

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

Please silence all electronic devices and prepare for worship.

Join us – there’s plenty of room...please help make our summer services a time of sharing pew space. Encourage your family to move closer together to allow late-arrivers space to sit together.

- C** Congregation
- A** Assisting Minister
- P** Pastor

PRELUDE *Largo in G* [George Handel]

CHANCEL CHAT Scott Lester, Pathways to Renewal
Dana Nasby, Mission Assessment Profile (MAP)
Stephanie Lester, Building Remodel

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DAY Pastor McEachran

HYMN *For the Beauty of the Earth* ELW Hymn 879

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

C And also with you.

KYRIE

HYMN OF PRAISE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(congregation is seated)

A TIME FOR LITTLE DISCIPLES Pastor McEachran

What Time Is It?

WORD

FIRST LESSON Genesis 12:1-9

L Word of God.

C Word of Life.

PSALM 26:1-8 *(spoken responsively: A Assisting Minister; C Congregation)*

SECOND LESSON Romans 12:9-21

L Word of God.

C Word of Life.

(congregation stands)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

P The Good News of Jesus according to Matthew.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL

Matthew 16:21-26

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

It is time, it is God's Time

Pastor McEachran

1. Passing of Time
2. Stewardship of Time
3. "Kairos," God's Time

HYMN OF THE DAY

Hymn of Promise

[Natalie Sleeth]

APOSTLES' CREED

A We confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

THE PRAYERS

A Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

(shared in community)

OFFERING

Do Lord!

[Arr. Ruth Artman]

Carol Bostic, Jan Benson, duet

(congregation stands)

OFFERTORY VERSE

OFFERTORY PRAYER



GREAT THANKSGIVING

SANCTUS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

(congregation is seated)

LAMB OF GOD

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

<i>Will You Come and Follow Me</i>	ELW Hymn 798
<i>Blest Be the Tie That Binds</i>	ELW Hymn 656
<i>Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus</i>	ELW Hymn 802

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING


P May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,
 strengthen and keep you in God's loving grace, now and forever.
C Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

PRAYER



BLESSING

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on
 you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and
 give you peace, in the name of the Father, and of the  Son, and of
 the Holy Spirit. *Numbers 6:24-26*
C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN *Rise, Oh Church, like Christ Arisen* ELW Hymn 548

A Go in peace and live in Christ.
C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *Rag in Two-Step* [Scott Joplin]

As we say goodbye to the unofficial end of the summer season this Labor Day weekend, a ragtime piece seems fitting to go out on.

Scott Joplin was the greatest composer of ragtime pieces. Called ragtime because the rhythms and syncopations of the rags were considered "ragged" and uneven, rags were in vogue roughly between 1890 and 1920. Johannes Brahms even considered writing a ragtime piece.

Joplin, an African American composer, lived in St Louis and composed many rags and songs and even wrote a ragtime opera called "Trimonisha". We hope today's ragtime two-step leaves you with a smile on your face and remembering the more easygoing days of summer.

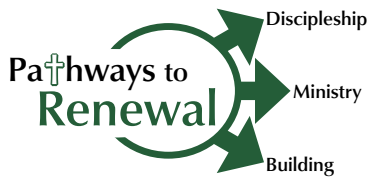
P A R T I C I P A N T S*Presiding Minister* Pastor James N. McEachran*Director of Music Ministries/Organist* Dr. Will Simpson*Assisting Minister* Jon Thorpe*Communion Assistant* Jan Bowerman*Acolyte* Ian Maland*Altar Guild* Ruth Miller, JoAn Eklof*Greeters* Louise Oda, Lydia Folsom*Lector* Beth Donahoe*Ushers* Judi and George Miller*Coffee Host* Sherry Grindeland, Ed Short

Unless otherwise noted, Scripture readings are from the NRSV.

