

**Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
September 14, 2025  
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**St. Andrew's  
Lutheran Church**

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Columbia, MO 65203

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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**

*Meditation on “Nettleton”*

arr. by Charles Callahan

### **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY**

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

**Amen.**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin  
in the presence of God and of one another.

Merciful and loving God,

**we are your stiff-necked people.**

**We trample on the needy.**

**We grumble about your grace to others.**

**We turn away from the poor.**

**Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.**

**Rejoice over us as ones who were lost  
and have been found.**

**Amen.**

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful.

Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.

You who were lost have been found.

In the name of † Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

**Amen.**

### **GATHERING SONG**

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

ELW 807

- 1 Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing,  
tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
call for songs of loudest praise.  
While the hope of endless glory  
fills my heart with joy and love,  
teach me ever to adore thee;  
may I still thy goodness prove.

- 2 Here I raise my Ebenezer:  
"Hither by thy help I've come";  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,  
safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
wand'ring from the fold of God;  
he, to rescue me from danger,  
interposed his precious blood.
- 3 Oh, to grace how great a debtor  
daily I'm constrained to be;  
let that grace now like a fetter  
bind my wand'ring heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;  
prone to leave the God I love.  
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it;  
seal it for thy courts above.

### **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 two times, the second time as a round*

- 1 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.
- 2 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**

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Let us pray.

O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## CHILDREN'S TIME

### FIRST READING

Exodus 32:7-14

A reading from Exodus.

<sup>7</sup> The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; <sup>8</sup> they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!' " <sup>9</sup> The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. <sup>10</sup> Now let me alone so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, and of you I will make a great nation."

<sup>11</sup> But Moses implored the LORD his God and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? <sup>12</sup> Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. <sup>13</sup> Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.' " <sup>14</sup> And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM

Psalm 51:1-10

<sup>1</sup> Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;  
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

<sup>2</sup> **Wash me through and through from my wickedness,  
and cleanse me from my sin.**

<sup>3</sup> For I know my offenses,  
and my sin is ever before me.

<sup>4</sup> **Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight;  
so you are justified when you speak and right in your judgment.**

<sup>5</sup> Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness,  
a sinner from my mother's womb.

<sup>6</sup> **Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me,  
and would have me know wisdom deep within.**

<sup>7</sup> Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean;  
wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.

<sup>8</sup> **Let me hear joy and gladness;  
that the body you have broken may rejoice.**

<sup>9</sup> Hide your face from my sins,  
and blot out all my wickedness.

<sup>10</sup> **Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.**

## SECOND READING

1 Timothy 1:12-17

A reading from First Timothy.

<sup>12</sup> I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he considered me faithful and appointed me to his service, <sup>13</sup> even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, <sup>14</sup> and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup> The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. <sup>16</sup> But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience as an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. <sup>17</sup> To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

## GOSPEL

Luke 15:1-10

The holy gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.] <sup>2</sup> And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

<sup>3</sup> So he told them this parable: <sup>4</sup> "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? <sup>5</sup> And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. <sup>6</sup> And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep.' <sup>7</sup> Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

<sup>8</sup> "Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? <sup>9</sup> And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' <sup>10</sup> Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

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*Stanza 1 sung only by Soloist at 8:30 am and only by Choir at 11:00 am*

- 1 What is the world like when God's will is done?  
Mustard seeds grow more than we can conceive;  
roots thread the soil; branches reach for the sun.  
This is how God moves us each to believe.
- 2 What is the world like when God's will is done?  
Witness the wandering child coming home;  
watch as the parent breaks into a run.  
This is how God longs for us when we roam.
- 3 What is the world like when God's will is done?  
No more is neighbor just ally or friend;  
peace thrives in places where once there was none.  
This is how God works when rivalries end.
- 4 What is the world like when God's will is done?  
Ready for feasting, we watch through the night,  
tending our lamps till the new day's begun.  
This is how God readies us for the light.
- 5 These are the stories that Jesus imparts,  
filled with the Spirit who joins us as one.  
Born through our voices, our hands, and our hearts,  
this is a new world where God's will is done.

## 8:30 AM

### PRESENTING BIBLES TO THIRD GRADERS

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Parents, Grandparents, family members, today is another faith milestone in which we remember commitments many make at the baptism of your child

In Christian love you have presented your child for Holy Baptism.

