

Reformation Sunday
October 26, 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 17, 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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Hymn numbers (such as ELW 605) refer to large numbers associated with songs—typically at the top of the page.

✠GATHERING✠

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

PRELUDE

8:30

Wonderful Words of Life/Thy Word

arr by Carol Tornquist

11:00

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

by Eleanor Whitsett

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

GATHERING SONG

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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- 1 A mighty fortress is our God,
a sword and shield victorious;
he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod
and wins salvation glorious.
The old evil foe,
Sworn to work us woe,
With dread craft and might
he arms himself to fight.
On earth he has no equal.
- 2 No strength of ours can match his might!
We would be lost, rejected.
But now a champion comes to fight,
whom God himself elected.
Ask who this may be:
Lord of hosts is he!
Christ Jesus our Lord,
God's only Son, adored.
He holds the field victorious.
- 3 Though hordes of devils fill the land
all threat'ning to devour us,
we tremble not, unmoved we stand;
they cannot overpower us.
This world's prince may rage,
in fierce war engage.

He is doomed to fail;
God's judgment must prevail!
One little word subdues him.

- 4 God's Word forever shall abide,
no thanks to foes, who fear it;
for God himself fights by our side
with weapons of the Spirit.
If they take our house,
goods, fame, child, or spouse,
wrench our life away,
they cannot win the day.
The kingdom's ours forever!

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.

KYRIE

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Have mercy on us, Lord, and hear our solemn prayer.
We come to hear your living word; it saves us from despair.

Have mercy on us, Christ, and wash away our sin.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin.

Have mercy on us, Lord, make sin and shame depart.
Renew us with your saving pow'r; create in us new hearts!

HYMN OF PRAISE

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Come, let us join our cheerful songs with angels round the throne;
ten thousand thousand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.

"Worthy the Lamb that died," they cry, "to be exalted thus!"
"Worthy the Lamb," our lips reply, "for he was slain for us!"

Jesus is worthy to receive honor and pow'r divine;
and blessings, more than we can give, be, Lord, forever thine.

Let all creation join in one to bless the sacred name
of God who sits upon the throne, and to adore the Lamb.

Let us pray.

Holy God, our righteous judge, daily your mercy surprises us with everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

✠**WORD**✠

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

CHILDREN'S TIME**FIRST READING**

Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

A reading from Jeremiah.

⁷ Although our iniquities testify against us,
act, O LORD, for your name's sake;
our rebellions indeed are many,
and we have sinned against you.

⁸ O hope of Israel,
its savior in time of trouble,
why should you be like a stranger in the land,
like a traveler turning aside for the night?

⁹ Why should you be like someone confused,
like a mighty warrior who cannot give help?
Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us,
and we are called by your name;
do not forsake us!

¹⁰ Thus says the LORD concerning this people:
Truly they have loved to wander;
they have not restrained their feet;
therefore the LORD does not accept them;
now he will remember their iniquity
and punish their sins.

¹⁹ Have you completely rejected Judah?
Does your heart loathe Zion?

Why have you struck us down
so that there is no healing for us?
We look for peace but find no good,
for a time of healing, but there is terror instead.

²⁰ We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD,
the iniquity of our ancestors,
for we have sinned against you.

²¹ Do not spurn us, for your name's sake;
do not dishonor your glorious throne;
remember and do not break your covenant with us.

²² Can any idols of the nations bring rain,
or can the heavens give showers?
Is it not you, O LORD our God?
We set our hope on you,
for it is you who do all this.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalms 84:1-7

¹ How dear to me is your dwelling,
O LORD of hosts!

² **My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**

³ Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest where she may lay
her young,
by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my king and my God.

⁴ **Happy are they who dwell in your house!
They will always be praising you.**

⁵ Happy are the people whose strength is in you,
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

⁶ **Those who go through the balsam valley will find it a place of springs,
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.**

⁷ They will climb from height to height,
and the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

A reading from Second Timothy

⁶ As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷ I have fought the good fight; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. ⁸ From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

¹⁶ At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! ¹⁷ But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸ The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

**Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word.
Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred.
Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.**

GOSPEL

Luke 18:9-14

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁹ [Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt:¹⁰ "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector." ¹¹ The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector.' ¹² I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' ¹³ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' ¹⁴ I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other, for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON**HYMN OF THE DAY***Rise, Shine, You People!*

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- 1 Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered
our human story; God in him is centered.
He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded,
with grace unbounded.
- 2 See how he sends the pow'rs of evil reeling;
he brings us freedom, light and life and healing.
All men and women, who by guilt are driven,
now are forgiven.
- 3 Come, celebrate; your banners high unfurling,
your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling.
To all the world go out and tell the story
of Jesus' glory.
- 4 Tell how the Father sent the Son to save us.
Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us.
Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation
God's new creation.

APOSTLES' CREED

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 THE INTERCESSION

Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, an all creation.

Each petition concludes:

God of grace,
receive our prayer.