W E L C O M E**TODAY AT SAINT ANDREW'S**

- Ⓡ **THE FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God by Jay Baxter in loving memory of her husband, Tom Baxter.
- Ⓡ **BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK:** Please note that there is no Blood Pressure Screening today. A Parish Nurse can take your blood pressure during office hours on Tuesdays from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, or contact a Parish Nurse (Stella Nieman, Beverley Watt, or Karen Grams) to make other arrangements.
- Ⓡ **EQUAL EXCHANGE FAIRLY TRADED COFFEE AND MORE:** Please note that Equal Exchange and Fairly Traded Coffee and Chocolate will be sold next Sunday, **September 3** (instead of September 10.) Support our Global Outreach by purchasing fairly traded coffee, tea, hot cocoa, and chocolate bars (in the Narthex between services). By purchasing these items, you help the coffee and cocoa bean farmers in impoverished countries receive more money for their crops by eliminating the middle man's cut.
- Ⓡ **WORSHIP SERVICE CAPTIONING:** Please note that today's worship service is not being captioned. The next captioned service will be Sunday, **September 17**, at 11:00 am.
- Ⓡ **AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM/ CONFIRMATION (ABC) ORIENTATION:** **Students in grades 6-8 and parents:** Please join us from 11:00 am - 11:30 am next Sunday, **September 3**, for an orientation on Affirmation of Baptism in the 2017-2018 program year. We will meet in the Sanctuary.

Pathways to Renewal



As we continue to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, you have taken a walk, a walk with Christ. Whether you participated in the Walk to Wittenberg, engaged in one or many ways with our DiscipleFIT campaign, or simply approached God for direction in your life, you walked.

From that walk, we now enter this fall season with a new map and compass before us. “Pathways to Renewal” will serve to ground our mission forward in discipleship, ministry and planned initiatives, including a future capital campaign that will inform our commitment to a building remodel project.

In the weeks ahead, you will have the opportunity for deeper engagement with committees, groups and the mission of this church through your involvement and investment in Christ’s work. This engagement is what stewardship and **discipleship** are all about. You’ve been in training all year for this moment with DiscipleFIT. You’re ready. The “Pathway to Renewal” is now before you.

Your engagement and participation will be encouraged as part of the Joshua Process. The Joshua Process will serve as a map for us in defining our strategic vision, where we want to go as a congregation, as well as inform our next steps in pastoral transition and **ministry**. Please complete the Mission Assessment Profile survey as your first step in The Joshua Process. The “Pathway to Renewal” is before you.

And finally, church leadership will begin taking the next steps in informing and educating the congregation on our proposed **building** remodel. As part of that exercise, we will lay the foundation for preparing for a congregation vote on a capital campaign, but not without your help, questions and engagement. The “Pathway to Renewal” is before you.

We’re excited about this new theme in discipleship, ministry and foundation building and how Christ will guide us on our “Pathway to Renewal” in Him.

More on the Joshua Process and the Mission Assessment Profile

The Joshua Group has developed a process called Purpose Mapping. This process walks organizations through deep listening and discovery in order to gather valuable data and input for constructing a unique Travel Plan for their ministry. A variety of tools have been developed to assist in this process, as well as a unique set of way points that every organization is asked to give energy and focus. The Mission Assessment Profile survey is a critical element in guiding us forward.

A Purpose Mapping Team has been formed to guide the Joshua Process. Members of this team are: Bill Brueggemann, Brent Hicks, Dana Nasby, Lois Nelson, Steve Gustafson, John Andresen, and Jessica Allen.

NEXT SUNDAY AT SAINT ANDREW'S

ⓘ WORSHIP SCHEDULE: Next Sunday, **September 10**, we return our schedule of two worship services, at 8:30 am and 11:00 am, with Discipleship Hour at 9:45 am.

ⓘ WALK TO WITTENBERG CELEBRATION!
Walk to Wittenberg (WTW) has been a fun and rewarding time, and it is time to celebrate! There will be a WTW Celebration at 12:15 pm (after the second service) next Sunday, **September 10**. The entire congregation is welcome to come and give recognition to the participants and join in the fun. The celebration is a "Salad Potluck" – we are hoping to have folks bring all sorts of salads (green, fruit, pasta, etc.) to share.
WTW participants can pick up your t-shirts in the Narthex. You are encouraged to wear them next Sunday!

