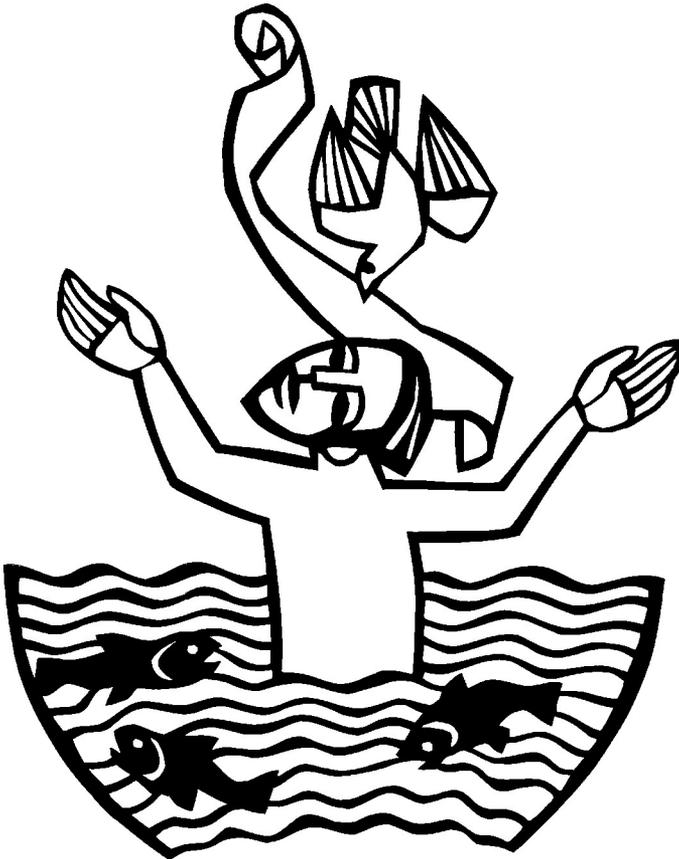


Baptism of Our Lord

January 11, 2026

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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 18, 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

Waters of New Life

Kevin Keil

11:00

Christ, When For Us You Were Baptized

setting, Rosalie Bonighton

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

GATHERING SONG

Brightest and Best of the Stars

ELW 303

- 1 Brightest and best of the stars of the morning,
dawn on our darkness and lend us your aid.
Star of the east, the horizon adorning,
guide where our infant redeemer is laid.
- 2 Cold on his cradle the dewdrops are shining;
low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;
angels adore him in slumber reclining,
maker and monarch and savior of all.
- 3 What shall we give him, in costly devotion?
Shall we bring incense and off'rings divine,
gems of the mountain and pearls of the ocean,
myrrh from the forest or gold from the mine?
- 4 Vainly we offer each ample oblation,
vainly with gifts would his favor secure;
richer by far is the heart's adoration,
dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.
- 5 Brightest and best of the stars of the morning,
dawn on our darkness and lend us your aid.
Star of the east, the horizon adorning,
guide where our infant redeemer is laid.

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

ELW p.120

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above,
and for our salvation,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world,
for the well-being of the Church of God,
and for the unity of all,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house,
and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen, amen.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Glory to God in the Highest

ELW p.121

Refrain: Congregation; Stanzas: Cantor or Choir

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you,
we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

Lord Jesus Christ,
only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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Let us pray.

O God our Father, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

‡**WORD**‡

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

FIRST READING

Isaiah 42:1-9

A reading from Isaiah.

¹ Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.

² He will not cry out or lift up his voice
or make it heard in the street;

³ a bruised reed he will not break,
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.

⁴ He will not grow faint or be crushed
until he has established justice in the earth,
and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

⁵ Thus says God, the LORD,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people upon it
and spirit to those who walk in it:

⁶ I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness;
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people,
a light to the nations,

⁷ to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.

⁸ I am the LORD; that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to idols.

⁹ See, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth,
I tell you of them.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 29

¹ Ascribe to the LORD, you gods,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

² **Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's name;
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.**

³ The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders;
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

⁴ **The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice;
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.**

⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees;
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

⁶ **the LORD makes Lebanon skip like a calf,
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

⁷ The voice of the LORD
bursts forth in lightning flashes.

**⁸ The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

⁹ The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.
And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, "Glory!"

**¹⁰ The LORD sits enthroned above the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king forevermore.**

¹¹ O LORD, give strength to your people;
give them, O LORD, the blessings of peace.

SECOND READING

Acts 10:34-43

A reading from Acts.

