

# ST. ANDREW LUTHERAN CHURCH

Learning, Living and Sharing Christ through God's Word  
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March 31, 2019 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent-C

**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:** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**OLD TESTAMENT: Isaiah 12:1-6** "The Lord...Has become my salvation."

**EPISTLE: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21** "If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation."

**GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32** Parable of the prodigal son

## OPPORTUNITIES THRU CHURCH ACTIVITIES (Mar 31-Apr 7)

Sun/March 31 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

Volunteer Awareness Sunday  
Worship w/Holy Communion, 8am  
Coffee Fellowship, 9-9:30am  
GROW/SS/Bible Study, 9:30am  
Worship w/Holy Communion, 10:45am  
Christian Estate Planning, 1pm

Mon/Apr 1

Faith Foundations, 7pm  
LifeLight #2, 6:30-8pm

Tues/Apr 2

All Staff Meeting, 11:30am  
Bd of Stewardship, 6:30pm  
GLS Strategy @ GLS, 6:30pm

Wed/Apr 3

Book/Bible Study @ Deaner's Diner, 6:30am  
Lent Soup & Sandwich, 5:15pm  
Lent Worship, 6:30pm  
Confirmation Student & Parent Session, 7:30pm  
Jubilate Choir, 7:30pm

Thu/Apr 4

Chapel @ Edgewood Vista, 10:30 am  
The Seekers, 1pm  
Bd of Christian Outreach, 6:30pm

Fri/Apr 5

LWML Spring Event, 9am-1pm

Sat/Apr 6

Sun/Apr 7

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent  
Volunteer Awareness Sunday  
Worship w/Holy Communion, 8am  
Coffee Fellowship, 9-9:30am  
GROW/SS/Bible Study, 9:30am  
Worship w/Holy Communion, 10:45am  
LFL Annual Meeting, 1:30-5pm

**UPDATED CONTACT INFORMATION** Please remember to let the church office know if you have a new address, changed your phone number or email. Thank you

**OFFICE HELP** We are in need of someone to come into the office to record the service attendance in our computer system. This can be done on a weekly or biweekly basis. Please contact Mary in the office for more information.

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Entrance Hymn #915  
Confession & Absolution p. 151  
Introit *see insert*  
Kyrie (*omit hymn of praise*) p. 152  
Salutation and Collect p. 156  
Old Testament *see back*  
Gradual *see back*  
Epistle *see back*  
"Return to the Lord..." p. 157  
Gospel *see back*  
Children's Message  
Sermon Hymn #569  
Sermon Psalm 51/Introit  
"I Want Out of This Mess!"  
Nicene Creed p. 158  
Prayers & Offering  
Preface & Sanctus p. 160-61  
Prayer of Thanksgiving p.161  
Lord's Prayer & Institution p. 162  
Agnus Dei p. 163  
Distribution & Hymns  
#686, #809, #609  
Nunc Dimittis "Lord, now..." p. 165  
Prayer & Benediction p.166  
Closing Hymn #725

**-OPPORTUNITIES FOR HIS PEOPLE AND HIS WORLD-  
USED OPPORTUNITIES TO WORSHIP OUR LORD:**

Attendance for last Sunday: 123 (Wed) + 107 + 102 = 332

	<u>LAST YEAR</u>	<u>LAST SUNDAY</u>
General Fund Income Received:	\$ 6,026.54	\$ 8,165.00
Mortgage Fund Income Received:	\$ 445.50	\$ 420.24

<u>THROUGH FEBRUARY</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>YTD</u>
General Fund Income:	\$ 25,669.30	\$ 55,477.87
General Fund Expenses:	\$ 44,729.98	\$ 75,352.23
Net	\$ -19,060.68	\$ -19,874.36
Mortgage Fund Income	\$ 5,074.50	\$ 9,849.12
Mortgage Fund Loan Payments	\$ 6,386.00	\$ 12,772.00
Net	\$ -1,311.50	\$ -2,922.88

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE FOR NEXT WEEK: (Apr 3 & 7)**

ELDERS:	Wed: Robert Eidbo 8am: Emmett Wilson 10:45am: Gary Dillard
AV:	8am: John Renfrew/Thomas Doyel 10:45am: Lenny Heupel/Tanner Lies
USHERS:	Wed: Bill Kitzman 8am: Jeff Pierce*, Steven Beltz Diana & Larry Weil 10:45am: Rod Olson*, Sandie Eaton Penny Maurer, Mike Hendrickson
GREETERS	8am: Carolyn & Randy Schatz 10:45am: Karen Laddusaw & Gail Olson
ACOLYTES:	Wed: Rya Laugisch 8am: Jordan Pierce 10:45am: Gatlin Strohm
MUSICIANS:	Wed: Jodi Pierce 8am & 10:45am: Jodi Pierce
ALTAR GUILD:	Celeste Moltzan & Connie Klug

**COMMUNICATING CHRIST OVER THE AIR:**

**OUR WEB SITE:** [www.standrewlcms.org](http://www.standrewlcms.org)

**"THE LUTHERAN HOUR"** Sundays on KFGO AM 790 at 7:30am and on KFNW AM 1200 at 8am.

Upcoming topics are posted on the LLL bulletin board.  
[www.lutheranhour.org](http://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](http://www.kfuo.org)

**DAILY DEVOTIONS** by Pastor Klaus at [www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp](http://www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp)

**MEN NETWORK:** [www.lhmmen.com](http://www.lhmmen.com)

**ISSUES, ETC:** Current events from a Lutheran view. [www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org)

**MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH TV PROGRAM** April 7: **Rev. Ed Borchardt, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Frazee, MN**, presents the message: "Strength Doesn't Come From Within" based on Philippians 3:8-14. Today's special LHM Easter program is: "The Puzzle Club Easter Adventure". **MAIN STREET LIVING** is a locally produced TV program that includes a 30 minute worship service led by participating pastors of the ND and MN North Districts of our LCMS, along with a 30 minute Lutheran Hour program. Programs are broadcast at 9am Central time on FOX station KVRN Channel 15.1, AND 10am Central on WDAY & affiliate Xtra Channels: WDAY Xtra Channel 6.3, and archived on [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com) (then click on "North").

