

ST. ANDREW TRUMPETER

AUGUST 2020

Pastor's Soundings in the Trumpeter...

The Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer retired as President of Concordia Seminary, Saint Louis on June 30, 2020. Please join me at this time in giving thanks to God for his many years of faithful ministry as a pastor, professor, Lutheran Hour speaker, and president, and please enjoy this contribution from The Meyer Minute, a nearly daily devotion he has been writing for many of those years. You can read them at <https://themeyerminute.typepad.com/meyerminute/>, or follow The Meyer Minute on Facebook.

The Meyer Minute for July 6, 2020

Diane and I are overwhelmed by all the kindnesses shown to us these last weeks. Humbling. It will take the rest of our lives to say and write "thank you" to hundreds and hundreds of you who took time to bless us with emails, social posts, letters, cards, gifts and so much more.

What now? Job #1 for me is writing the commentary on 1 Peter for Concordia Publishing House. Other writing projects are in the works, I've been asked to teach this coming year, mentor new students, and work with our Advancement Division. Diane, as civic minded a person as you can find, will likely get involved in church and community.

We've both had the same reaction to your kindnesses. We simply tried to do our job. Every morning this, that, or the other thing had to be done. We're not workaholics but we have loved working and will continue to work. Looking back now at our lives that are largely spent, we identify with Jesus' parable. "Will any one of you who has a servant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come at once and recline at table?' Will he not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink'? Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty'" (Luke 17:7-10).

Comedian Bob Newhart had two successful TV series. In the first he played a psychologist in Chicago; in the second he ran an inn in Vermont. When the time came to wind down the second series, there was great anticipation about the final episode. In the last scene, Bob Newhart woke up one morning back in Chicago and said, "Emily, I had a strange dream last night that I was running an inn in Vermont." That's the way Diane and I feel. Back in the home we've had for almost 40 years, working at the Seminary seems like a dream. We thank our Lord for the privilege and thank you for your countless kindnesses. "We have only done what was our duty."



Pastor Harvala

WORSHIP SERVICES AND BIBLE STUDIES

We continue work towards offering God's Word in various ways so that you may be fed and look forward to the time when you will gather with the rest of the body of Christ in this place regularly.

Worship services are still available on our St. Andrew Facebook page, via Facebook Live. Also, the sermons are available on podcasts through our website at www.standrewlcms.org. Again go to the website, but click on "Sermons" and click on what you want to listen to.

Offering may be dropped off, mailed in, or simply sign up for EFT. If you are in a bind use Vanco's "GivePlus" app on your phone.

PASTOR TITLE CHANGES

At our March meeting, it was brought to the Board of Elders attention, that St. Andrew should change Pastor Harvala's title from Assistant Pastor to Associate Pastor. Pastor Harvala accepted our call to be full-time Pastor. At this time Pastor Jahnke informed the Elders that he had three documents, with three different titles. After discussion on these items, the Elders decided to recommend to the voters that we change Pastor Jahnke's title from Senior Associate Pastor to Senior Pastor, and Pastor Harvala's title from Assistant pastor to Associate Pastor. I contacted President Bertsch for the necessary documents. The Elders presented the recommendation to the Voters assembly, where a motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept these changes. The documents were then signed by President Del Ruff and the Pastors.

In Christ's Service,
Your Board of Elders
Ray Wasness, Chairman

BOARD OF HUMAN CARE

Food Donations The Board of Human Care is in need of nonperishable food items such as Hamburger Helper and canned or boxed pasta meals. Donations can be dropped off in the office or put in the basket near the coat rack area.

Meals The Board is also looking for more volunteers who would be willing to make a meal for someone recovering from surgery or illness or someone who has experienced a death in the family. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the narthex.

School Supplies During the months of August and September there will be school supplies set out in the narthex for anyone in need. Please help yourselves.

SANCITY OF HUMAN LIFE

Are you looking for a way to further support the sanctity of human life? If so, please consider occasionally taking an hour or two whenever you are able and wish to provide an additional "sidewalk presence" near the abortion facility in downtown Fargo on Wednesday forenoons. Life-saving options include: praying, offering brochures, holding signs, and/or extending a verbal offer to help choose life. Free help, including ultrasounds for those with an unexpected pregnancy, are available at the "Women's Care Center" (formerly "First Choice Clinic") now re-located only 7 blocks away! For more information feel free to contact Ken Koehler @ 701-429-3092. Thank you.

