

September 10, 2017

Order of Worship

8:30 am, 11:00 am

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

Please silence all electronic devices and prepare for worship.

PRELUDE

Come Sunday [Duke Ellington]
Erin Simpson, soloist

CHANCEL CHATS

Jan Benson, Chancel Choir
Pathways to Renewal

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DAY

Pastor McEachran

HYMN

God, You Link Our Hands Together
[Herman Stuempfle, Jr.]

sung to the tune *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You*

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 *I Promise* Pastor McEachran

WORD

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 15:1-6

L Word of God.

C Word of Life.

PSALM 119:33-40

(spoken responsively: A Assisting Minister; C Congregation)

SECOND LESSON

Romans 13:8-14

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.

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

Today's Theme

We mark the beginning of a three week series in which the foundations of "Pathways to Renewal" will be set. On the first foundation of Jesus Christ, we live the Reformation truths of Word Alone – Scripture, Grace Alone – Holy Baptism, and Faith Alone – Holy Communion. These are the Means of Grace in the life of the Church.

GOSPEL

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON *In the Word of God, We have the Word of Life* Pastor McEachran

1. Compassion enfolds and serves.
2. Scarcity. No deficit.
3. Generosity is the way of discipleship.

HYMN OF THE DAY *Oh, How Good It Is* [Getty, Holmes, Townend]

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 *We've Come This Far by Faith* [Albert A. Goodson]

Worship Ensemble

(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

Here Is Bread

ELW Hymn 483

Worship Ensemble sings stanzas
 Congregation sings refrain

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

CLOSING HYMN

Praise and Thanksgiving

ELW Hymn 689

Stanza 1: All
 Stanza 2: Women
 Stanza 3: Men
 Stanza 4: All

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

POSTLUDE

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 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 Host* Chad Oftedal
- Worship Ensemble* Erin Simpson, Dana Nasby, Alaina Bland,
Dick Swasigood, Kurt Lutterman, *vocals*
Doug Wight, *guitar*
Patrick Kolsch, *bass*
Rob Parks, *drums*
Will Simpson, *piano*
Shelly Abner, *violin*

Unless otherwise noted, Scripture readings are from the NRSV.

W E L C O M E

TODAY AT SAINT ANDREW'S

ⓘ WALK TO WITTENBERG (WTW) CELEBRATION! Walk to Wittenberg has been a fun and rewarding time, and it is time to celebrate! There will be a WTW Celebration at 12:15 pm (following the second service) TODAY, **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: please pick up your t-shirts in the Narthex.

ⓘ 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 TODAY, **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.

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. The building remodel team includes Lucy Sannes (Chair), Guy Feldman, Judy Gowdy, Dick Lee, Stephanie Lester, Pastor McEachran, John Nelson, and Dick Swaisgood.

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

† WE WELCOME PASTOR PAUL HOFFMAN as our Preaching Minister. Pastor Hoffman was Pastor of Phinney Ridge Lutheran Church in Seattle from 1996 until his retirement in May 2013. He is a nationally-recognized author, preacher, and leader.

† HEALING PRAYERS are offered during the distribution of Holy Communion on the third Sunday of each month. Trained healing ministers will receive your requests before or after receiving the Eucharist. It can be especially meaningful to have a laying on of hands and an anointing of oil, if desired. It is appropriate to bring ANY request or concern that you may have for yourself or someone else. These may be prayers for emotional, spiritual, or physical healing. It can be a peace that brings wholeness, according to God's will, in a number of ways. If you are unable to walk to the kneelers, please ask an usher to assist or move to the bottom of the stairs on the East side of the sanctuary (near the pulpit) and the Healing Minister will come to you.

† WORSHIP SERVICE CAPTIONING: Next Sunday, real-time captioning of the 11:00 am worship service is available, making our worship service accessible to those who are hard-of-hearing or cannot be at church. You can use your smartphone, PC, or tablet to access the captioning (the sanctuary has a WiFi connection.) Go to: <https://captionsunlimited.1capapp.com/event/standrews/> (If you see a login page, the captioning is not yet active. Refresh your browser near the beginning of the worship service.) The website displays real-time captions of what is being spoken in the service, similar to closed captioning on television.

