

# ST. ANDREW TRUMPETER

APRIL 2020

## Pastor's Soundings in the Trumpeter...

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ;

We're waiting....waiting...waiting for the time when "this" will be over.

The Portals of Prayer devotion reminded me that we are only 9 months away from Christmas. That's not really what you or I want to think about. However, you might be wondering more about Easter.

On this March 25, when I am finishing my newsletter article, it is a little more than two weeks before Easter. It is also the Annunciation, that is the announcement to Mary that she will conceive and have a child, without a husband. Yes, 9 months before Christmas. As you read the Scriptures, you see how disrupted Mary's life became. Yet, what do we find Mary and Joseph doing all this time? They respond in their circumstances with faithfulness.

When the angel appears, she is afraid. But when God's Word comes to her, she responds, "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word" (Luke 1:38, ESV).

You may have suspicions why Mary left to see Elizabeth, who also was in her 6th month. Yet when Mary meets Elizabeth, Elizabeth and the baby respond in joy. "...blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord" (Luke 1:44-45, ESV).

Her fiancé, Joseph, contemplates breaking off the engagement (called divorce at that time), yet when God's Word comes to Him, takes Mary as his wife.

The Government demands being counted causing them to travel at the end of her pregnancy, and they go and the child is born in Bethlehem as foretold in the Scriptures.

They have to settle among the animals for shelter and then she gives birth. Yet, Joseph gets them into a house (Matthew 2:11), follows the customs according to the law of Moses (Luke 1:21), even making a trip to Jerusalem while their financial situation doesn't appear good (offering sacrifices as the poor - Luke 1:22-24).

Within two years, they have to flee for their lives to a foreign country (Matthew 2:13-14). Later when they return, they avoid the current government so they are safe (Matthew 2:15, 19-23).

Faithfulness comes from hearing God's Word. Trust in the promises of God. For what Mary and Joseph cared for was what was promised. What was conceived in her is the Savior, Jesus Christ, who is God and man, who would save His people from their sins (Matthew 1:21).

You see Christmas has everything to do with Holy Week and Easter. Mary as she waited those 9 months, and Joseph with all the decisions he had to make, find their peace in God's Word, especially the promises.

When you receive this newsletter, will you have about two weeks until Easter? Yes, the day will come and go, but the effects and the joy lives on. Jesus Christ did die for our sins on that Good Friday. God the Father did accept His sacrifice by raising Him from the dead. Therefore, in Jesus our sins are forgiven, and in Jesus our resurrection is assured no matter what our circumstances are today, tomorrow and on.

As you adjust to the circumstances of Covid-19, live out faithfully the peace and joy promised in God's Word and assured by Jesus.

In Christ's service;

Pastor Jahnke



Philippians 4:4-8

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## **WORSHIP SERVICES AND BIBLE STUDY**

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

Please spread the word to others that worship services are available on our St. Andrew Facebook page, via Facebook Live and that Sunday Morning Bible Study is through WebEx.com. We don't have everybody's email and not everybody uses email. However, email, phone, mail are the only ways we can reach people with this information. Please pass on the information, especially the Bible Study phone number and meeting number found in the email to those who only have landlines and flip phones.

The worship services will be live at the designated times and available after that time. You can access both of them through our website at [www.standrewlcms.org](http://www.standrewlcms.org). Scroll down to the bottom of home page and click on "Follow us on Facebook." Also, the sermons are available on podcasts. Again go to the website, but click on "Sermons" and click on what you want to listen to.

Offering may be mailed in, or other great options include signing up for EFT or use Vanco's "GivePlus" app on your phone.

You can access the Sunday Morning Bible Study at 9:30am by clicking "Join Meeting" in the email. Please give the phone number and the meeting number to those with landlines and flip phones, and they can join the meeting as well.

## **SHORTFALL LOAN MATCHING FUNDS UPDATE**

As of February, our 2019 budget shortfall loan balance is \$22,700. Please remember we have an anonymous commitment of matching dollars to our shortfall loan. This means \*ANY\* amount you give to our shortfall loan will be matched dollar for dollar. As of 3/22/2020, we have collected \$4,442 which, with matching, doubles to \$8,884, cutting our shortfall debt down to \$13,816! THANK YOU for retiring 40% of our shortfall loan! In the coming weeks and months, please help us continue to take advantage of this generosity by giving a financial gift to our shortfall loan. You can write a check with 'shortfall loan', using the shortfall loan envelopes, or make an electronic donation, and it will be matched. God's blessings to all of you. - Board of Stewardship

## **CELEBRATING PALM SUNDAY**

We will not be meeting for public worship at the church building, but worship will still be on through Facebook Live. Also, stop by the church and pick up enough palm branches for your family in the entry way, Monday-Friday between 9am and 4pm. Use the handicap opener rather than the door handle to protect yourself. Use them with worship on Sunday 4/5 and then do the cross-project provided.

