

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

Please silence all electronic devices and prepare for worship.

PRELUDE *The Cup of Christ* [François Couperin]

CHANCEL CHAT Brent Hicks, Mission Assessment Profile Survey

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DAY Pastor McEachran

HYMN *Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun* ELW Hymn 557

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 *Helping Others* Pastor McEachran

WORD

FIRST LESSON Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

L Word of God.

C Word of Life.

PSALM 25:1-9 *(spoken responsively: A Assisting Minister; C Congregation)*

SECOND LESSON Philippians 2:1-13

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 21:23-32

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

C Congregation
A Assisting Minister
P Pastor

SERMON

Jesus is Lord

Pastor McEachran

- 1) Repent and Move On
- 2) "OK, I will go"
- 3) Humble Service

HYMN OF THE DAY *Christ, the Word Before Creation*

[Herman G. Stuempfle, Jr.]

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.

I. PRESENTATION OF BIBLES

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

I. *Consider the Lilies* [Hoffman/Lyon]
Chancel Choir

II. *Rondeau from Abdelazer Suite* [Henry Purcell;
Handbell Choir arr. William H. Griffin]
(congregation stands)

OFFERTORY PRAYER



GREAT THANKSGIVING

SANCTUS

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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

O Master, Let Me Walk with You ELW Hymn 818
Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service ELW Hymn 712

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.

PRAYER



BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN *The Lord Now Sends Us Forth* ELW Hymn 538
First time: Erin Simpson
Second time: Congregation

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

POSTLUDE *Come Thou Almighty King* [arr. Albert L. Travis]



- Presiding Minister* Pastor James N. McEachran
- Director of Music Ministries/Organist* Dr. Will Simpson
- Assisting Ministers* (I) Tom Getzinger (II) Sharon Gurtel
- Communion Assistants* (I) Judi Miller (II) Alaina Bland
- Acolytes* (I) Quinn Myhre (II) Isabel Weibel
- Altar Guild* Gayle Rhymes, Carla Smith
- Greeters* (I) Jim Kittilsby (II) Andy and Gladys Anderson
- Lectors* (I) Jean Wahlstrom (II) Sydney Holmes
- Ushers* (I) George Miller, Brett Nelson
(II) Mark Davis, Ann Thorpe
- Coffee Host* Marvin Kananen

LITURGICAL MUSIC in this service is from *Mass of Hope and Harmony* by Kevin Keil

W E L C O M E

TODAY AT SAINT ANDREW'S

Ⓘ **BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK:** Come to **210/Nursery** between 9:30 am and 10:30 am. Health care professionals from Health and Wholeness Ministry will take your blood pressure and discuss concerns. Blood pressures are taken routinely the **FIRST** Sunday of each Month. We encourage all to come even if you have a blood pressure cuff at home.

Ⓘ **WORSHIP SERVICE CAPTIONING:** Please note that there is no worship service captioning today. Our next captioned service will be **November 5** at 11:00 am.

Ⓘ **FOOD BANK OFFERING:** We invite you to participate in our monthly offering for Hopelink through the pew envelope. Our monthly goal is \$500. Mark your checks for "Hopelink" on the memo line. Any non-perishable food donations can be placed in the Corner of Blessing in the Narthex.

NEXT SUNDAY AT SAINT ANDREW'S

Ⓘ **ORCHESTRA:** The Saint Andrew's orchestra will play during both worship services on Sunday, **October 8**. There is one rehearsal on Saturday, **October 7**, at 10:00 am. To participate or for more information, contact Dr. Will Simpson, will@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.

Ⓘ **APPLES IN THE PARKING LOT:** Next Sunday, **October 8**, Saint Andrew's members Vince and Doris Visaya will bring a trailer-load of tasty, juicy apples to the Saint Andrew's parking lot! You are welcome to take as many apples as you wish (bringing your own bag is helpful) and leave a donation which will go to the Summer 2018 God Squad (High School) Mission Trip.



Ⓘ **EQUAL EXCHANGE FAIRLY TRADED COFFEE AND MORE:** 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.

