

May 25, 2017

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*Almighty God, as the apostle Andrew readily obeyed the call of Christ and followed Him without delay, grant that we, called by your holy word, may in glad obedience offer ourselves to your service.*

SAIN T ANDREW'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

SAIN T S ALIVE !

Back in January, the members of St. Andrew's voted to adopt three goals for 2017.

- 1. God is calling us to grow in Faith:** We will answer this call by discerning what it means to be a leader in this place and what staffing configuration might be best for the ministry you are calling us to do. We will further answer this call by clarifying our expectations of committees in carrying out your work, and our own expectations of one another in the ministry of St. Andrew's.
- 2. God is calling us to grow in Fellowship:** We will answer this call by increasing our capacity for reconciling conversations, especially in the context of the call process, working with Pastor Peter and others.
- 3. God is calling us to grow in Service:** We will answer this call by expanding our ministry with those in need, in collaboration with our various partners in mission in our neighborhood, across Columbia, and around the world.

I have been impressed with how the people of St. Andrew's have been working to address these goals over the last five months. Some of this has been very direct and obvious, like the discussions in the five congregational forums during Lent about how St. Andrew's might staff itself for mission in the coming years and about whether St. Andrew's would be open to considering otherwise qualified pastors who are LGBTQ as part of the call process. Both of these come out of the first two goals.

At the same time, our growth in service goes on as well, though often in a less obvious manner. For example, we cook meals for Loaves and Fishes, and took in a mountain of diapers and baby supplies on Easter for those served by Lutheran Family and Children's Services. Behind the scenes, our Anonymous Angels have stepped up to quietly meet needs within the parish, and our Visiting Shepherds bring comfort to those who are homebound as they share the Lord's Supper with them.

And now, it is summer – a time when in many congregations, things slow down (except for Vacation Bible School). But for congregations in a pastoral transition like St. Andrew's, there is often a lot more energy and activity than usual. No one wants the call process put on hold over the summer! No, the call committee will be receiving Rostered Leader Profiles and conducting interviews, and the council will be leading the rest of the congregation in preparing to receive their recommendation and ultimately to welcome a new pastor. Both of these are activities that are necessary, and neither takes place during an "ordinary" summer.

So to help with these, the council and I want to continue the work we are doing

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Saint Andrew's Staff

Peter Rehwaldt, *Interim Pastor*  
George Varghese, *Parish Administrator & Newsletter Editor*  
Nancy Robertson, *Music Minister*  
Sheryl Mehrhoff, *Organist*  
Crystal Lee, *Youth & Family Ministry*  
Patti Skinner, *Deacon Candidate*  
Bill Markgraf, *Parish Ministry Associate*  
Mary Halliburton, *Council President*

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FOR MORE INFORMATION  
ABOUT ACTIVITIES**

[www.saintandrewslutheran.org](http://www.saintandrewslutheran.org)

**Next Saints Alive Newsletter Deadline,  
Monday, June 26, 2017**

Send entries to:  
[georgev@saintandrewslutheran.org](mailto:georgev@saintandrewslutheran.org)

**Items for the weekend announcement page  
are due by 9 am Tuesday morning**

## WORSHIP AT SAINT ANDREW'S

Holy Communion is offered at all weekend services.

### June 3/4 – Day of Pentecost

Saturday 6:30 p.m.

Sunday Morning 8:30 and 11:00 – *ELW 10*

Scripture: John 20:19-23

Highlighted Ministry: Council

### June 10/11 – The Holy Trinity

Saturday 6:30 p.m.

Sunday Morning 8:30 and 11:00 – *ELW 10*

Scripture: Matthew 28:16-20

Highlighted Ministry: Developing Disciples

### June 17/18 – Pentecost 2

Saturday 6:30 p.m.

Sunday Morning 8:30 and 11:00 – *ELW 10*

Scripture: Matthew 9:35-10:23

Highlighted Ministry: Shepherds Ministry

### June 24/25 – Pentecost 3

Saturday 6:30 p.m.

Sunday Morning 8:30 and 11:00 – *ELW 10*

Scripture: Matthew 10:24-39

Highlighted Ministry: Discipleship (Education)

### Sunday School Scoop

Sunday school will resume in September!

### Youth Ministry Hub (6th-12th)

Please come and help create decorations for VBS!

Also, please sign-up to help with VBS!