³⁴ Peter began to speak to [Cornelius and his household]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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All:

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

Cantor:

A voice from heaven said,

"This is my Son, | the Beloved, * with whom I | am well pleased." (*Matt. 3:17*)

All:

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

GOSPEL

Matthew 3:13-17

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³ Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴ John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" ¹⁵ But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. ¹⁶ And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God's Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷ And a voice from the heavens said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized

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- 1 Christ, when for us you were baptized,
God's Spirit on you came,
as peaceful as a dove, and yet
as urgent as a flame,
as urgent as a flame.
- 2 God called you, "My beloved Son";
you are God's servant true,
sent to proclaim the reign of heav'n,
God's holy will to do,
God's holy will to do.
- 3 Straightway and steadfast until death
you then obeyed the call
to serve with free and willing heart,
to give your life for all,
to give your life for all.
- 4 Baptize us with your Spirit, Lord;
your cross on us be signed,
that likewise in God's service we
may perfect freedom find,
may perfect freedom find.

NICENE CREED

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With the whole church, let us confess our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE INTERCESSION

As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

Each petition concludes:

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

The final petition concludes:

...made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

Amen.

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.

OFFERING SONG

8:30

What A Beautiful Name

Ben Fielding & Brooke Ligertwood

- 1 You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

Chorus 1

What a beautiful Name it is
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

- 2 You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus You brought heaven down
My sin was great Your love was greater
What could separate us now

Chorus 2

What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Bridge 1

Death could not hold You
The veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again

Bridge 2

You have no rival
You have no equal
Now and forever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom
Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names

Chorus 3

What a powerful Name it is
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Ending

What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.
God of majesty,
no eye has seen, no ear has heard
what you have prepared for those who love you,
yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy.
Use what we have gathered
to feed us with the reign of God come near,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Dialogue

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.

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PREFACE

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:

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HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Holy, Holy, Holy

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven 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

Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

Come to the table; taste and see.

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

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

DISTRIBUTION SONG

When Love Crossed Over

arr. John Cumberland

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

Let us pray,

Radiant God,

we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.

In the sacrament of his body and blood

you have drawn us to your heart.

Send us from this table with delight,

that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love,

and bear witness to all we have seen and heard,

through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

‡SENDING‡

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

OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

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BLESSING

May the triune God,
who has put a new song in your mouth
and tuned your heart for praise
‡ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG

Founded on Faith

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- 1 Founded on faith, the church—alive by grace—
proclaims the gospel here and ev'ry place.
The word of God resounds through time and space:
Alleluia!
- 2 Your cross, O Christ, renews our life each day.
Baptized in you, we learn and teach and pray.
Fed by your love, with thankful hearts, we say:
Alleluia!
- 3 Equipped by prayer, we live the Spirit's call.
Empow'ed to serve with gifts, both great and small,
we bring the living hope of God to all.
Alleluia!
- 4 Growing in grace for God's created earth,
we yearn for justice, peace, and human worth;
a world restored; a faithful, caring church.
Alleluia!
- 5 Founded on faith, called forth, empow'ed to serve,
we share God's endless love without reserve.
Then let us shout aloud the living Word!
Alleluia!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

8:30

Reprise: Founded on Faith

ACS 1048

11:00

Glory to God, We Give You Thanks

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Agnus Day

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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	Susan Candea	Linda Vedder
Worship Hosts	Kim Hickey	John Farmer
	TBD	Janet Farmer
Assisting Minsters	Read Phil Wood	Dawn Lessiack
	Pray Susan Candea	Joanne Boomer
Acolyte	TBD	Ken Green
Communion Preparer	Merri Wentе-Chapman	Linda Vedder
Communion Cleanup		Susan Krings
Visual Projectionist	Merri Wentе-Chapman	Paige Boomer
Zoom Worship Host		Cathy Richter
Zoom Tech Director		Paul Boomer
Building Opener	TBD	
Building Closer		TBD
Offering Stewards:		Maggy Kirby
		Maureen Coy

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Contributions and expenses through November 30, 2025

	November	YTD
Offerings	\$43,663	\$403,971
Expenses	\$33,515	\$405,038
Over/(under) expenses	\$10,148	(1,067)
Nonbudget Special Offerings	\$4,084	\$14,305



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Office Hours: Sun: 7:00 am–1:00 pm; 1:30 pm–3:30 pm

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

Sunday Forum - December January 11—"Growing Hope Globally" Presentation by Karon and Paul Speckman. Join Karon and Paul Speckman for the January 11th Sunday Forum at 9:45 am. They will share pictures and discuss their Growing Hope Globally educational visit with Paraguay's indigenous people and their fight for Land, Water and Food. Join in via Zoom or in the conference room.

