

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

“Gods Work. Our hands.”

September 8, 2024

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**St. Andrew's
Lutheran Church**

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A congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Welcome to worship! Whether you are here for the first time or have been a life-long member, we pray that you experience God's presence in worship.

All God's Children are Welcome! If you have children, know that all of you are welcome in worship. Little people sounds tell us that everyone is here. If your little one becomes fussy, feel free to step out for a moment. Families may want to sit near the pray ground in the front left side of the Worship space. There are speakers in the gathering space.

Pastoral Concerns occasionally come up. In cases of severe illness, hospitalization, death, birth of a child, marriages, joys and sadness, many people would like a pastor to visit with them. Please be sure to contact the office to let us know of your desire.

Offering is received as a response to God's grace and blessing, and as an expression of our faith. Jesus tells us, "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Matthew 6:21)

Holy Communion is celebrated at nearly every service. Admission to the Sacrament is by invitation of the Lord, presented through the Church to those who are baptized. All are welcome.

Interested in growing in faith? If you have questions about what it means to enter into partnership in our shared ministry feel free to contact Pastor David.

Announcements: The announcements begin on page 16, following the worship service.

Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church Welcome Statement



At St. Andrew's Lutheran Church (ELCA), we hold space for you—the full you—including your race, age, ethnic background, personality, experiences, gender identity, sexual orientations, gender expressions, and mental, spiritual, and physical needs. Here, you are invited to worship, pray, play, be baptized, get married, and celebrate Holy Communion.

Together, we strive to eliminate human-caused barriers to a holy relationship with Jesus Christ and with one another. We hear the call to love our neighbor as a commitment to antiracism and welcome for our LGBTQIA+ siblings. We pledge to work intentionally to further justice and inclusion. We strive to glorify God in the ways we care for each other, our communities, and our planet. Recognizing that we are all siblings in Christ, we celebrate, affirm, and welcome individuals and families in all their beautiful and varied compositions. As a church that holds space just for you, we are better for having you and your unique voice here! Come just as you are!

Welcome to St. Andrew's Lutheran Church

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‡GATHERING‡

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE *God's Work, Our Hands,* setting, Robert A. Hobby

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

CONFESSING AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ‡ one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.
Gracious God,
have mercy on us.

**We confess that we have honored you with our lips,
but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.
The cravings at war within us
cause conflicts and disputes.
In our desire to be first
we make distinctions among ourselves.
We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.
In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.
Draw near to us with grace in time of need,
and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

God promises to forgive our iniquity
and to remember our sin no more.
By grace you have been saved.
In the name of ‡ Jesus Christ,
the source of eternal healing,
your sins are forgiven.
Amen.

- 1 God's work, our hands: working together,
building a future, repairing the world,
raising up homes, planting new gardens,
feeding the hungry and shelt'ring the cold.
Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name,
sharing the good news of your gospel.
- 2 God's work, our feet: trav'ling together,
following Jesus to places unknown,
walking as friends, marching for freedom,
running the race with God's future the goal.
Bless, God, our feet as we follow your way,
sharing the good news of your gospel.
- 3 God's work, our voice: singing together,
praising, proclaiming to all who will hear,
praying for peace, shouting for justice,
claiming God's love for the lost and the least.
Bless, God, our voice as we speak in your name,
sharing the good news of your gospel.
- 4 God is at work in and around us:
seedlings are sprouting and bread's on the rise!
Washed and set free, humbled and honored,
gifted by grace, we respond in God's love.
Bless, God, our lives as we answer your call,
sharing the good news of your gospel.

GREETING

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The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE*You are Holy*

ELW 525

Sung twice the second time as a round

You are holy, you are whole.
You are always ever more
than we ever understand.
You are always at hand.
Blessed are you coming near.
Blessed are you coming here
to your church in wine and bread,
raised from soil, raised from dead.

You are holy,
you are wholeness,
you are present.
Let the cosmos praise you, Lord!
Sing hosanna in the highest!
Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to our God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

ELW p.150

Let us pray.

