

**Deuteronomy 18:15–20**

“The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen— just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, ‘Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.’ And the LORD said to me, ‘They are right in what they have spoken. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.’”

**1 Corinthians 8:1–13**

Now concerning food offered to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” This “knowledge” puffs up, but love builds up. If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. But if anyone loves God, he is known by God. Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “an idol has no real existence,” and that “there is no God but one.” For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”— yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist. However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol’s temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

**Mark 1:21–28**

And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching. And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God.” But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, “What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

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January 31, 2021 4th Sunday after Epiphany- B

**WELCOME** to where God gives us His abundant Grace in Christ! Others have rejected, but now it is given to you! 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 one of the pastors before the service concerning your intentions to accept the privilege of communing.

**WORSHIP PRAYER** Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**OLD TESTAMENT: Deuteronomy 18:15-20** "The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet."

**EPISTLE: 1 Corinthians 8:1-13** Love builds up.

**HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 1:21-28** Jesus heals the man possessed by an evil spirit.

**CATECHETICAL LESSON** Ten Commandments: *Fifth 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

(Jan 31-Feb 7)

Sun/Jan 31 **4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany**  
Worship w/Holy Communion, 8am  
Coffee & fellowship, 9am  
Sunday school & Bible class, 9:30am  
Worship w/Holy Communion, 10:45am  
Online worship stream via Facebook Live, 8am  
Special Voters Assembly, Noon  
Mon/Feb 1 RRLSA Strategy, 6:30pm  
Tues/Feb 2 Staff Meeting, 1pm  
RRLSA Meeting, 6:30pm  
Wed/Feb 3 Jr. Confirmation, 6pm  
Open Youth Room, Gr 9-12, 6-8pm  
Thur/Feb 4 The Seekers, 1pm  
Fri/Feb 5  
Sat/Feb 6  
Sun/Feb 7 **5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany**

Worship w/Holy Communion, 8am  
Coffee & fellowship, 9am  
Sunday School & Bible class, 9:30am  
Worship w/Holy Communion, 10:45am  
Online worship stream via Facebook Live, 8am  
Faith Formation Class, 7pm

**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS** this week:

Jim Larsen, Dan Klug, Yvette Nyamugisha, Diondrey Viken, Sharon Hurt, Diane Keating, Drew Somsen, Landon Brinkman

**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.

**CONCERN FOR OTHERS IN THE PEW:** You will notice that there is a section on the west side for those wanting to be in a masks-needed section. In all other pews you may choose to wear or not wear a mask. Please practice social distancing. If there are people looking for seats and you are sitting on an end when there's no one in the middle, please be kind either by sliding in, or by getting up and inviting them in. Also, if you desire to limit personal contact you may park and enter on the west side of the church rather than entering from the east parking lot.

January 31, 2021

## **4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany - B**

Entrance Hymn #579  
Confession and Absolution p. 184  
Introit *see insert*  
Kyrie p. 186  
"Gloria in Excelsis" p. 187  
Salutation and Collect p. 189  
Old Testament *see back*  
Gradual *see insert*  
Epistle *see back*  
"Alleluia" & Responses p. 190  
Gospel *see back*  
Nicene Creed p. 191  
Sermon Hymn #583  
Sermon: Deuteronomy 18:15-20  
**"Our Mediator"**  
Prayers of the Church  
Offertory/Preparing Altar p.192  
Preface & Sanctus p.194  
Lord's Prayer with Doxology p.196  
Institution & Peace p.197  
Agnus Dei p.198  
Distribution & Hymns #842, #682, #810  
Nunc Dimittis p.199  
Thanks, Collect & Benediction p.202  
Closing Hymn (*see insert*)

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

for last Sunday Services: 61 + 50ca = 111ca

	<u>LAST YEAR</u>	<u>LAST SUNDAY</u>
General Fund Income Received:	\$ 6,734.45	\$ 4,973.40
Mortgage Fund Income Received:	\$ 630.45	\$ 468.45

<u>THROUGH DECEMBER:</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>YTD</u>
General Fund Income:	\$ 44,910.42	\$394,452.37
General Fund Expenses:	\$ 39,760.26	\$463,622.47
Net without PPP	\$ 5,150.16	\$-72,170.10

Mortgage Fund Income	\$ 5,186.44	\$ 70,854.90
Mortgage Fund Loan Payments	\$ 6,386.00	\$ 61,531.96
Net	\$ -1,199.56	\$ 9,322.94

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE FOR NEXT WEEK: (2/7)**

ELDERS:	Sun 8am: Emmett Wilson Sun 10:45am: Lenny Heupel
AV:	Sun 8am: Kevin Osmondson/Gavin Hruza Sun 10:45am: Ray Wasness/Carter Riebe
USHERS:	Sun 8am: *Larry Weil Diana Weil, Steve Beltz Sun 10:45am: *Rod Olson Mike Hendrickson, Duane Joyce
ACOLYTES:	Sun 8am: Lincoln Haugen Sun 10:45am: Jordan Sommerfeld
MUSICIANS:	Sun 8am & 10:45am: Susan Jahnke
ALTAR GUILD	Janet Baker & Chris Paul

**STEWARDSHIP DRIVE** Your ongoing support is needed to make our voter approved expenses. Thank you for your financial support in 2020. As of November we are \$-72,170.10. We value your regular electronic giving. Electronic giving offsets monthly ups and downs of ad hoc giving. Is now the time to increase your regular giving? Your financial gifts are appreciated. Thank you!  
- Board of Stewardship

**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 and 102.5 FM 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** Feb 7: **Rev. Daniel Suelze, Wittenberg Lutheran Chapel, Grand Forks, ND**, presents the message "The Everlasting God," based on Isaiah 40:21-31. "This is the Life" episode: "The Point of No Return". This color presentation discusses God's limitless Grace. 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 9:00am Central time on FOX station KVRR Channel 15.1 AND 10am Central on WDAY Xtra Channel 6.3, and archived on [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com).