WE NEED YOU!!!

We would love to have more friendly faces serving as ushers, greeters, and on our altar guild for our worship services especially during this time when some are not able to make it to church due to health concerns with Covid-19. If you are interested please talk with Mary in the office for more information! Keep in mind you can serve in more than one area!

1-1-1 MISSION GIVING

The people of Israel brought a voluntary offering to the Lord. Every man and woman whose heart was willing contributed to all the work which the Lord had commanded Moses to do. - Exodus 35:29

That's 1-1-1 Mission Giving! It's simple. Not burdensome and it includes every baptized member from the newest baptized baby to our oldest congregational member. Letting your children put their dollar in the giving box teaches them to be involved in supporting missions and spreading the Gospel. All it takes is \$1, 1 Member, every week to support missions in the North Dakota District. Each one of us is the body of Christ, and each one of us can accomplish so much with just a dollar a week. Help us spread the Gospel. There is a giving box set up in the Narthex for your weekly contribution of \$1. There is power and strength, in many giving a little.

LWR STAMPOREE

The goal of the Lutheran World Relief Stamporee is to support LWR's Project Comfort, which provides funding for the shipping of quilts, kits, & clothing to those in need around the world. Anyone can contribute by collecting used postage stamps to help with their efforts and bringing them to the church.

Here are a few pointers about saving stamps: Buy and use commemorative stamps, since they are worth more than common stamps. Save all cancelled stamps.

CREATION (and Evolution) DVDs & BOOKS

to our St. Andrew Library!

OVER 150 DVDs & BOOKS have been added to our St. Andrew library at no cost to St. Andrew. These include Creation and other Christian Apologetics resources on loan from the personal libraries of our former DCE, Ken Koehler, as well as from several pastors and other members of our LCMS congregations in the Fargo area. They are all available for free check-out.

The importance of teaching biblical creation, along with the scientific evidences that support it, can hardly be over-stated! Creation is the foundation to the entire Bible, with Genesis chapters 1 to 11 containing the teaching of the creation of a REAL Adam (not one evolved from apes), and a REAL fall into sin, requiring the need for a REAL Savior! There are over 100 references to Genesis in the New Testament, including many made by Jesus Himself. They all treat Genesis and a miraculous creation by a REAL God as actual historical events!

To see a complete list of these new resources, you can go to our St. Andrew website at www.standrewlcms.org and click on "Resources" and then click on "Creation Resources" and follow the directions. New DVDs and books will be added from time to time - so continue to check the list for updates. Also, if you have a request for a particular resource, or have questions about the Creation Library, please visit with Ken about it.

"MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH"

TV PROGRAM **AUGUST UPDATE**

JUST WHAT IS A CHRISTIAN? And, how does being one really differ from the other religions and moral codes of the world? This is the question that Mr. Brownly is struggling with - and which was keeping him from openly sharing his faith with others. My guess is that there are many within our churches who will be able to identify with him. The "THIS IS THE LIFE" episode entitled "House of Sand" does an excellent job of answering this question! I encourage everyone who may have missed this episode to go to "mainstreetliving.com" and click on "Watch This Is The Life", then scroll down to the "House of Sand" episode - posted June 26, 2020 - to watch this program! (You may wish to keep scrolling and watch other episodes too sometime.)

Please continue to share information about our LCMS "Main Street Living" media ministry with others. In addition to being broadcast each Sunday morning, you can view archived programs anytime at

morning, you can view archived programs anytime at www.mainstreetliving.com - then click on the link under the picture identified as "North (Fargo)".

Thank you for your much-needed financial support! Checks may be sent to "Main Street Living NORTH", 821-5th Ave S, Fargo, ND 58103, or donate by Credit Card or your PayPal account on the website. God's blessing in Christ! -Ken Koehler / MSL North Volunteer Coordinator

"Main Street Living North" Programs for August 2020:

August 2: Rev. Jonathan Durkopp, Trinity Lutheran Church, LaMoure, ND, & Trinity Lutheran Church, Adrian, ND, presents the message: "God's Care," based on Matthew 14:13-21. This Is The Life program is: "The Visit" - During war time, a Christian's response to tragedy becomes a witness to others.

August 9: Rev. Ron Hobbie, Zion Lutheran Church & St. John's Lutheran Church, Ada, MN, presents the message: "Have You Comprehended?" based on Job 38:18. This is The Life program is: "One Hour to Live" - Divine forgiveness for the truly penitent assures a man --and in the nick of time.