**CATECHETICAL LESSON** *Sacrament of Holy Baptism: How can water do such great things?* Certainly no just water, but the word of God in and with the water does these things, along with the faith which trusts this word of God in the water. For without God's word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a lifegiving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit, as St. Paul says in Titus, chapter 3: "He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying."

**CHRISTIAN ESTATE PLANNING** "As it is in Heaven," the petition from the Lord's Prayer, helps us to recognize that His Will is always best. Baptized believers live in the present with a view of eternity. Planning a Christian Will now is a good idea, even if you plan to live to be 150 years old. Potluck lunch with a Wills Planning workshop to follow this afternoon in our fellowship hall. An hour's investment of time will be very beneficial to you!

**LWML SPRING EVENT** The LWML Spring Event, "Hungry for Jesus", is Saturday, April 6 at St. Andrew. Registration starts at 9am with opening at 9:30am. There will be a bible study with Pastor David Suelzle followed by speakers. It will end with a luncheon and devotion. An in-gathering of items for the Emergency Food Pantry will be collected (nonperishable foods, baby food, diapers, and paper items). Everyone is invited.

**SHORTFALL LOAN 2018** In 2018, giving to the General Fund income was \$16,500.00 short of covering expenses. The Mortgage Fund income was \$2,000.00 short of covering the loan payments. This year we had to take out a Shortfall Loan for \$18,500.00 to cover the difference for the Mortgage Fund and the General Fund. As we enter 2019, we are asking all to consider any additional giving they can contribute to eliminate the shortfall loan. In order to address this specific need, pink envelopes labeled Shortfall Loan can be found in the gathering area on the front table.  
Balance as of 2-1-2019: \$18,500.00

**WHERE MOMS CONNECT** will now meet every other Tuesday morning at 9am with childcare provided starting Tuesday April 2nd. Calling all mothers of babies to teenagers, a new devotional time just for you! Take some time out of your busy schedule and join us in fellowship with other moms to dive into God's Word together. "Where Moms Connect" will meet at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, 2601 23rd Ave. S. Fargo, ND 58103. For more information about "Where Moms Connect" please contact Leanne Muhl 701-850-7703 or Dahlia Shane 979-203-1160.

**MAILBOXES** Please remember to routinely check your mailboxes, especially if you have not picked up your giving envelopes. Those of you with confirmed children should check the top of the mailboxes for envelopes. The mailboxes have gotten a facelift and have been shifted around. Please pay attention as your mailbox may have moved

**COFFEE & TREATS** Would you like to help serve coffee and treats in the kitchen during fellowship hour? And/or- would you like to bake and bring treats for a Sunday? Simply add your name to the sign-up sheet located on the youth bulletin board. Thank you!

**SUMMER CAMPS!** Now is the time to select a summer camp for your son or daughter (or for the entire family)! There are dozens to choose from at either our ND District Camp at Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads in the Turtle Mountains. Our St. Andrew congregation is again helping provide financial assistance/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! Pick up a camp brochure and scholarship form by the youth bulletin board.

**"UNPLANNED" THE MOVIE** On Friday, March 29th, the movie: "Unplanned" opened in theaters nation-wide! This may be one of the most powerful tools that God uses to help restore the sanctity of human life! The movie is the life story of Abby Johnson, who worked her way up from an abortion facility volunteer to the director of one of the largest Planned Parenthood abortion facilities in the nation - until one day when an unplanned event brought her face to face with the truth about abortion. Since then, Abby has been doing everything she can to promote the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception - and to end abortion! Please visit the "Unplanned" movie website at <https://www.unplannedfilm.com/> . To view a short preview/"Trailer" click on "Videos".

**BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES** Check out one or more of our Bible study opportunities! Want to get involved in a Bible study, but don't see a time that works for you? Let DCE Emily know!

Bible Class with Pastor Jahnke, Sundays at 9:45am

Parent Class with Cybil Johnson & Jen Rossow, Sundays at 9:45am

High School Bible Class (LYF) with DCE Emily, Sundays at 9:45am

Deaner's Diner with Joe Franklin & Ken Koehler, Wednesdays at 6:30am

Deaner's Diner women's group study on 3rd Wednesday of the month, 8am

Lifelight 9 week Bible study- in progress, Mondays at 6:30pm

The Seekers with Ken Koehler & James Larsen, 1st and 3rd Thurs at 1pm

**Introit**

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your | steadfast love;\*  
 according to your abundant mercy blot out my trans- | gressions.  
 Wash me thoroughly from my in- | iquity,\*  
 and cleanse me | from my sin!  
 For I know my trans- | gressions,\*  
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 sight,\*  
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 judgment.  
 Behold, I was brought forth in in- | iquity,\*  
 and in sin did my mother con- | ceive me.  
 Behold, you delight in truth in the inward | being,\*  
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**Gradual**

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 who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis- | ing  
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