

ST. ANDREW TRUMPETER

APRIL 2021

Pastor's Soundings in the Trumpeter...

I'm going to attempt something daring with this newsletter piece. I won't go so far as to say something that's never been done before, but at the very least something that probably doesn't happen often. I'm going to pair two topics that don't usually go together. So hang in there; this could get interesting. This month, I'm going to write about Easter and Voters Meetings.

I know, right? Easter and Voters Meetings? That's like a contradiction in terms. We think of Easter and we think of joy and happiness, springtime and flowers, sunshine and warmth. Easter is all about new life. Most people don't have such a rosy view of Voters Meetings. We tend to think of Voters Meetings as sucking the life out of us. It's a day of darkness and dread, dragging on until defeated and done. A necessary evil, so to speak.

Well, maybe Voters Meetings aren't all that bad, but they still don't call to mind quite the same joyful and jubilant images as Easter. The reason I join these two in this newsletter piece is because we have both of them this month. And because both are an essential part of who we are in Christ.

Easter is an absolutely essential part of our life in Christ because without Easter our salvation would be incomplete. Christ won forgiveness for our sins on the cross, to be sure, but apart from the resurrection the body is still not completely redeemed and whole. Christ's rising from the dead has opened the gate of everlasting life, so that when he comes again our whole person-spirit, mind, *and body*-will be made new again, just the way our Creator always desired for them to be. And by virtue of Holy Baptism, we participate in the new life that he has begun even here and now. St. Paul says, "The life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me" (Galatians 2:20 ESV). It's a life of devotion to God, as shown in our worship and prayers. It's a life of service toward others, as we live out the callings God has given us in our homes, occupations, and society, *as well as* in loving unity with each other and service toward our sisters and brothers within the church.

And that's what makes Voters Meetings an essential part of who we are in Christ. We have a calling from God to fulfill also as members of his body. We share this new life that is ours through Jesus in community with one another, and in the organizational system that we've chosen to guide that life together, we have Voters Meetings. Twice each year we assemble to carry out the business of our communal/corporate life, and all communicant members age 18 and older share equally in that responsibility. "All things should be done decently and in order," St. Paul also instructs (1 Corinthians 14:40 ESV). We all together have ownership in the congregation's property, financial affairs, and business (that is, *ministry*). And what belongs rightfully to all, no one person or small group may lay claim to individually. So your participation in our Voters Meetings is essential. It's just one more way that you get to live out the new life that is yours in Christ because of Easter.

Please plan to join us for both of these essential events in our life together. We will celebrate the resurrection with joy on Easter Sunday, April 4th with worship services at 8 & 10 am, along with breakfast in between. And we will gather as one to carry out our Lord's work through election of officers and other business on Sunday, April 25th. We look forward to seeing you all here.

God's peace,



Pastor Harvala

P.S. Because we must first pass through death and the grave to arrive at the resurrection, we will also observe the Cross Walk on Good Friday, April 2nd at 10:30 am and *Tenebrae* worship at 7 pm.

CHURCH DIRECTORIES ARE IN

Our new church directories celebrating our 60th Anniversary are finally here! If you had your picture taken, you can find your directory on the table by the library!

MUSICAL ACCOMPANISTS SOUGHT

Would you like to offer your musical talent to enhance our worship services? If you are interested in playing a musical instrument to accompany a song or hymn from time to time, please let the church office know this so that you can be contacted. Thank you! (Alternate Music Committee, Board of Elders)



BE STILL AND KNOW...



LWML Eastern Zone Spring Event is on Sat, April 17 at Immanuel Luthern Church. Bible Study will be presented by Rev. Allen Kramp, Zone Counselor. Featured speaker is Clarice Michel who will present ideas on prayer journaling. Everyone will get a prayer journal. Come to the west doors. Fellowship with refreshments starts at 9am in Welcoming Hall. Bible Study and workshop beings at 9:30am in the Celebration Center.

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VOTERS MEETING

The Voters Meeting will be Sunday, April 25th following the second service. This meeting is open to the entire St. Andrew congregation family. We strongly encourage you, as a member of St. Andrew, to bring your input to the Voter's meeting. There will be lunch provided. Please join us for a good time of fellowship and business for our church home.

NOMINATIONS SOUGHT

Seeking nominations for St. Andrew officers & board members. You can find forms on the table in the narthex or go online to our website where a digital version can be found under the "News" tab in the Bulletin or Newsletter sections.

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!