## **ALTAR GUILD VOLUNTEER UPDATE**

We want to thank the following members for volunteering to help serve on the Altar Guild:

Ernie & Donna Feland, Janet Baker, Chris Paul, Rose Rios, Tami Hertel, Joslyn Pierce, Tom & Celeste Moltzan, Eleanor Kraft, Margaret Burkhardtsmeier, Mike & Diana Peterson, Rachel Kitzman, Sara Sell, Peggy Brager, Karen Berg, Larry & Diana Weil, Lenny & Brenda Heupel, Linda Glass, Lanae Cajobe, Jolene Flath, Steve Beltz, Deb Cook, Kristy Dillard, Sara Moreland, Dan & Connie Klug.

Despite all these volunteers listed, we still are in need of more help. We would like an additional two individuals/couples to help complete two months that currently only one couple is handling. If this is an area you would be interested in serving, please contact Deb Cook (729-8677) or Connie Klug (866-9487). Thanks for the wonderful response!

## **SPRING CLEAN UP**

The Board of Trustees are looking volunteer for our spring cleanup on Sat, May 2nd starting at 9:00 AM. We need volunteers for cleaning the church sanctuary, craft room, nursery and windows. In addition, outside items would include help with hedges and around the churches landscaping.

Thank you. Board of Trustees

## **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.

## **MEAL DELIVERY VOLUNTEERS**

Board of Human Care is looking for volunteers who would be willing to make & deliver a meal to families in need, such as when someone is recovering from an illness or has experienced a death in the family. A sign up sheet is on the table in the narthex.

## **WE NEED YOU!!!**

We would love to have more friendly faces serving as ushers, greeters and nursery workers, for our worship services. Please consider helping in these areas!

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## ADDRESS UNKNOWN

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.

1. Eli, Kaiden (son of Steven Eli & Carrie Stange)
2. Glanzer, Samantha
3. Gustafson, Brian
4. Hertel, Jared
5. Mason, Beau
6. Moore, Tim
7. Raatz, Sande
8. Schroeder, Christopher & Harmony, Seibel, Destiny (children of Andrew Schroeder & Breanna Seibel)
9. Walette, Linda (daughter of Felix Walette)

## MARCH PASTORAL ACTS

### **Transfer In**

- Joyce Michaelson from St Paul LCMS-Wimbeldon, ND

### **Transfer Out**

- Wade Borth to Immanuel LCMS-Grand Forks, ND
- Saralee Hoefs to Immanuel LCMS-Wahpeton, ND

### **Removals**

- Logan Braaten, parents are Chad & Nikkie Braaten
- Kaleb & Kasey Curtis, parents are Andrew & Jessica Curtis
- Quinn Olson, parent is Kim Kako
- Kinley Klepatz, parents are Michael & Jenna Klepatz
- Brooklyn & Madison Nelson, parent is Amanda Nelson
- Ryan Somsen

### **Death**

- Jeff Maddock (non-member)

## 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.

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## "MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH"

### TV PROGRAM

#### APRIL UPDATE

YOU AND I HAVE the most important message in the world! That message is that our Creator God loves us so much that He left the splendor of heaven to come down to earth and redeem His fallen creation, including each person reading this article, and every person watching any an episode of MAIN STREET LIVING! This He did through the life, suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus, God the Son - the benefits of which are received freely by grace through faith! May we always take this to heart and share it - and especially during this special season of Lent!

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 all archived programs anytime at [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com) - then click on the link under the picture identified as "North (Fargo)". God's blessings in Christ!

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 web site. God's blessing in Christ!

### **"Main Street Living North" April 2020 Programs:**

**Apr 5: Special Palm Sunday Program:** The documentary "The Holy Land-The Eternal Rock Tour" is a one-hour tour of the Holy Land. It will air for the entire hour, replacing both the regular MSLN worship service and the This is the Life program.

**Apr 12: Rev. R. Dale Meyer, President of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis,** will present the Easter Sunday message. The Lutheran Hour Ministries animated program "Easter Is" will replace the regular This Is The Life program today.

**Apr 19: Rev. Clark Jahnke, St. Andrew Lutheran Church, West Fargo, ND,** presents the message: "Recognizing Jesus," based on Luke 24:13-35. The Lutheran Hour Ministries animated program, "3 Days" will replace the regular "This Is The Life" program today.

**Apr 26: Rev. Kirk Lee, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Parkers Prairie, MN,** presents the message: "That You May Believe," based on John 20:19-31. The "This Is The Life" program is: "Miracle in Chinatown".