Gracious God, throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord.

Amen.

‡WORD‡

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

CHILDREN'S TIME

FIRST READING

Isaiah 35:4-7a

A reading from Isaiah.

⁴Say to those who are of a fearful heart,

“Be strong, do not fear!

Here is your God.

He will come with vengeance,
with terrible recompense.

He will come and save you.”

⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;

⁶then the lame shall leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.

For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;

^{7a}the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalms 146

¹Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD, O my soul!

²**I will praise the LORD as long as I live;**

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

³Put not your trust in rulers,
in mortals in whom there is no help.

⁴**When they breathe their last, they return to earth,
and in that day their thoughts perish.**

⁵Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help,
whose hope is in the LORD their God;
⁶**who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;
who keeps promises forever;**
⁷who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger.
The LORD sets the captive free.
⁸**The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who are
bowed down;
the LORD loves the righteous.**
⁹The LORD cares for the stranger;
the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the
wicked.
¹⁰**The LORD shall reign forever,
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!**

SECOND READING

James 2:1-10 [11-13] 14-17

A reading from James.

¹My siblings, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? ²For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, ³and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," ⁴have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵Listen, my beloved siblings. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? ⁷Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

⁸You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ⁹But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. [¹¹For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. ¹²So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. ¹³For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.]

¹⁴What good is it, my siblings, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? ¹⁵If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, ¹⁶and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? ¹⁷So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia.**

GOSPEL

Mark 7:24-37

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁴[Jesus] set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice,²⁵ but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. ²⁶Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. ²⁷He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” ²⁸But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” ²⁹Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.” ³⁰So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

³¹Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. ³⁴Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.”

³⁵And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷They were astounded beyond measure, saying, “He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

MINISTRY MINUTE: INCLUSION TEAM

HYMN OF THE DAY

Healer of Our Every Ill

ELW 612

Refrain

Healer of our ev'ry ill,
light of each tomorrow,
give us peace beyond our fear,
and hope beyond our sorrow.

- 1 You who know our fears and sadness,
grace us with your peace and gladness;
Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts. *Refrain*

- 2 In the pain and joy beholding
how your grace is still unfolding,
give us all your vision, God of love. *Refrain*
- 3 Give us strength to love each other,
Ev'ry sister, ev'ry brother;
Spirit of all kindness, be our guide. *Refrain*
- 4 You who know each thought and feeling,
teach us all your way of healing;
Spirit of compassion, fill each heart. *Refrain*

BLESSING FOR GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS MINISTRIES

This day is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America — one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor.

Service activities offer an opportunity for us to explore one of our most basic convictions as Lutherans: that all of life in Jesus Christ – every act of service, in every daily calling, in every corner of life — flows freely from a living, daring confidence in God's grace. As tangible signs of just some of the daily service accomplished in the name of Jesus surrounds us, let us give thanks for all who contribute to this Church wide serving and loving our neighbor.

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe.

You made the whole earth for your glory; all creation praises you.

We lift our voices to join the songs of heaven and earth

in thanksgiving for the many blessings you have given us.

Renew in us the commitment

to use our gifts in the service of others, and especially of those in need.

Let us be your hands to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless,

clothe the naked, comfort the weary and outcast,

welcome the stranger, care for creation,

and be loving neighbors to all people.

Bless those who go out from here to labor at the Food Bank Market, the Prayer Shawl and Crafting Ministry, Loaves and Fishes, Boone County Jail Ministry, Planting in the Rain Garden, and Habitat for Humanity this weekend and in the coming weeks.

Prosper the work of their hands.

Bless those who receive [them and] the fruits of their labor,

and may those who are sent receive blessing in return.

May the gifts they use and share be signs of your love to all people.

Bless these food items gathered for the food bank, for Loaves and Fishes and for distribution.

May those who receive them be nourished and strengthened,

and may these gifts be a sign of your love to all people.