Ⓘ **FLU SHOTS** will be available here at Saint Andrew's next Sunday, **October 8**, from 8:00 am to 11:00 am, in 210/Nursery. The shots will be administered by the Seattle Visiting Nurse Association. There will be two types available: the preservative-free flu shot and the "regular" 4-strain flu shot. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the Narthex, along with information on WHY we should all have the flu shot. Signing up helps ensure the nurse brings an adequate supply of vaccine (although you may still get a shot without signing up.) Please take a consent form and bring it with you on **October 8**, along with your insurance card/Medicare card. Most insurances will cover the cost. If you are not covered by insurance, the cost is \$30 for the regular vaccine or \$35 for the preservative-free - cash or check only. For more information, contact Parish Nurse Beverley Watt.

Please note that there will be no high dose vaccine available. To get a high dose flu shot, call your physician or check with area pharmacies.



Pathways to Renewal

“Pathways to Renewal” is our 2017-2018 theme that serves 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.

Discipleship:

There is opportunity for engagement with committees, groups and the mission of this church and investment in Christ’s work. This engagement is what stewardship and discipleship are all about. The Discipleship Ministries Committee includes Joyce Kasper (Chair), Marshall Erling (Council Liaison), Emily Andresen (Youth Council Representative), Beth Donahoe, Stephanie Lester, Sonja Feldman, Jessica Allen, Janan Twito, and Mary Davis.

Ministry:

We have engaged a consultant - the Joshua Group - to work to develop a vision of Strategic and Transition Planning for Saint Andrew’s. 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. Your engagement and participation are encouraged.

The first tool, the **Mission Assessment Profile (MAP) survey**, is a critical element in guiding us forward. A link to the MAP survey was emailed and included in the *Trendings* eNews. If you prefer to access the MAP at church, computers are set up in Room 212 with volunteers to assist you. Paper copies are also available - stop by the church office to pick one up, along with a self-addressed stamped envelope. **TODAY, Sunday, October 1**, is the final day that the MAP survey is open.

Joshua Group consultants will be at Saint Andrew’s on Thursday, **October 26**, for the MAP Interpretation and on Friday-Saturday, **October 27-28**, for the Listening Interviews with individuals and groups.

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.

Building:

Congregation leadership is taking the next steps in informing and educating the congregation on our proposed building remodel. We will lay the foundation for preparing for a congregation vote on a capital campaign, but not without your help, questions and engagement. Room 212 has become the “Pathways Hub” with information about this path. The building remodel team includes Lucy Sannes (Chair), Guy Feldman, Judy Gowdy, Dick Lee, Stephanie Lester, Pastor McEachran, John Nelson, and Dick Swaisgood.

Pathways Hub (Room 212):

The Pathways Hub is a center for conversation and to share questions and insights....we invite everyone to take advantage of the opportunity.

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

Questions can be directed to Congregation Council President Scott Lester.

DISCIPLESHIP HOUR...SUNDAYS

Discipleship Hour at 9:45 am offers classes for age 2 through adult!

- ☞ **SUNDAY OFFERING:** Last year the students of Saint Andrew's voted to have their Sunday offerings go to support Lutheran World Relief (LWR). This year their offerings will continue to support LWR with the funds being designated for Bihar, India. Parents, please help your children remember to bring an offering each Sunday for collection during Discipleship Hour. The class with the highest participation will be rewarded with Krispy Kreme donuts each quarter!
- ☞ **SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL (SCS)** classes welcome children age 2 through grade 5. All classes are downstairs in South Hall. The SCS office is located on the lower level near the Narthex stairs. Students who are new to our congregation are asked to come to the SCS office to register and be welcomed to your class.
- ☞ **AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM/CONFIRMATION (ABC)** classes are geared toward youth in grades 6-8. "Old Testament Survey" meets in Room 119; "Bible 101" meets in Room 121; and "Ministry of Service" is in Room 122. Those students new to our congregation are asked to contact Director of Discipleship Ministries Emily Harrow or Pastor McEachran for more information.
- ☞ **CROSSWALK** is focused on high school age youth, grades 9-12. Got questions? Join us each Sunday for coffee, cocoa, donuts, and conversation. On the last Sunday of each month, gather in the youth room for Oasis, a time for our high school students to rest, color, and enjoy a movie.

