

ST. ANDREW TRUMPETER

MARCH 2021

Pastor's Soundings in the Trumpeter...

Bill Kitzman lent me a set of horns from an Iranian Red Sheep. The students at Grace Lutheran School chapel were thrilled to look at them closely, touch them and ask questions. They wanted to know all about those horns. They were once horns that rammed the enemy, but they were also horns that bullied others into submission.

Zechariah writes, "And I lifted my eyes and saw, and behold, four horns! And I said to the angel who talked with me, "What are these?" And he said to me, "These are the horns that have scattered Judah, Israel, and Jerusalem." Then the LORD showed me four craftsmen. And I said, "What are these coming to do?" He said, "These are the horns that scattered Judah, so that no one raised his head. And these have come to terrify them, to cast down the horns of the nations who lifted up their horns against the land of Judah to scatter it.'" (Zechariah 1:18–21, ESV). Many of you were in worship either in person or on Facebook on February 24th. You heard how Jesus Christ has won us the victory in Jesus Christ, and He continues to build His church. Our real enemies are conquered. This we live by faith.

However, faith can only be ignited and sustained by God's Word, specifically the Gospel. Those horns in Zechariah represented the enemies of God's people. These enemies were the horns that kept God's people from building the temple and living as God's freed people. These horns kept them from receiving the means of grace and living the new life.

It is the season of Lent. It is a time to examine ourselves to see what keeps from receiving the means of grace, which is Word and Sacrament. We also need to examine what keeps us from living the new life. Some of us have more trouble with the first. Some of us have more trouble with the second. All of us have trouble with both, whether we are in worship or not. We can go to Facebook or sit in the pew and watch the service. Was worship simply the background noise to what we are doing or thinking? We can leave church or exit Facebook. Now, what change is going to happen in our life? Our Lord is not just looking for us to have good lives. He's looking for us to have repentant and renewed lives. We are to be confident in Him and what He is doing.

The book of Hebrews describes what this new life is like, "Let brotherly love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body. Let marriage be held in honor among all [*single, married, divorced and widowed*], and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous. Keep your life free from love of money [*rich or poor or able to pay bills or sinking in debt*], and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." So we can confidently say, "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." (Hebrews 13:1–8, ESV [*Italics mine*])

So whether you are in the pew, on Facebook, or looking at TV's "Main Street Living," don't let the horns of life get in the way of feeding your faith and living it. Look forward to when we can all be together again. Make plans for when we can ALL be together again. Make plans to get the means of grace, Word and SACRAMENT. "And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near." (Hebrews 10:24–25, ESV)

In Christ's service:



Pastor Jahnke

Philippians 4:4-8

LENT DEVOTIONS

The Marks of Love, Lutheran Hour Ministries' Lent devotions for 2021 are available in the Narthex.

LENT MEAL & WORSHIP



On Wednesdays during Lent starting on Feb. 17th, there will be a catered meal starting at 5:15pm. It will be followed by Lent Worship at 6:30pm and then Confirmation student/parent session at 7:30pm. Please come join us!



FAITH FOUNDATION CLASS

Faith Foundation class begins Sunday, February 7th 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.

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)



JEREMIAH BIBLE SEMINAR



Life's disasters often leave us broken, only to ask, "Is there a road map for taking me from death to life so I can live again?" The answer is yes; there is hope! Based on Dr. Reed Lessing's forthcoming book on Jeremiah, this Bible Seminar is designed for anyone and everyone who has experienced brokenness through personal disaster. The cost is \$10. Register today at csp.edu/center-for-biblical-studies.

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

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.

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.



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 benefitted 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.


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. Thank you.

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. Place stamps on envelope in the upper right hand corner, allowing 1/4 inch from each edge. Stamps need not be trimmed or removed from envelopes. IF trimming from envelopes, leave at least 1/4 inch around stamp.

"MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH"

MARCH UPDATE

TEACHING THE "PASSOVER" has always been one of my favorite Bible lessons! I suppose one of the reasons for this is that the lesson makes such a clear teaching comparison to how the shed blood of Jesus protects us from God's wrath at our sin - just as the homes of those with the shed blood of a lamb on their doorposts protected the Israelites during the last plague that God sent on Pharaoh and the Egyptians! May our confidence always be in that shed blood of Jesus - and may we be always ready and eager to say about Jesus: Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"

Please continue to share information about our LCMS "Main Street Living" media ministry with others. 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" for March 2021"

Mar 7: Rev. Rick Jones, Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, Minot, ND, presents the message "A Fool For You," based on 1 Corinthians 1:18-31. "This is the Life" episode: "Man Adrift" is a Fisher Family episode that discusses the relationship of Faith and Works.

Mar 14: Rev. Larry Harvala, Grace Lutheran Church, Sebeka, MN, Zion Lutheran Church, North Germany Township, MN, and Nimrod Lutheran Church, Nimrod, MN, presents the message: "Behold and Live," based on Numbers 21:9. "This is the Life" episode: This is the Life-What is proper when Christians face adversity is discussed in this episode "Time Out for Bill".

Mar 21: Rev. Kent Borglum, St. John's Lutheran Church, Montevideo, MN, presents the message: "God Has Prepared a New Covenant For Us," based on Jeremiah 31:31-34. "This is the Life" episode: -"A Gift for Grandpa" depicts how Freddie goes to great lengths to get a gift for Grandpa Fisher and learns valuable lessons along the way.

