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### ST. ANDREWS LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

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# Official Acts - July



**Baptized:** MacKenzie Rose Mercado

Daughter of Jose and Victoria Mercado

Born: October 16, 2018 Baptized: July 22, 2019

### **BIRTHDAYS**

- 2 Anne Hoffmann
- 4 Madison Zuehls
- 7 Carol Mirkin
- 8 Eric Bauer
  - Corrine Schreiber
- 10 Henry Schmidt Joseph Vitulli
- 11 Peter Knapp
- 14 Elmer Zuehls
- 15 Julie Clerkin
- 17 Andrea Bateman
  - Nancy Reuhs
- 18 Julia Anderson Sherry Avila
  - Erica Hauer
- 19 Simon Grimm Connor Lasch
- 20 Jennifer Anderson Donald C. Hacke
  - Michael Sebastian
- 21 Frank Genualdi Darlene Stahl
- 25 Kim Jenrich
- 26 Sean Obrochta
- 30 Timothy Raetzman

# LET'S CELEBRATE!

#### **BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS**

Violet Koenig Greta Kwon

Daniel Raetzman Kathleen Riordan

- Bethany Turk Tim Christiansen
- Jack Rouse
- 5 Pamela Tomaszewski
- 11 Ryne Krug

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- 18 Chelsea Petersen
- 20 Helga Wehking
- 22 Marianne Polmanski
- 23 Chase Krug
- 25 Mary Asien
- 27 Joel Porterfield
- 31 Corrine Schreiber

#### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

- 4 Ken & Linda Rotter Len & Betty Weith
- 6 Gary & Sue Kloess
- 10 Don & Delores Brandfellner
- 12 Keith & Christa Grabske
- 15 Eric Bauer & Jennifer Kwasny
- 17 Eric & Rose Hauer
- Kurt & Helga Wehking 18 Frank & Michele Genualdi
- 19 Matthew & Juliana White
- 20 John & Kelly Snow

Happy Anniversary!

Please call Nichole in the church office (847.823.6656, X100) if your special day is not listed. Thanks.



Women Of St. Andrews



During the month of October, we'll continue to learn and discuss the book of Acts and the many "adventures" of Paul. Join us every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. in the social room. EXCEPTION: No class on Tuesday, October 15; Pastor Matt will be attending a pastors' conference. Pastor Matt has many insights (and occasional anecdotes) that help us understand the countless nuances and details of these scripture verses. Join us! it's just an hour per week and well worth the time.

SAVE THE DATE! Sunday, November 3, WOSA will sponsor a BAKE AND BOOK SALE in between services in the Parish Hall (gym). We invite the entire congregation to participate! Start gathering your favorite recipes to bake and donate. And this is a great opportunity to clean out your bookshelves. Further details will be forthcoming in the weekly LINE. There will be an extra added attraction as well. Stay tuned!

## St. Andrews

## Retired Gentlemen

Got cabin fever? Got that "cooped in" feeling? Well ... a group of retired and/or semi-retired men from St. Andrews meet once a month for lively conversation and lunch at various restaurants in the area. It's a great way to have fellowship! Why not join in on the second Thursday of the month? Social hour is at 11:30 a.m. – lunch around noon. For more information, call Jim Selzer at (847) 727-3545 or Darwin Dietrick at (847) 696-9010.

DO YOU WANT SOMETHING PUBLICIZED?

If so, don't forget our email "THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREWS", which goes out on Fridays to all members in our database. If you would like a school or church event publicized, please send your article as you would like it to appear to David Christiansen (dchristiansen 2@juno.com).

# Fund Raiser for The Comfort Dog Ministry – Coming Soon Save and collect gently worn, used and new shoes!



In the very near future our Comfort Dog Ministry team will kick off a

shoe drive to raise money for the continued support of Myra and the Ministry. There are multiple benefits derived from this project:

- We will be paid by the pound for the shoes collected
- Shoes will be sent to developing nations, providing economic opportunities for microentrepreneurs
- 3. Helping the environment by repurposing the shoes
- 4. We all get to clean our shoe closets/shelves
- 5. There are no costs to us

Start gathering and collecting those gently worn shoes. Shoes can be of any size, gender and season. They should still have life in them; that is, the soles are intact, they have laces (if necessary), there are no holes, they are dry. Consider this: If you would not give them to a friend, they should not be submitted to the collection.