USHERING

We are in great need of ushers. This is an area we were low in volunteers prior to COVID-19, but now we are especially hit hard because many of the normal ushers are not able to attend our actual worship services. You can designate early or late service and sign up for dates of your choosing. The tasks are easy to do and currently modified during this COVID period. If you have questions, please ask one of the ushers after service or contact Mary in the office. If you wish to become an usher, let Mary in the office know with your preferred service and dates. Thank you for considering helping out in this area!

SANCTITY 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.

FAITH FOUNDATION CLASS

Faith Foundation class is Sunday 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.

UNKNOWN ADDRESSES

Below are members of our congregation that we do not have a form of contact for. If you know any of these members, please inform them so that they can contact us if they would like to maintain membership. No responses will be removed in the April Voters Meeting.

- Wyatt Boggs
- Nevaeh Dickerson (child of Mathew Dickerson & Brittany Phillips)
- Harold & Susan Williams
- Caitlin Wohler

BOARD OF HUMAN CARE

Food Donations Thank you for all the food donations that have been given to the Human Care. You can't imagine the gratitude the people who have benefited from them has been. You have well supplied us with boxed meals. We are still in need of canned pasta meals and we are also in need of personal items such as shampoo, body wash, and toothpaste. Also paper and cleaning items such as toilet paper, laundry detergent and dish soap. Donations can be dropped off in the office or put in the basket near the coat rack.

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.

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MAILBOXES

Please remember to routinely check your mailboxes. Those of you with confirmed children should check the top of the mailboxes for envelopes.



"MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH"

APRIL UPDATE

HE IS RISEN - HE IS RISEN INDEED! Of all the truths taught and believed, this is the most important one, that Jesus rose physically from the dead! "So the Jews said to Him (Jesus), 'What sign do You show us for doing these things?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will You raise it up in three days?' But He was speaking about the temple of His body. When therefore He was raised from the dead, His disciples remembered that He had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken." (John 2:18-22) May we also continue to RE-MEMBER and BELIEVE!

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 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 April 2021"

April 4: Rev. Tom Eckstein, Concordia Lutheran Church, Jamestown, ND, presents the message "Trust God's Word and Witnesses!" based on John 20:24-31. "This is the Life" episode: "No Place to Hide" / A pastor, who has to face the death of his wife, cannot find comfort.

April 11: Rev. Sam Pitsch, Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Moorhead, MN, presents the message: "Those Who Have Not Seen," based on John 20:19-31. "This is the Life" episode: "Dead End"/ Because of frustration with his life, a man turns to drinking and another woman.

April 18: Rev. Steve Schulz, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Fargo, ND, presents the message: "Open Minds, Open Mouths," based on Luke 24:36-49. "This is the Life" episode: "The Main Event" / A boxer who is hit by a car becomes embittered until he meets a cheerful 8-year-old girl.

April 25: Rev. Tom Batchelder, Saint Paul's Lutheran Church, Evergreen Township, MN, presents the message: "A Little While," based on John 16:16-22. "This is the Life" episode: "The Prisoners" / An elderly woman is attacked by a teenage gang.

FEBRUARY PASTORAL ACTS

Adult Baptisms:

- Bai Pyne

APRIL BIRTHDAYS



John Emerson, Brayden Mutchler, Karsyn Bruns, Tarryn Odle, Larry Weil, Bonnie Schilling, Linda Tholkes, Elon Hopkins, Doris Fuss, Christian Waters, Joshua Willis, David Walth, Jonathan Pistorius, Preston Geist, Brett Livingston, Barbara Lentz, Tim Keating, Ryan Olson, Karen Berg, Judy Erdmann, Haylee Brown, Logan Brown, Lisa Brandt, Lindsey Riebe, Daniel Krueger, Kace Bruns, Bryan Hoff, Han Yu Yan, Crystal Reber, Dale Werner, Brandon Heiden, Michael Ramberg, Danyell Guler, Robert Berry, Walter Erdmann, Lori Torgerson, Miles Borah, Chloe Jenson, Jade Hovland, Joe Striegel, Raelynn Orvik, Samantha Heupel, Trae Volk, Bruce Clark, Matthew Sommerfeld, Ryan Remmen, Mykin Gunning, Brayden Muhl, Clare Boldingh, Lori Anderson, Michelle Jenson,, Robert Viou, Judy Millar, Joel Augustin, Kyle Millar, Duane Baukol, Jenna Johnson, Dain Anderson, Samantha Lentz, Brianna Coady, Marlene Kummer, Curtis Helmer, Hayley Walsh, Pat Baukol, Owen Muhl, Olivia Shoman