Bless these cards, Blessing Bags, prayer shawls, warm hats, mittens and gloves, prayer squares and so many other crafts.
May those who receive them find dignity in their use and comfort in their warmth,
and may these gifts be a sign of your love to all people.

To you, O God, be glory and honor through your Son, Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, in your church and in the world, now and forever.
Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

Each petition concludes:

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

The final petition concludes:

...in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE

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We open Zoom microphones to speak Peace to one another.

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

✠MEAL✠

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

Please remember that Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church continues important ministry. Consider making offerings by any of these means:

- **Offering Basket:** Place your offering in the basket as you enter or leave worship;
- **Mail:** send offerings to Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church weekly or monthly;
- **Online:** visit the SaintAndrewsLutheran.org website and click the Donate Now button;
- **Bill pay:** use the convenience of the bill pay feature through your financial institution.
- **Give by Text:** Use a smart phone to text the contribution amount to 844-989-4094. Return text will provide a link for recording credit/debit card information and your contact information.

Sung 4-5 times

Feed us with hunger for justice.
 Feed us with thirst for peace.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.
 Blessed are you, O God,
 source of every gift of your creation.
 By these gifts and with our lives,
 help us to serve one another and all in need,
 through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING**Dialogue**

ELW p.152

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

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It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
 that we should at all times and in all places
 give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
 through our Savior Jesus Christ;
 who on this day overcame death and the grave,
 and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
 And so, with all the choirs of angels,
 with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
 we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY*Holy, Holy, Holy*

ELW p.153

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
 Lord God of pow'r and might:
 Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.**

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

ELW p.153

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORDS PRAYER

ELW p.154

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done,
 on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
 as we forgive those
 who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
 and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus welcomes you to this table.
Come, here is your God.

Holy Communion at Saint Andrew's

- *At the table of our Lord Jesus Christ, God nourishes faith, forgives sin, and calls us to be witnesses to the Gospel. In this sacrament the crucified and risen Christ is present, giving his true body and blood as food and drink. This real presence is a mystery. Admission to the Sacrament is by invitation of the Lord, presented through the Church to those who are baptized. This Table of the Lord is open to all the baptized.*
- *Grape juice is available in the center ring of glasses. Gluten-free wafers are available: Please speak to those serving the bread when you come to the rail.*
- *Please follow the guidance of the Worship Hosts, going forward on one side of your section and returning to your seat on the other side.*

COMMUNION

ELW p.154

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

DISTRIBUTION SONG

8:30 *God's Work Our Hands*

by Wayne L. Wold

11:00 *Open Our Eyes/Be Thou My Vision*

arr. Mark Hayes

TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Holy God,

you have welcomed us to this meal
and fed us with dignity at your table.

Send us now to welcome others
and to be at peace with one another,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

‡SENDING‡

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

ELW p.155

BLESSING

God all mighty,

God most merciful

‡ bless you, keep you,

and give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING SONG

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

ELW 886

- 1 Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!
- 2 My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honors of your name.
- 3 The name of Jesus charms our fears
and bids our sorrows cease,
sings music in the sinner's ears,
brings life and health and peace.

- 4 He speaks, and list'ning to his voice,
new life the dead receive;
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.
- 5 Look unto him, your Savior own,
O fallen human race!
Look and be saved through faith alone,
be justified by grace!
- 6 To God all glory, praise, and love
be now and ever giv'n
by saints below and saints above,
the church in earth and heav'n.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* setting, Robert A Hobby

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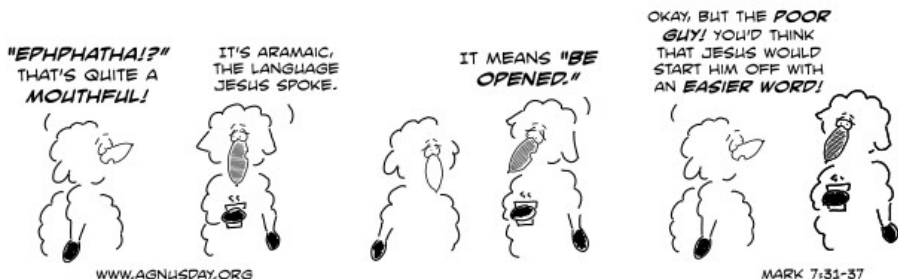
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TODAY'S MINISTERS FOR WORSHIP

