

Reformation Sunday

GATHERING

Please silence all electronic devices and prepare for worship.

PRELUDE *Whoever Lets Our Dear God Rule* [J.S. Bach]

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DAY Pastor McEachran

HYMN *Holy God, We Praise Your Name* ELW Hymn 414

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

C And also with you.

KYRIE

HYMN OF PRAISE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(congregation is seated)

A TIME FOR LITTLE DISCIPLES Pastor McEachran

We Are All God's Children

WORD

FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 31:31-34

L Word of God.

C Word of Life.

MUSIC *God Is Our Refuge and Strength* [Allen Pote]
Chancel Choir

SECOND LESSON Romans 3:19-28

L Word of God.

C Word of Life.

(congregation stands)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

P The Good News of Jesus according to John.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL John 8:31-36

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

C Congregation
A Assisting Minister
P Pastor

SERMON

Luther's Top Ten

Pastor McEachran

HYMN OF THE DAY *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

ELW Hymn 504

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

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you. *(shared in community)*

OFFERING

Music of the Spheres [Kevin McChesney]
(Let Praise Ring Through All The World)

Handbell Choir, Organ

(congregation stands)

OFFERTORY PRAYER



GREAT THANKSGIVING

SANCTUS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

(congregation is seated)

LAMB OF GOD

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

<i>The Church's One Foundation</i>	ELW Hymn 654
<i>We Walk by Faith</i>	ELW Hymn 635
<i>Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring</i>	ELW Hymn 691

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

S E N D I N G

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN *O God, Our Help in Ages Past* ELW Hymn 632

- 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

<i>Presiding Minister</i>	Pastor James N. McEachran
<i>Director of Music Ministries/Organist</i>	Dr. Will Simpson
<i>Assisting Ministers</i>	(I) Sharon Gurtel (II) Karen Grams
<i>Communion Assistants</i>	(I) Judi Miller (II) Celeste Ackerbloom
<i>Acolytes</i>	(I) Sonja Wetmore, Emily Elien (II) Alden Johnson, Izzy Clarke
<i>Crucifer</i>	(I) Livi Myhre
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Gayle Rhymes, Bev Anderson
<i>Greeters</i>	(I) The Dolan Family (II) Beverley Watt
<i>Lectors</i>	(I) Mikel Oswalt (II) Joni Barrott
<i>Ushers</i>	(I) Diane and Andy Hogle (II) The Clarke Family
<i>Coffee Host</i>	Karen Getzinger
<i>Brass Ensemble</i>	Mark Baker, Jack Prindle, Mary Davis, <i>trumpet</i> Gavin Islip, Pam Lindner, <i>trombone</i> Mike Lindner, <i>bass trombone</i> Rob Parks, <i>percussion</i>

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

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W E L C O M E

TODAY AT SAINT ANDREW'S

- ① **THE FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God by the Laub family - Jeff, Karen, Ainsley, Owen, and Avery - in loving memory of Karen's Dad, Don Hanson.
- ① **REFORMATION SUNDAY** is today. It marks a time of festive remembrance of the renewal that came through the life and ministry of Martin Luther and reformers who brought the clear Gospel call of "by grace through faith alone in Jesus Christ" as central to the mission of the church. Red is the festive color of celebration in the church year.



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 tools, the Mission Assessment Profile (MAP) survey, and Listening Interviews with individuals and groups, have been completed. The Joshua Group is assessing this input, and will report to the congregation in the coming months.

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. Members of the Building Remodel Team are in the Pathways Hub on Sunday mornings and look forward to talking with you. There are also forms available to provide written feedback.

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

- Ⓢ **DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS** next Sunday, **November 5**. Set your clocks **BACK** one hour before going to bed on Saturday.
- Ⓢ **NAME TAGS:** The first Sunday of the month is the time to wear name tags. This is a wonderful way to get acquainted and greet those around you.
- Ⓢ **BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK:** Come to Room 212 between 9:30 am and 10:30 am. Health care professionals from Health and Wholeness Ministry will take your blood pressure and discuss concerns.
- Ⓢ **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 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 29****REFORMATION 500 CELEBRATION**

301/Fellowship Hall North

Join us for a celebration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation! We will celebrate with games and a Luther Trivia.

