

ST. ANDREW LUTHERAN CHURCH

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December 15, 2019

3rd Sunday in Advent - A

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: Lord Jesus Christ, we implore You to hear our prayers and to lighten the darkness of our hearts by Your gracious visitation; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 35:1-10 *The wilderness will rejoice and blossom.*

EPISTLE: James 5:7-11 *"Be patient...until the coming of the Lord."*

GOSPEL: Matthew 11:2-15 *Jesus speaks regarding John the Baptist.*

CATECHETICAL LESSON *Ten Commandments: Sixth Commandment- You shall not commit adultery. What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other.

OPPORTUNITIES THRU CHURCH ACTIVITIES (December 15-22)

- Sun/Dec 15 **3rd Sunday of Advent**
Worship w/Holy Communion, 8am
Coffee Fellowship, 9-9:30am
Sunday School/Bible Study, 9:30am
Worship w/Holy Communion, 10:45am
Christmas Program Noon Meal
Christmas Program, 1:15pm
Mission Society, 2:30pm
- Mon/Dec 16 Trustee Meeting, 7pm
- Tues/Dec 17 All Staff Meeting, 11:30am
Quilters, 9am-3pm
Elders Meeting, 7pm
- Wed/Dec 18 **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**
Women's Bible Study @ Sandy's, 9am
Advent Soup & Sandwich, 5:15pm
Advent Worship, 6:30pm
Student/Parent Confirmation Session, 7:30pm
Jubilate Choir, 7:30pm
- Thr/Dec 19 Chapel @ Edgewood Vista, 10:30am
The Seekers, 12pm with Potluck
GLS Christmas Musical, 1:30pm & 7pm
Pantry Open, 1-3pm
- Fri/Dec 20
- Sat/Dec 21
- Sun/Dec 22 **4th Sunday of Advent**
Worship w/Holy Communion, 8am
Coffee Fellowship, 9-9:30am
Sunday School/Bible Study, 9:30am
Worship w/Holy Communion, 10:45am

SOUP SUPPERS Sign up sheets for Advent soup suppers are on a table in the Narthex. Serving starts at 5:15 and runs till 6:15.

THE JUBILATE CHOIR will be singing "A Great Light" today.

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Third Sunday in Advent - A	
Lighting of the Advent Wreath & "Light One Candle"	<i>insert</i>
Entrance Hymn	#398
Confession & Absolution	p.203
8am-Introit/10:45 Choir	<i>see insert</i>
Kyrie	p.204
"O Come, O Come..."	<i>see insert</i>
Salutation and Collect	p.205
Old Testament	<i>see back</i>
Gradual	<i>see insert</i>
Epistle	<i>see back</i>
"Alleluia" & Responses	p.205
Gospel	<i>see back</i>
Apostles Creed	p.207
Children's Message	
Sermon Hymn	#849
Sermon: Matthew 11:2-15	
"EXPECTATION"	
"Create in Me..."	p. 192
Prayers & Offering w/8am-Choir	
Preface, Sanctus Lord's Prayer	p. 208
Institution & Agnus Dei	p.210
Distribution & Hymns	#392, #338, #636
Nunc Dimittis	p.211
Prayer & Benediction	p.212
Closing Hymn	#349

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

Attendance for last Sunday 104 (Wed) + 113 + 101 = 318

	<u>LAST YEAR</u>	<u>LAST SUNDAY</u>
General Fund Income Received:	\$ 6,119.09	\$ 9,127.50
Mortgage Fund Income Received:	\$ 457.09	\$ 1,575.09

<u>THROUGH OCTOBER</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>YTD</u>
General Fund Income:	\$ 28,699.26	\$ 298,214.45
General Fund Expenses:	\$ 27,870.14	\$ 330,780.88
Net	\$ 829.12	\$

Mortgage Fund Income	\$ 5,288.40	\$ 54,644.63
Mortgage Fund Loan Payments	\$ 6,386.00	\$ 63,860.00
Net	\$-1,097.60	\$ -9,215.37

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE FOR NEXT WEEK: (12/18 & 22)