Presiding Minister: Pr. David Frerichs
Minister for Music: Clara Smith
Organist Sheryl Mehrhoff

	8:30	11:00
Greeter	Maggy Kirby	TBD
Worship Hosts	Brent Lewis George Kracke	Janet farmer John Farmer
Assisting Minsters	Read Shari Freyermuth Pray Wilson Freyermuth	Dawn Lessiack Brad Lockenvitz
Acolyte	Lilah Weaver	Paige Boomer
Communion Preparer	Scherrie Goettsch	Gwen Gray
Communion Cleanup		Susan Krings
Visual Projectionist	Gwen Gray	Joanne Boomer
Zoom Worship Host		Michelle Froese
Zoom Tech Director		Paul Boomer
Building Opener	George Kracke	
Building Closer		Richard Chapman
Offering Steward		Wilson Freyermuth Michael Volz

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	July	YTD
Offerings	\$49,472	\$277,063
Expenses	\$35,179	\$261,623
Over/(under) expenses	\$14,293	\$15,440
Nonbudget Special Offerings	\$99	\$6,962



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Episcopal Lutheran Campus Ministry: College students plan to join in weekly gatherings of the Episcopal Lutheran Campus Ministry. Students join in evening prayer, a meal and very interesting conversation every Monday that the University of Missouri has classes throughout the semester. Join in at the Calvary Episcopal Church, 123 9th Street at 6:00 pm on Mondays. Congregation participants may elect to provide a meal for these gatherings using the Signup Genius link: <https://tinyurl.com/ELCM-Meal-Signup-2024>

Plant Watering Schedule: 1-2 hrs. total during 1 week this Summer or Fall. One or two people per week needed to water outside plants/trees during Summer and early Autumn. More detailed demonstration and instructions will be provided. For more information, contact Mary Ellen Degnan medhpl47@gmail.com or use the Flocknote to sign up: <https://standrewslutheran.flocknote.com/signup/166430> Weeks beginning on Sundays: September 8, 15, 22, 29 and October 6

God's Work. Our hands. Weekend is September 7th and 8th. Sign up for community ministry activities throughout the month. Try something new!

- GWOH Sunday, September 8, 10:00 – 11:15: Write cards for veterans, pack Blessings Bags for the homeless, and more!
- Saturday, September 21, 11:00 – 12:30: Prayer Shawl and Crafting Ministry meets to knit or crochet prayer shawls, baby blankets, and other hands-on projects!
- Saturday, September 21, 10:00 – 12:00: Cooking for Loaves and Fishes Soup Kitchen.
- Sunday, September 22: Bake cookies for the Loaves and Fishes Soup Kitchen!
- Sunday, September 22, 3:30 – 6:30: Serving at Loaves and Fishes Soup Kitchen.
- Sunday, September 29, 2:30 – 4:00: Jail Ministry. Complete background check first!
- Saturday, October 5, 9:00 – 12:00: Planting for the St. Andrew's bio-retention area.
- Saturday, October 12, 8:30–4:30: Volunteer with Habitat for Humanity

Official ELCA **God's Work. Our hands.** link: <https://elca.org/dayofservice>

Faith Milestone: This year the Bible Introduction is scheduled for Saturday, September 14, 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room. Adults should join their child for this time of learning and thinking and wondering about God's promises. Plan on roughly an hour and a half for this session. So that we can have your child's Bible prepared, please let us know your plans to attend by Tuesday, September 3. We plan to formally present your child's Bible during worship on Sunday, September 15, either in-person or via Zoom at the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service. We can adjust to both services in case family needs require. Contact Jamie in the church office (573-449-5674 or office@saintandrewslutheran.org) to indicate your child's intention to participate.