The final petition concludes:

...We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:30

Our God

by Chris Tomin

- 1 Water You turned into wine
Opened the eyes of the blind
There's no one like You
None like You
- 2 Into the darkness You shine
Out of the ashes we rise
There's no one like You
None like You

Chorus

Our God is greater, our God is stronger
God You are higher than any other
Our God is Healer, awesome in power
Our God, our God

Bridge

And if our God is for us, then who could ever stop us?
And if our God is with us, then what could stand against?
And if our God is for us, then who could ever stop us?
And if our God is with us, then what could stand against?

Outro

What could stand against?
What could stand against?

MUSICAL OFFERING
11:00 CHOIR ANTHEM

Ubi Caritas

by Ola Gjelo

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.
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

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power 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,
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 LORD'S PRAYER

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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.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray,
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

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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.

- 1 The church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation
by water and the word.
From heav'n he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.
- 2 Elect from ev'ry nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation
one Lord, one faith, one birth:
one holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses,
with ev'ry grace endued.
- 3 Though with a scornful wonder
this world sees her oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder,
by heresies distressed,
yet saints their watch are keeping;
their cry goes up: "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
shall be the morn of song.
- 4 Through toil and tribulation
and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation
of peace forevermore;
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious
shall be the church at rest.
- 5 Yet she on earth has union
with God, the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won.
Oh, blessed heav'nly chorus!
Lord, save us by your grace,
that we, like saints before us,
may see you face to face.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

8:30

Reprise: The Church's One Foundation

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11:00

Fanfare and Trumpeting on "Aurelia"

arr. David Paxton

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JESUS SEEMS
TO LIKE
PEOPLE THAT
NO ONE ELSE
LIKES!



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IT'S
TRUE.



I THINK
THAT'S WHY I
LOVE HIM.



LUKE 18:9-14

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TODAY'S MINISTERS FOR WORSHIP

Presiding Minister:	Pr. David Frerichs
Minister for Music:	Megan Lyon
Organist	Sheryl Mehrhoff

	8:30	11:00
Greeter	Kim Hickey	Linda Vedder
Worship Hosts	Jenine Loesing	TBD
	Brent Lewis	TBD
Assisting Minsters	Read Ann Green	Brad Lockenvitz
	Pray Susan Candea	Larry Leip
Acolyte	TBD	TBD
Communion Preparer	Merri Wente-Chapman	Gwen Gray
Communion Cleanup		Linda Vedder
Visual Projectionist	Gwen Gray	TBD
Zoom Worship Host		TBD
Zoom Tech Director		TBD
Building Opener	Jenine Loesing	
Building Closer		John Farmer
Offering Steward		Anne Edwards
		Michael Volz

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Contributions and expenses through September 30, 2025

	September	YTD
Offerings	\$26,560	\$333,729
Expenses	\$38,885	\$336,868
Over/(under) expenses	(12,325)	(3,139)
Nonbudget Special Offerings	\$685	\$7,775



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

On All Saints Sunday (November 2), the Church will remember together all those who have died since that last All Saints Day (November 3, 2024). We already have the names of members who have died in the past year and will include them. If people want Saint Andrew's to lift up the names of a loved one who is not a member here, and who died in the past year, please call the church office (573-449-5674) or email Jamie at office@saintandrewslutheran.org. The prayers will be offered at both services of the congregation the weekend of November 2. For more information contact Pastor David at pastordavid@saintandrewslutheran.org.

Sunday Forum, October 26: at 9:45 am, "Hands-On, Mini-Workshop in Using the Yuka app." The free Yuka app is an easy to use tool for evaluating health & environmental impacts of food & personal care products before purchase. Join in-person only in the conference room. If possible, have the Yuka app already downloaded to your Smart phone. If you are unable to attend, contact Sheryl Mehrhoff (smehrhoff@saintandrewslutheran.org) for questions or information.

Work at the Wardrobe: Join in volunteering at the Wardrobe on Friday, October 31 from 1:00pm to 4:00 pm. The Wardrobe collects and sells donated clothes and household goods. Proceeds go to fund shoe vouchers, so qualifying school aged children have shoes that fit. Onsite training is provided. Signup in the Narthex.

Men's Breakfast: Men may join in a time of fellowship and discussion, Saturday, November 1, 8:00 am, Fellowship Hall. Contact Harry Lewis for more information. hlewis25@gmail.com

Prayer Shawl & Craft Ministry: Come, join in at the Prayer Shawl & Crafting Ministry where we knit or crochet prayer shawls, caps, scarves, baby blankets and other items to encourage those in need. We meet the 1st and 3rd Saturday of every month at 11:00 am in room 112 inside the Fellowship Hall. Your creative ideas are welcome. Please contact Holly Heidlage holly0917@centurytel.net for more information. Our next gatherings are on November 1st and November 15.