Mar 28: PALM SUNDAY SPECIAL: The Holy Land-The Eternal Rock Tour / The entire one-hour MSLN broadcast will feature a tour of the Holy Land. It will displace both the regular MSL worship service and the This Is The Life program. This tour features many places where Jesus walked and talked. The tour features your Lutheran brothers and sisters as they discover many of these sacred sites. It is guided by Rev. Nabil Nour of Trinity Lutheran Church in Hartford, South Dakota, who was raised in Galilee.

FEBRUARY PASTORAL ACTS

Baptisms:

- Elliot & Emmett Pistorius, sons of Jonathan & Whitney Pistorius

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Jennifer Rossow, Dustin Guler, Barb Olson, Jeremy Rossow, Lanae Cajobe, Todd Jess, Michael Simenson, Shirley, Schiller, Houston Visto, Ivory Hovland, Hanna Anderson, Cari Weidner, Kirk Rosin, Jason Boer, Douglas Bredine, Steve Vogel, Wayne Oakland, Gary Wohl, Darlene Gruber, Ellen Hample, Alyssa Savageau, Ruth Joyce, Sheldon Tuscherer, Devin Schatz, Colten Bosser, Kim Fuss, Cory Schatschneider, Meralee Morse, MaTia Martin, Joyce Michaelson, Jacob Hurt, Christopher Paul, Hannah Rossow, Parker Terry, Lindsay Johnson, Randall Olson, Jason Bossert, Gloria Ybarra, Paris Volk, Allison Klug, Ashley Erickson, Jeremy Pistorius, Ross Haugeberg, Alexander Reber, Gayle Wohl, Denise Lies, Bryan Hins, Oliver Kitzman, Maxine Nordeen, Jodie Ranzenberger, Arther Weidner, Lillian Hammer, Leila Lau, Dylan Brown, Alicia Severson, Christian Anderson, Michaela Goroski, Ernest Feland, Jordan Pierce, Leo Brinkman, Wayne Brager, Christopher Johnson, Devin Power, Ruth Greenmyer, Dylan Boit, Natasha Volk, Karen Dwyer, Ashley Johnson, Calvin Anderson, Brendan Klug, Matthew Peightal, Reinhold Schmidt

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

Jason & Kimberly Bossert, Kristi & Camerson Hopkins, Lori & Royce Jawaski, Jennifer & Breton Larson, Mike & Sara Sell, Les & Bonnie Schilling

ST. ANDREW FINANCIAL REPORT

General Fund:

	<u>JANUARY</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Income	\$ 46,623.45	\$ 46,623.45
Expense	\$ 44,594.98	\$ 44,594.98
Net	\$ 2,028.47	\$ 2,028.47

Mortgage Fund:

	<u>JANUARY</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Income	\$ 7,737.51	\$ 7,737.51
Expense	\$ 6,386.00	\$ 6,386.00
Net	\$ 1,351.51	\$ 1,351.51

Shortfall Loan:

	<u>JANUARY INCOME</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
Income	\$ 10,495.23	\$ 61,674.87



Greetings from Grace Lutheran School,

First and foremost, we owe an enormous debt of gratitude to our Giving Hearts Day supporters and to those who helped us spread the word to about our event. We raised over \$57,000 this year, including a \$25,000 match, which goes a long way in offering scholarships, competitive salaries, and other improvements to the quality of the education we offer at GLS. Our hearts are full. Thank you.

It is enrollment season at Grace. We have an open house coming up on Thursday, March 11, for all grades, Pre-K through 8th grade. New Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten families who register before March 15th will receive a \$600 reduction on tuition. New Pre-K and K families who register before April 15th will receive a \$500 reduction on tuition. Families must commit to returning to Grace again in 2022-2023 to qualify for this discount.

Camp Grace registration is now open to all children in our community. Camp Grace is full-time summer childcare for 4-12 year olds at Grace Lutheran School, running from June 1 - August 20. The \$175/week fee covers breakfast, lunch, snacks, and ALL activities. Openings are also available for half day mornings or half day afternoons for \$100/week.

We continue to have a wonderful year of unique challenges and healthy kids. We thank you for your continued prayers for our students, teachers, families, and staff.



YOUTH & EDUCATION

VALENTINES DINNER SUCCESS!!!

Our Valentines Dinner held on Sunday, February 14th was a huge hit! We can't thank enough all those who attended, who picked up to-go orders, and who worked behind the scenes. Thanks to your generous support we were able to raise over \$350 in youth credits for those who worked and nearly \$60 for LYF mission projects. God is good! Please make plans now to join us again next year, and spread the word. We'd be thrilled to have a full fellowship hall next February.



EASTERN ZONE LYF NERF NIGHT

Back by popular demand... NERF NIGHT. Join us at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Fargo on Friday, March 19th from 7-10pm for an evening of fellowship, faith and fun. Bring your own "weaponry," and we'll supply the "ammo." Open to all youth in grades 6-12. Cost is \$3 each, OR bring a friend along and pay \$5 for both of you! Registrations are due to Pastor Harvala by March 17th, and forms are available at the youth bulletin board.

HIGHER THINGS RETREAT

The Higher Things retreat "What is Church?" will be held March 26-27, 2021 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wahpeton. This is the retreat that was postponed from last spring. Pastors Matthew Tooman, Chris Brademeyer & Aaron Filipek will present on church and worship. Open to all students in grades 6-12. St. Andrew confirmation students can receive Worship & Sermon Summary credit for attending. Please speak to Pastor Harvala for more information.

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.



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!

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.

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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

Come and Worship!

March 2021

Sundays: 8:00 & 10:45am
Coffee & Fellowship at 9:00am
Sunday School & Bible Class at 9:30am
Wednesdays: Fellowship Meal at 5:15pm
Lent Worship at 6:30pm
*Holy Communion celebrated at all
Sunday worship services.*

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