

ST. ANDREW LUTHERAN CHURCH

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April 29, 2018 5th Sunday of Easter-B

WELCOME Whether you are visiting or already a member, please help us get to know you by adding your name to the Friendship Register as it is passed in your pew during the first hymn. If you are desiring to commune this week prepare by reviewing the Christian Questions with their Answers on page 329 in the hymnal. If you are a guest, kindly speak to the pastor before the service concerning your intentions to commune.

WORSHIP PRAYER: O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Acts 8:26-40 *Philip and the Ethiopian*

EPISTLE: 1 John 4:1-11 (12-21) *"Let us love one another, for love is from God.."*

GOSPEL: John 15:1-8 *"I am the vine; you are the branches."*

CATECHETICAL LESSON *Sacrament of the Altar: How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?* Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: "forgiveness of sins."

OPPORTUNITIES THRU CHURCH ACTIVITIES (April 29-May 6)

Sun/April 29 **Fifth Sunday of Easter**
Worship w/Holy Communion, 8am
Coffee Fellowship, 9-9:30am
SS/Bible Study, 9:30am
Worship w/Holy Communion, 10:45am
Potluck, 11:45am
Voter's Meeting, 12:30pm
Life Light Potluck, 5:30-7:30pm
Mon/Apr 30 Staff Meeting, 11:30am
Blood Drive, 3-7pm

Tues/May 1
Wed/May 2 Book/Bible Study @ Deaner's Diner, 6:30am
Jr. Confirmation, 6-8:15pm
Jubilate Choir, 7:15pm

Thu/Fri/Sat/May 3/4/5

Sun/May 6 **Sixth Sunday of Easter**
Worship w/Holy Communion, 8am
Coffee Fellowship, 9-9:30am
SS/Bible Study, 9:30am
Worship w/Holy Communion, 10:45am
National Youth Gathering info mtg, 7pm

CONGREGATIONAL VOTERS' MEETING AND POTLUCK TODAY

after the 2nd church service. Everyone is welcome to attend! Families are encouraged to bring a dish for the potluck. The meeting will start shortly after everyone is seated.

-In an effort to make best use of our time together, the Voters' Meeting Packet was sent out via email earlier this week. Having read the reports before, it gives better opportunity for questions and discussion during the meeting. You can pick up a hard copy from the information table today.

-A reminder about the following boards: the Boards of Christian Outreach, Christian Education, Human Care, Stewardship, and Trustees

-Each church board shall consist of five (5) members

-These five members (elected by the voters' assembly) serve and function together as an administrative board

-All people are welcome to attend board meetings, and participate in board activities/projects

-Interested in helping with childcare during the meeting, or with cleanup in the kitchen following the Potluck? See the signup sheet. -7-

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Entrance Hymn #478
Confession & Absolution p. 151
Introit *see insert*
No Kyrie
This is the Feast... p. 155
Salutation and Collect p. 156
First Lesson *see back*
Gradual *insert*
Epistle *see back*
Alleluia p. 156
Gospel *see back*
Children's Message
Hymn of the Day #691
Sermon John 15:1-2
Pruned to Produce
Nicene Creed p. 159
Prayers & Offering/8am Choir
Preface & Sanctus p. 160-61
Lord's Prayer & Institution p. 162
Agnus Dei p. 163
Distribution & Hymns
#625, #486, #598 (tune 566)
"Thank the Lord..." p. 164
Prayer & Benediction p. 166
Closing Hymn #540:1,3,6

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR HIS PEOPLE AND HIS WORD
 FROM OPPORTUNITIES TO WORSHIP OUR LORD:**

Attendance for last week: 122 + 92 = 214

	LAST YEAR	LAST SUNDAY
General Fund Income Received:	\$ 4,261.50	\$ 5,515.10
Mortgage Fund Income Received:	\$ 425.23	\$ 445.22