ⓘ KATIE LUTHER, THE MUSICAL: To mark this 500th year of the Reformation, we welcome Pastor Sara Yoos as a guest artist-in-residence this fall to partner with our congregation to bring *Katie Luther, The Musical*, to life. Pastor Yoos will lead us through acting, dancing, storytelling, and music that will culminate into performances at Saint Andrew's on **October 20 and 21**. Anyone age 5+ is welcome to participate, on stage or behind the scenes.
Auditions for parts are next Sunday, **September 10**, at 1:00 pm. Prepare a song (of any genre) that you can sing acapella. Everyone who auditions will be in the production - the audition is only to determine what role you will play in the show! The first rehearsal and read-through of the script is on Tuesday, **September 12**, at 6:30 pm.

DISCIPLESHIP HOUR...SUNDAYS

Beginning **September 10**, Discipleship Hour at 9:45 am offers classes for age 2 through adult!

☞ **September 10**
DISCIPLESHIP HOUR OPEN HOUSE
South Hall
Join us for donuts in South Hall. Meet and encourage the Sunday Church School (SCS), Affirmation of Baptism/Confirmation (ABC), and CrossWalk (high school) teachers and high five our students!
Students, find your classroom and meet your teacher!

☞ **September 10**
CONGREGATION EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN TRAINING
Presenter: Facilities Manager Kurt Lutterman
301/Fellowship Hall North
There will be an overview of the Emergency Operations Plan (EOP), what actions it entails, and some emergency preparedness steps you can take at home. .

☞ **September 17**
REFORMATION 500: LUTHER IN CONTEXT
Presenter: Dr. Michael Trice
301/Fellowship Hall North
We welcome Dr. Michael Trice of Seattle University. Dr. Trice will lead us through a discussion on the challenges Martin Luther faced in his time and the challenges we face today.

☞ **September 17**
STEPPING INTO AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM (Faith Stepping Stones for Parents of Sixth Graders)
Facilitators: Lois Nelson, Kari Henderson
This session focuses on the transition to middle school, with a teacher or current middle school student present to answer questions. Students are presented with a Catechism at the 11:00 am worship service on **September 17**.

☞ **September 24**
EMERGENCY EXERCISE DRILL
We will prepare for an emergency with a drill planned by Facilities Manager Kurt Lutterman and the Emergency Operations Plan Planning Team.

DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES...DURING THE WEEK

☞ TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Presenter: Pastor McEachran

Every Tuesday beginning **September 12**, 10:00 am, 322/Conference Room

“Getting into the Story of Jesus.” Pastor McEachran will guide us into the four gospels. Where did they come from? How are they organized? What was their function in the congregations in the first generations of Christianity? How do they become the framework for our witness to Jesus in the 21st Century?

Assignment: Choose one of the three Synoptic Gospels (Mark, Matthew and Luke) as if reading them for the very first time. Make a few notes on how they help you into the story of Jesus.

We begin on Tuesday, **September 12**. Bring your favorite translation, invite a friend, and take a 10-week tour of the gospels.

DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES...YOUTH

*** GOD SQUAD SUMMER 2018 MISSION**

TRIP: Students entering grades 9-12 and parents: The option chosen for the high school trip in Summer 2018 is to serve the Blackfeet Nation in Montana (with YouthWorks.) Contact Emily Harrow, emily@SALChome.org, for more information.

*** FIRE FORCE** (youth in grades 6-8):

- **Fall Lock In!** Friday-Saturday, **October 13-14**
Join us as we get to know one another, play games including Sock Samurai, enjoy late night pizza and a movie. The fun begins at 6:00 pm on Friday, **October 13**, and will go to Saturday, **October 14**, at 10:00 am.
Sign ups begin **September 17**.

- * **YOUTH REGISTRATION FORMS:** We ask that all families complete a Youth Registration Form each year. This form gives us the information needed to help keep children safe while participating in Saint Andrew’s activities. It includes medical information and permissions, and is used for all activities at Saint Andrew’s for 2017-2018. Complete one form per family. There is space for up to four children and it covers all youth from age 2 through Grade 12.