☞ **October 1**
REFORMATION 500:
WHY BEING LUTHERAN IN THE
NORTHWEST MATTERS
 Presenter: Marcia Riggers
301/Fellowship Hall North
 Marcia Riggers of Seattle University (and Saint Andrew's) will lead us through a discussion on "Why Being Lutheran in the Northwest Matters."

☞ **October 8**
STEPPING INTO THE BIBLE (Faith Stepping
Stones for Parents of Third Graders)
 Facilitators: Lois Nelson, Kari Henderson
322/Conference Room
 Third grade students are blessed and presented with a Bible today, **October 1**, at the 8:30 am worship service. On **October 8**, Crissie Petro, a counselor from Samaritan Center of Puget Sound (with an office at Saint Andrew's), will be our guest speaker. Parents of children in grades 3-5 are invited to this session. Join us for a conversation about age development and common issues/concerns of this age group.

☞ **October 8 and October 15**
REFORMATION 500:
ATONEMENT THEOLOGY
 Presenter: Dr. Lynn Hofstad
301/Fellowship Hall North
 Dr. Lynn Hofstad of Seattle University will lead us through two sessions. At the first we will discuss *Atonement Theology; What do we do vs. what does God do for us?* We will also explore Luther's perspective on Atonement Theology. On **October 15**, Dr. Hofstad will follow up with a feminist critique of Atonement Theology.

☞ **October 15 and October 22**
STEPPING INTO THE STORIES (Faith
Stepping Stones for Parents of Kindergarteners)
 Facilitators: Lois Nelson, Kari Henderson
322/Conference Room
 Kindergarten students will be blessed and presented with a Story Bible on Sunday, **October 22**, at the 11:00 am worship service.

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☞ **October 22****REFORMATION 500:
THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION**

Presenter: Pastor James McEachran
301/Fellowship Hall North

The Augsburg Confession, written in 1530, became the central statement for Lutherans. It was written by Philipp Melanchthon, a lay person. Pastor McEachran leads us through the sections of this important document of Lutheran theology.

☞ **October 29****REFORMATION 500 CELEBRATION**

301/Fellowship Hall North

Join us for a celebration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation!

DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES...REFORMATION BOOKS

☞ **BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS:**

On September 24, Pastor McEachran shared his five most-recommended books on Martin Luther, the Reformation, and Lutheranism. They are:

Reading the Psalms with Luther; © 2007 Concordia Publishing House.

Resilient Reformer, The Life and Thought of Martin Luther, by Timothy F. Lull and Derek R. Nelson.
© 2015 Fortress Press.

Martin Luther: A Life, by James A. Nestingen. © 2003 Augsburg Fortress.

Fortress Introduction to Lutheranism, by Eric W. Gritsch. © 1994 Fortress Press.

Through the Year with Martin Luther: A Selection of Sermons Celebrating the Feasts and Seasons of the Christian Year. © 2007 Hendrickson Publishers.

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, 10:00 am, 322/Conference Room

"Getting into the Story of Jesus." Pastor McEachran guides 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: Read the Gospel of Matthew as if reading it for the very first time. Make a few notes on how it helps guide you into the story of Jesus. Bring your favorite translation, invite a friend, and join this 10-week tour of the gospels.

DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES...YOUTH

- * **GOD SQUAD and FIRE FORCE** (students in grades 6-12): Next Sunday, **October 8**, we will prepare and serve dinner for the men staying at Congregations for the Homeless shelter hosted at East Shore Unitarian Church. Everyone will make a batch of chili to bring. Meet at Saint Andrew's at 5:30 pm and return at 8:30 pm. Sign up by email or in the Narthex.
- * **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 up in the Narthex.
 - **Servant Event at Northwest Harvest:** On Saturday, **November 11**, we are headed to Kent to serve at the Northwest Harvest Warehouse. Northwest Harvest is the only nonprofit food bank distributor operating statewide in Washington, and they provide more than 2 million meals every month. You can help by joining us to serve on **November 11**. We will gather at Saint Andrew's at 11:00 am.
- * **GOD SQUAD** (youth in grades 9-12):
 - **Servant Event at Compass on Dexter:** On Saturday, **November 4**, we will serve at Compass on Dexter (756 John Street, Seattle) and lead an excited group of kids in cupcake decorating and possibly other crafts. We will gather at Saint Andrew's at 11:15 am and return at 3:30 pm. Please wear closed-toed shoes. Sign up by Sunday, **October 29**, in the Narthex or by email.
 - **Summer 2018 Mission Trip:** In Summer 2018 (**July 21-28**) we will serve the Blackfeet Nation in Montana (with YouthWorks.) We'll learn about the Blackfeet Nation and work with them to serve in their community. Information packets are available on the bulletin board in the Narthex To participate, complete a commitment form by **January 14, 2018**, and return to the church office.
- * **SHEEP AND SHEPHERDS** (families with youth age birth through grade 5):
 - **Family Game Night:** Join us for a family fun filled night with Bunco and Bingo on Sunday, **November 12**, from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Bring your favorite potluck dish and get ready for an evening of laughter and making new friends. Sign up by **November 5**.
- * **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

- ♥ **PROVIDE MEALS FOR CONGREGATIONS FOR THE HOMELESS:** Beginning TODAY, Sunday, **October 1**, and serving through Sunday, **October 15**, Saint Andrew's is providing 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. Volunteers are still needed for **October 6, 11, and 12**. Sign-up in the Narthex. For more information, contact Marlyn Thorpe.
- ♥ **PERSONAL CARE KITS - URGENT NEED:** A plea was received this past week from Lutheran World Relief for more Personal Care Kits to give to people in dire need living in refugee camps around the world. The Health and Wholeness Ministry Committee is now collecting items for our fall shipment of Personal Care Kits. Following is a list of items we need:
- toothbrushes - adult size
 - soap (4-5 ounce bars, in original packaging)
 - metal nail clippers
 - large combs (no "pick" style combs)
 - towels (20" x 40" to 52" x 27"), DARK color
- Bring items to the basket near the elevator in the Narthex by Sunday, **October 29**, to be included in the next shipment. Help us to help others.
- ♥ **DISASTER RELIEF:** From recent hurricanes and earthquakes, to refugee crises in several nations – Lutheran Disaster Response is at work around the world. 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 "Disaster Relief" on the donation). Thank you to all who have contributed \$1510 to this effort.
- ♥ **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 October, we are collecting **brown rice** (5 pound bags or smaller preferred.) 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.
- ♥ **DONATE TO ATHENE WELCOME BAGS:** Athene, the latest Imagine Housing project will open soon in the Totem Lake area of Kirkland. Our church has packed welcome home bags for the 91 residents moving into this affordable housing project for low income seniors. The welcome bags include personal items and cleaning supplies. We packed the bags at the September O.W.L.S. (Older, Wiser, Lutheran Saints) meeting. If you would like to contribute to this venture, please mark your donation: "Athene Welcome Kits." For further information, contact our Fellowship Coordinator, Sherry Grindeland, sherry@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.
- ♥ **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.

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♥ **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.

♥ **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.

- **TODAY** is the final day that the **SPARE CHANGE FOR WATER AND SEEDS** water feature will be in the Narthex. Your loose change is welcomed in the water feature or collection basket 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. Note the stories and pictures of families from Bihar and how growing these vegetables is so vital to the success and livelihood of themselves and their communities. If you wish to donate by check, make it payable to Saint Andrew's and note "Spare Change - Bihar" on the memo line. So far, \$1005.71 has been contributed - thank you!
- In addition, we give thanks for the \$1642 in above-and-beyond giving that has been designated for Bihar.
- 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

✦ **KNITWITS (Knitting as Witnesses)**
 Sunday, **October 1**, 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.

✦ **DORCAS CIRCLE:** The Dorcas Circle meets in 302/Fellowship Hall South this Tuesday, **October 3**, 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.

