
❖ The Joyful Noise ❖

St. Andrew Lutheran Church

Pastor Larry Mort

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A Note From The Pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

These days the words stewardship has lost much of its meaning in the church. It has become relegated to a few weeks in September and October, and has become synonymous with the annual fund raising campaign of local congregations. That is certainly a disservice to the people of God and to our life together as the Church. Stewardship has nothing to do with fund raising, and has everything to do with living as God's children in the world.

According to our ancient ancestors of faith, when God created the world he place humankind in the midst of his creation and appointed us caretakers and guardians of all he had created. He named us stewards of his whole creation. He blessed us with a wonderful gift. He gifted us with the world we call our home, the expanse of the sky above filled with stars and heavenly bodies to marvel our imaginations. He filled our home with very kind of vegetation and animal. He gave us the most precious gift of life itself. And he made sure we do not have to spend our days alone, but we are given family, and neighbors with which to share our lives.

God also called us to responsibility. He called us to care for everything with which we have been blessed. He called us—he calls us—to us what we have been given and that which has been placed into our care. He calls us to protect it, watch over it, share it, and use it wisely as needed. In short he has made us stewards of what he made.

That stewardship of all God made extends beyond the material stuff that we collect along way. We are also stewards of our bodies and minds. We are stewards of the people who accompany us on our journey through life. We are stewards of the time given us in which to live our lives. Everything and everyone becomes part of our stewarding of life.

The talents, skills, and interests we develop are used not as isolated pursuits. Instead, they become part of a larger whole. They are of value to us, but also they serve a greater good of caring, and enriching what God has made and given into our care.

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In short all of life is a matter of stewardship. Every action has implications on our care for God's creation. It is never a matter of choosing to be a steward or choosing to decline the role of steward. Instead, it is a matter of being a good steward or being a poor steward of that with which God has blessed us.

As we act, as we make decisions, it is vital for us to think about the results of those actions and decisions. What effect will they have on me as a gift from God? What effect will my actions and decisions have on those around me as gifts of God? What effect will my actions and decisions have on the world and everything in it created by God and given into my care as God's gift? Only after answering those questions should we act. Only then can we act as stewards of what God has made and entrusted into our care.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Mort

EASTER BREAKFAST ~ April 20th



Plan to attend our annual Easter breakfast from 7:00 A.M. till 8:30 A.M. and 9:30 to 11:00. Join a good breakfast before or after church. We are planning a complete different menu this year. Come and enjoy the fellowship. Quicker then going to Bob Evans. If you are willing to help please let Rhonda Brite or Paula Bussard know. We can use help setting up on Saturday and then cleaning up after the breakfast.

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Happy Birthday

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

**Happy Birthday to everyone celebrating
a birthday in the month of April!**

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him may not perish but may have eternal life.” John 3:16

Jill Camardese 4/02
Leslie Tramosch 4/02
Joseph Balogh 4/03
Benjamin Liefeld 4/05
Grace McQuade 4/05
Daniel Miller 4/05
Robert Litterini 4/09
Aaron Oliver 4/09
Frank Hvostal 4/10

Julia Tehovnik 4/10
Jamie Schumacher 4/14
Bill Werthen 4/15
Aaylah Ludwiczak 4/17
Anthony Cirrincione 4/18
Esther Krafft 4/18
Francesca Schumacher 4/18
Dave Bartoe 4/21
Jason Ferry 4/22
Justine Hvostal 4/22

Randall Stello 4/23
Michael Snyder 4/24
Barbara Pergar 4/26
Julie Bookser 4/27
Paulette Cignetti 4/27
Daniel O'Rourke 4/27
Karen Tehovnik 4/28
Jacob Walker 4/28
Ava Butterfield 4/30
Edward Krafft 4/30

**We apologize if your birthday is not included. Please call the office to update the list.*

Bible Reading Plan April 1st- 30th Old/ New Testament	April 1: Deut. 33-34	Mk. 12:28-44	April 16: Judges 1-2	Lk. 1:1-25
	April 2: Joshua 1	Mk. 13:1-13	April 17: Judges 3	Lk. 1:26-38
	April 3: Joshua 2-3	Mk. 13:14-27	April 18: Judges 4-5	Lk. 1:39-56
	April 4: Joshua 4-5	Mk. 13:28-37	April 19: Judges 6-7	Lk. 1:57-80
	April 5: Joshua 6-7	Mk. 14:1-11	April 20: Judges 8	Lk. 2:1-20
	April 6: Joshua 8-9	Mk. 14:12-21	April 21: Judges 9	Lk. 2:21-38
	April 7: Joshua 10	Mk. 14:22-31	April 22: Judges 10-11	Lk. 2:39-52
	April 8: Joshua 11-12	Mk. 14:32-42	April 23: Judges 12-13	Lk. 3:1-20
	April 9: Joshua 13-14	Mk. 14:43-52	April 24: Judges 14-15	Lk. 3:21-38
	April 10: Joshua 15	Mk. 14:53-72	April 25: Judges 16-17	Lk. 4:1-15
	April 11: Joshua 16-17	Mk. 15:1-15	April 26: Judges 18-19	Lk. 4:16-30
	April 12: Joshua 1-19	Mk. 15:16-32	April 27: Judges 20-21	Lk. 4:31-44
	April 13: Joshua 20-21	Mk. 15:33-41	April 28: Ruth 1-2	Lk. 5:1-11
	April 14: Joshua 22	Mk. 15:42-47	April 29: Ruth 3-4	Lk. 5:12-26
	April 15: Joshua 23-24	Mk. 16:1-8	April 30: 1 Samuel 1-2	Lk. 5:27-39

Altar Flowers



There are still 15 dates available to sign up for altar flowers in 2014.
Cost is \$35 and you may dedicate them in honor,
or memory of anyone you choose! Sign up today!