- Paper copies of the form can be found in the Narthex on the bulletin board near the church office, in the Sunday Church School office, and in classrooms. Return completed forms to the church office.
- The form is also ONLINE as an interactive PDF form; it can be found at www.ce.SALChome.org.
 - Open the form and SAVE it to your computer.
 - Open the saved form, complete the information, and SAVE it again.
 - Please note: If you have a saved registration form with “revised August 2014” (or more recent date) at the bottom, you can submit that form. Open it and update the school year and “Today’s Date”, make any other necessary changes, and save.
 - Either email the form to info@SALChome.org or print and return the form to Saint Andrew’s.

OUTREACH AND SERVANT MINISTRIES

- ♥ **MAYORS’ DAY OF CONCERN FOR THE HUNGRY:** is the biggest food drive of the year for many of the organizations fighting hunger in our communities. Saint Andrew’s volunteers will be collecting food as part of The Mayors’ Day of Concern for the Hungry, and all food collected will go to Hopelink. All ages can participate. Volunteering consists of handing out a “shopping list” flyer of the most needed food items and then thanking people for their donations. This food drive is on Saturday, **September 16**. We’ll collect food at the Fred Meyer in Kirkland (12221 120th Avenue NE), from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm, in four shifts of 1 1/2 hours each. Contact Dick and Debbie Szabo for more information or to volunteer to participate!

- ♥ **PROVIDE MEALS FOR CONGREGATIONS FOR THE HOMELESS:** From Sunday, **October 1**, through Sunday, **October 15**, Saint Andrew's will provide dinners for the men served in Congregations for the Homeless' (CFH) shelter program. Volunteers are needed to prepare, deliver and serve the meals at Eastshore Unitarian Church. Dinner is served at 7:15 pm. This is a wonderful outreach opportunity for individuals, small groups, families and friends. Sign-up in the Narthex. For more information, contact Marlyn Thorpe.
- ♥ **CORNER OF BLESSING/HOPELINK:** Each month, we collect one food item in the Corner of Blessing. All donations help feed those in our community who are hungry. In September, we are collecting **cold cereal** (any variety.) For more information, contact Debbie Szabo.
- ♥ **COLLECTIONS:** Dorcas Circle, Health and Wholeness Ministry, and Outreach and Servant Ministries welcome your contributions for Lutheran World Relief, Compass Housing Alliance, Congregations for the Homeless, and The Sophia Way. Lists of needed items are in the baskets near the elevator in the Narthex. Donations can be placed in the same baskets.
- ♥ **DRIVERS FOR CHICKEN SOUP BRIGADE:** Saint Andrew's is a distribution hub for weekly deliveries of meals for Chicken Soup Brigade (Lifelong). The delivery window is between 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm on **Thursday** afternoons with around 2 to 4 stops. **Additional volunteer drivers are needed.** Choose to be a driver in the rotation or to be a substitute driver and cover weeks where regular volunteers are on vacation. If you are interested in serving in this way, contact Outreach and Servant Ministries committee chair Marlyn Thorpe.
- ♥ **SCHOLARSHIP NEEDS FOR STUDENTS IN TANZANIA:** We continue to need funding for students at MaaSAE Girls Lutheran Secondary School and for the MGLSS Post-Secondary Scholarship fund, used for the students who qualified for university study. **ANY AMOUNT** given is helpful. Make contributions by check to "Saint Andrew's" with "MGLSS or MGLSS Post-Secondary Scholarship" in the memo line. Funds will be forwarded to Operation Bootstrap Africa (OBA).

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF....BIHAR, INDIA

 Lutheran World Relief Bihar is a global mission outreach which will engage us in significant outreach in Northeastern India, as part of a sponsored mission through Lutheran World Relief (LWR). The goals of this mission are agricultural improvements, year-round food security for the family, empowering women in the community, and increasing incomes for families. This matches the core values of our Outreach and Servant Ministries: homelessness, food security, and education.