You should, therefore,

- Faithfully bring them to the services of God's house,
- Teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments.
- As they grow in years, you should place in their hands the Holy Scriptures, and
- Provide for their instruction in the Christian faith, that living in the covenant of his/her Baptism and in communion with the Church, they may lead a godly live until the day of Jesus Christ.

Are you willing to renew your promises to fulfill these expectations?  
If so answer "I do."

Parents: **I do.**

John 1 1-4 declares "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the life of all people."

In Isaiah 55 1-11 we read <sup>10</sup>"For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, <sup>11</sup>so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it."

As a congregation, we at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church believe it is our obligation as the children of God to assist and support you as you guide your child through their instruction in the Christian faith. At this time we present you with a Bible to place in the hands of your child.

*(The Bibles are handed to the parents and the parents present them to the children.)*

*Parents, Grandparents, Family Members:* **"This word is written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name."** (John 20 31)

Let us pray Blessed Lord, you speak to us through the Holy Scriptures. Grant that these families may hear, read, respect, learn, and make Your Word their own in such a way that the enduring benefit and comfort of the Word will help them grasp and hold the blessed hope of everlasting life, given through our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

**11:00 AM**

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

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Having heard of God's commitment to a relationship of love, let us express our commitment to that same relationship in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**



## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Gracious God, we come to you in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need.

*Each petition concludes:*

God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

*The final petition concludes:*

... our redeemer and friend.

**Amen.**

## SHARING THE PEACE

ELW p.152

*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](http://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.

## MUSICAL OFFERING

8:30

*Grace Alone*

by The Modern Post

Verse 1

I was an orphan lost at the fall  
Running away when I'd hear you call  
But Father you worked your will  
I had no righteousness of my own  
I had no right to draw near your throne  
But Father you loved me still

Chorus 1

And in love before you laid the world's foundation  
You predestined to adopt me as your own  
You have raised me up so high above my station  
I'm a child of God by grace and grace alone

## Verse 2

You left your home to seek out the lost  
You knew the great and terrible cost  
But Jesus your face was set  
I worked my fingers down to the bone  
But nothing I did could ever atone  
But Jesus you paid my debt

## Chorus 2

By Your blood I have redemption and salvation  
Lord you died that I might reap what you have sown  
And you rose that I might be a new creation  
I am born again by grace and grace alone

## Bridge

I was in darkness all of my life  
I never knew the day from the night  
But Spirit you made me see  
I swore I knew the way on my own  
Head full of rocks a heart made of stone  
But Spirit you moved in me

## Chorus 3

And at your touch my sleeping spirit was awakened  
On my darkened heart the light of Christ has shone  
Called into a kingdom that cannot be shaken  
Heaven's citizen by grace and grace alone

## Ending

So I'll stand in faith by grace and grace alone  
I will run the race by grace and grace alone  
I will slay my sin by grace and grace alone  
I will reach the end by grace and grace alone

**11:00**

*ELW 789 Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us*

Choir Anthem

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

Lord of the harvest,  
we return to you a portion of what you have given to us.  
Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches,  
but on you, who richly provides for us.  
Multiply what we have gathered  
to bless all who are suffering and in need,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

### Dialogue

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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

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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

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 sinners and eats with them.  
Come to this meal of mercy.

### 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

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The body of Christ, given for you.  
The blood of Christ, shed for you.  
**Amen.**

## DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

*Create in Me a Clean Heart*

arr. by Mark Hayes

## TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ make you strong do God's will  
and keep you in grace.  
**Amen.**

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

O God,  
through this meal you have strengthened us  
and appointed us to be your servants.  
Send us to do good and to share our possessions  
with all in need.  
We ask this in Jesus' name.  
**Amen.**

## **✠SENDING✠**

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

## **OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH**

ELW p.155

## **BLESSING**

Blessing  
The God of righteousness,  
who gives justice to the oppressed,  
who gives food to the hungry,  
who sets the prisoners free,  
✠ bless you now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## **SENDING SONG**

*Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing*

ELW 544

- 1 Praise the Lord, rise up rejoicing,  
worship, thanks, devotion voicing:  
glory be to God on high!  
Christ, your cross and passion sharing,  
by this eucharist declaring  
yours the final victory.
- 2 Scattered flock, one shepherd sharing,  
lost and lonely, one voice hearing,  
ears attentive to your word;  
by your blood new life receiving,  
in your body, firm believing,  
we are yours, and you the Lord.
- 3 Sins forgiven, wrongs forgiving,  
we go forth alert and living  
in your Spirit, strong and free.  
Partners in your new creation,  
seeking peace in ev'ry nation,  
may we faithful foll'wers be.