DISCIPLESHIP HOUR...SUNDAYS

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
322/Conference Room
 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...SUNDAYS

☞ EARLY MORNING SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY: PHILIPPIANS

Sundays, **October 1 - November 12, 7:15 am, 322/Conference Room**

Facilitators: Jean Wahlstrom and Marvin Kananen

Want a little more JOY in your life? Imagine sitting in prison and writing about the keys to true joy!

That's where the Apostle Paul was when he wrote his LETTER TO THE PHILIPPIANS. Come, join Jean Wahlstrom and Marvin Kananen as they lead an Early Morning Sunday Bible Study (EMSBS) for seven sessions. Coffee and some edibles provided. Attendance is never taken and no exams are given, instead we laugh and learn together!

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.) To participate, complete a commitment form by January 14, 2018, and return to the church office.

*** 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.
- ♥ **HURRICANE RELIEF:** Help is on the way to those impacted by Hurricanes Harvey and Irma through the ELCA Disaster Response Teams. We can make a difference and help reach out to those impacted. Contributions can go directly to ELCA Disaster Response:
- <https://community.elca.org/ushurricanerelief>
 - by mail: make checks payable to "Hurricane Response - United States" and send to Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, P.O. Box 1809, Merrifield, VA 22116-8009; or
 - by phone: 800-638-3522
- Offerings can also be made to Saint Andrew's (please note "Hurricane Relief" on the donation).
- ♥ **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.
- ♥ **THE SOPHIA WAY:** The Sophia Way helps homeless women journey toward independence and a home of their own. Volunteers are needed at the Day Center (at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 3030 Bellevue Way NE, Bellevue) to sort donated items they receive, and to help ensure the women there have the clothing they need. To volunteer or for more information, contact their volunteer coordinator Tara, 425-463-6285.

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- ♥ **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

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF...BIHAR, INDIA

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, \$860 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 TODAY, **September 10**, at 9:45 am, 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 shed being built in the Southeast corner of the parking lot. Building and Property Committee and volunteers are building that to serve as an emergency supplies storage location. If our main building were severely damaged in an earthquake, fire or other disaster, this shed will provide ready access to emergency food, water, medical and other supplies. If you’d like to help out building the shed, let Facilities Manager Kurt Lutterman know, kurt@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.

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- ✠ **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.

- ✠ **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 302/Fellowship Hall South, 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 with two hands-on projects: we will assemble snack bags that Saint Andrew's has on hand to help those who come to the church for emergency food supplies; and we'll assemble welcome bags for residents moving into Athene, a new Imagine Housing property housing low income seniors. No need to sign up or RSVP; just come and, if you can, bring a dish to share for lunch.

- ✠ **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.

- ✠ **TIMBER RIDGE GATHERING:** Several members of Saint Andrew's live at Timber Ridge in Issaquah. Bi-monthly worship gatherings at Timber Ridge are planned; the next one is Tuesday, **September 26**, at 1:00 pm. Pastor McEachran and Pastor Wes Telyea from Our Savior Lutheran Church in Issaquah will lead worship. All are invited (members and friends of Saint Andrew's - whether you live at Timber Ridge or not!); inquire at the front desk to Timber Ridge when you arrive and they will direct you to the specific room location.

- ✠ **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!

- ✠ **HANDBELL CHOIR** rehearses on Tuesdays 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.

- ✠ **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.

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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.

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.

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 are in the Narthex.

CHANCEL CHOIR

The Chancel Choir invites singers to join the Choir!

Rehearsals resume with a potluck on Thursday, **September 14**, at 6:00 pm. Pitch in a dish to share and pitch in your voice (and bring a singing friend)!

- If you sing soprano, please bring an entrée
- If you sing alto, bring a salad or veggie/fruit tray
- If you sing tenor or bass, bring dessert

Regular rehearsals are every Thursday at 7:00 pm.

Contact Director of Music Ministries Dr. Will Simpson, will@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529, for more information.

GET READY FOR CHANCEL CHOIR SEASON		
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20	PRE-SEASON CONDITIONING	20
	SING EVERY DAY	
30	FIRST ORGANIZED ACTIVITY	30
	SEPTEMBER 14	
	POTLUCK DINNER	
40	PLAYBOOK PREVIEW	40
	SING TOGETHER AS A TEAM	
50	FIRST PUBLIC APPEARANCE	50
	SEPTEMBER 17	
	SING ANTHEM	
	LEAD WORSHIP MUSIC	
40		40
	SPECIAL TEAMS	
30	SING WITH THE NATIONAL LUTHERAN CHOIR AT ST MARK'S CATHEDRAL	30
	SING IN THE MALL DURING THE HOLIDAYS	
20	LOOKING FORWARD TO FILLING THE MUSIC ROOM AND SANCTUARY WITH ALL POSSIBLE VOICES	20
10		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.