THROUGH MARCH	Monthly	YTD
General Fund Income:	\$ 29,432.85	\$ 83,584.43
General Fund Expenses:	\$ 38,971.35	\$ 109,299.62
Net	\$ -9,538.50	\$ -25,715.19

Mortgage Fund Income	\$ 5,854.61	\$ 15,518.81
Mortgage Fund Loan Payments	\$ 6,386.00	\$ 19,158.00
Net	\$ -801.39	\$ -3,639.19

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE FOR NEXT WEEK: (5/6)

ELDERS:	8am: Emmett Wilson 10:45am: Don Collins
AV:	8am: Todd Berg 10:45am: Lenny Heupel
USHERS:	8am: Dan Klug*, Bryan Hall Larry Phillips, Jeff Pierce 10:45am: David * & Glenda Pistorius Dave Cook, Jim Joyce
GREETERS	8am: Delores Fischer, Judy Millar 10:45am: Ruth and Anna Joyce
ACOLYTES:	8am: Jordan Pierce 10:45am: Lindsey Erickson
NURSERY:	9:15am: Marisol Rios 10:30am: Jenna Johnson
MUSICIANS:	8am & 10:45: Jodi Pierce
ALTAR:	Eleanor Kraft & Margaret Burkhardtsmeier

JUNE/JULY SIGN UP NOW AVAILABLE!!! Ushers, greeters, acolytes, and nursery attendants, the June and July calendars are out on the table in the narthex. Please sign up on the calendar sheet to help with your weekend service of choice!

COMMUNICATING CHRIST OVER THE AIR:

OUR WEB SITE: www.standrewlcms.org

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" Sundays on KFGO AM 790 at 7:30am.

Upcoming topics are posted on the LLL bulletin board.

www.lutheranhour.org.

"CHRIST THE WAY" a radio program featuring ND District LCMS

Pastors on KSJB 600AM at 7:30am on Sundays.

OUR SYNOD'S RADIO STATION: www.kfuo.org

DAILY DEVOTIONS by Pastor Klaus at www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp

MEN NETWORK: www.lhmmen.com

ISSUES, ETC: Current events from a Lutheran view. www.issuesetc.org

MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH TV PROGRAM May 6: Rev. Tim

Schiller, Good Shepherd Lutheran, Alexandria, MN, presents today's

message: "God Will Wipe Away Every Tear" based on Revelation 21:4.

Hymns are: "*O Bless the Lord My Soul*", "*King of Love My Shepherd Is*", and

"*Alas and Did My Savior Bleed*". "MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH" is a

locally produced TV program that includes a 30 minute worship service led

by participating pastors of the North Dakota and Minnesota North Districts

of our LCMS, along with a 30 minute children's program called "Kid's

Crossing". It is broadcast each **Sunday at 10am** Central time on KVRR

Fargo-Moorhead Channel 15.1 and archived on

www.mainstreetlivingnorth.com.

SUPPORT GRACE LUTHERAN SCHOOL EACH TIME YOU BUY

GAS! Earn an automatic gas rebate for Grace Lutheran School of 3 cents for

every gallon of gas purchased at the Exxon/Red Carpet Carwash Stations

located on 13th Ave. S. in Fargo (by Perkins and by Family Fare). Pick up

your free GLS Organizational Rebate Card from the church office - and take

additional cards for your family and friends to use. (This is NOT a credit

card.) These local Exxon stations also donated to this year's GLS Auction.

LWML CIRCLE CO-CHAIRS NEEDED The LWML is in great need of

a circle co-chair person. Circles are called upon once or twice a year to serve

such things as funerals and other special events at the church. If you would

more info, contact Sandie Eaton or any other member of the LWML.