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## ST. ANDREW FINANCIAL REPORT

### **General Fund:**

|         | <u>FEBRUARY</u> | <u>YTD</u>    |
|---------|-----------------|---------------|
| Income  | \$ 31,573.37    | \$ 70,866.91  |
| Expense | \$ 51,141.04    | \$ 96,165.98  |
| Net     | \$ -19,567.66   | \$ -25,299.07 |

### **Mortgage Fund:**

|         | <u>FEBRUARY</u> | <u>YTD</u>   |
|---------|-----------------|--------------|
| Income  | \$ 5,175.50     | \$ 13,142.59 |
| Expense | \$ 6,386.00     | \$ 12,772.00 |
| Net     | \$ -1,210.50    | \$ 370.59    |

### **Shortfall:**

|        | <u>FEBRUARY</u> | <u>YTD BAL</u> |
|--------|-----------------|----------------|
| Income | \$ 701.00       | \$21,999.00    |

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

4/1: John Emerson  
4/3: Tarryn Odle  
4/4: Bonnie Schilling, Linda Tholkes, Larry Weil  
4/5: Doris Fuss  
4/7: Preston Geist, Brett Livingston,  
Jonathan Pistorius  
4/11: Karen Berg, Judy Erdmann  
4/12: Daniel Krueger, Lindsey Riebe  
4/14: Han Yu Yan  
4/15: Michael Ramberg, Crystal  
Reber, Dale Wemer  
4/16: Robert Berry, Walter Erdmann  
4/17: Jade Hovland, Raelynn Orvik, Marilyn Ruud  
4/19: Bruce Clark, Samantha Heupel, Trae Volk  
4/22: Clare Boldingh, Mykin Gunning, Brayden Muhl  
4/23: Lori Anderson  
4/24: Robert Viou Sr  
4/25: Judy Millar  
4/26: Duane Baukol  
4/27: Dain Anderson, Jenna Johnson  
4/28: Marlene Kummer  
4/30: Pat Baukol, Owen Muhl



## APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

4/1: Kirk & Judy Rosin  
4/2: Arlyn & Eleanor Kraft  
4/8: Arlin & Joan Prochnow  
4/12: Larry & Pam Johnson  
4/22: Jonathan & Whitney 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

## CREATION (and Evolution) DVDs & BOOKS ADDED

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](http://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.

## 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.





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## **YOUTH** **UPCOMING YOUTH ACTIVITIES &** **EVENTS:**

Sunday School & LYF Bible Class at 9:30-10:35am  
(Sunday mornings through May 19th)

4/10 Good Friday Cross Walk

**NO LUNCH AFTERWARDS**

4/12 Easter Breakfast **CANCELLED**

## **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.

## **PALM SUNDAY & PANCAKE** **BREAKFAST**

With our Church services and events currently on hold due to Covid-19, the Board of Education has cancelled the children singing for Palm Sunday as well as the pancake breakfast planned for Easter Sunday.

## **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 and crayons, books, and an animal. Also, periodically clean the bags and animals.

**Sunday School Music Leader** Have fun praising the Lord with grades Preschool-8th with 2 to 4 songs per week. Ability to play an instrument would be great, but is not required.

**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.

Contact Leanne Muhl or put a note in the education office to volunteer or to get more information on any of these positions.

## **WATERMARKED 2020: A HIGHER** **THINGS CONFERENCE**

The 2020 Higher Things conference will focus on the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, its meaning, benefits, and lasting significance in the lives of believers. Conferences will be held four times this summer, in four different locations: Colorado (6/29-7/2), Missouri (7/7-10), Tennessee (7/14-17), and Michigan (7/21-24). Groups from North Dakota are already planning trips to the Colorado and Michigan conferences. Scholarships are also available. Registration forms are on the youth bulletin board. You can also talk to Pastor Harvala or visit <https://higherthings.org/conferences> for more information.

## **HIGHER THINGS RETREATS** **POSTPONED**

The Higher Things retreat "What is Church?" originally scheduled for March 27-28 has been postponed. We will share the details as soon as the new dates are available. Cost and locations should remain the same. For more information or to register, visit [www.higherthings.org/retreats](http://www.higherthings.org/retreats).



## **ST ANDREW VOLUNTEER EVENT**

St Andrew is partnering with Orphan Grain Train Mercy Meals of North Dakota. We are planning a Mercy Meal event on May 2, 2020 from 1:00 - 5:00 pm. We are looking for anyone who is interested in volunteering for an hour block at a time, or the whole entire event. We are also looking for volunteers to help with set up. It's all up to you to choose. What is a Mercy Meal event and how does it work? The supplies and equipment are brought to us and are designed as packing stations. At which time, we prep and pack Mercy Meals for delivery to those in need. This event is open to anyone 8 years of age and older.

A sign-up sheet is on the table in the Narthex and we invite everyone to come out and lend a helping hand to complete as many Mercy Meals as we can. Treats and snacks will be provided during the event. We look forward to our church family coming together and helping this event being a successful effort. Through Christ's Love,

- The Board of Christian Outreach



**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 2020**

**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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