Troop 706 Eagle Project: For his Eagle Scout project, one of our Troop 706 scouts, Kiran Green will be constructing a pantry to be installed in our church parking lot. The pantry will be approximately the size and general appearance of the one pictured. Once the pantry is installed, congregation members can stock it with water, nonperishable food items, and personal care items that can be accessible to people who need them, especially at times when the Church Office is closed and cannot provide emergency assistance.

If you would like to help support Kiran and his Eagle project, you can make a special offering to help defray the cost of building and installing the pantry. If you make a gift by check, place it in an envelope marked 'Eagle Project' or include the words 'Eagle Project' on the memo line. If gifts are greater than amounts necessary to cover building and installation costs, those gifts will be used to obtain items to help stock the pantry. Thanks for your support of Troop 706!

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 signup and instructions can be found using the link below.
<https://tinyurl.com/2025ELCMmeal>

Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church News Items Submission Rubric: Click the link to learn more about when to submit news items for Weekly Worship Bulletin, Weekly Flocknote Update and the Monthly Newsletter. If you have any questions or need help advertising an event reach out to the office for assistance.
<https://tinyurl.com/SALC-News-Submission-Rubric>

Storm/Preparedness Kit: Create a Storm/Preparedness Kit to prepare for potential emergencies. Consider having one full kit at home and smaller portable kits for your workplace, vehicle, or other places you spend time. Pick up a prayer card & a list of important items to include in a Basic Emergency Supply Kit from the Creation Keepers Ministry display in the Narthex.

Ministry Scheduler is Live: Please look at the schedule for December, January and February determine when you can serve, and sign up using the MSP web terminal found on the saintandrewslutheran.org website or you can send your preferred or unavailable dates to Jamie in the office@saintandrewslutheran.org by Nov. 16th.

Prayers for October 26, 2025

We add to our prayers this week:

We continue to offer prayers of hope and healing for:

Jan Levensgood	Howard Weber	Mary Coffman
Dale Whitman	Cathy	Mo Champion-Garthe
Dennis Schulte	Katie Koopman	Lily Kirch
Mark Landow	Suzi	Arlene Cunningham
Carol Braaten	Elaine Kirch	Candi Glancy
Michael Will	Stephanie Mattson	Patric
Connie Paul	Margaret Heglund	Joanne Boomer

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, especially typhoon flooding in Alaska.

For all who live in times of war and conflict, particularly in Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, Sudan and Congo; we pray in particular for these Palestinian detainees: Mohammed Ibrahim, Layan Nasir, and Hadeel Shatara.

Those who are incarcerated with whom we minister: Brooke, 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), the Central States Synod and these congregations: Peace Lutheran Church, Joplin, MO; Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Washington, KS; Marion Hill Lutheran Church, White City, KS; St. Paul Lutheran Church, Cole Camp, MO.

Background on Palestinian detainees for whom we pray:

We pray for Mohammed Ibrahim, a Palestinian - American child from Florida imprisoned by Israeli soldiers in February, 2025. He had traveled to the West Bank to visit family when heavily armed Israeli soldiers broke into the home where he was staying at 3:00 am and took him from his bed. He spent his sixteenth birthday in prison. He has been imprisoned for six months without any trial or charges. His health is deteriorating.

We pray for Layan Nasir, a Christian Palestinian student. She has been subjected to ongoing military trials for four years. In 2024, she was re-arrested and held for eight months under administrative detention. Today, she still faces the threat of an 8-month prison sentence, based on proceedings in a military court system that denies basic legal protections and presumes guilt rather than justice.

We pray for Hadeel Shatara, our FOSNA Palestinian partner, an advancement officer at Birzeit University near Ramallah. She is a fierce advocate of Palestinians and has been detained in the past for speaking out. She asks us to pray for peace for her homeland.

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

Sunday, October 26

- 8:30 am Worship (IP)
- 9:45 am Sunday Forum: "Hands-On, Mini-Workshop in Using the Yuka app." (IP)
- 11:00 am Worship (IP&Z)
- 3:30 pm Loaves and Fishes Distribution (IP&Z)

Monday, October 27

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

Tuesday, October 28

No Events

Wednesday, October 29

- 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, October 30

No Events

Friday, October 31

- 1:00 pm Work at the Wardrobe (IP-[715 Park Ave.](#))

Saturday, November 1

- 8:00 am Men's Breakfast (IP)
- 11:00 am Prayer Shawl & Crafting Ministry (IP)

Sunday, November 2—All Saints Day

- 8:30 am Worship (IP)
- 9:45 am Sunday Forum: Topic to be Announced (IP&Z)
- 11:00 am Worship (IP&Z)
- 2:30 pm Jail Ministry (IP)
- 6:00 pm ELFY Youth Group (IP-[Calvary Episcopal Church](#))

Reading for Next Wednesday October 29, 2025

Matthew 21:28-32

Readings for Next Sunday November 2, 2025 All Saints Sunday

Isaiah 1:10-18

Psalms 32:1-7

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

Luke 19:1-10

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

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 - 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](#).