#### **Wednesday, May 31– 5pm-8pm**

End of School Celebration

Pizza, games (water might be involved), Bible Study

#### **Sunday, June 4– between services**

**Those who are just finishing 7th grade-11th grade**  
Meeting about 2018 ELCA National Youth Gathering

If you think you might be interested in attending  
please plan to come to this informational meeting

Let me know of activities we can do  
over the summer

### VBS Decoration Help

Rome wasn't built in a day and neither will our VBS decorations! We are ramping up the decorations this year and need some help tracing, painting, cutting out decorations and building a few things to transform the building into Ancient Rome. The following are VBS decoration work days. We are offering a variety of work session times so there are multiple opportunities to join in the fun. Wear clothes you don't mind getting paint on, grab a friend and come help us build Rome!

**Tues. May 30– 4pm-8:30pm**

**Wed. May 31– 10am-2pm**

**Thurs. June 1- 4pm-8:30pm**

**Sat. June 3– 9 am– 4pm**

**Tues. June 6– 4pm-8:30pm**

**Wed. June 7– 10am-2pm**

**Tues. June 13– 9am-8pm**

**Wed. June 14– 9am-8pm**

**Thurs. June 15– 9am-8pm**

**Sat. June 17– 9am-5pm**

**Sun. June 18- after 11 am service**

Sandwich fixings, fruit, and veggies will be provided for meals

### VBS Donations

Starting this Sunday, there will be Roman columns near the registration table with items that we are needing donated or to borrow.

Each column will say the item, if it is to be donated or borrowed, and asks for your information to get the item(s) back to you.

Please provide a description

Items include: large cardboard boxes, jump ropes, PVC pipe, old pool noodles, canopy tents, light and dark colored sheets, flameless candles, a kiddie pool, gray paint that is sitting around your house not being used

### **Congratulations 2017 Graduates!**

Please let us know of names we may have missed.



#### **High School graduates and where they will be attending in the fall**

Erica Garrison, Rock Bridge HS, University of Missouri, Columbia

Martin Shapiro, Rock Bridge HS, The New School in New York City

#### **College Graduates**

Jacob Freyermuth, University of Minnesota

Sam Mitchell, University of Missouri, Columbia

Ana Wilden, Creighton University, Omaha, NE

Ford Zitsch, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE

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on these goals, particularly the last part of that first goal: “clarifying our expectations of committees in carrying out your work, and our own expectations of one another in the ministry of St. Andrew’s.” **Each week in worship throughout the summer, we will be highlighting one committee, team, or ministry area.** This will help everyone get a fuller picture of all that we are doing, clarify what each group does, and also invite members to get more deeply involved in ministries that touch their own passions. We will begin this focus with the council, as they are formally installed in office on June 4<sup>th</sup> – the Festival of Pentecost.

God \*is\* calling us to grow in faith, fellowship, and service. Individually, this is a call that began in baptism and continues throughout our lives. As a community, this is a call that began when St. Andrew’s was founded and is continually renewed. I am grateful for the growth I have seen in my time with you thus far, and look forward to what this summer will bring.

Peace,  
Pastor Peter



Please check your mailboxes for the Summer Quarterly Ministry Schedules.

### **Memorial Day Weekend Worship**

Shortly after the Civil War, communities across the country began to set aside one day in May to remember those who died in war. Eventually, this became the Memorial Day holiday. This Memorial Day, we will do the same here at St. Andrew's, honoring those who died in the military in the same way that Veterans Day honors the living who have served in the military.

In the past, we have held a special service in our Memorial Courtyard on Memorial Day weekend to remember those whose remains have been buried there and those in our community who died during the last year. We have decided to move this special service to All Saints Sunday in November, the day on which the church has historically held recognitions like this.

### **Fall event: St Andrews Congregation Directory**

Recently we asked you to update your contact information. Thank you to those who were able to provide this updated information. The next step is to pull this information together in a directory that will allow us to better know and more easily contact one another. We are planning an event for this coming fall to create the directory, which will include the opportunity for family/member pictures. Look for more information as we move through the summer months.