- ✠ **W.E.B.S. (Women's Evening Book Study):** Wednesdays, **October 4 - November 15**, 7:00 pm 322/Conference Room
Join us for our Fall book selection *Katharina Luther: Nun, Rebel, Wife* by Anne Boileau. Learn about Luther's wife: her childhood, time at the convent, life as an ex-nun, and wife. It is based on historical facts and is timed to help us commemorate the 2017 Reformation Anniversary. W.E.B.S. is the Women's Evening Book Study of Saint Andrew's. We don't just read books---we delve into them, study them, apply them to our own experiences, and look for God's work in our world and our lives. We pray, discuss, share, laugh, and have fun together! *All women are welcome!* Contact Cheryl Jurrus for more information.
- ✠ **SMALL GROUPS BEGINNING IN OCTOBER:** 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.
- ✠ **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 Wednesdays, **October 11**, at DoughZone at Crossroads (15920 NE 8th Street, Bellevue). Contact Carolyn McKenna by Monday, **October 9**, if you would like to join us.

- ✠ **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS:** In gratefulness for God's creation we will gather on Sunday, **October 15**, at 4:00 pm with our special pets for a service to give God thanks and praise along with prayers and blessings for our animals. Invite and bring a friend (furry, scaly, feathery, reptile, or human.) Please make sure your pet is leashed or caged and in control. Alternatively, you can bring a photo of your pet. Following the service, the humans will gather for a potluck dinner in 301/ Fellowship Hall North. For more information, contact Jill Nichols-Hicks.
- ✠ **WHAT WOULD LUTHER DO?** Prepare to be fascinated, entertained and educated! Dr. Samuel Torvend, Professor of Religion at Pacific Lutheran University, will present a program based on his book "*Luther and the Hungry Poor*" at Saint Andrew's on Saturday, October 21, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. If college classes were as much fun as Dr. Torvend's seminars, we would all still be in school. Please plan to join us for the session which will include plenty of coffee and treats and a light lunch. Space will be limited. Contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@salchome.org or 425-746-2529, for more information.
- ✠ **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. Our October program will be a step back in time as Richard Anderson shows us how railroads changed everything. Richard is the Executive Director of the Northwest Railway Museum in Snoqualmie – one of the premiere rail museums in the country. Come find out about the railcar in the museum's collection that served as a rolling church. *Note:* We will be meeting on **October 24**, the fourth Tuesday in October. The potluck lunch begins at 11:45 am.
You don't have to be older, wiser or even retired to join us. No sign-up or RSVP required. Contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@salchome.org or 425-746-2529, for more information.

- ✠ **CONGREGATION REFORMATION LUNCH:** Celebrate 500 Years of Reformation! Join us for October Fest at 12:15 pm on Sunday, **October 29**, in 301/Fellowship Hall. We'll celebrate with traditional German food, root beer and some fun family games. No lederhosen needed to participate! Volunteers needed to help put on this fun event; contact Sherry Grindeland, sherry@salchome.org or 425-746-2529.
- ✠ **MEN'S RETREAT: MEN --** The Bible is filled with journeys and adventures. Each of our lives is a journey/adventure. Plan to gather for "The Adventure of Faith" at the Men's Retreat on Friday-Saturday, **November 3-4**, at Valley Camp in North Bend. Pastor David Ellingson is our retreat leader, and will help us explore several lively biblical adventures as well as our own personal adventures and the ways God is "with us..." He will also share his experiences and learnings from kayaking the length of the Mississippi River. This year Our Savior Lutheran Church in Issaquah is hosting the retreat with Saint Andrew's. The cost is \$50. Brochures with registration forms are in the Narthex. For more information, contact Dick Swaisgood or Dave Marcrander.
- ✠ **KATIE LUTHER, THE MUSICAL CANCELLED:** Please note that the performances of *Katie Luther, the Musical*, have been cancelled. We are appreciative of Pastor Sara Yoos and the Saint Andrew's volunteer cast for their efforts to stage this musical.
- ✠ **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 are studying Galatians using a commentary written by Martin Luther. 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!

