

God made **HIM**  
who had no sin  
to be *sin for us*,  
so that in **HIM**  
we might become  
the *righteousness of God*.

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2 Corinthians 5:21

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# Reformation Sunday

## November 2, 2025 – St. Andrew Lutheran Church

**SERVICE THEME: The Joyous Exchange between Christ and the Believer**

**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**

*It is the gospel of Jesus Christ that brings true freedom. This promise of forgiveness and resurrection to eternal life comes only through a righteousness found in the Savior. This righteousness sets the soul free from slavery, free to serve God. Hold to these teachings, and "you will be free indeed."*

**Communicant members** are encouraged 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).

# 376 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 召唤, 认罪及赦罪

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

**Congregation: Amen.**

M: I rejoiced with those who said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD." (*Psalms 122:1*)

C: **One thing I ask of the LORD, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple.** (*Psalms 27:4*)

- M: Who may ascend the hill of the LORD? Who may stand in his holy place? *(Psalm 24:3)*
- C: **He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to an idol or swear by what is false.** *(Psalm 24:4)*
- M: The LORD looks down from heaven on the sons of men to see if there are any who understand, any who seek God. All have turned aside, they have together become corrupt; there is no one who does good, not even one. *(Psalm 14:2-3)*
- C: **Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.** *(Psalm 51:1-3)*
- M: Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the man whose sin the LORD does not count against him. *(Psalm 32:1-2)*
- C: **I will exalt you, O LORD, for you lifted me out of the depths; O LORD my God, I called to you for help and you healed me.** *(Psalm 30:1-2)*
- M: God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea. *(Psalm 46:1-2)*
- C: **The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.** *(Psalm 46:7)*
- M: Sing to the LORD, you saints of his; praise his holy name. For his anger lasts only a moment, but his favor lasts a lifetime. *(Psalm 30:4-5)*
- C: **Sing to the LORD a new song, his praise in the assembly of his saints.** *(Psalm 149:1)*

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## All Glory Be to God Alone

*Gloria in Excelsis*

1 All glo - ry be to God a - lone, For -  
 2 We praise you, God, and you we bless; We  
 3 Lord God, our King on heav - en's throne, Our  
 4 You take the whole world's sin a - way; Have  
 5 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One; O'er



ev - er - more the high - est one, Who did our  
 wor - ship you in hum - ble - ness; From day to  
 Fa - ther, the Al - might - y One; O Lord, the  
 mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray. You take the  
 all things you are Lord a - lone. O Je - sus



sin - ful race be - friend And grace and peace to  
 day we glo - ri - fy The ev - er - last - ing  
 Sole - be - got - ten One, Lord Je - sus Christ, the  
 whole world's sin a - way; Oh, lis - ten to the  
 Christ, we glo - ri - fy You and the Spir - it,



us ex - tend. A - mong man - kind may his good  
 God on high. Of your great glo - ry do we  
 Fa - ther's Son, True God from all e - ter - ni -  
 prayer we say. From God's right hand, oh, send to -  
 Lord most high; With him you ev - er - more shall



will All hearts with deep thanks - giv - ing fill.  
 sing, And to your throne our thanks we bring.  
 ty, O Lamb of God— to you we flee.  
 day Your mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
 be One in the Fa - ther's maj - es - ty.

Text: attr. Martin Luther, 1483–1546, abr.; tr. W. Gustave Polack, 1890–1950, alt.

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

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** 本日共祷文

**M:** Let us pray.

Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; 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** – Jeremiah 31:31-34 (EHV) – 耶利米书 31:31-34

<sup>31</sup>Yes, the days are coming, declares the LORD,  
when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel  
and with the house of Judah.

<sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers,  
when I took them by the hand  
and led them out of the land of Egypt.  
They broke that covenant of mine,  
although I was a husband to them, declares the LORD.

<sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after  
those days,  
declares the LORD.

I will put my law<sup>a</sup> in their minds,  
and I will write it on their hearts.  
I will be their God,  
and they will be my people.

<sup>34</sup>No longer will each one teach his neighbor,  
or each one teach his brother, saying, “Know the LORD,”  
because they will all know me,  
from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD,  
for I will forgive their guilt,  
and I will remember their sins no more.

**PSALM OF THE DAY** – Psalm 46 – CW93 p. 84 (NIV84) – 诗篇 46

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<sup>a</sup> The term *law* here refers to the whole word of God. As verse 34 demonstrates, here the term *law* does not refer to the natural knowledge of the law written in our hearts, but rather to our knowledge of the gospel.

*Refrain*



The might-y Lord is with us; the God of Ja-cob is our for-tress.