#### **KNIT AND KNOW HIM:**

Are you looking for a new Fall Activity?

Come fellowhip with Knit&KnowHim (Knitting skills not required)

WHAT: Bring a portable craft: knitting, crocheting, needlework, drawing, painting, coloring, etc.

WHEN: Every Wednesday, 1:00pm-2:30pm

WHERE: St. Andrews' Staff Lounge (Park in the Elm Street parking lot)

QUESTIONS: Contact Jennifer Bauer at **847-209- 2886** or **jenniferbauer924** 









A couple of Summers ago, the St. Andrews Community studied a book together called, <u>Joining Jesus on His Mission</u>, by Rev. Greg Finke. The response to the book was amazing, and even now people are sharing stories with me of how that book has impacted how they interact with their neighbors. One man showed me a picture of the chairs he and his wife now sit on in their FRONT YARD when the weather is nice. He told me, "I am amazed, every time we sit out there, at how many people we get to talk with." I LOVE these stories!

This always takes me back to one of my favorite quotes from the book on page 58 – "Perhaps the most noteworthy thing is that Jesus chose to hang out with people and enjoy them even though he had a huge mission to accomplish and a limited amount of time in which to accomplish it. So here is the question: Did Jesus choose to hang out with people in spite of having a huge mission with limited time or because he had a huge mission with limited time? In my view, he hung out with people because of it."

This got me thinking about the month of October. I love this month for a variety of reasons, including, of course, the celebration of the Reformation! However, another thing I love is football season. We have an opportunity and the perfect excuse to just hang out with people for some quality, unhurried time. So even if you don't like watching the sport, maybe make plans to hang out with a neighbor, or a friend, or someone you just met to watch a game. Enjoy the time, and the conversation, and the cheese dip, and see what God can do when we slow down and just spend time with others. He showed us how, and he didn't even have football! Make the use of the time, and give it to others as a gift!

Your Brother in Christ,

Pastor Matt Hoffmann



# SCHOOL NEWS October 2019



Our Bible Verse this year is "Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you."

Ephesians 4:32

Sharing a little kindness can go a long way.

Our staff painted and decorated rocks for the Park Ridge Rocks What is Park Ridge Rocks all about? This is a community-building group focused on inspiring creativity and promoting kindness in all ages. Paint rocks using vibrant colors or fun sayings and hide them around Park Ridge.

Look around Park Ridge and see if you can find any of the kindness rocks.

Our St. Andrews Families have been so generous in their donations to the West Suburban Pantry. We are putting together Birthday Bags(cake mix, frosting, plates, napkins, balloons, treats, hats, etc.) to make sure that every child at West Suburban has a special birthday. A special thank you to our PTL and help from the 3<sup>rd</sup>-grade class for putting all the bags together.

#### Other news:

We are preparing for midterm grades for our middle school students. I can't believe we are ½ half through the first quarter already.

Our 6<sup>th</sup>-grade class is getting ready to go to LOMC. Please support them at the Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>.

The cross country team is already competing in meets. Our volleyball teams are traveling to compete in tournaments.

As always, we ask that you keep St. Andrews Lutheran School in your prayers, and we look forward to sharing news about our students and school with this upcoming year.

Working together for Christ,

Ms. Laura Boggs

## **ANNOUNCING**

2019 Niles/Park Ridge
CROP HUNGER WALK
Sunday, October 20
Starting at First United Methodist Church
418 West Touhy; Park Ridge



This year's walk will only be 3.1 miles long, beginning and ending at First United Methodist Church with a rest stop at Redeemer Lutheran Church.

All proceeds will support Church World Service and the Maine Township Food Pantry.

Registration & Raffle: 1:15 p.m. Blessing & Step-off: 2:00 p.m.

# St. Matthew Winter Coat Collection

St. Matthew Lutheran Church is in the Pilsen neighborhood of Chicago

# From October 27 through November 17



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St. Andrews' Board for Social

Ministry

Look for the movable coat rack in the narthex area of the church. Please bring coats on hangers and place them on the rack. The coats will be delivered to St. Matthew on Tuesday, November 19.