

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

Please silence all electronic devices and prepare for worship.

PRELUDE *Fantasia in G Minor* [J.S. Bach]

CHANCEL CHAT (I) Kit Bowerman, (II) Dave Marcramer, Men's Retreat

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DAY Pastor McEachran

HYMN *All Creatures, Worship God Most High!* ELW Hymn 835
Stanzas 1, 2, 3, and 6

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 *Harmony/Unity* Pastor McEachran

WORD

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 51:4-8

L Word of God.

C Word of Life.

PSALM 80:7-15 *(spoken responsively: A Assisting Minister; C Congregation)*

SECOND LESSON Philippians 3:4b-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.

GOSPEL Matthew 21:33-46

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

C Congregation
A Assisting Minister
P Pastor

SERMON

Are These the End Times?

Pastor McEachran

- 1) Signs all around
- 2) Is there hope?
- 3) Trust God, Walk with Jesus, and Listen to the Holy Spirit

HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesus Loves Me!

ELW Hymn 595

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

Be Thou My Vision
Orchestra

[arr. Jeff Cranfill]

(congregation stands)

OFFERTORY PRAYER



GREAT THANKSGIVING

SANCTUS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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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

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly ELW Hymn 461
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence ELW Hymn 490

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

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 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* ELW Hymn 803

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) 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) Carolyn and Jerry Haralson
(II) Kit and Jan Bowerman
Lectors (I) Scott Lester (II) Dave Marcrander
Ushers (I) Curt and Lois Eckley
(II) Brent Hicks, Alex Nichols-Hicks
Coffee Host Susan and Dennis Hegedus
Orchestra Barbara Spadavecchia, Vishal Erling, Shelly Abner,
Vickie Nelson, Karin Islip, *violin*
Nancy McEachran, Brian Lew, Carolyn Wyman, *viola*
Lauren Root, Michelle Nelson, John Andresen,
Fred Clarke, *cello*
Linda Peragine, *bass*
Wendy Baker, Jakki Parks, Lynne Boeger, *flute*
Bryant Wilkie, *clarinet*
Dennis Calvin, *oboe*
Joan Tweten, *alto sax*
Penny Bugni, *bassoon*
Robin Miller, Sophie Simpson-Khan, *horn*
Jack Prindle, Mark Baker, *trumpet*
Gavin Islip, Spencer Durand, *trombone*
Rob Parks, *percussion*
Matt Camrud, *piano*

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

☪ **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.

☪ **APPLES IN THE PARKING LOT:** Today, Saint Andrew's members Vince and Doris Visaya have brought 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 and leave a donation which will go to the Summer 2018 God Squad (High School) Mission Trip.



☪ **FLU SHOTS** are available today, **October 8**, from 8:00 am to 11:00 am, in 210/Nursery. The shots are administered by the Seattle Visiting Nurse Association. There are two types available: the preservative-free flu shot and the "regular" 4-strain flu shot. All are welcome to get a flu shot, whether or not you signed up in advance. 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. *Please note* that there is no high dose vaccine available. To get a high dose flu shot, call your physician or check with area pharmacies.

Adam and I are grateful for the time we have to spend with our newborn. While I am away for the next three months, you will find many volunteers leading various areas of Discipleship Ministries. Joyce Kasper is the chair of the Discipleship Ministries Committee. Sherry Grindeland will serve as coordinator of Affirmation of Baptism/Confirmation ministries, as well as other aspects of Discipleship Ministries. If you have questions or need to get in touch with Joyce, Sherry, or a volunteer, contact Mary Mills, mary@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529, and she will direct you to the correct person.

Thank you for your support as we embark on our new life as parents to a precious baby.

In Peace,
Emily



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), Emily Harrow (Director of Discipleship Ministries), 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. 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, including display boards with drawings from VIA Architecture. 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.

NEXT SUNDAY AT SAINT ANDREW'S

Ⓡ **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:**
Please note that there will be no worship service captioning next Sunday. Our next captioned service is **November 5** at 11:00 am.