*Psalm tone*



***Refrain***

God is our refuge and strength,\*  
an ever-present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way\*  
and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,

though its waters roar and foam\*  
and the mountains quake with their surging.

***Refrain***

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,\*  
the holy place where the Most High dwells.

God is within her, she will not fall;\*  
God will help her at break of day.

“Be still, and know that I am God;\*  
I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.”

**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 – Romans 3:19-28 (EHV) – 罗马书 3:19-28

<sup>19</sup>Now we know that whatever the law says is addressed to those who are under the law,<sup>i</sup> so that every mouth will be silenced and the whole world will be subject to God’s judgment. <sup>20</sup>For this reason, no one<sup>j</sup> will be declared righteous in his sight by works of the law, for through the law we become aware of sin.

<sup>21</sup>But now, completely apart from the law, a righteousness from God has been made known. The Law and the Prophets testify to it.

<sup>22</sup>This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all and over all<sup>a</sup> who believe.

In fact, there is no difference, <sup>23</sup>because all have sinned and fall short of the glory<sup>b</sup> of God <sup>24</sup>and are justified<sup>c</sup> freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God publicly displayed as the atonement seat<sup>d</sup> through faith in his blood. God did this to demonstrate his justice, since, in his divine restraint, he had left the sins that were committed earlier unpunished. <sup>26</sup>He did this to demonstrate his justice at the present time, so that he would be both just and the one who justifies the person who has faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup>What happens to boasting then? It has been eliminated. By what principle<sup>e</sup>—by the principle of works? No, but by the principle of faith.

<sup>28</sup>For we conclude that a person is justified by faith without the works of the law.

### VERSE OF THE DAY 备福音词及哈利路亚

**M:** Alleluia. If you continue in my Word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.

Alleluia. (*John 8:31-32, RSV*)



<sup>i</sup> Or *those in the sphere of the law*

<sup>j</sup> Literally *flesh*

<sup>a</sup> Some witnesses to the text omit *and over all*.

<sup>b</sup> Or *approval*

<sup>c</sup> Or *declared righteous*

<sup>d</sup> The *atonement seat* was the cover of the Ark of the Covenant. It served as the footstool of God’s throne and was the place where the sacrificial blood was sprinkled on the Day of Atonement (see Leviticus 16:2, 14, 15). Christ is the fulfillment of the function of the atonement seat.

<sup>e</sup> In this verse, *principle* translates the Greek term *nomos*, which is often translated *law*.

**GOSPEL – John 8:31-36 (EHV) – 约翰福音 8:31-36**

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



**C: Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!**

<sup>31</sup>So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, “If you remain in my word, you are really my disciples. <sup>32</sup>You will also know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

<sup>33</sup>“We are Abraham’s descendants,” they answered, “and we have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say, ‘You will be set free?’”

<sup>34</sup>Jesus answered, “Amen, Amen, I tell you: Everyone who keeps committing sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>But a slave does not remain in the family forever. A son does remain forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son sets you free, you really will be free.

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



**C: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

**NICENE CREED 尼西亚信经**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We**

acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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Salvation unto Us Has Come



1 Sal - va - tion un - to us has come By God's free grace  
 2 What God does in his law de - mand And none to him  
 3 It is a false, mis - lead - ing dream That God his law  
 4 Yet as the law must be ful - filled Or we must die  
 5 Since Christ has full a - tone - ment made And brought to us



and fa - vor. Good works can - not a - vert our doom;  
 can ren - der Brings wrath and woe on ev - 'ry hand  
 has giv - en That sin - ners can them - selves re - deem  
 de - spair - ing, Christ came and has God's an - ger stilled,  
 sal - va - tion, Each Chris - tian there - fore may be glad



They help and save us nev - er. Faith looks to  
 For man, the vile of - fend - er. Our flesh has  
 And by their works gain heav - en. The law is  
 Our hu - man na - ture shar - ing. He has for  
 And build on this foun - da - tion. Your grace a -



Je - sus Christ a - lone, Who did for all the  
 not those pure de - sires The spir - it of the  
 but a mir - ror bright To bring the in - bred  
 us the law o - beyed And thus the Fa - ther's  
 lone, dear Lord, I plead; Your death is now my



world a - tone; He is the one Re - deem - er.  
 law re - quires, And lost is our con - di - tion.  
 sin to light That lurks with - in our na - ture.  
 venge - ance stayed Which o - ver us im - pend - ed.  
 life in - deed, For you have paid my ran - som.