- Our **SPARE CHANGE FOR WATER AND SEEDS** water feature is in the Narthex. Loose change is being gathered to help our Bihar, India community plant and grow vegetables, which in turn help expand their diet, increase year-round food security, provide additional income for their children's education and improve their family and communities economic situations. The water pump display includes stories and pictures of families from Bihar and how growing these vegetables are so vital to the success and livelihood of themselves and their communities. We invite everyone to bring in spare change for LWR Bihar that will contribute to these agricultural communities. If you wish to donate by check, make it payable to Saint Andrew's and note "Spare Change - Bihar" on the memo line. Please join us and watch how our change provides seeds for wonderful growth for all. So far, \$836 has been contributed - thank you!
- If you are interested in joining our Bihar Working Group contact Marlyn Thorpe.

Remember in prayer this continuing outreach ministry.

Contributions can be made with "Bihar-LWR" in the Memo Line.

The best source of updated information is at www.lwr.org/bihar



SAINT ANDREW'S OPPORTUNITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

✠ SAINT ANDREW'S AMBASSADORS and EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN (EOP):

There are opportunities to support Saint Andrew's new EOP:

- 1) **Ambassadors** - As part of the new EOP, Saint Andrew's will implement a new Sunday Server position: *Ambassador*. The job description is to keep a watchful presence in the Narthex during services. You may direct people to the restroom, answer questions about our Ministry offerings, or push a button to trigger a Lockdown and call 911 as the situation dictates. To sign up to be an Ambassador, contact Facilities Manager Kurt Lutterman, kurt@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.
- 2) **Congregation EOP training** - During Discipleship Hour next Sunday, **September 10**, between services, a training will be held to overview the EOP, what actions it entails, and some emergency preparedness steps you can take at home. This training will be followed by an EOP drill during Discipleship Hour on Sunday, **September 24**.
- 3) **Emergency Supplies Shed:** You may have noticed the cleared ground and beginnings of a new structure in the Southeast corner of our parking lot. We are erecting a shed to house emergency supplies. If you are able to help erect the shed in the coming weeks, please let Facilities Manager Kurt Lutterman know; kurt@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.

✠ **DORCAS CIRCLE:** The Dorcas Circle meets in Fellowship Hall this Tuesday, **September 5**, at 9:30 am. New people are always welcome to join as we sew quilts, school bags, and complete other projects in response to those in need. We also welcome donations of fabric, sheets, crochet or embroidery thread, quilt batting, sewing supplies, and blankets.

✠ **HANDBELL CHOIR** resumes rehearsals this Tuesday, September 5, at 7:00 pm in 215/Music Room. The Choir invites teens and adults to join them and welcomes those who can commit full-time, part-time, or to be a substitute ringer. Contact Handbell Choir Director Bryant Wilkie for more information.

✠ **BABY SHOWER! *Please note the TIME CHANGE.*** Director of Discipleship Ministries Emily Harrow and husband Adam are expecting a child in late September! All are welcome to a baby shower on Saturday, **September 9**, from **3:00 pm - 5:00 pm** in 301/Fellowship Hall. Deanna Nowadnick is our guest speaker for the shower. She is a published author, and has been a speaker for our Saint Andrew's women's group in the past. Sign up in the Narthex. Contact Jill Nichols-Hicks for more information or to volunteer to help. View Emily and Adam's baby registry at www.babylist.com/emily-harrow.

✠ KNITWITS (Knitting as Witnesses)

Sunday, **September 10**, 9:45 am,
322/Conference Room

The KnitWits are a fellowship group whose primary mission is to provide items of comfort that are knit or crocheted. All are welcome to join us anytime! Contact Dianne Chong for more information.

✠ **YOUNG ADULTS** (those who have graduated high school and older): Young adults of Saint Andrew's get together for dinner on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month. Our next dinner is Wednesday, **September 13**, at Ricardo's Restaurant in Factoria. Contact Carolyn McKenna by Monday, **September 11**, if you would like to join us.