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

**VOTERS OF ST. ANDREW** A special Voters Meeting TODAY 1/31 at Noon was set by a special meeting of the Church Council on 1/3 to consider the proposed resolution for delaying the Synodical Convention:

*"Shall the Synod add a year to the current 2019-2022 triennium, allowing districts to hold their conventions in either 2021 or 2022, and moving the upcoming national Synod Convention from 2022 to 2023? [Thereafter, the triennium cycle will continue forward from 2023 in three-year increments, as before (i.e., with district conventions held in 2025, 2028, etc., and Synod Conventions held in 2026, 2029, etc.).] Vote: Yes or No."*

Please check [lcms.org/delay-vote-faqs](https://www.lcms.org/delay-vote-faqs) and [lcms.org/delay-vote-minutes](https://www.lcms.org/delay-vote-minutes) for additional information from Synod to prepare yourself for the decision at voters meeting on TODAY at noon.

**VALENTINES' DINNER** The youth of St. Andrew invite you to a Valentines' Dinner on Sunday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. Please join us for a night out without the large crowds, long waits, and high prices! We will even provide child care and a kid's meal for your little ones. Carry-out is also an option if you want to celebrate with a nice, quiet dinner at home. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the information center. **Sign up deadline is today!** Please sign up so that we can have an accurate count for our preparations.

**EVERYONE'S WELCOME** to a summary DVD presentation & Bible study of the N.T. book of Revelation led by Pastor Adam Harvala on Thursday, February 4th at 1pm. This is part of the regular SEEKERS Bible Study & Fellowship group that meets at 1pm on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month. Refreshments will be served. If you have questions call Ken Koehler @ 701-429-3092.

**FAITH FOUNDATION CLASS BEGINS SUNDAY FEBRUARY 7** at 7pm. If you and/or a friend wants to enrich your faith, join us for the Faith Foundation Class. We will be using new material based on the catechism and meet for about 90 minutes for each session. This may be used for preparing for communicant membership for those who are 16 years or older. Please register with the church office at 701-282-4195 so that we have the need material for you.

**LENT MEAL & WORSHIP** Come join us for supper starting at 5:15pm before Wednesday Lent services at 6:30pm. Watch your email and church bulletins for more info on what will be served and how you can help. Contact Leanne Muhl or Sandy Eaton if you have any questions.

**FEBRUARY LWML** Due to COVID our usual plans to have a Valentine's ice cream social at a nursing home have been canceled for this year. So we are going to have our own ice cream social on our usual meeting night, February 9, 7:00 p.m. at the church. There will be a short Bible study or devotion followed by making Valentines for our shut ins and, of course, ice cream. Come join the fun.

**ST. ANDREW MISSION FESTIVAL SUNDAY** Please join us for our Mission Festival on Sunday, February 21st. Rick Jones will be preaching at both services. Rick is the Chaplain and Vice-President of the Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, and also oversees Chile Mission. We will have a catered lunch in the fellowship hall at noon followed by presentations on Chile Mission, Project 24-Kenya and Ruff International-Nicaragua. Come and celebrate how these missions are making a difference both locally and throughout the world.

**DESIGNATE THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS NOW** Now is the time to designate your Thrivent Choice Dollars if you have not already done so. The Choice Dollars are used to support a variety of St. Andrew programs and activities. Examples are Dishwasher, audio & visual equipment, Portals of Prayer, baptism and confirmation items, refinishing of missile stand and Cross, and Youth events. Funds can be requested by organizations, committees, or individuals. The primary guideline for expenditures is that it must benefit St. Andrew and its programs. Request forms are available. If you require information or assistance please contact Dave Pistorius, Committee Chairman.

**LFL ESSAY CONTEST** Students in grades 6-12 are invited to participate in the annual Lutherans for Life essay contest. This year's theme is "God Chose You," based on John 15:16. Winning essays in each age group (6-8 & 9-12) at the state level will receive a cash prize and will also be entered in the national contest. See the poster on the youth bulletin board for more information.

**2021 LCMS YOUTH & FAMILY SKI DAY** will be held on Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at Andes Tower Hills near Alexandria, MN. Please join us for a day of fun and fellowship with others from our sister congregations in the area. Information and registration forms are on the youth bulletin board, or speak with Pastor Harvala for more information. Registrations due Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Introit**

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 You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from | trouble;\*  
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**Gradual**

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Shine on me. Shine on me!

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Flow, river, flow. Flood the nations with grace and mercy;  
Send forth Your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

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From the shadows into Your radiance,  
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Search me! Try me! Consume all my darkness!  
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