(Continued on the following page)

6 All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise  
To Father, Son, and Spirit,  
The God who saved us by his grace—  
All glory to his merit!  
O Triune God in heav'n above,  
You have revealed your saving love;  
Your blessed name be hallowed!

Text: Paul Speratus, 1484–1551, abr.; tr. composite.

Tune: ES IST DAS HEIL (87 87 887) *Etlich Cristlich lider*, Wittenberg, 1524, alt.

**SERMON** – Psalm 143 – The Joyous Exchange between Christ and the Believer – 讲道：基于诗篇 143

*A psalm by David.*

<sup>1</sup>LORD, hear my prayer.

Give ear to my cry for mercy.

In your faithfulness, answer me in your righteousness.

<sup>2</sup>Do not bring charges against your servant,  
because no one living can be righteous before you.

<sup>3</sup>For the enemy pursues my soul.  
He crushes my life to the ground.

He makes me dwell in dark places like those long dead,  
<sup>4</sup>so my spirit grows faint inside me.

Within me my heart is devastated.

<sup>5</sup>I remember the days of long ago.

I meditate on all your works,  
and I consider what your hands have done.

<sup>6</sup>I spread out my hands to you.

My soul thirsts for you like a weary land.

*Interlude*

<sup>7</sup>Hurry! Answer me, LORD.

My spirit fails.

Do not hide your face from me,  
or I will be like those who go down to the pit.

<sup>8</sup>Let me hear about your mercy in the morning,  
for I trust in you.

Teach me the way that I should go,  
for I lift up my soul to you.

<sup>9</sup>Rescue me from my enemies, O LORD,  
for I hide myself in you.

<sup>10</sup>Teach me to do your will,  
for you are my God.

May your good Spirit lead me on level ground.

<sup>11</sup>For the sake of your name, O LORD, preserve my life.

In your righteousness, bring me out of trouble.

<sup>12</sup>In your mercy, wipe out my enemies,  
and destroy all who threaten my life,  
for I am your servant.

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## O Lord, We Praise You



1 O Lord, we praise you, bless you, and a - dore you, In thanks-  
2 Your ho - ly bod - y in - to death was giv - en, Life to  
3 May God be - stow on us his grace and fa - vor To please



giving bow be - fore you. Here with your bod - y  
win for us in heav - en. No great - er love than  
him with our be - hav - ior And live to - geth - er



and your blood you nour - ish Our weak souls that they may  
this to you could bind us; May this feast of that re -  
here in love and u - nion, Cher - ish - ing our blest com -



flour - ish. O Lord, have mer - cy! May your bod - y,  
mind us! O Lord, have mer - cy! Lord, your love and  
mu - nion. O Lord, have mer - cy! Let not your good



Lord, born of Mar - y, That our sins and sor - rows  
kind - ness did move you; Let your sup - er move us  
Spir - it for - sake us; Grant that heav'n - ly - mind - ed

did car - ry, And your blood for us plead In all  
 to love you. All our debt you have paid; Peace with  
 he make us. Give your Church, Lord, to see Days of  
 tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy!  
 God once more is made. O Lord, have mer - cy!  
 peace and u - ni - ty. O Lord, have mer - cy!

Text: German folk hymn, 15th century, st. 1; Martin Luther, 1483–1546, st. 2-3; tr. *The Lutheran Hymnal*, St. Louis, 1941, alt.  
 Tune: GOTT SEI GELOBET UND GEBENEDEIET (PM) *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn*, Wittenberg, 1524, alt.

## 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. 24).*



## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH 教会公祷

*In his German Service, Martin Luther suggested that the congregation use a paraphrase of the Lord's Prayer (such as the following) as a way of learning the true meaning of the prayer.*

**M:** I invite you to lift up your hearts to God and pray with me the Lord's Prayer as Christ our Lord taught us.

**C:** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

**M:** O God, our heavenly Father, look with mercy on all your children on earth. Give us grace that we might proclaim your Word faithfully and live our lives according to your will, for then we show that your name is precious to us. We also pray that you would keep us from any teaching and living which would dishonor your name.

**C: Your kingdom come.**

**M:** We pray, O Lord, that your kingdom and the rule of your grace might come to us and grow in us each day; that all who are still captives in Satan's kingdom might be brought to know Jesus Christ, your Son, so that the Christian Church might grow and prosper.

**C: Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**M:** Heavenly Father, we pray that the Holy Spirit would strengthen us to do and accept your will in life and death, in good times and in bad, and that we might have power to put down our own sinful will and its desires.

**C: Give us today our daily bread.**

**M:** Dear Father in heaven, we pray that you would also give us our daily bread, preserve us from greed and selfish desires, and help us to trust that you will provide for all our needs.