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Kirk & Judy Rosin, Arlyn & Eleanor Kraft, Shaun & Kelly Levi, Arlin & Joan Prochnow, Larry & Pam Johnson, Lucille & Vern Smith, Jonathan & Whitney Pistorius



ST. ANDREW FINANCIAL REPORT

General Fund:

	<u>FEBRUARY</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Income	\$ 26,890.05	\$ 73,513.50
Expense	\$ 35,069.31	\$ 79,664.29
Net	\$ -8,179.26	\$ -6,150.79

Mortgage Fund:

	<u>FEBRUARY</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Income	\$ 5,108.54	\$ 12,846.05
Expense	\$ 6,386.00	\$ 12,772.00
Net	\$ -1,277.46	\$ 74.05

Shortfall Loan:

	<u>FEBRUARY INCOME</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
Income	\$ 9,269.69	\$ 55,190.41

UPDATED CONTACT INFORMATION

Please remember to let the church office know if you have a new address, changed your phone number or



Dear Friends of Grace,

God continues to bless Grace Lutheran School always and in all ways. Several more Giving Hearts Day donations trickled in and our final total was over \$59,000! We had two open houses recently and registered 10 children from those events. A phenomenal supporter stepped up to help us offer registration incentives for new families, and several have been able to take advantage of those incentives. We have enough students to re-open our Pre-Kindergarten this fall, and we look forward to having that age group in the school again. These are just a few of the ways Grace has been blessed this month. We thank you for your prayer, pennies, and praise - all three are vital for our growth and our ultimate task of sharing Christ's love with children.

Through April 16, we are offering a \$500 registration incentive for new families who commit to the 2021-2022 and the 2022-2023 school years. New families do not pay a registration fee, so this is a great time to hop into GLS.

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YOUTH & EDUCATION

GOOD FRIDAY CROSS WALK

The annual Good Friday Cross Walk is back! Please join us for this solemn observance on Friday, April 2nd as we carry the cross down 13th Avenue from 45th Street back to the church. We will gather in the sanctuary at 10am, car pool to the Natural Grocers parking lot at about 10:30, and return to the church at approximately 11:30 for a devotion and lunch. Those who are not able or prefer not to walk are welcome to join us for the devotion and lunch as we meditate on all that our Lord has done for us at this holy time of year.

EASTER BREAKFAST

The youth of St. Andrew invite you to join them for breakfast on Easter Sunday, April 4th. We will once again be serving the traditional meal of pancakes, French toast, sausage, and scrambled eggs. We will also share some of the “fruits” of last fall’s Butter Braids fund raiser with you! Admission is by free-will offering, and serving will be from 8-9:30 (between services). We look forward to hosting you!

YOUTHLEAD SUPPORT

Two members from St. Andrew will be attending Synod’s leadership training for high school students, known as YouthLead. Cecilia Lindquist and Joshua Harvala, along with Pastor Harvala as ND District LYF Advisor, will travel to Houston, Texas in July to participate in this valuable training. Please support these youth first of all with your prayers for their growth in faith and safety in travel; second, by encouraging them in their efforts; and finally—if so moved, by giving a gift toward their travel expenses. The total cost of the trip is about \$800 each, with the students responsible for about \$300 each. Your help in defraying these costs is greatly appreciated. To contribute any amount you are able, please speak with Pastor Harvala. Thank you for your support of our youth!



HIGHER THINGS 2021: “FORGIVEN”

“I forgive you.” The three most powerful words in the universe. They don’t just change the universe for someone. They change someone’s eternity. They change your eternity! Higher Things Conference 2021 is coming next summer to Texas, Michigan, Colorado, and... (wait for it) ...**FARGO!** Join with other Lutheran youth from around the region for four days of worship, teaching, fellowship, and fun. Registration opens November 1. Learn more at higherthings.org or follow on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram @higherthings.



EDUCATION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Board of Education is looking for volunteers to help in a variety of ways:

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

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

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday

- Worship w/Holy Communion, 7:30pm

Good Friday

- Cross Walk, 10:30am
- Devotion/Lunch, 12noon
- Worship, 7:30pm

Easter Sunday

- Sunrise Worship w/Holy Communion, 7am
- Easter Breakfast, 8-9:30am
- Easter Worship w/Holy Communion, 10am



HOLY WEEK

St. Andrew Lutheran Church
The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod
1005 First Street East
West Fargo, North Dakota 58078

CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

Come and Worship!

April 2021

Sundays: 8:00 & 10:45am
Coffee & Fellowship at 9:00am
Sunday School & Bible Class at 9:30am
Holy Communion celebrated at all
Sunday worship services.

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