ELFY Youth Group Invites Support for CROP Walk: This year ELFY, the collaborative youth group between Calvary Episcopal Church and Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church, has chosen to kick off their year with service in community by participating in the CROP Walk. Youth in grades 6 through 12 may participate in several ways:

- ✓ Sign up to raise funds for CROP at crophungerwalk.org/columbiamo, then get started, then join a team and join Calvary Episcopal Church; and/or
- ✓ Invite people to contribute online, or by check (checks made out to CWS/CROP; and/or
- ✓ Invite people to use the Shakespeare's Pizza couple to direct 15% of their bill to CROP; and/or
- ✓ Collect high protein canned food for the Can-struction sculpture on the Walk Day. (Canned chicken, canned tuna, canned beans, beef stew, chicken & dumplings, peanut butter, etc.);
- ✓ And most of all, come walk with us on Sunday, September 15, 1:15 pm at Stephens Lake Park, Gordon Shelter, off of East Broadway.

Members of Saint Andrew's can join in by participating in any of the above to make this a cross generational event. Support a walker; Invite contributions; Dine at Shakespeare's Pizza with the coupon; Collect high protein food; sign up and walk with us. Contact Pastor David for more information.

Worship on the Lawn: Join in one final opportunity to gather on the south lawn for Worship on the Lawn. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Join in worship at 8:30 on Sunday, September 15, on the south lawn. Use a smart device to download the bulletin and join in praising God. A limited number of paper bulletins will be available for distribution. For those who wish to worship in this space, but for any reason wish to remain in their vehicle, they can do so, tuning to 90.9. Know that if the temperature, humidity, or "feels like" temperature approaches 90 degrees, worship moves indoors.

Want to assist with set up? Contact Rich Waudby to assist with setting up the "chancel/stage" beforehand. Or, join in the set up routine beginning at 7:30 am on Sunday morning. We'll also need assistance putting it all away! Contact: office@saintandrewslutheran.org

Summer Coffee: Join in on Sunday for fellowship and Summer Coffee. Hosted by the Inclusion Team on September 15th after the 8:30 Worship service, there will be Food and drinks served in the Narthex.

Boone County Birds Calendar – available now! Want a calendar that is local and supports overseas farmers? Reserve your copy by emailing Karon Speckman at speckmank@gmail.com. Or stop by the Growing Hope table in the narthex. Suggested donation is \$20 with all proceeds going to the Mid-Missouri (formerly Hartsburg-Columbia) Growing Project for Growing Hope Globally. This fundraiser replaces our fall quilt auction. If you don't use calendars and would like the photos as screen backgrounds, let us know. A USB flash drive will also be available if requested. All photos taken in Boone County, Mo., by Paul Speckman.

Sunday Forum: Please join us on September 22nd for the Sunday Forum presented by Kris Niendorf and Pastor David on the Reconciling Works Survey given to churches in the Columbia area. This will assist possible new attendees of St. Andrews know more about our openness and inclusion of the LGBTQia+ community in our lives. Join us at 9:45AM in the Conference Room for our continuing journey toward inclusion for all. Go to: <https://www.saintandrewslutheran.org/online-events.html>
Then scroll down until you see Sunday Fellowship or Sunday Forums
And then click on Click Here to Join the Fellowship / Forum Meeting

ELCA Social Statements for the Election Year: Join in Tuesday, September 24 at 6:00 pm for a discussion of Faith, Sexism and Justice presented by Dr. Mary Streufert, Director, Gender Justice and Women's Empowerment, and Heather Dean, Program Coordinator, Theological Discernment, ELCA. The Zoom link is listed below. Please note this link should be good for all sessions, but please be alert for emails notifying you of updates or changes.