ELDERS:	Wednesday: Dan Klug 8am: Kevin Osmondson 10:45am: Robert Eidbo
AV:	Wednesday: Ken Koehler/Hannah Norton 8am: Joe Cajobe/Kaylee Neumiller 10:45am: Lenny Heupel/Gavin Hruza
USHERS:	Wednesday: Dave Cook 8am: Al* & Naomi Hall Lori & Patrick Anderson 10:45am: Milo* & Anna Rossow Penny Maurer, Kirk Rosin
GREETERS	8am: Diana & Larry Weil 10:45am: Lexi Hruza, Janel Beauchamp
ACOLYTES:	Wednesday: Arnold Bredine 8am: Tatum Renfrew 10:45: Shonteau Wasness
MUSICIANS:	Wednesday: Katie Rolf Sunday: Susan Jahnke
ALTAR:	Deb Cook, Kristy Dillard, Sara Moreland

**COMMUNICATING CHRIST OVER THE AIR:
OUR WEB SITE: www.standrewlcms.org**

"THE LUTHERAN HOUR" Sundays on KFGO AM 790 at 7:30am and on KFNW AM 1200 and 102.5 FM at 8:00am.
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 Dec 22: **Rev. Matthew Harrison, President of the LCMS** presents this year's Christmas message. The Christmas season LHM Animated Series Program is: "Christmas Is" (A journey back in time to the first Christmas with Benji and Waldo to rediscover the feeling and message of this significant day.) **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 KVRR Channel 15.1, AND 10am Central on WDAY Xtra Channel 6.3, and archived on www.mainstreetliving.com

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS on those having birthdays this upcoming week:
12/15: Gavin Hruza, Rachel Kitzman, Jacob Marcy, Shonteau Wasness
12/16: Sara Hoefs, Stephen Pfahl
12/17: Sue Jahnke, Kaylee Neumiller, Ryan Teigen, Sharon Wilson
12/18: Isaac Berg, Tim Hertel, Isabelle Jacobson
12/19: Jessica Schatz
12/20: Paulette Franklin, Jennifer Larson, Tatum Riebe
12/21: Addie Rossow, Andrew Samsten, Shawn Schweitzer

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

12/15: Mike & Diana Peterson

BEHOLD THE CHILD, CHRISTMAS PROGRAM Our Sunday School Children invite you to join us today, December 15th as they share the Christmas message. A lunch will be served after our second service. The Christmas Program will follow, scheduled to begin at 1:15 pm.

Come celebrate our King's birth. Invite your friends and family. Enjoy the message our Sunday School Children want to share with you. Enjoy good food, fellowship and the loving season before us.



GRACE SCHOOL MUSICAL roaring to call your attention to the great discovery of **THREE WEE KINGS**. Join us on Thursday afternoon at 1:30pm or Thursday Evening at 7pm a time of proclaiming and singing of the great good news of our coming Savior!

MISSION SOCIETY will be meeting Sunday, December 15th at 2:30pm. The purpose of the meeting will be to finalize dates for the mission trip, and also to discuss possible locations and opportunities. Currently the tentative dates for the mission trip that have been recommended are March 7-15, 2020. There will also be discussion on purchasing of a different bus or repainting the current bus we have. If you have any questions, please contact Kirk Rosin at 701-347-5279 or email krosin@juno.com.

SEEKERS Join the Seekers on Dec 19th for a potluck starting at Noon. Bring a wrapped White Elephant gift.

LYF CHRISTMAS PARTY There will be a LYF Christmas Party, Monday December 23rd from 5pm-8pm. There will be games and desserts. Please contact Addie Rossow if you have any questions.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MUSIC LEADER NEEDED We need someone to lead the Sunday School music. What does this entail? The curriculum we use has music included or you can choose your own music. Sunday School music is immediately after GROW opening. Can't commit to every Sunday? That's ok, you can still help. Don't know how to play piano, that's ok too. Are you interested? Contact Leanne Muhl at 701-850-7703.

ENVELOPES The 2020 envelopes are now ready to be picked up from the table in the narthex. Please remember to grab yours and your children's today!

