

Acts 10:34–48

So Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.” While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, “Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

1 John 5:1–8

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. For there are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

John 15:9–17

As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. [Jesus said:] “This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

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May 9, 2021 6th Sunday of Easter - 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 O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT: Acts 10:34-48 "God does not show favoritism but accepts men from every nation."

EPISTLE: 1 John 5:1-8 "This is the victory that has overcome the world."

HOLY GOSPEL: John 15:9-17 "If you obey My commands, you will remain in My love."

CATECHETICAL LESSON *The Lord's Prayer: First Petition* - **Hallowed be Thy name.** Hallowed be Thy name. *What does this mean?* God's name is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and we, as the children of God, also lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this, dear Father in heaven! But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God's Word profanes the name of God among us. Protect us from this, heavenly Father.

OPPORTUNITIES THRU CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Sun/May 9 **6th Sunday of Eater**
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

Mon/May 10

Tues/May 11 Quilters, 9am-12noon
Staff Meeting, 1pm
RRLSA Board Meeting, 6:30pm

Wed/May 12

Thur/May 13 GLS Music Concert, 7pm

Fri/May 14

Sat/May 15

Sun/May 16 **7th Sunday of Eater**
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
NYG Meeting, 7pm
Horace Bible Study, 7:30pm

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS this week:

Eileen Sweeten, Walter Gagelin, Lyla Fiectner, Shelly Joyce, Betty Trapp, Josh Gervais, Lois Hehr, Jessica Bachmeier, Aubrey Else, Brady Millar, Nicole Marcy, Saffron Hoff, Milton Deplazes, Bill Kitzman, Sarah Kasin

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS this week:

Tim & Tami Hertel, Bruce & Liz Clark

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 Please remember to routinely check your mailboxes.

(May 9-16)

6th Sunday of Easter-B May 9, 2021

Entrance Hymn	#947
Confession & Absolution	p. 151
Introit	see insert
<i>No Kyrie</i>	
This is the Feast...	p. 155
Salutation and Collect	p. 156
First Lesson	see back
Gradual	insert
Epistle	see back
Alleluia	p. 156
Gospel	see back
Hymn of the Day	#568
Sermon	1 John 5:6-8 "Grounded in Reality"
Nicene Creed	p. 158
Prayers	
Offertory	(Altar is Prepared)
Preface & Sanctus	p. 160-61
Lord's Prayer & Institution	p. 162
Agnus Dei	p. 163
Distribution & Hymns #779, #835, #647	
"Thank the Lord..."	p. 164
Prayer & Benediction	p. 166
Closing Hymn	#526

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

for last Sunday Services: 79 + 58 = 137

Shortfall Loan	<u>Giving YTD</u>	<u>Remaining</u>	<u>Month to Date</u>	<u>Last Sunday</u>
	\$ 44,147.86	\$ 28,077.14	\$ 8,063.92	\$ 351.42

	<u>LAST YEAR</u>	<u>LAST SUNDAY</u>
General Fund Income Received:	\$ 4,536.14	\$ 8,727.25
Mortgage Fund Income Received:	\$ 555.00	\$ 707.40

<u>THROUGH MARCH:</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>YTD</u>
General Fund Income:	\$ 27,917.78	\$ 101,431.28
General Fund Expenses:	\$ 38,177.09	\$ 117,841.38
	\$-10,259.31	\$ -16,410.10

Mortgage Fund Income	\$ 5,807.26	\$ 18,653.31
Mortgage Fund Loan Payments	\$ 6,386.00	\$ 19,158.00
Net	\$ -578.74	\$ -504.69

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE FOR NEXT WEEK: (5/16)