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Do not lose heart.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **POSTLUDE**

*Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing*

setting by Walter Pelz

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## Agnus Day

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## TODAY'S MINISTERS FOR WORSHIP

<b>Presiding Minister:</b>	Pr. David Frerichs
<b>Minister for Music:</b>	Megan Lyon
<b>Organist</b>	Sheryl Mehrhoff

	<b>8:30</b>	<b>11:00</b>
<b>Greeter</b>	<b>TBD</b>	Linda Vedder
<b>Worship Hosts</b>	Debbie Hedlund	Janet Farmer
	<b>TBD</b>	Debbie Hedlund
<b>Assisting Minsters</b>	<b>Read</b> Shari Freyermuth	Phil Wood
	<b>Pray</b> Wilson Freyermuth	Brad Lockenvitz
<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>TBD</b>	<b>TBD</b>
<b>Communion Preparer</b>	Suzanne Neff	Gwen Gray
<b>Communion Cleanup</b>		Susan Krings
<b>Visual Projectionist</b>	Gwen Gray	Paige Boomer
<b>Zoom Worship Host</b>		<b>TBD</b>
<b>Zoom Tech Director</b>		<b>TBD</b>
<b>Building Opener</b>	<b>TBD</b>	
<b>Building Closer</b>		<b>TBD</b>
<b>Offering Steward</b>		Wilson Freyermuth Paul Speckman

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### FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Contributions and expenses through August 31, 2025

	August	YTD
Offerings	\$40,391	\$307,169
Expenses	\$35,597	\$297,982
Over/(under) expenses	\$4,794	\$9,187
Nonbudget Special Offerings	\$830	\$7,090



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Mon-Thurs: 8:00 am–12:30 pm; 1:00 pm–4:30 pm

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**Episcopal Lutheran Campus Ministry:** Throughout the semester Rev. Josh and Pastor David will table in Speakers Circle most Mondays from 10 am to noon. ELCM will gather at 4:45 pm for Bible Study, 6:00 pm for Evening Prayer followed by a community meal on Mondays when university classes are in session. Members of Saint Andrew's may provide a meal for one of the Monday gatherings. The sign up and instructions can be using the link below.

**Ministry Opportunity** – A new Council Secretary is needed for the Saint Andrew's Congregation. Questions? See Wilson Freyermuth [freyermuthr@missouri.edu](mailto:freyermuthr@missouri.edu) or Pastor David [pastordavid@saintandrewslutheran.org](mailto:pastordavid@saintandrewslutheran.org).

**Sunday Forum September 14th:** El Egbert, Young Adult in Global Mission—El Egbert just completed a year of Christian service in Central Europe through the ELCA's Young Adults in Global Mission program. Join them for the Sunday Forum at 9:45 am on September 14 in the conference room. They will share a bit about their experience and about the YAGM program. Invite young adults age 21 through 35 who might be interested in this opportunity to serve and through serving grow in faith.

**Reconciling in Christ Sunday:** Join in worship on September 21 as Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church celebrates our partnership with ReconcilingWorks and our identification as a Reconciling in Christ congregation. Bishop Donna Simon will preside and preach at both services that Sunday. Saint Andrew's will use the Pride Worship service (readings, prayers, etc) prepared by a team for ReconcilingWorks for that Sunday. At this worship service, Saint Andrew's will collect the ReconcilingWorks offering to support our ministry through this organization.

**Sunday Forum September 21st:** Bishop-Elect Donna Simon will lead on a forum titled "Nimble and Participatory: The Shape of the 21st Century Church". In it Bishop Simon will discuss her sense of the emerging realities for the church and how the faithful can prepare to live into them. Join us in the conference room or via Zoom.

**ELFY Youth Group:** Hey all youth in grades six through twelve. We're headed to Hexagon Alley on Sunday, September 21. We'll meet at 6:00 pm (or even a bit before if you can) at Calvary Episcopal Church (use the 8th street parking lot entrance), then walk down to the Hexagon Alley for some game play. Your congregation will cover the cost of entrance and some snacks to nosh on. Questions? Reach out to Pastor David.