Please join in in-person in the conference room or you can use the link below to join the webinar:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82592178246?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82592178246?pwd=S1diWDlUcFhKMmRuQi9Jelc2U1NuZz09)
pwd=S1diWDlUcFhKMmRuQi9Jelc2U1NuZz09
Passcode: 960988

September 5th Sunday Offering: Heart of America Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA): Heart of Missouri CASA trains and supports volunteers to be voices and advocates for children who are navigating our Boone and Callaway County Family courts due to abuse and neglect. These financial resources will help provide more advocacy hours and activities for children, as well as training for court appointed special advocates to be effective and consistent voices for the children they serve.

Prayers for September 8, 2024

We add to our prayers this week:

For N-Polly who has major vascular challenges complicated by dependence on her pacemaker; she is Jennifer Vining's mother-in-law.

We continue to offer prayers of hope and healing for:

John Winslow	John Degnan	Patric
Laura Isgriggs	Bill Wiebold	Joanne Boomer
Julie Florence	Dan Hofstetler	Christy Provancha
Lily Kirch	Thomas Hamm	Debbie Franklin
Atticus Bannister	Chuck Headley	Kati Donaghy
Isabel Miller	Arlene Cunningham	Valencia Clemons-Bush
Katie Koopman	Rev. Dr. C.W. Dawson	
Brian Gillig	Candi Glancy	

We pray for those in the military:

Eric Childers, Matthew Lee, and those serving throughout the world.

We pray for those with other kinds of needs:

For all who live in times of war and conflict, particularly in Israel/Palestine, Ukraine, Sudan and Congo.

Those who are incarcerated with whom we minister: Brooke, Ashley, Portia, Kristina, Shana, Ariel, Danielle, Yolanda, Mary, and Becca..

We pray for our partners in ministry in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), the Central States Synod, particularly: St. John Lutheran Church, Russell, KS; Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Overland Park, KS; St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church, Clayton, MO; God's Work. Our Hands.

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

Sunday, September 8 God's Work. Our hands.

- 8:30 am Worship Service (IP)
- 9:45 am God's Work. Our hands. events (IP&Z)
- 11:00 am Worship Service (IP&Z)
- 6:00 pm Being Lutheran this Election Year: Abortion (Z)

Monday, September 9

- 4:45 pm Episcopal Lutheran Campus Ministry Bible Study (IP)
- 6:00 pm Episcopal Lutheran Campus Ministry (IP)
(ELCM events held at Calvary Episcopal Church)

Tuesday, September 10

- 3:30 pm Council: Strategic Planning Meeting (IP)
- 7:00 pm Mutual Ministry (IP&Z)

Wednesday, September 11

- 8:00 am Men's Bible Study (Z)
- 10:00 am Women in the Word (IP&Z)
- 6:15 pm Wednesday Worship (IP&Z)
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (IP)

Thursday, September 12

No Events

Friday, September 13

- 9:00 am Quilt Tying (IP)

Saturday, September 14

- 3:00 pm Faith Milestone: Introduction to Bible (IP)

Sunday, September 15—Faith Milestone: Bibles to 3rd Graders

- 8:30 am Worship On the Lawn Service (IP)
- 9:45 am Summer Coffee (IP&Z)
- 10:00 am Ambassadors for Christ (IP)
- 11:00 am Worship Service (IP&Z)

Reading for Next Wednesday September 11, 2024

Matthew 17:14-21

Readings for Next Sunday September 15, 2024 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 116:1-9
James 3:1-12
Mark 8:27-38

*Key: **IP**—In Person; **Z**—Zoom; **IP&Z**—In Person and Zoom

Online Resources

- Find St. Andrew's Lutheran Church at SaintAndrewsLutheran.org.
 - Links to all online services and meetings are posted on our website. SaintAndrewsLutheran.org/online-events
 - Links to all worship bulletins are at SaintAndrewsLutheran.org/worship.
- Go to StAndrewsLutheran.flocknote.com or text StAndy to 84576 to get church email and text communications.
- Miss the livestream of worship? If you want to hear the sermon from Sunday worship, there is now a podcast available at SaintAndrewsLutheranChurch.podbean.com.