CUSTODIAN POSITION We are looking for a new custodian. Starting pay will be \$13.00 an hour with a maximum of 20 hours a week. Anyone interested can contact Tom Moltzan, Al Hall, Lloyd Ruud, James Jerger, or the church office.

UPDATE on JEFF MADDOCK who is the husband of Kristin Maddock, has been moved to MD Anderson in Houston, TX for an advanced medical trial. Also remember Kristin and their son Bryce in your prayers.

1-1-1 MISSION GIVING The North Dakota District is adopting a new model for funding the missions of the District. It's completely Voluntary. It is very simple: 1 Dollar, 1 Baptized Member, 1 Week, every week. Every baptized member of the Body of Christ in your congregation, from the newest baby baptized to the oldest member is involved. This funding model is based on the belief that "there is power and strength in many giving a little." Loving our neighbor includes caring for their spiritual well-being. This is why the need exists for God's people to come together in support of missions that are bearing kingdom fruit. In addition to each congregation's regular giving to the District, the 1-1-1 funds will stay in the District and support the missions of the District, such as Christ Care of Children, Kenya; Main Street Living; Wittenberg Lutheran Chapel, UND; Iglesia Luterana de Chile; and others. God's generosity is not lacking! The gifts are there. Where the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity and the Sacraments are administered according to their institution by Christ, there are ample resources to do this ministry. Collection Box and brochures are available in the narthex.

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

FUNERAL COMMITTEE We at St. Andrew are looking for a group of people (men and women) who would enjoy serving at funerals. This includes setting up, serving, and cleaning up. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex.

MAILBOXES Please remember to routinely check your mailboxes.

MEN'S WINTER RETREAT The 30th Annual ND District Men's Winter Retreat at Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads, St. John ND will be January 17-18. The presenter will be Rev. Jeffrey Hemmer of Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church in Fairview Heights, IL. Come hear what a Real Man is and does-learning to live in your calling to be a husband, father, man, son, and more for the benefit of those God has given you to serve. Contact Corey Isaak to register: 701-281-0240 or corey.isaak@gracefargo.org

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!

CALENDAR Have you checked out yearly church calendar on the bulletin board in the welcome area? Take a look today and see what events and activities are coming up! Have a church event or activity that you think should be added? Contact Mary in the office.

GOOD NEWS If you haven't checked the magazine display on the north wall of the narthex/hallway lately, please do so today. The "Good News" periodicals have been restocked, and new issues have arrived. There are now 46 issues, with each issue concentrating on a specific Christian topic including the following: Trials and Afflictions, Prophecy, The Names of Jesus, The Old and New Man, the Apostle's Creed, Encouragement, The Power of Sin, The Devil, Christ in You, Forgiveness, the Holy Spirit, Justification, Creation, Prayer, Faith, Baptism, God's Healing Medicine, and many more. Copies are available for a suggested donation of \$2 each. An offering slot is available in the center of the display. We would like at least 20-25 so nobody is committed for every funeral. Thank you for your willingness to serve.

Fourth Sunday in Advent- A

December 22, 2019

Introit

Rejoice in the Lord | always;*
again I will say, | Rejoice.
I will hope con- | tinually*
and will praise you yet | more and more.
My mouth will tell of your righteous acts, of your deeds of salvation
| all the day,*
for their number is past my | knowledge.
With the mighty deeds of the Lord GOD | I will come;*
I will remind them of your righteousness, | yours alone.
O God, from my youth you have | taught me,*
and I still proclaim your | wondrous deeds.
So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not for- | sake me,*
until I proclaim your might to another generation, your power to all
| those to come.
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
Rejoice in the Lord | always;*
again I will say, | Rejoice.

Collect of the Day

Lord Jesus Christ, we implore You to hear our prayers and to lighten the darkness of our hearts by Your gracious visitation; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gradual

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of | Zion.*
Shout aloud, O daughter of Je- | rusalem.
Behold, your king is com- | ing to you;*
righteous and having sal- | vation.
Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the Lord.*
From the house of the Lord we | bless you.

Verse

Alleluia. Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way before you. Alleluia.