**C: Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**M:** Gracious Lord, forgive our sins as we forgive those who sin against us so that our hearts may rest and rejoice in a good conscience before you, and we pray that no sin may ever frighten or alarm us.

**C: Lead us not into temptation.**

**M:** Merciful Father, protect us from all temptations and help us by your Spirit to put down our sinful flesh, to despise the world and its vices, and to overcome the devil and all his trickery.

**C: But deliver us from evil.**

**M:** Finally, heavenly Father, we pray that you would deliver us from all evils of body and soul now and forever.

**C: For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

**M:** All those who sincerely desire these things will say from their hearts "Amen," trusting without doubt that their prayers are answered in

heaven, as Christ has promised: "Whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you will receive it, and it will be yours."

**C: Amen.**

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

*for the WELS long-range strategic plan: Calling:*

Lord God, bless our synod's long-range strategic plan as we focus on "Calling"—producing workers for a growing harvest. Help us expand pathways to gospel ministry, establish a sustainable strategy for called-worker development, and support the well-being of our called workers. If it is your will, give us fully staffed, thriving churches and schools as team members serve with purpose. Move many more to heed your call to ministry with hearts stirred to carry your good news of salvation to communities and nations. Amen.

*Additional special prayers may be included.*

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

*Silent prayer.*

**M:** Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C: 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 closed 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 preserves his Church to the end of time when he will come again as king to judge all people and take his own to 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'd like 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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## A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, A trust - y shield  
 2 With might of ours can naught be done; Soon were our loss  
 3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill, All ea - ger to  
 4 The Word they still shall let re - main, Nor an - y thanks



and weap - on; He helps us free from ev - 'ry need  
 ef - fect - ed. But for us fights the val - iant one  
 de - vour us, We trem - ble not, we fear no ill;  
 have for it; He's by our side up - on the plain



That has us now o'er - tak - en. The old  
 Whom God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask,  
 They shall not o - ver - pow'r us. This world's  
 With his good gifts and Spir - it. And do



e - vil foe Now means dead - ly woe;  
 "Who is this?" Je - sus Christ it is,  
 prince may still Scowl fierce as he will,  
 what they will— Hate, steal, hurt, or kill—



Deep guile and great might Are his dread arms in fight;  
 The al - might - y Lord. And there's no oth - er God;  
 He can harm us none. He's judged; the deed is done!  
 Though all may be gone, Our vic - to - ry is won;



On earth is not his e - qual.  
 He holds the field for - ev - er.  
 One lit - tle word can fell him.  
 The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

**ST. ANDREW'S MINISTRY THIS WEEK**  
November 2-9, 2025

Today	9:30 AM	<b>Worship Service w. Lord's Supper</b>
	11:00 AM	<b>Sunday School &amp; Adult Bible study</b>
Monday	7:00 PM	Shroud of Turin online presentation
Saturday	10:00 AM	Planning meeting for Chicago's Birthday Party @ St. Andrew
	7:45 PM	中文聚会 (Chinese Ministry)
Sunday (11/9)	9:30 AM	<b>Worship Service</b>
	11:00 AM	<b>Sunday School &amp; Adult Bible Study</b>
	6:00 PM	Online Teen Bible study

*The paraments are red for Reformation Sunday. Red is the color for the Holy Spirit, who gives God's people faith to believe in Jesus as Savior and courage to share the gospel with others. Red also symbolizes the martyrs of the church. Their blood shed in defense of the gospel encourages God's people to be resolute in testifying for the faith.*

**WELCOME, GUESTS!** – We're 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). Please join us again soon!

**“THE SHROUD OF JESUS? ITS ARCHEOLOGICAL AND APOLOGETIC VALUE” – live-stream Nov. 3 (Mon.), 7-9pm, Bethany Lutheran College**  
 The Evangelical Lutheran Synod's Center for Apologetics and Worldviews is hosting this lecture on the Shroud of Turin. The “Shroud of Turin” is likely the most studied religious artifact. Scientists in 1978 and 1988

concluded that the Shroud was a medieval fake. However, their results were contested due to unscientific procedures, invalid results, and disqualifying inconsistencies. The 2020s brought fresh and exacting analysis, exploding the methodology and results of the 70s and 80s. So much so, that a consensus has formed: The Shroud belongs to first century Jerusalem. Circumstantially, the Shroud bears all the marks of being the very burial cloth that enshrouded the crucified and resurrected body of Christ Jesus. Live-streamed here: [apologeticscenter.org/events/](https://apologeticscenter.org/events/)

### **CHRISTMAS PARTY PLANNED FOR DEC. 14 AT MAMA LUIGI'S; SIGN UP**

On December 14 (Sunday) 1:00-5:00, a Christmas party and fellowship lunch is planned at Mama Luigi's Restaurant, 7500 S. Harlem, Bridgeview. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet on the Bible study table in the back of the worship space, and mark your calendar, to enjoy this time of fellowship with brothers and sisters in Christ!