ORGAN UPDATE We have reached a milestone. We own our new organ-it's paid for! Congratulations! The organ fund generated all the money needed for the organ, plus the direct related expenses for our speaker cabinets, some organ music supplies, & electrical service work. I am happy to report that of the \$63,002 the St Andrew organ fund received, we have paid in full \$62,085 for our new organ. Our remaining organ fund balance is \$917, from which we will replace the accompaniment books our musicians use to lead us in worship. Together we are members of the Body of Christ. Romans 12:4-6, "For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them". Thank you for your generous gifts. Thank you to the members and friends who pledged and contributed money anonymously or in name, in honor, or in memory of a loved one. Thank you to those who gave of their time and talent to remove, heavy lift, retrofit, and install our new organ. Thank you to those who play, support, & maintain our musical equipment. It is a joy to hear the Gospel proclaimed through music.

FM LFL ANNUAL MEETING Sunday, April 29 at 2pm at Triumph Lutheran Brethren Church (2901 20th St S, Moorhead, MN) Refreshments and presentation on "Living Faithfully in a Culture of Death" by Virginia Flo, Regional Director of MN & National Conference Director Lutherans for Life.

SALC FAMILY DAY AT THE PARK hosted by your SALC Softball team Sunday May 20th from 12:00-2pm at Armour Park, West Fargo. Come and join us for a fun afternoon of food, fun, and fellowship. The softball team will be grilling and serving lunch. Free will donations will be accepted to help defray the cost of the league fees and uniforms. All are encouraged to join us! Any questions please contact Steph Hall or Leanne Muhl

WANT TO HELP WITH HUMAN NEED RELIEF? The "ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN" gathers and supplies clothing, food, and other relief supplies to orphanages, schools, churches and hospitals around the world. The closest OGT regional warehouse is in Jamestown. It is a block-long former lumber yard building, which is being refurbished by an active group of volunteers from around ND, including a number from St. Andrew Lutheran Church. Our next "work days" will be May 3, 4, and 5. If you are interested in helping and/or have questions please contact Kirk & Judy Rosin at 701-347-5279 or 701-361-6441, or Ken Koehler at 701-429-3092. Please also check out the new OGT display in the gathering area. Thank you.

CARING FOR THE NEEDY In the operating guidelines of the Church it states, "To establish and administer a special 'caring for the needy fund' for emergencies." This has been set up and envelopes are on the table in the narthex for those who would like to donate to this fund. Offerings can also be designated to this fund by marking them as #217 for Human Care. Funds will remain in the account until needed. Thank you for your support.

SPRING CLEANUP Saturday, May 5th at 9:00 am. We will be working inside on cleaning windows, classrooms, and the old fellowship hall as well as outside on the hedges and around the church. Please bring your own cleaning supplies if possible. Pizza will be served for lunch!

LWML ANNUAL ALL DAUGHTER SALAD POTLUCK Tuesday, May 8th at 6:30pm in the St Andrew in the fellowship hall. This is open to all Ladies of St. Andrew Lutheran Church. Enjoy an evening out with the ladies from church, your mom, your daughter/daughters, your aunt's and grandmother. Please bring your favorite Salad or Potluck dish to share. All ladies are welcomed to come!

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOU!! Mark your calendars for an evening of fellowship and food set for Friday, May 18th at 6:30 pm! Our congregation would like to celebrate you, our members, with a 'We Are Grateful for You' quarterly potluck. Our first gathering will celebrate our Charter members, newly baptized members and our newest members, from Jan 2017-May 2018. Everyone is invited for a devotion, a delicious meal and a wonderful time together in fellowship. This event is open to the entire St Andrew Family. Bring your favorite dish to share!

YOUTH GATHERING The LCMS National Youth Gathering is July 11-15, 2019 in Minneapolis, MN. Who can attend this gathering? Current 7th grade - High school Juniors (14-19 year old, OR entering 9th grade in 2019). An information meeting for parents/youth is scheduled for next Sunday, May 6th at 7-8pm to learn more about the gathering, and to answer any questions you might have!

SUMMER CAMPS! It's time to sign up for camp! St. Andrew is again helping with scholarships for our youth who attend. This is on a first come basis until the budgeted funds are used up – so the sooner you register the better! Camp brochures and scholarship forms are available by the youth bulletin board.