☞ **November 5****FINDING YOUR OWN THEOLOGY**

Presenter: Sue Houglum

301/Fellowship Hall North

Sue Houglum, 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 AND Young Adults)**

Facilitators: Dr. Timothy Weber,

Lois Nelson, Kari Henderson

322/Conference Room

As part of the Faith Stepping Stones ministry, Dr. Timothy Weber leads this session for **parents of high school seniors and young adults**.

Please come to be supported as we continue to explore parenting this age group as they become increasingly independent.

☞ **November 12****CONGREGATION COUNCIL REPORT**

Facilitators: The Executive Committee: President Scott Lester, Vice President Art Gurtel, Secretary Stein Dolan, Treasurer Joni Barrott, Pastor McEachran

301/Fellowship Hall North

Join us for a conversation with your Executive Committee of the Congregation Council. We will share the process of developing the 2018 Current Fund Budget, and bring updates on the Pathways to Renewal at Saint Andrew's.

☞ **November 19****STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT FAIR**

301/Fellowship Hall North

* Fellowship and Treats

\$ Commitment and Mission and Ministry

✚ Looking Forward Together

☞ **November 26****ADVENT FAIR**

Facilitators: Sherry Grindeland, Beth Donahoe, Mary Davis

301/Fellowship Hall

Join us for the annual Advent Fair during the Discipleship Hour. Enjoy fellowship, treats, crafts and activities for all ages. Pick up your Advent devotional materials, too.

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.” We continue to read into the Gospels and their story of Jesus. We are concluding the Resurrection Narratives (Matthew 28:1-8, Mark 16:1-8, Luke 24:1-12, and John 20:1-13). We will then begin digging into the Birth Narratives (Matthew 1:1-2:23 and Luke 1:1-2:52). This series will conclude on **November 14**.

A new series will guide us through John 13-17 as we conclude the year looking into some of the Upper Room teachings of Jesus. Our theme will be **“Jesus and His Own.”**

DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES...YOUTH

*** 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.
- **God Squad Lock In**
Friday-Saturday, **December 1-2**,
5:00 pm - 12:00 noon
Join us for winter fun. On Friday we will meet at 5:00 pm at Saint Andrew’s and enjoy the Bellevue Magic Season Ice Arena, Sock Samurai, and late night pizza with a movie! In the morning we will serve with the Chicken Soup Brigade as we pack bags of nutritious food intended for home bound people around King County. Sign up in the Narthex.
- **Holden Village:** We are headed back to Holden Village next spring, **May 18-20, 2018**, for an unplugged weekend of fun and fellowship. Sign up in the Narthex by **January 14, 2018**.
- **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.

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

- **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.
- **SHEEP AND SHEPHERDS** (families with youth age birth through grade 5):
 - **Little Lambs Fellowship:**
Parents of children under two, please join us in 210/Nursery for fellowship on the first Sunday of each month. The youngest Sheep and Shepherds families are invited for snacks and coffee, visiting, and play time. Join us on Sunday, **November 5**, at 9:45 am.
 - **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**.

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- * **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

♥ **PERSONAL CARE KITS:** 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 collecting items for our fall shipment of Personal Care Kits. Especially needed is

- **SOAP** (4-5 ounce bars, in original packaging)

Also needed are:

- toothbrushes - adult size
 - 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 Monday, **October 30**, to be included in the next shipment. Help us to help others.

♥ **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.