### **REGISTRATION OPEN FOR WELS NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LUTHERAN LEADERSHIP – Jan. 19-21 (Mon-Wed), Hilton Chicago (720 S. Michigan)**

Registration is now open for the WELS National Conference on Lutheran Leadership, held at the Chicago Hilton on Jan. 19-21. **Early-bird registration until Nov. 15 is \$299. After Nov. 16: \$349. Deadline to register is Nov. 30.** <https://lutheranleadership.com/2026-registration/> **Lutheran leadership is for everyone!** When people hear “leadership conference,” they might think this conference is only for pastors or church council members. But it's so much more than that. When you look at the descriptions of the 70 different presentation options, you will see there are presentations about how everyone can use their gifts to serve the church. We encourage women, men, young adults, and teens to attend!

### **NEW ADULT BIBLE STUDY: “Christ Through Us” – Sundays 11:00**

This study gives an overview of the 175-year history of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS), in PowerPoint presentations containing pictures from the book of the same name recently published by Northwestern Publishing House. This study highlights the blessings God has poured out on the WELS as it carries out its mission across the nation and the world, and the theological and cultural challenges that refined WELS into a distinctly Christ-centered, confessional Lutheran church body. Join us for this study to learn more about the history of our church body and give thanks to God for all his blessings through it!

All are welcome! If you're interested but aren't able to join us, you can find the PowerPoints and study guides here:

<https://welshistoricalinstitute.org/175th-resources/#congregational> ,

and the book available for purchase here:

<https://online.nph.net/175annivbook>

### **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!

### **YOUTH CONFIRMATION CLASS – Tuesdays 6:30pm**

Youth confirmation class is open to youth starting from grade 5 or 6 (depending on individual readiness) and above. (Young adults nearing the end of high school and beyond who have not yet been confirmed in the WELS or ELS can arrange for adult confirmation class with Pastor Gawel.) The class is currently held on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:00, but we could discuss adjusting the class day or time if needed, to accommodate the schedules of everyone who is interested. If you have a potential student in mind who would be ready to start class, please speak with Pastor Gawel. All are welcome!

### **WELS TEEN ONLINE BIBLE STUDY – Nov. 9 (Sun.), 6:00pm**

“A Smashing Salvation” (Deborah – Judges 3:6–4)

This section of God's Word provides an exciting judge like Ehud and a surprising judge in Deborah. God does not sit in heaven letting the world turn, uninterested. His deliverances are not a thing of the past. Yes, sometimes it's only when we see how hopeless we are that we can appreciate how powerful the Lord is. Rev. Dave Scharf, professor of theology at Martin Luther College, New Ulm, MN, will lead this online interactive Bible study for teens via Zoom. More information and the link to register can be found here: <https://wels.net/serving-you/christian-life/discipleship/national-teen-bible-study/>

### **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  
Chinese ministry is held on Saturday evenings at 7:45pm in our ministry center (the house next-door to church), which includes elements of a worship service, Bible study, and prayer, all in Mandarin Chinese. New friends are always welcome to join! Please invite any Chinese friends or neighbors. You may share with them the following invitation:  
每周六晚上 7:45, 圣安得烈基督教路德宗教会成人中文圣经学习。欢迎您参加! 我们在教会的事工中心(教堂旁边的房子)现场聚会; 地址是 3650 S. Honore St., Chicago。如果你想了解更多, 请联系高乐仁牧师: 手机: 773-217-8132。欢迎!

### **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 [del Laurentis.sam@gmail.com](mailto:del Laurentis.sam@gmail.com) with any questions.



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Budgeted need each month	Total offerings received in October
\$15,545.33	\$5,307.68

Offerings received last week: \$743.31  
(budgeted need each week: \$3,587.38)

### Ministry Attendance Last Week

**Worship attendance last Sunday in church: 24** (22 adults, 2 children)

**Sunday service live-stream peak concurrent viewing devices: 10**

**Last weekend’s Saturday Chinese ministry: 10**

**Adult Bible study attendance: 14** (Sat.: 3; Sun.: 5; Tue.: 2, 2; Th.: 2)

**Sunday school: 5**

**Youth confirmation class: 5**

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