ELDERS:	Sun 8am: Emmett Wilson Sun 10:45am: Lenny Heupel
AV:	Sun 8am: Dan Klug/Gavin Hruza Sun 10:45am: Ray Wasness/Shonteau Wasness
USHERS:	Sun 8am: *Lloyd Ruud Dominic Kolubah, Tom Moltzan Sun 10:45am: *Rod Olson Sandie Eaton, Penny Maurer
ACOLYTES:	Sun 8am: Lincoln Haugen Sun 10:45am: Marshall Severson
MUSICIANS:	Sun 8am & 10:45am: Susan Jahnke
ALTAR GUILD	Lanae Cajobe & Linda Glass

**COMMUNICATING CHRIST OVER THE AIR:
OUR WEB SITE: 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.

"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

DAILY DEVOTIONS by Pastor Klaus at www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp

MEN NETWORK: www.lhmmen.com

ISSUES, ETC: Current events from a Lutheran view. www.issuesetc.org

MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH TV PROGRAM May 16: Rev. Chris Brademeyer, St. John Lutheran Church, Oakes, ND, presents the message: "Endure in Christ," based on John 15:26-16:4. "This Is The Life" episode: "Home Free" / A family learns the real meaning of love and that it comes free. 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.

LCMS YOUTH GATHERING 2022 is 1 year and 2 months away. Too early? Nope! An informational meeting will be held on Sunday, May 16th at 7pm for all families of eligible participants. All those in grades 7-12 right now are eligible and should plan to attend as we begin our preparations for the biggest event and expense in our youth program. Those age 19-25 are eligible as young adult volunteers and are encouraged to attend as well.

SHORTFALL LOAN DRIVE Since 2020, regular giving has increased 4% overall and stayed at this increased level throughout the coronavirus pandemic. Thank you for your continued financial support of St Andrew Lutheran Church! We have changed the way we report to make it easier to understand our shortfall loan payoff progress, and we appreciate your strong monthly support. We have heard the need of this congregation to be more informed of our income and expenses. Please look for more detailed information to come from us. Please contact us to discuss your thoughts or concerns.
- Board of Stewardship

WANT TO HELP AT CHURCH, but something more behind the scene?

The Altar Guild is the perfect place for you to be! This wonderful group of volunteers prepare the altar for our Church services every week. Main responsibilities include communion set up, filling candles and display hymn numbers. Volunteers are responsible for one month a year. The great thing about this is you can do almost all of the set up and take down when it works with your schedule. We just need the wine and wafers set up on Sunday mornings. Even better is you never have to do this alone. You can do it with a spouse, friend, son, daughter, mother, father and there is always someone else sharing the month with you. Think about that...if you did this every Sunday of one month, you would be volunteering 4 times a year. But since we share months with others, your time is even less!

We are looking for a few more individuals or couples to join our wonderful volunteer group for this behind the scene but very important role with our Church services every week. If you have questions, want to know more about what this exactly entails or know this is the way you could give back to St. Andrew, please call Connie Klug (701)866-9487. Please consider it!

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)

USHERS NEEDED 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!

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!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be held June 13-15, 2021. Please join us each evening for a meal from 5:15-6:00, followed by Bible lessons and activities for children age 4 through 5th grade. Mark your calendars now! To register or volunteer to help, please contact Leanne Muhl or Pastor Harvala.

LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL for this year is Sunday, May 23rd. Only it's not the last day of Sunday school! We will continue to gather around God's Word in a large-group family-style setting throughout the summer. Please plan to continue joining us for fellowship, refreshments, and GROWth in God's Word and your faith. The GROW/Sunday school/Bible class program and schedule will continue as per usual through May 23rd.

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 to provide an additional "sidewalk presence" near the abortion facility in downtown Fargo on Wednesdays. 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.

Introit

Come and hear, all you who | fear God,*
 and I will tell what he has done | for my soul.
 Shout for joy to God, | all the earth;*
 sing the glory of his name; give to him | glorious praise!
 Bless our God, O | peoples;*
 let the sound of his | praise be heard,
 who has kept our soul among the | living*
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Gradual

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 [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and | honor,
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