♥ **BRIDGE DISABILITY MINISTRIES GIFTS:** Bridge Disability Ministries is a faith-based organization, located on the Eastside, with services to help people with disabilities. Every holiday season, within the Love Tree program, several Saint Andrew's families have each "adopted" a Bridge client. Each of those families then buys gifts for that person from a list that is provided. The list for each person will be matched with the Saint Andrew's family and be ready for pick up on Sunday, **November 5**. The gifts must be returned to the church by **November 22**.

There is a need for new Saint Andrew's families to "adopt" one of the people this year. Please contact Joanne Baker if you would like to participate in this very special ministry.

♥ **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**.

In **November**, we'll collect a variety of foods that will be used to fill Emergency Bags for Hopelink. The bags will be packed as part of the Advent Fair on November 26. For next Sunday, **November 5**, you are invited to bring

- **tuna** (507 ounce cans, packed in water)
- **pasta** (16 ounce packages of dry pasta), and
- **pasta sauce** (24 ounce CANS.)

For more information, contact Debbie Szabo.

- ♥ **BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION:** Last December Jean Wahlstrom and Marvin Kananen volunteered for a month at the Navajo Lutheran Mission (NELM) in Rock Point, Arizona, an ELCA project. The Mission School has invited Saint Andrew's to participate in an easy way to secure needed school supplies and equipment. Cut out and bring those little coupons found on various food containers (General Mills products and others). Collect and put them in the envelope attached to the bulletin board in the Narthex, labeled BOX TOPS. Collectively, these box tops will really add up to enable these children to get a better education!! To learn more, visit www.nelm.org/school or contact Jean Wahlstrom.
- ♥ **PLASTER HOUSE IN TANZANIA:** The Plaster House is a rehabilitation center in Tanzania for post-surgery children, usually in casts (hence the term "Plaster House"). For reasons of health and nutrition, many children cannot rehab successfully in their villages/homes while in casts. They need to stay at the center; the average stay being four weeks. Marvin Kananen and Jean Wahlstrom will travel to Tanzania in 2018 for a Plaster House board meeting and to celebrate the opening of the new dormitory and volunteer house. They would like to take 150 pounds of needed items for children age 3-15 to the Plaster House. Donations of the following can be placed in the basket in the Narthex.
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| DUPLO blocks | pencils |
| scissors | underwear (non-white) |
| metric rulers | socks (non-white) |
| flashcards (math and English language) | |
- To learn more about the Plaster House, visit www.theplasterhouse.org.
- ♥ **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.
- ♥ **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.
- ♥ **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.

- We give thanks for the \$1742 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

✠ **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 Marcrander.

✠ **LITTLE LAMBS FELLOWSHIP**
Sunday, **November 5**, 9:45 am, 210/Nursery
Parents of children under two, please join us in 210/Nursery for fellowship on the first Sunday of each month. The youngest Sheep and Shepherd families are invited for snacks and coffee, visiting, and play time.

✠ **SAINT ANDREW'S STAMPERS:** All are welcome to join the Saint Andrew's Stampers next Sunday, **November 5**, at 12:30 pm in 301/Fellowship Hall North to make cards for our staff to send to members in need (sympathy, thinking of you, welcome baby, etc). Anyone ages 12 and up is welcome. Come and make one card or several, stay for 15 minutes or the entire time. This is a fun opportunity to give back to our staff at Saint Andrew's. The cards will be ready to stamp and assemble. Bring your own snack or sack lunch. Contact Nancy R. Davis for questions or to let her know you are coming (you may also just show up). If you would like to be added to the "Stampers" email list, contact Nancy.

✠ **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, **November 8** at the Sichuanese Cuisine at Overlake, 15005 NE 24th Street, Redmond. Contact Carolyn McKenna by Monday, **November 6**, if you would like to join us.

✠ **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.