August 16: Rev. Richard Biberdorf, Grace Lutheran Church, Carrington, ND, Zion Lutheran Church, Binford, ND, & Grace Lutheran Church, Cooperstown, ND, presents the message: "Choking Us with Cream," based on Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32. This Is The Life program is: "Trial By Fire" - When an unexpected tragedy strikes...pray, forgive, and move forward. Do not allow the past to embitter the future. When one door closes, another will open.

August 23: Rev. Andrew Ratcliffe, St. Paul's Lutheran Church & School, Perham, MN, presents the message: "What's the Point," based on Romans 11:33. This Is The Life program is: "Red Trap" - A loving father's son became conflicted and lost. Fortunately, he was surrounded by people who cared.

August 30: Rev. Paul Preus, Zion Lutheran Church, Ellendale, ND, presents the message: "In the Likeness of Our Father," based on Matthew 5:38-39. This Is The Life program is: "Run Away" - Away we go, back to where we started from.



JUNE/JULY PASTORAL ACTS

Baptism

- Alexander James Reber, infant son of Brandon & Amanda Reber (baptized 7/25)

Removal: Address Unknown at Voters

- Kaiden Eli (son of Steven Eli & Carrie Stange), baptized member
- Samantha Glanzer, communicant member
- Brian Gustafson, communicant member
- Jared Hertel, communicant member
- Beau Mason, baptized member
- Tim Moore, communicant member
- Sande Raatz, communicant member
- Christopher & Harmony Schroeder and Destiny Seibel (children of Andrew Schroeder & Breanna Seibel), baptized members
- Linda Walette (daughter of Felix Walette), baptized member

Transfer:

- Jonathan Jahnke as a communicant member to St. Paul Lutheran Church and School, Ft. Dodge, IA.

ST. ANDREW FINANCIAL REPORT

General Fund:

	<u>JUNE</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Income	\$ 34,533.96	\$198,768.82
Expense	\$ 34,498.02	\$236,710.19
Net	\$ 35.94	\$ -37,941.37

Mortgage Fund:

	<u>JUNE</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Income	\$ 6,020.00	\$ 36,495.93
Expense	\$ 1,435.20	\$ 28,462.24
Net	\$ 4,536.96	\$ 8,033.69

SHORTFALL LOAN RETIRED


Thanks to your financial support, as of July 12th our 2019 shortfall loan is paid in full! Your contributions maximized the matching dollar benefit. Thank you for your commitment over and above your regular giving! God bless you all - Board of Stewardship

EFT GIVING THANK YOU

Thank you for your generous response in moving to electronic giving. We have seen a noticeable uptick in electronic giving sign ups since mid March, most being recurring giving. Not signed up yet? Visit scroll down and click 'safe secure: donate online'

- Board of Stewardship

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

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- 8/1: Celeste Moltzan
 - 8/3: Ashlyn Hins, Joyce Weible
 - 8/4: Emma Buethner
 - 8/6: MaryJo Lindquist
 - 8/7: Kevin Muhl
 - 8/8: Lilah Jess, Jaylin Odle, Allison Paul
 - 8/9: Lisa Olson
 - 8/10: Deb Cook, Bryce Maddock, Tatum Renfrew
 - 8/11: Mike Peterson, Delan Schmidt, Emily Visto
 - 8/13: Jim Lahren, Shadd McCollum, Jessica Morse
 - 8/15: Claire Moltzan
 - 8/16: Cody Sinclair
 - 8/17: Dan Hammer, Casey Reber
 - 8/18: Elizabeth Haugen, Alice Pfungsten, Lucille Smith
 - 8/19: Jack Franklin
 - 8/21: Victoria Harvala, Lenny Heupel, Rebecca Kitzman, Emily Sell
 - 8/22: Carl Glander, Kimberly Jerger, Sharla Laugisch, Donette Walsh, Claire Weidner
 - 8/24: Darcy Emerson, Lynn Samsten, Jayden Sommerfeld
 - 8/26: Madalyn Meyer, Kevin Osmondson, Kamrin Schweitzer, Kalli Somsen
 - 8/28: Shelly Sinclair
 - 8/29: Logan Kitzan, Audrey Weidner, Suzy Williams
 - 8/31: Tyler Lies