If you would like to sing in the mass choir, with the National Lutheran Choir and other local Lutheran churches, please sing up by sending an email to sept29singer@gmail.com. They will send you information on the rehearsal and will have music for you.

 INSTALLATION OF THE REVEREND SHELLEY M. BRYAN WEE: Everyone is invited as the Northwest Washington Synod formally welcomes Pastor Shelley Bryan Wee as the new assistant to the Bishop. The installation service is Saturday, **September 23**, at 3:00 pm, at St. John United Lutheran Church (5515 Phinney Avenue North, Seattle.) A reception will follow. May God bless this new ministry partnership!


For Sunday, September 17: Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
 Genesis 50:15-21; Psalm 103:1-13; Romans 14:1-12; Matthew 18:21-35

Servers for September 17

Presiding Minister: Pastor James McEachran

Preaching Minister: Pastor Paul Hoffman

Assisting Ministers:

(I) Sharon Gurtel (II) Sharon Gurtel

Communion Assistants:

(I) Diane Hogle (II) Livi Myhre

Acolytes:

(I) Ian Maland (II) Hannah Wilcox

Altar Guild:

Donna Nellist, Bev Anderson

Greeters:

(I) Deanna and Roger Oeffner

(II) Patsy Gottschalk

Lectors:

(I) Deanna Oeffner (II) Jack Holmes

Ushers:

(I) Gary Rudolph, Brett Nelson

Coffee Host:

Aaron Davis



DISCIPLEFIT - WALK TO WITTENBERG

It is time to celebrate!

In our final week, teams finished strong and everyone made it to Wittenberg!!

197 participants logged nearly 141,700 miles!!

All participants can pick up their t-shirt in the Narthex, and are invited to wear their shirt to the celebration TODAY.

It has been a fun and rewarding time. There is a Walk to Wittenberg (WTW) Celebration after the second service (12:15 pm) TODAY, **September 10**. *The entire congregation is welcome* to come and give recognition to the participants and join in the fun.

WALK TO WITTENBERG

Team Progress as of
9/3/2017 (FINAL)

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	5,627	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									
Built On A Walk	Joni Barrott	5,726	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									
Team CROSS sporting club	Scott Lester	13,138	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									
Davis Carmichael Team	Davis Carmichael	5,281	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									
Deep Steppers	Dan Johnson	8,547	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									
Ferris Wheels	Hal Ferris	11,631	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									
Hannah Wilcox Team	Hanna Wilcox	5,360	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									
Kendra Mills Team	Kendra Mills	6,327	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									
Luther 500	Dana Nasby	8,262	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									
Martin's Marchers	Mary Davis	5,681	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									
Nailed It	Jon Thorpe	8,127	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									
Path Finders	Mark Thorpe	5,280	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									
The Resistance	Jill Nichols-Hicks	9,075	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									
Saints 500	Dick Swaisgood	5,581	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									
Voca-Lings	Vanessa Wilkie	7,071	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									
Walk of Ages	JoAn Elkof	11,600	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									
The Walk Arounds	Carl Erickson	7,147	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									
We Are The Fit Witts	Jakki Parks	6,717	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									
The Wittie Walkers	Erika Cottrell	5,512	[Progress bars with red and blue lines and stars]									

WTW... Luther Fun Fact

"The true treasure of the church is the most holy gospel of the glory and grace of God."
~ Martin Luther, thesis 62



Worship Service Summary

You are invited to use this as a tool to encourage a new kind of engagement as we gather in worship before we are sent into the world!

Season of the Church Year: _____

Preaching Minister: _____

What stood out to you in the lessons for the day?

List the major points of the sermon:

Name at least two ways this sermon applies to your life:

What questions would you like to have answered about the Scripture lessons, the worship service, or the sermon? Contact Pastor McEachran (jim@salchome.org/ 425-746-2529 ext. 12)