- ✠ **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 delve into our books, 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.
- ✠ **CHILDREN'S CHOIR:** Calling all students in kindergarten through middle school! You are invited to join us for Children's Choir as we prepare to sing on **December 17** at both worship services. This is a great opportunity for you to be a very important part of our worship service that day. Plan to join us; we need your voice! Rehearsals are Sundays, **November 19, November 26, December 3, and December 10**, all from 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm in 215/Music Room. Contact Children's Choir Director Erin Simpson for more information or to let her know of your interest.
- ✠ **SMALL GROUPS:** Small groups meet once a month for fellowship and conversation. We enjoy getting to know one another by sharing conversation, some God talk and dessert. Groups meet on Friday night or Sunday night monthly from **through May** in someone's home. 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 CONCERT SERIES** begins its 2017-2018 season with two December concerts!
- Friday, **December 2**, at 7:00 pm, join us for an evening of Mozart, Piazzola, Rutter, and Christmas favorites, played by **The Emmaus Trio** in the Sanctuary lit by candle light. Relax to an hour of beautiful music in a peaceful and spiritual setting. Reset your yourself and enjoy music that will feed your soul and mind. Mozart's Piano Trio in B-flat, two of Piazzola's Tangos, and several Christmas pieces make for a refreshing evening and start to the Advent season. A reception will follow in 301/Fellowship Hall. The Emmaus Trio is Karin Islip, violin; Lauren Root, cello; and Dr. Will Simpson, piano.
 - Sunday, **December 17**, at 4:00 pm, **Bells of the Sound** presents "Peace on Earth" featuring traditional carols and songs of peace from around the world. Join us on this goodwill journey to ring in the holiday spirit! Saint Andrew's member Vanessa Wilkie is a member of Bells of the Sound. Visit www.bellofthesound.org for more information.
- ✠ **GINGERBREAD HOUSE DECORATING** Sunday, **December 3**, 12:15 pm
Our annual Gingerbread House Decorating party is for everyone - bring the entire family for an afternoon of creative fun! We will enjoy a potluck lunch and decorate gingerbread houses. Sign up in the Narthex to reserve your spot and a house.
- ✠ **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. It is a blessing to share this time together in learning and fellowship - please join us!

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✠ 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.

Stewardship and Finance Update

Contributions and Expenses – 2017 Operating Fund Financial Report: ending September 2017

	<u>September Actual</u>	<u>August Actual</u>	<u>2017 Year-to-Date Actual</u>	<u>2017 Year-to-Date Budget</u>
Contributions/Income	\$ 55,376	\$ 48,304	\$ 594,192	\$ 637,760
Expenses	<u>66,817</u>	<u>70,276</u>	<u>629,896</u>	<u>664,315</u>
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (11,441)	\$ (21,972)	\$ (35,704)	\$ (26,555)

September current fund contributions were lower than expenses by \$11,441. September financial results increased our year-to-date (YTD) deficit to \$35,704. Please note that this is the fourth month in a row where giving has been lower than expenses, and we are currently almost \$44,000 below budgeted giving YTD.

Your continued support and gifts to Saint Andrew’s for our mission and ministries are greatly appreciated. Thanks be to God!

Your Finance Committee,

John Andresen
 Joni Barrott, Congregation Treasurer/Council Liaison
 Brady Kasper, Finance Committee Chair

Russ Stark, Staff Accounting Assistant
 Jeff Stedman

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- REFORMATION EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY:** There are several Reformation 500 celebrations and worship opportunities in our community....
- 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, November 5: All Saints Sunday

Revelation 7:9-17; Psalm 34:1-10, 22; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12

Servers for November 5

Presiding Minister: Pastor James McEachran

Assisting Ministers:

(I) Tom Getzinger (II) Shana Nielsen

Communion Assistants:

(I) Art Gurtel (II) Livi Myhre

Acolytes:

(I) Grace Cottrell (II) Collin Feldman

Altar Guild:

Ann Berglind, Ruth Miller

Greeters:

(I) Diane and Andy Hogle

Lectors:

(I) Brett Nelson (II) David Mills

Ushers:

(I) Mikel Oswald, Quinn Myhre

(II) Mark Davis, Sherry Grindeland

Coffee Host:

Matt and Christine Camrud