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

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- 8/9: Kent & Alicia Severson
 - 8/10: Steven & Lindsay Buchhop
 - 8/12: Robert & Brenda Viou Sr
 - 8/16: Alexandra & Greg Spilman
 - 8/18: Brandon & Amanda Reber
 - 8/21: Christopher & Allison Paul
 - 8/26: Dan & Connie Klug
 - 8/30: Emmett & Sharon Wilson
 - 8/31: Douglas & Sharon Bredine, Jacob & Nicole Marcy, David & Glenda Pistorius

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

Many people have very full mailboxes due to the recent extended absence from the Lord's house. Please check your mailboxes routinely. Those of you with confirmed children & multiple boxes of envelopes should also check the top of the mailboxes.

YOUTH & EDUCATION **SUNDAY SCHOOL & BIBLE CLASSES** **BEGINNING**

Mark your calendar: **Sunday, September 13th**:

- 8:00 Worship
- 9:00 Coffee & fellowship
- 9:30 Education hour (1st day of Sunday School, Youth & Adult Bible Classes)
- 10:45 Worship

A strong foundation for a lifetime of spiritual growth begins at HOME. We encourage parents to attend adult classes, and to bring their child(ren) and youth to Sunday School and Bible class! Participating in Christian Education opportunities is a fantastic way to continue learning and growing in faith.

Our Sunday education program begins in the fellowship hall with a 15-minute all ages opening called "GROW", which includes a Bible lesson overview (puppets and/or skits), a Bible verse, and a prayer. This opening time gives our church family the opportunity to experience an introduction to the Bible lesson together. Children and youth go to classes for age-specific study, while youth, parents and other adults have Bible study classes.

A registration form is included in this newsletter, and families will also receive a registration form and letter in August. Please return forms to St. Andrew by Aug 30th to give the Education staff adequate time to prepare. Extra forms are available at the church office, and online registration is also available. Feel free to contact a member of the Board of Christian Education or Pastor Harvala with any questions.

We pray that our church family GROWS together in faith this year! May God richly bless our combined efforts of home and church as together we help train up our sons and daughters in the grace & knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

In Christ's Service,
The Board of Christian Education

CONFIRMATION CLASSES **RESUMING**

Confirmation orientation for students in grades 6-8 will take place on Wednesday, August 26th beginning at 6:30pm. The first class will be held on Wednesday, September 2nd. Confirmation families, be watching your mail for an informational postcard. One change to the confirmation format this year is the combining of the first- and second-year classes into one large group. The new catechism and workbook will be implemented in this combined class. We are excited to begin another year of confirmation instruction and pray that God will bless us as we study his Word and continue our growth in faith.

EDUCATIONL VOLUNTEERS **NEEDED!**

Preparations are underway for our fall educational programs. Four areas of particular need for volunteer help are:

- Sunday School Superintendent
- Sunday School Classroom Teachers
- Confirmation Coordinator.
- Sunday School Music Leader

If you feel called to use your gifts in service to Christ and his church in any of these capacities and would like more information, please speak to Pastor Harvala or a member of the Board of Christian Education (Leanne Muhl, Bridget Hins, or Carolyn Fiechtner). We give thanks to God for the gifts he gives to his people!

Volunteers are also needed for:

Busy Bag Maintenance Make sure our activity bags are stocked with coloring sheets and crayons, books, and an animal. Also, periodically clean the bags and animals.

Board of Education Member Meet once per month to discuss our education programs. Interest in making sure we share God's Word with ALL members or our congregation and beyond.

Librarian Keep shelves neat. Display seasonal or topical materials. Reshelve returned items. Record and label new materials.

HIGHER THINGS UPDATE: WATER- **MARKED 2020 GOES VIRTUAL**

Due to COVID-19 and campus closures at the sites selected, the 2020 Higher Things conference "Watermarked" has been canceled for all four dates & locations. The conference will take place in an online format instead on August 6-7. The conference will focus on the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, its meaning, benefits, and lasting significance in the lives of believers. General registration opens June 1. For more information, visit www.higherthings.org.



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The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod
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West Fargo, North Dakota 58078

CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

Come and Worship!

August 2020

Sundays: 8:00 & 10:00am
Aug 5, 12, 19 Wednesdays : 7:00pm
Aug 26, Thursday: 7:00pm

*Holy Communion celebrated at all
Sunday and Wednesday worship services.*

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