventure Camp co-ed -- July 13-16

Various Day Camps -- July 14-17

Visit [lps.wels.net/summercamps](https://lps.wels.net/summercamps) for more info and to register.

### **APOLOGETICS CONFERENCE – June 18-19 (Wed.-Thur.), online option**

The Center for Apologetics and Worldviews at Bethany Lutheran College (Mankato, MN), is holding its 7<sup>th</sup> annual Apologetics and Worldviews Conference on June 18-19. The sessions will be live-streamed. “The work of defending the truth of Christianity [apologetics] has been ongoing throughout the church’s history, resulting in many great apologists. As one surveys the history of the church and understands the present time, it becomes clear the need to defend the truth of Christianity remains equally necessary today.” The conference will highlight the work of recently deceased Lutheran apologist John Warwick Montgomery, well-known 20<sup>th</sup>-century apologist C. S. Lewis, and the legacy of early church apologists and beyond. Presenters Craig Parton, Joel Heck, and Adam Francisco. More info and register here: <https://apologeticscenter.org/events/2025-conference/>

### **YOUTH CONFIRMATION CLASS – Thursdays 6:30pm; alt. 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 Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:00, but we could adjust the class day or time if needed, to accommodate the schedules of everyone who is interested.

### **BIBLE INFORMATION CLASS**

This class is open to anyone who is interested in learning more about what the Bible teaches and what our church believes – and for those

who would like a review. 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, and we can schedule the class at a time and place that's convenient for you.

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

Pastor Gawel is available for confidential pastoral counseling on the basis of God's Word, 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 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!

### **CONQUERORS THROUGH CHRIST – resources supporting purity online**

Conquerors Through Christ is a WELS ministry that exists to help people reject, resist, and recover from the wreckage of porn, with gospel motivation and practical encouragement. A number of resources are available at <https://conquerorsthroughchrist.net/>. ... Pastor Gawel is also available for confidential, Bible-based conversation and prayer at any time, about this or any other matter.

### **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)

### **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](http://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 [delarentis.sam@gmail.com](mailto:delarentis.sam@gmail.com) with any questions.



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Budgeted need each month	Total offerings received in May
\$15,545.33	\$7,113.37

Offerings received last week: \$918.84

(budgeted need each week: \$3,587.38)

### **Ministry Attendance Last Week**

**In-church worship attendance last Sunday: 27** (23 adults, 4 children)

**Sunday service live-stream peak concurrent viewing devices: 8**

**Last weekend’s Saturday Chinese ministry: n/a**

**Adult Bible study attendance: n/a**

**Sunday school: n/a**

**Youth confirmation class: 5**