Ⓡ **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS:** In gratefulness for God's creation we will gather next 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.

DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES...LUTHER AND 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, **through 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 HOUR...SUNDAYS AT 9:45 AM

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 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. Today, 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.
- ☞ **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 Philip Melancthon, a lay person. Pastor McEachran leads us through the sections of this important document of Lutheran theology. Copies of the Augsburg Confession are available beginning today.
- ☞ **October 8**
STEPPING INTO THE BIBLE (Faith Stepping Stones for Parents of Third Graders)
Facilitators: Lois Nelson, Kari Henderson
322/Conference Room
Today, **October 8**, Crissie Petro, a counselor from Samaritan Center of Puget Sound (with an office at Saint Andrew's), is 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 29**
REFORMATION 500 CELEBRATION
301/Fellowship Hall North
Join us for a celebration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation!

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☞ **November 5**
FINDING YOUR OWN THEOLOGY
301/Fellowship Hall North
 Presenter: Sue Hougum
 Sue Hougum, former professor of Christian Education/Early Childhood Education at Trinity Lutheran College in Everett, will lead us through a discussion on finding our own Theology.

☞ **November 5**
STEPPING INTO ADULTHOOD (Faith Stepping Stones for Parents of High School Seniors)
 Facilitators: Lois Nelson, Kari Henderson
322/Conference Room
 Our discussion includes how to support these students in their faith journey as they transition to college or the workplace.
 Students are blessed and presented with a quilt/gift from their family on **June 10, 2018**.

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?
 This week, we explore the Passion narratives of the four gospels: Matthew 26-27, Mark 14-15, and Luke 22-23 (John 12-19). Bring your favorite translation, invite a friend, and join this tour of the gospels.

DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES...YOUTH

- * **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.
- * **GOD SQUAD and FIRE FORCE** (students in grades 6-12): TODAY, **October 8**, we are preparing and serving 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.

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- * **FIRE FORCE** (youth in grades 6-8):
 - **Fall Lock In!** Next 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. Sign up in the Narthex.
- * **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**.

OUTREACH AND SERVANT MINISTRIES

- ♥ **PROVIDE MEALS FOR CONGREGATIONS FOR THE HOMELESS:** Through next 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 12.** Sign up in the Narthex. For more information, contact Marlyn Thorpe.
- ♥ **PERSONAL CARE KITS - URGENT NEED:** A plea was received 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.

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♥ **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.

♥ **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.

♥ **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.

♥ **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.

- **THANK YOU** for all the donations to the **SPARE CHANGE FOR WATER AND SEEDS** collection. Your loose change will help the 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. We collected **\$1069.95** - 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

- ✠ **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, **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.
- ✠ **W.E.B.S. (Women's Evening Book Study)**: Wednesdays, **through 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.
- ✠ **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. Sign up in the Narthex. 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! Sign up in the Narthex so that we can plan adequately for food and seating. 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. 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 Marcander.

✠ **KNITWITS (Knitting as Witnesses)**

Sunday, **November 12**, 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.

✠ **TUESDAY MORNING MEN**

Facilitator: Dave Marcander

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!

✠ **SMALL GROUPS:** Small groups have been formed and will soon begin meeting once a month 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.

If you would like to be a part of a small group, contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529. Indicate which night works best for you – Friday or Sunday.

✠ **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.

✠ **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 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 15: Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 25:1-9; Psalm 23; Philippians 4:1-9; Matthew 22:1-14

Servers for October 15
Presiding Minister: Pastor James McEachran

Assisting Ministers:

(I) Jon Thorpe (II) Jean Wahlstrom

Communion Assistants:

(I) Judy Gowdy (II) Jan Bowerman

Acolytes:

(I) Sonja Wetmore (II) Jack Holmes

Altar Guild:

Janan Twito, Donna Nellist

Greeters:

(I) Mikel Oswalt (II) Nancy and Mark Davis

Lectors:

(II) Nayna McLennan

Ushers:

(I) The Lester Family

(II) The Carmichael Family

Coffee Hosts:

Matt and Christine Camrud

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)