**The 2025 WELCA Fall Gathering :** will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church-Lohman, located at 8618 Church Hill Dr, Lohman, MO 65053. For additional information about the WELCA Fall Gathering, please contact Jayne Young at [youngjayne70@gmail.com](mailto:youngjayne70@gmail.com)

**Worship on the Lawn:** Last one for 2025! Worship on the Lawn finishes out the summer with its final date in September. Bring a lawn chair or blanket for our final outside gathering of 2025 on September 28. There will be Summer Coffee and food in the Narthex after the 8:30 service.

**Sunday Forum September 28th:** Growing Hope Presentation by Karon Speckman. Karon Speckman will update us with news and videos from Growing Hope Globally and their current overseas programs and the future for helping overseas farmers become food secure. Join us in the conference room or via Zoom.

**Hot off the press – 2026 Growing Hope Calendar for the Mid-Missouri Growing Project:** Available for purchase in the following ways: If needed before Oct. 4, sign up for advance deliveries (catalog already printed) by signing the sheet on the Growing Hope table in the Gathering space. Purchase one at the Growing Hope Shindig on Oct. 5. Cost is \$20. The locally printed calendar features North America bird photos by Paul Speckman. All profits go to overseas farmers learning how to find lasting solutions to hunger.

## Prayers for September 14, 2025

**We add to our prayers this week:**

**We continue to offer prayers of hope and healing for:**

Carol Braaten	Katie Koopman	Mo Champion-Garthe
Merri Wente-Chapman	Suzi	Lily Kirch
Mary Farmer	Albert Crump	Arlene Cunningham
Michael Will	Elaine Kirch	Candi Glancy
Connie Paul	Stephanie Mattson	Patric
Howard Weber	Margaret Heglund	Joanne Boomer
Cathy	Mary Coffman	

**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 are recovering from natural disasters near and far.

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: Maribel, Nyia, Beth, Amanda, Stephanie, Diranda, Jennifer, Estelle, Jocelyn, Jacqueline, Dione, Lauren, Dasha and Namhla.

We pray for our partners in ministry in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), Presiding Bishop elect Yeheil Curry and Secretary Elect Rev. Lucille Mills, the Central States Synod, Bishop Donna Simon and these congregations: Immanuel (Brauersville) Lutheran Church, Cole Camp, MO; Lord of Love Lutheran Church, Belton, MO; Bethel (University City) Lutheran Church, Saint Louis, MO.

# THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

## Sunday, September 14

- 8:30 am Worship (IP)
- 9:45 am Sunday Forum (IP&Z)
- 11:00 am Worship (IP&Z)
- 12:30 pm Ambassadors for Christ (IP)
- 2:00 pm Hymn & Sing Talent Show (IP – [Columbia Manor](#))

## Monday, September 15

- 4:45 pm ELCM Bible Study (IP-[Calvary Episcopal Church](#))
- 6:00 pm Campus Ministry Evening Prayer and Dinner (IP-[Calvary Episcopal Church](#))

## Tuesday, September 16

No Events

## Wednesday, September 17

- 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)
- 8:30 pm ELCM Compline (Z)

## Thursday, September 18

- 6:00 pm Council Meeting (IP&Z)

## Friday, September 19

No Events

## Saturday, September 20

No Events

## Sunday, September 21—Reconciling in Christ Sunday

- 8:30 am Worship (IP)
- 9:45 am Sunday Forum (IP&Z)
- 11:00 am Worship (IP&Z)
- 6:00 pm ELFY Youth Group (IP)

### Reading for Next Wednesday September 17, 2025

Luke 22:31-33, 54-62

### Readings for Next Sunday September 21, 2025 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Amos 8:4-7  
Psalm 113  
1 Timothy 2:1-7  
Luke 16:1-13

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

### Online Resources

- Find St. Andrew's Lutheran Church at [SaintAndrewsLutheran.org](http://SaintAndrewsLutheran.org).
  - Links to all online services and meetings are posted on our website. [SaintAndrewsLutheran.org/online-events](http://SaintAndrewsLutheran.org/online-events)
  - Links to all worship bulletins are at [SaintAndrewsLutheran.org/worship](http://SaintAndrewsLutheran.org/worship).
- Go to [StAndrewsLutheran.flocknote.com](http://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](http://SaintAndrewsLutheranChurch.podbean.com).