SEDER DINNER

Friday, April 4, 2014
5:30 p.m.

Come and join with our family in the celebration of this ancient festival!



Adult's Night Out will be on Friday, April 25th at 6:00 PM.
We will be going to Peter's Place in Bridgeville. It is very
easy to find; take I 79 South to the Kirwin Heights Exit and
the restaurant is a very short distance on the right. Please
RSVP to Carol Crawford (412)-269-7725, Grace McQuade at
(412)-262-2318 or sign-up in the narthex.



WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunrise Service 6:30 am

Breakfast 7:15 am

Celebration Service 8:30 am

Breakfast 9:45 am

Celebration Service 11:00 am

EASTER PROGRAM

There will be Easter Play Rehearsals on Saturday, April 5th and Saturday, April 12th from 9:15-11:00 am. E-mails will be going out to parents in a couple of weeks, asking about participation. This is our first year putting this together and we hope everyone can be involved. We'd like to invite everyone to join us for the Easter Program on Sunday, April 13th at 9:45 (in place of Sunday school). Our children work hard and it's always fun to watch them perform!

~Angela Arndt & Christine Lunz, Easter Program Co-Directors

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Something **WEIRD** is coming to St. Andrew Lutheran Church this summer! "God filled the world with lots of crazy creatures...including you!" So, when you feel different or lost in a crowd, remember that God's love is unconditional and one-of-a-kind. **Please mark your calendars!** WEIRD ANIMALS: Where Jesus' Love is One-of-a-Kind VBS will be held from Sunday, July 27th-Thursday, July 31st from 6:00-8:30 pm.

~Angela Arndt & Christine Lunz, VBS Co-Directors

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Agnes Miller, Raquel Burke, Adelina Burke, Lily Burke, Ed Nelson,
Frank Bruno, Rose & Bill Werthen, Mike & Sally Mihalo, Luise Keppel,
Ralph Blosser, Dorothy Balogh, David & Evelyn Bartoe, Steve Brite &
Rona Gralitzer, Kathy White, Mary Kochanowski, Marie Schrieber,
Craig Whitkey



Bill and Jaunita Page	Parents of Martha Baxter
Mary Lou Bowser	Cousin of Tara Ludwiczak
Josh Prigorac	Moon High School Teacher
Kristi Magneson	Niece of Sandy Schuman
Leah McPherson	Granddaughter of Rhonda Brite
Gabrielle Chew	Friend of Mamrose family
Judy & Stephen Puskar	Cousins of the Azzizi & Betlyn Family
Susan Steen	Friend of Azzizi & Betlyn Family
Scott Mullen	Nephew of Jeff & Kathy McKinley
Michael Liptak	Nephew of Jeff & Kathy McKinley
Maura Schwab	Friend of Schumaker Family
Rich Kyper	Friend of Hazelbaker Family
Christopher Bunyan	Grandson of Rich Kyper
Stan Bookser	Father-in-Law of Julie Bookser
Diane & Michael Hornyak	Parents of Steven Hornyak
Gary Springer	Neighbor of Billie & Marty Schuller
Bob Heisler	Husband of LaVerne
Ed Ludwiczak	Father-in-Law of Tara Ludwiczak
Charles & Susan Croyl	Parents of Tara Ludwiczak
Sylvia Hall	Mother of Karen Tehovnik
Baby Willie	Perfett Baby
Emily Litterini	Granddaughter of Bob and Christine Litterini
Cindy Wilson	Cousin of Bob Litterini

IN MEMORIAM:

Robert Flood,
Friend of Werthew Family

Baby Rachel Stum,
Grandchild of Jackie Knowlton



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

James Ludwiczak, husband of Tara Ludwiczak

Daniel J. Bustingier, grandson of the Late Lois Bustingier

James Riss, son-in-law of Paula & Jeff Bussard

Chaz Tress, friend of the Nelsons, Army

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We Serve

MUTUAL MINISTRY TEAM

The team gathers to discuss various topics dealing with congregational life. If you feel that an issue needs to be addressed in the congregation, the members of the Mutual Ministry Team are able to listen and get the information to the appropriate person(s).

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The Encouragement Team: Caring Cards Monthly Authors

March ~ Gale Loberg
 April ~ Laverne Heisler
 May ~ Marie Schrieber
 June ~ Babs Yingst
 July ~ Kasey Nicol
 August ~ Sharry Mackintosh
 September ~ Nina Manack
 October ~ Carol Crawford



Council Meeting Schedule

Council Meetings are open
to all members.

The Council typically meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month starting at 7:00 pm. Some meetings have been rescheduled. Your attendance is welcomed.

Here are the planned meeting dates for the first half of 2014. Please check Sunday bulletins and weekly email updates for last minute changes.

April 10 ~ May 8



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Looking Ahead:

Sunday, May 11th—Mother's Day

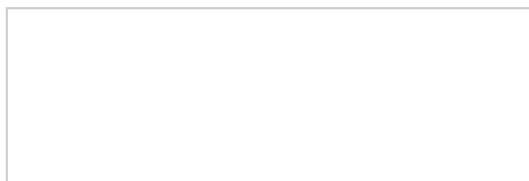
**May 29th—Ascension of Our Lord
Worship Service at 6:00 pm**



**Baptized in Christ,
We Spread the Word of God
and Share His Love.**

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