**We Remember in Prayer . . .**

*Almighty God,  
you gave your apostle Andrew the grace  
to obey the call of your Son  
and to bring his brother to Jesus.  
Give us also, who are called by your holy word,  
grace to follow Jesus without delay  
and to bring into his presence those who are near to us,  
for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. Amen*

**O God, bring into your presence those who  
wrestle with illness, addiction, and other struggles  
of body and mind, especially . . .**

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|------------------|-----------------------|
| Bill Morgan      | Joan Chadwick         |
| Kara Wolfe       | Rich Vedder           |
| Kinleigh Kite    | Kate Donaghy          |
| Danny Steen      | Sonny Rickards        |
| Shirley Drummond | Siri Bruhn            |
| Jared Lewis      | Connie Pelley         |
| Jim Bradley      | David Anliker         |
| Johnny Levengood | Elsie Moed            |
| Robert Aho       | Chris Grice           |
| Joanne Boomer    | Paula Schmitz         |
| Ella Romine      | Tom Joseph            |
| Sandy Roberts    | Holly Larson          |
| Jim Waldrip      | Cecilia Antunes       |
| Susan Krings     | Sue Nord              |
| Amy Macy         | Olive Newman          |
| Pat Davidson     | Valencia Clemons-Bush |
| Fay Stormont     | Michael Byrne         |
| Rhyan Loos       | Gayle Buzard          |
| Daniel Rickwa    |                       |

**O God, bring into your presence those who grieve  
the loss of loved ones, especially the family and  
friends of . . .**

- Bob Buzard
- Shirley Hoover, the mother of Phyllis Glasker's son-in-law in Pennsylvania

**O God, bring into your presence those who serve  
in the military, that they may serve honorably and  
return home safely, especially . . .**

- Will Parker, deployed in Central Asia, and Brayden Coy, Matthew Lee, Nick Miller, Travis Miller, Kevin Grove and others serving with them.

**O God, bring into your presence those who are  
helping to guide our call process, especially . . .**

- the call committee; the council; and the next pastor of St. Andrews, whoever that might be

**O God, bring into your presence all for whom we  
pray, that they may know your grace, your love,  
and your peace.**

**Saying Good bye.....**

We are so grateful for Dean and Elaine Yarwood. They have been an integral part of the life at Saint Andrew's since 1967. Both Dean and Elaine have served the congregation in so many ways as well as raised their children in the faith life of Saint Andrew's. Now we say goodbye and thanks as they move to live with their son in the Kansas City area. Their last Sunday was May 14. If you would like to send them a card or letter of thanks, good-by or well wishes for life in their new home, their address is: 7808 NW Roberts Rd, Weatherby Lake, MO 64152



If your birthday is missing from this list, please contact the church office at 449-5674.

### Happy June Birthday!

Ellie Keicher	6/1	Lilah Weaver	6/10	Alex Taylor	6/20
Arthur Mehrhoff	6/1	Molly Zitsch	6/10	Henry McIntosh	6/21
Rhonda Rice	6/1	Solveig Geenen	6/11	Linda Romine	6/21
Janet Farmer	6/2	Amelia Holliday	6/12	Joe Vandepopuliere	6/21
Pat Luedders	6/2	Haley Neff	6/12	Gary Lenzini	6/22
Honey Griffiths	6/3	Jared Edler	6/14	Darlene Huff	6/23
Jim Wadlow	6/3	Ana Wilden	6/16	Jill Swearingen	6/23
Alex Drury	6/4	Kaleb Plowman	6/17	Taylor Anliker	6/24
Morgan Hurt	6/4	Al Swearingen	6/17	Aaron Elsasser	6/24
Carter Lembke	6/4	Gary Taylor	6/18	Cheryl Tekotte	6/25
Carol Grouws	6/5	Jean Kirch-Holliday	6/18	Melanie Drury	6/26
Patti Skinner	6/5	Sandy Roberts	6/18	Andrea Follett	6/26
Cindy Penrod	6/9	Theo Blumenschein	6/19	Linnea Geenen	6/26
Lorna Plowman	6/10	Margaret Darkow	6/19	Jaclena Frerking	6/29
				Avalyn Flood	6/30

## LFCS Baby Bottle Drive

BABY BOTTLE DRIVE IS HAPPENING NOW THROUGH FATHER'S DAY.

Please pick up our Baby Bottles in the Narthex.

On the table in the narthex are a bunch of baby bottles, waiting not to be filled with milk but with coins, bills, and checks to support the work of LFCS in handling adoptions. Take a bottle home, fill it with your loose change or not-so-loose change, and then bring it back on June 18th. LFCS - and the children they serve - will be very appreciative of whatever you can give.