✠ **CHANCEL CHOIR** resumes rehearsals with a potluck on Thursday, **September 14**, at 7:00 pm. Pitch in a dish to share and pitch in your voice! Contact Director of Music Ministries Dr. Will Simpson, will@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529, for more information.

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- ✠ **ALTAR GUILD**
 Sunday, **September 17**, 9:45 am
 Looking for a way to volunteer? The Altar Guild is welcoming new members! We are responsible for preparing the altar for communion. This entails about an hour of set up on Saturday, another half an hour between services, and an hour of clean up after the second service. We always work with a partner, so it's a great way to get to know other church members. It's an honor to set the Lord's Table. Join us for our next meeting at 9:45 am on Sunday, September 17, in 322/Conference Room, or contact Karin Eklof or JoAn Eklof with questions. Thanks!
- ✠ **O.W.L.S. (Older Wiser Lutheran Saints)**
 is a fellowship of members and friends of the congregation who meet on the third Tuesday of every month for friendship and an awesome potluck. All are always welcome! Please join us on **September 19** at 11:45 am to kick off our year. No need to sign up or RSVP; just come and, if you can, bring a dish to share.
- ✠ **ALL CHURCH WORK DAY**
 Saturday, **September 23**, 9:00 am - 12:00 noon
 We only have one Work Day a year, in the fall. Please plan on attending, and getting to know your fellow church members in a different way. There will be lots of cleaning, maintenance and landscaping jobs for all ages, abilities and interest levels.
- ✠ **TUESDAY MORNING MEN**
 Facilitator: Dave Marcrander
 Every Tuesday, 6:30 am, Room 212
 All Saint Andrew's Men (SAM) are welcome for study, faith growth, prayer, and conversation. We have begun a study of Galatians. After Galatians, we will return to our Reformation focus for the remaining Tuesdays leading to the 500th anniversary. It is a blessing to share this time together in learning and fellowship - please join us!

- ✠ **COMMUNION BREAD:** Everyone is invited to bake bread used in the Eucharist on Sunday mornings. The sign-up through **December** is now available. You can sign up online for a specific Sunday. Links to the sign-up and to the recipe for Luther Bread can be accessed on the Saint Andrew's website: www.worship.SALChome.org. Contact coordinator Jill Nichols-Hicks for more information.
- ✠ **JOIN THE SUNDAY SERVERS TEAM:** Take a plunge into something new and try ushering, lecturing greeting, or being an ambassador. No experience needed. Questions? Contact Sherry Grindeland, sherry@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.
- ✠ **SMALL GROUPS BEGINNING THIS FALL:** We're forming small groups this fall for fellowship and conversation. We'll enjoy getting to know one another by sharing conversation, some God talk and dessert. Groups will meet on either Friday night or Sunday night monthly from **October to May** in someone's home. Meet at 7:00 pm and say farewell at 8:30 pm. The groups will be small in number (6-10) but mighty in spirit.
 Would you like to be a leader? A host? Or just show up and enjoy? Initially we will try to divide interested people into geographical areas and/or household demographics (young kids, empty nesters, retirees). Sign up in the Narthex bulletin board, or online at smallgroups.SALChome.org, or contact Sherry Grindeland, sherry@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529. Indicate which night works best for you – Friday or Sunday.
- ✠ **MEN'S RETREAT:** Save the date and plan to gather for "The Adventure of Faith" at the Men's Retreat on Friday-Saturday, **November 3-4**. This year Our Savior Lutheran Church in Issaquah is hosting the retreat with Saint Andrew's. Pastor David Ellingson is our retreat leader. Brochures with registration forms will be in the Narthex beginning **September 10**.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

 LUTHERAN NATIONAL CHOIR CONCERT:
Jesus Christ: Yesterday, Today and Forever, with the National Lutheran Choir

The National Lutheran Choir leads a community-wide evening of singing in commemoration of the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. This unique program will celebrate the rich treasury of music – from early hymns to new works – expressing the journey of the Church. Under the direction of Dr. David Cherwien, the 64-voice National Lutheran Choir seeks to strengthen, renew and preserve the heritage of sacred choral music. The choir will be joined by singers from area churches (including singers from Saint Andrew's!)