ELFY Youth Group: All families with youth in grades 6 through 12 will want to sign up for the GroupMe group for announcements about ELFY Gatherings and events. On January 18 at 6:00 pm, we will meet at Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church. On this occasion, youth will gather for fellowship, snacks and a discussion of the Acts of the Apostles. On February 1, the gathering will be at Saint Andrew's, with a discussion of Paul and the Epistles.

Sunday Forum - December January 18—"2025 Spending Plan" The Congregation Council will convene a question-and-answer time for review of the 2026 Spending Plan as well as the ministry reports on Sunday, January 18, at 9:45 am. The written Annual Report will be distributed by electronic copy through the Weekly Update email. Members may request a paper copy by contacting the office. Questions/concerns may be directed to Wilson Freyermuth, Council President.

Annual Congregation Meeting: The Congregation Council has established the date for the Annual Congregational Meeting for Sunday, January 25, at 9:45 a.m. in the Centrum and via Zoom. Use the Sunday Forum Zoom Link. Families may sign in using the chat function for the purpose of registering attendance by voting members. Voting procedures will use the Slido.com platform for polling during the meeting. There will be voting kiosks at church for those who desire assistance with voting with council members as attendants. For those at home, individual members may register their vote either from a unique smart device or computer, or use "private" browsing in their web browser to record unique votes.

Campus Ministry Resumes: On Monday, January 19, on Martin Luther King Jr Day, ELCM will gather for Prayer and Pizza, a soft welcome before classes begin the next day. After a break through the Christmas Holiday season, Episcopal Lutheran Campus Ministry will resume gatherings on Monday evenings on Monday, January 26, under the event title Prayer and Purpose. This first gathering for Campus Ministry participants to prayerfully set intentions for the new semester. The schedule each week will include Bible Study at 4:45 pm, Evening Prayer at 6:00 pm, and Dinner following evening prayer. Members of Saint Andrew's may provide a meal for one of the Monday gatherings. The signup and instructions can be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/ELCM-Meal-Signup-2026>. Students should contact Pr. David or Rev. Josh for a link to the GroupMe to get current information.

Work at the Wardrobe: Join in volunteering at the Wardrobe on January 30th 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 will be provided.

Prayers for January 11, 2025

We add to our prayers this week:

For Michelle Knipp who was diagnosed with terminal cancer late last year; she is sister to Wendy Wiebold's daughter-in-law.

For Melissa who had a breast biopsy this past week, for comfort in waiting for results; she is a friend of the Frerichs family.

For Nicole Robinette who is in ICU following cancer; a former member of Saint Andrew's.

We continue to offer prayers of hope and healing for:

Phyllis Glasker	Cathy	Candi Glancy
Linnea Geenen	Suzi	Patric
Dale Whitman	Mo Champion-Garthe	Joanne Boomer
Howard Weber	Arlene Cunningham	

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; we pray in particular for these Palestinian detainees: Layan Nasir, and Hadeel Shatara.

Those who are incarcerated with whom we minister: Brooke, Natalie, Bettina, Miranda, Boosie, Estelle, Zayla, Yolanda, Hailey, Sandra, Jackson, and Marilyn

We pray for our partners in ministry in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), the Central States Synod and these congregations: Concordia Lutheran Church, Concordia, KS; Lord of Love Lutheran Church, Belton, MO; Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Jefferson City, MO; Kansas Interfaith Action, Topeka, KS..

Background on Palestinian detainees for whom we pray:

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, January 11

- 8:30 am Worship (IP)
- 9:45 am Sunday Forum (IP&Z)
- 11:00 am Worship (IP&Z)
- 2:00 pm Ambassadors for Christ (IP)

Monday, January 12

No Events

Tuesday, January 13

No Events

Wednesday, January 14

- 8:00 am Men's Bible Study (Z)
- 11:00 am Women in the Word (IP&Z)
- 6:15 pm Wednesday Worship (IP&Z)
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (IP)

Thursday, January 15

- 6:00 pm Council Meeting (IP)

Friday, January 16

No Events

Saturday, January 17

- 11:00 am Prayer Shawl & Crafting Ministry (IP)

Sunday, January 18

- 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-Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church)

Reading for Next Wednesday January 14, 2026

Matthew 12:15-21

Readings for Next Sunday January 18, 2026 Second Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 49:1-7
Psalm 40:1-11
1 Corinthians 1:1-9
John 1:29-42

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

Online Resources

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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.