**A LITTLE CHANGE.....**

**A BIG DIFFERENCE!**

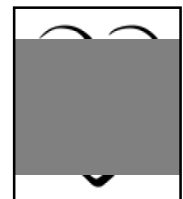


### Men's Breakfast

Saturday, June 3rd at 7:30am in the Church Fellowship Hall

### Loaves and Fishes

Our "thanks" to those who volunteered at Loaves and Fishes on Sunday, May 22, 2016. Our thanks to Lanette and Erica Garrison, Dawn Lessiack, Susan Krings, Nathalia Maduenho, Gabriela Oliveira, Chuck and Mona Freidrichs, Bill Feickert, Susan Goldammer and Charlie Farrow. The menu was Ham Florentine rice casserole, coleslaw with apples, hot garlic bread, bars and cookies, milk, lemonade and coffee. There were 54 people served and 34 take-out dinners provided. Please consider helping with this life giving ministry. The next time for service is Sunday, June 26, 2016. Sign up sheets for the calendar year are in the narthex.



### We are grateful!

Thank you to our bulletin volunteers for the past month: **Bill Feickert, Joyce Sandin, and Liz Strong.** Also, thanks to the volunteers who assembled the April 27th *Saints Alive* newsletter for mailing: **Elaine Grev, Kathy Hagen, Dorcas Leighton and Mary Ragan.**

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Dear Prayer Shawl Ministry,  
The lovely shawl was given to me by Patti Skinner. My faith has comforted me but at this difficult time, this shawl warms me and helps me nurture my soul. What a thoughtful comforting gift. My heart-felt thank you to you all  
Barbara Levy

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Dear St. Andrew's Friends,  
Thanks for your "seed" funds for our joint FRB project. Let's hope we grow well together this year!

In Christian Love,  
The Council & Congregation  
of Peace UCC, Hartsburg, MO

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Dear St. Andrew's ,  
Thank you very much for awarding me the Sylvia May Hansen Scholarship. This fall, I will be attending Mizzou, continuing the legacy of my parents. I'm excited for what the future has to offer. Thank you so much again, your support means the world to me.

Sincerely  
Emily Stoker  
Hickman Class of 2017



### God's Work, Our Hands

God's Work, Our Hands is a weekend dedicated to community service. The 2017 GWOH weekend is September 9th and 10th, so mark your calendars! The Community Ministry Team is looking for community service projects for all ages. If you know of an organization that could use our help or have any ideas, please speak up! We are interested in all ideas, but are particularly interested in projects that the entire family can participate in. Please contact Susan Goldammer at [susan.goldammer@gmail.com](mailto:susan.goldammer@gmail.com) or (573) 489-0338

### Are You Interested In Jail Ministry?

St. Andrew's sends a team to the Boone County Jail on the 5th Sunday of every month (4 times a year) to hold a Bible study for the female inmates. It is a meaningful and powerful experience for all involved. Are you interested in joining the team? If so, please contact Susan Goldammer at [susan.goldammer@gmail.com](mailto:susan.goldammer@gmail.com) or 573-489-0338. A background check is required, so plan ahead! The remaining dates for this year are July 30, and Oct. 29.



### Women's Circles:

**Esther Circle**—meets on the second Thursday of each month. The next meeting is June 8th at 6:45 pm.

**Ruth Circle**—meets on the third Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is on June 20 at 11:30 am at the Heidelberg Restaurant, 410 S 9th St. All are welcome to join them. Contact Janet Toepke for more information at 256-1897

### Save the Dates:

**VBS Week:**  
June 18—22

**God's Work, Our Hands  
Weekend**

Sat –Sun, Sept. 9th and 10th

## 2017-2018 Congregational Leadership

In April we elected new members of the council and various committee chairs, and at the May council meeting, they elected new officers:

### Council Membership

Mary Halliburton, President	Alan Swearingen, Vice-President
Suzanne Neff, Secretary	Randy Johnson, Treasurer
Katie Benson	Cindy Penrod
Cathy Richter	David Stock
Peter Wilden	Interim Pastor Peter Rehwaldt

### Ministry Team Chairs

Discipleship	Gwen Gray
Global Ministry	Karon Speckman
Shepherds Ministry	Molly Zitsch
Community Ministry	Susan Goldammer and Sarah Larson
Developing Disciples	Michael Volz
Finance	Paul Speckman
Communications	Paul Boomer

We have a number of other committees for whom the council and Developing Disciples team are still working on recruiting chairs, including Evangelism, Fellowship, Stewardship, and Buildings and Grounds. The work of these groups continues, but we are still seeking people to help organize and coordinate their efforts.