The concert is Friday, **September 29, 2017**, at 7:30 pm, at St. Mark's Cathedral (1245 10th Avenue E., Seattle). It is free and open to the public. A free-will offering to benefit local Seattle ministries serving the homeless, Compass Housing Alliance and Imagine Housing, will be generously matched up to \$20,000 by Rick Steves.



For Sunday, September 10: Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Psalm 119:33-40; Romans 13:8-14; Matthew 16:32-39

Servers for September 10

Presiding Minister: Pastor James McEachran

Assisting Ministers:

(I) Jean Wahlstrom (II) Sue Short

Communion Assistants:

(I) Art Gurtel (II) Shana Nielsen

Acolytes:

(I) Jack Holmes, Beka Gordon

(II) Collin Feldman, Sidney Cottrell

Crucifers:

(I) Sydney Holmes (II) Torin Carmichael

Altar Guild: Ann Berglind, Mary Jo Nelson

Greeters:

(I) Shirley and Dean Hobson

(II) The Myhre Family

Lectors:

(I) Lois Arneson (II) Marli Edde

Ushers:

(I) Lois and Curt Eckley (II) The Feldman Family

Coffee Hosts:

Chad Oftedal



DISCIPLEFIT - WALK TO WITTENBERG

Our journey is coming to an end tomorrow, Labor Day!

In our final week, teams are working to finish strong. The Walk of Ages, led by JoAn Elkof, have made it home to Seattle, joining team Cross sporting club and Ferris Wheels in turning the cycle. Martin's Marchers, the Davis Carmichael team, and Pathfinders only need to turn in past weeks' mileages to arrive in Wittenberg -- they are so close they can see the nail on the door. 197 participants have walked/biked/exercised over 133,000 miles!! All participants can pick up their t-shirt in the Narthex, and are invited to wear their shirt to the celebration next Sunday.

It has been a fun and rewarding time. There will be a Walk to Wittenberg (WTW) Celebration after the second service (12:15 pm) on Sunday, **September 10**. The entire congregation is welcome to come and give recognition to the participants and join in the fun. The celebration is a "Salad Potluck" – we are hoping to have folks bring all sorts of salads (green, fruit, pasta, etc.) to share.

WALK TO WITTENBERG												
Team Progress as of 8/25/2017												
Team Name	Captain		Seattle Washington	Edmonton Alberta	Fort McMurray Alberta	Tadoule Lake Manitoba	Salluit Quebec	Nuuk Greenland	Reykjavic Iceland	Edinburgh Scotland	Hamburg Germany	Wittenberg Germany
		Return	10414	10181	9621	9127	8319	7569	6683	5834	5289	5207
		Miles	0	560	793	1287	2095	2845	3731	4580	5125	5207
Team Alpha	PR Jim McEachran	5,572										
Built On A Walk	Joni Barrott	5,433										
Team CROSS sporting club	Scott Lester	11,730										
Davis Carmichael Team	Davis Carmichael	3,739										
Deep Steppers	Dan Johnson	8,547										
Ferris Wheels	Hal Ferris	11,151										
Hannah Wilcox Team	Hanna Wilcox	5,360										
Kendra Mills Team	Kendra Mills	6,327										
Luther 500	Dana Nasby	7,747										
Martin's Marchers	Mary Davis	4,984										
Nailed It	Jon Thorpe	7,595										
Path Finders	Mark Thorpe	4,602										
The Resistance	Jill Nichols-Hicks	9,075										
Saints 500	Dick Swaisgood	5,581										
Voca-Lings	Vanessa Wilkie	7,071										
Walk of Ages	JoAn Elkof	10,414										
The Walk Arounds	Carl Erickson	6,495										
We Are The Fit Witts	Jakki Parks	6,717										
The Wittie Walkers	Erika Cottrell	5,285										

WTW.... Luther Fun Fact

"Here I stand. I can do no other. God help me .. Amen" ~ Martin Luther
 Luther would not recant the substance of his writings before the Diet of Worms, 1521