- ✠ **SAINT ANDREW'S AMBASSADORS and EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN (EOP):** Help 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) **Emergency Supplies Shed:** Building and Property Committee and volunteers are building the shed in the Southeast corner of the parking lot 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.
- ✠ **WALK TO WITTENBERG T-SHIRTS:** We have approximately 20 Walk to Wittenberg t-shirts in the church office. You are welcome to take one, whether you participated in WTW or not.
- ✠ **JOIN THE SUNDAY SERVERS TEAM:** Take a plunge into something new and try **ushering** or being an **ambassador**. No experience needed. Questions? Contact Sherry Grindeland, sherry@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.
- ✠ **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.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

-  **REFORMATION EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY:** There are several Reformation 500 celebrations and worship opportunities in our community.....
- **An Evening with Rick Steves and Martin Luther:** Saturday, **October 21**, 6:00 pm, at Saint Luke's Lutheran Church, 3030 Bellevue Way NE, Bellevue. Saint Luke's is hosting travel guru Rick Steves and his documentary, "Luther and the Reformation." Dessert and childcare included. A free-will offering will benefit Imagine Housing. An RSVP to the church office, 425-822-7907, would be appreciated.
 - **Oktoberfest:** hosted by Queen Anne Lutheran Church: Sunday, **October 22**, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm, at Queen Anne Beer Hall, Seattle. Queen Anne Lutheran Church, will be hosting an Oktoberfest, complete with Luther trivia and a short presentation on Luther and Beer by Pastor Erik Samuelson.
 - **One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism: Solemn Vespers on the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation:** Sunday, **October 29**, 3:00 pm, at St. James Cathedral, 9th and Marion, Seattle
On October 31, 1517, Martin Luther placed 95 theses or propositions questioning the Church's use of indulgences on the door of a church in Wittenberg, Germany. That act is considered the "flash point" for the Protestant Reformation. The 500th anniversary observance is an opportunity for Christians of many denominations to pray for each other; to heal old wounds; and to continue along the path of encounter and dialogue.
During this commemoration, Archbishop J. Peter Sartain, Archbishop of the Catholic Archdiocese of Seattle, will be joined by Bishop Kirby Unti, leader of the Northwest Washington Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. All are welcome.
 - **Reformation Celebration at Saint Luke's:** Sunday, **October 29**, 5:30 pm, at Saint Luke's Lutheran Church, 3030 Bellevue Way NE, Bellevue. Beer and Brats will be provided, and there will be a reformation hymns and hops sing-a-long. Please bring a side dish to share.
Special beer glasses will be for sale to mark the occasion. For \$15 you get an insulated keg shaped beer glass that has a Luther Rose and "500 Years of Reformation" printed on it. Once cost is recovered, about \$8/unit, the remainder of the funds will be donated to Lutheran Disaster Response.
-  **PEDALS, PIPES, and PIZZA:** On Saturday, **November 4**, from 8:30 am - 3:00 pm at Saint Andrew's, the Seattle Chapter of The American Guild of Organists (AGO) is hosting "Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza" as outreach to young musicians. This program introduces young piano students (ages 11-16) to the pipe organ, the "King of Instruments." Students engage in a hands-on experience with the pipe organ, learning how it works and having the opportunity to play it. Pre-registration by **October 30** is required; visit www.agoSeattle.com/PPP.html for a registration form. Contact Rita Stoess for more information. Dr. Will Simpson is Dean of the Seattle Chapter of the AGO.



For Sunday, October 8: Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:7-15; Philippians 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46
Servers for October 8

Presiding Minister: Pastor James McEachran

Assisting Ministers:

(I) Dick Swaisgood (II) Dana Nasby

Communion Assistants:

(I) Art Gurtel (II) Celeste Ackerbloom

Acolytes:

(I) Beka Gordon (II) Torin Carmichael

Altar Guild:

Ann Berglind, Deanna Oeffner

Greeters:

(I) Kit and Jan Bowerman

(II) Carolyn and Jerry Haralson

Lectors:

(I) Scott Lester (II) Dave Marcrander

Ushers:

(I) Lois and Curt Eckley

(II) Brent Hicks, Alex Nichols-Hicks

Coffee Hosts: Larry and Shelly Abner