In addition to these elections, the council selected four people to serve as our Voting Members at the 2017 Synod Assembly in Kansas City: Mary Halliburton, Crystal Lee, David Murphy, and David Stock. As discussions and debates take place about the priorities for the ministry of the synod, they will bring their insights to the rest of the synod. In the same way, as those synod decisions impact St. Andrews, they will bring their experience of those discussions back to Columbia.



## Foods Resource Bank News



**Interested in traveling to another country to experience God's work through Foods Resource Bank?** Peace United Church of Christ is offering scholarships of up to \$2,500 to subsidize an FRB learning visit by December 2019. For more information and an application, contact Karon Speckman, [speckmank@gmail.com](mailto:speckmank@gmail.com).

**Because of your generosity**, we gave a check of \$4,750 to Peace United Church of Christ-Hartsburg farmers and a check of \$1,000 to the Peace Lutheran Salisbury farmers. Thank you so much for your support for the Lenten Offering and the Christmas Craft sale!

Start planning now what craft you'd like to make (or bake or can) for the FRB craft sale in early November. St. Andrew's will be hosting an international visitor from an overseas program in October. Contact Karon if any questions.



Lutheran World Relief



## School Bag & Quilt News

**Help string school bags** at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 13 in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Linda Vedder at [veds-l-r@peoplepc.com](mailto:veds-l-r@peoplepc.com) if you can help.

**School bags will be available June 24-25 to be filled** – pick up bags, sign the sheet and fill with supplies during the summer sales!

**Our quilts and kits are helping others.** The quilts and baby care kits for 2016 went to the country of Georgia. Our personal care kits went to Angola – no word yet on our school kits.

### Finances for the Mission of St. Andrew's Budget/Giving Analysis through April 2017

April Summary	April 2017	Year to Date
Giving toward the Budget(1)	\$45,818	\$156,468
Actual Expenses for Budgeted Items	\$36,525	\$137,286
Giving over/(under) Expenses	\$9,293	\$19,182
<b>Response to Budget</b>		
Budget (Spending Estimate) Approved at 1/22/17		
Annual Meeting (2)	\$41,904	\$167,615
Giving over/(under) Budget	\$3,914	\$(11,147)
<b>Nonbudget Special Offerings</b>		
Fifth Sunday--Pascal's Pals	\$518	\$518
Foods Resource Bank	\$692	\$4,591
Anonymous Angels	\$100	\$210

#### Notes:

- (1) April giving Decreased 9.7% over April 2016; year-to-date giving decreased 9.6% over 2016  
 (2) Monthly budget is 1/12 of \$502,845 annual budget



# June 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Synod Assembly in Kansas City Pastor Peter—June 7-10 Crystal Lee—June 7-10			1 11 am Prayer Group 12 pm Hope for Healing (AA) 7 pm Mutual Ministry 7 pm Troop 706 Leaders	2	3 7:30 am Men's Breakfast 5:30 pm Service Rehearsal 6:30 pm Worship w/ Communion
4 8:30 am Worship-Communion 10 am Forum 11 am Worship- Communion 2 pm Girl Scouts 6 pm Dist. AL-Anon Mtg.	5	6 9 am Quilting Prep 12 pm Hope for Healing (AA) 7 pm Overeater's Anonymous	7 7 am Men's Bible Study 12:30 pm Men's Spiritual Gr.	8 11 am Prayer Group 12 pm Hope for Healing (AA) 6:45 pm Esther Circle	9 9 am Quilting Group	10 5:30 pm Service Rehearsal 6:30 pm Worship w/ Communion
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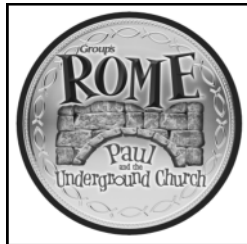
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**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



**VBS**  
**at Saint Andrew's**  
**Lutheran Church**  
**June 18-22**  
**5:45 pm to 7:45 pm**  
**Light dinner at 5 pm**

Register in the Narthex  
or online at:

<http://www.myvbs.org/standrewscomo/>