

ST. ANDREW LUTHERAN CHURCH

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December 22, 2019

4th 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: Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come and help us by Your might, that the sins which weigh us down may be quickly lifted by Your grace and mercy; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 7:10-17 "The virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call His name Immanuel."

EPISTLE: Romans 1:1-7 *We belong to Jesus Christ.*

GOSPEL: Matthew 1:18-25 *Jesus is born*

CATECHETICAL LESSON *Ten Commandments: Seventh Commandment- You shall not steal. What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not take our neighbor's money or possessions, or get them in any dishonest way, but help him to improve and protect his possessions and income.

OPPORTUNITIES THRU CHURCH ACTIVITIES (December 22-29)

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
Mon/Dec 23 Newsletter & Christmas Bulletins Assembly
LYF & Middle School Christmas Party, 5-8pm
Tues/Dec 24 Office Closed, Noon
Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship, 3:30, 5:30, & 8pm
Wed/Dec 25 **MERRY CHRISTMAS**
Festive Christmas Day Worship w/Holy Communion, 10am
Office Closed
Thr/Dec 26 Office Closed
Fri/Dec 27
Sat/Dec 28
Sun/Dec 29 **1st Sunday after Christmas**
Worship w/Holy Communion, 10am

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS on those having birthdays this upcoming week:

12/22: Linda Weisser
12/24: Barbara Hall, Keri Olson, Kim Parsley
12/27: Cybil Johnson

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

12/22: Andrew & Alyssa Hovland
12/28: Gary & Kristy Dillard, Ernie & Donna Feland

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Fourth Sunday in Advent - A
Lighting of the Advent Wreath &
"Light One Candle" *insert*
Entrance Hymn #332:1-4, 8*
Confession & Absolution p.203
Introit *see insert*
Kyrie p.204
"O Come, O Come..." *see insert*
Salutation and Collect p.205
Old Testament *see back*
Gradual *see insert*
Epistle *see back*
"Alleluia" & Responses p.205
Gospel *see back*
Nicene Creed p.206
Children's Message
Sermon Hymn #357:2-5
Sermon: Matthew 1:18-25
God with Us:
Immanent, Eminent & Imminent!
"Create in Me..." p. 192
Prayers & Offering
Preface & Sanctus p. 208
Lord's Prayer p. 209
Institution & Agnus Dei p.210
Distribution & Hymns
#970, #624, #900
Nunc Dimittis p.211
Prayer & Benediction p.212
Closing Hymn #347

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

Attendance for last Sunday 107 (Wed) + 94 + 97 = 298

	<u>LAST YEAR</u>	<u>LAST SUNDAY</u>
General Fund Income Received:	\$ 13,710.00	\$ 8,647.41
Mortgage Fund Income Received:	\$ 1,334.12	\$ 1,110.11

<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: (12/24/25/29)

ELDERS:	12/24 3:30pm: Dave Pistorius 5:30pm: Ray Wasness 12/25 10am: Bill Kitzman 12/29 10am: Bill Kitzman
AV:	12/24 3:30pm: Robert Eidbo/Jordan Pierce 5:30pm: John Renfrew/Carter Reibe 8pm: Ken Koehler/Joshua Harvla 12/29 10am: Robert Eidbo/Dominic Rosales
USHERS:	12/24 3:30pm: Tom Moltzan*, Rod Olson, Anna & Milo Rossow 5:30pm: Lloyd Ruud*, Steve Beltz, Brendan Klug, Dan Klug 8pm: Gary Muhl*, Mike Peterson, 12/25 10am: Al* & Naomi Hall, Emily Sell, Jacob Sell 10am: Dave Cook*, Lenny Heupel, Tami Hertel, Larry Johnson
GREETERS	12/29 10am: James & Kim Jerger
ACOLYTES:	12/24 3:30pm: Lincoln Haugen 5:30pm: Arnold Bredein 8pm: Miriam Harvala 12/25 10am: Lyla Fiechtner 10am: Gatlin Strohm
MUSICIANS:	Susan Jahnke & Jodi Pierce
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 29: **Rev. Roger Paavloa, President of the LCMS Mid-South District**, presents the message: "Satan Fails; Prophecy is Fulfilled" based on Matthew 2: 13-23. The Christmas season LHM Animated Series Program is: "The Puzzle Club Christmas Mystery" (It's Christmas, and some mysterious events have occurred which require some special investigative talents.) 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

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

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

CIRCUIT FAMILY SKI DAY will be Saturday, January 11th at Andes Tower Hills near Alexandria, MN. Please see the flyer on the Youth Bulletin Board for more information and for the registration form which is due by January 3rd.

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 If you have not picked up your 2020 envelopes, they are now in your mailboxes. Those of you with confirmed children should check the top of the mailboxes for extra envelopes. Please do not use these envelopes until January 1st. Thank you!

ST ANDREW MISSION SOCIETY will be meeting on Sunday, January 12, at 1:00 PM to discuss our upcoming mission trip to Mexico. The dates have been set for March 7-15, 2020. We are tentatively exploring going to Cercado, where we have begun the construction of a church. We will be working on finalizing details at this meeting. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Kirk Rosin at 701-347-5279 or email krosin@juno.com.

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

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.

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!

MAILBOXES Please remember to routinely check your mailboxes.

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.

Introit

Oh that you would rend the heavens | and come down,*
that the mountains might quake at your | presence.
I wait for the LORD, my | soul waits,*
and in his | word I hope;
my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the | morning,*
more than watchmen for the | morning.
O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is | steadfast
love,*
and with him is plentiful re- | demption.
And he will redeem | Israel*
from all his in- | iquities.
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.
Oh that you would rend the heavens | and come down,*
that the mountains might quake at your | presence.

Jesus, name above all names,
Beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.
Emmanuel, God is with us,
Blessèd Redeemer, living Word.

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Collect of the Day

Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come and help us by Your might,
that the sins which weigh us down may be quickly lifted by Your
grace and mercy; 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, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they
shall call his name Immanuel. Alleluia.