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## ST. ANDREWS LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

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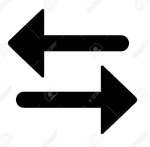
**David Christiansen** - Minister of Music

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### Official Acts - May



#### Transferred In:

Peter and Ashley Herrnreiter

From Ascension Lutheran (Niles, IL)

Pamela Retzke

From Good Shepherd (Des Plaines, IL)

Patricia Quinlan

From Good Shepherd (Des Plaines, IL)

#### Confirmands:

Emma Irene Asien

Jackson Howard Butterfield

Lucille Randalynn Cook

Henry Maxwell Daniel

Avenlee Nicolette Fehrmann

Ashley Claire Gaba

Alyssa Mae Gianola

Margaretha Virginia Grabske

Lauren Elizabeth Johnson

Shae Ashlyn Knieling

Hayley Jo Schoen

**JULY  
BIRTHDAYS**

2 Ed Fechner  
Tim Michaels  
Lisa Tobias  
3 Erin Ellsworth  
4 Nathan Barney  
5 John Aper  
James Keefe  
Jeremiah Knott  
6 Dawn Mikulski  
Mandy Ori  
Madalein Rieger  
Carla Staniec  
7 Rosie Fechner  
Kate Gonzalez  
Katie Kinell  
Carl Steffen  
8 Denise Hacke  
Kris Heller  
Cheryl Sellke  
9 James Kress  
Dan Weyland  
10 Owen Demke  
Laura Jason  
11 Michael Chatham  
Jean Ward  
12 Janelle Sloma  
13 Marianne Polmanski  
14 Jennifer Bauer  
Ron Kraatz  
15 Edward Lanum  
Henry Navis  
Gary Somerman  
16 Estéban Schildwachter  
17 Kristi Frank  
Sydney Stotts  
19 Kevin Boggs  
Devin Boulamatsis  
Elvis Gonzalez  
Art Steinke  
20 Jennifer Bulinski  
21 Michelle Keefe  
22 Stephen Little  
23 Marcella Carlson  
24 Quentin DeSantis  
Beverly Steinke  
Katharina Wolf

25 Damion Claybaker  
Terri Mirow  
26 Paul Claybaker  
Jane Fizzell  
Kathleen Riordan  
Jack Rouse  
27 Rachel King  
Dale Mueller  
28 Jared Lendy  
29 Thomas Cox  
31 Margaretha Grabske



**BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS**

Peggy Brander  
Richard Michaels  
Daniel Riordan  
1 Zachary Lasch  
3 Donald Brandfellner  
9 AnaCecilia  
Schildwachter  
Santiago  
Schildwachter  
10 Carmela Ori  
14 Gary Cupp  
18 Megan Snow  
21 Cathy Cupp  
22 James Keefe  
Kathy Kraatz  
23 Mason Par  
28 Ron Kraatz  
29 Nathan Wolf  
30 Rosie Fechner  
31 Elizabeth Heller



**WEDDING  
ANNIVERSARIES**

1 Amy & Lee Lidik  
3 Nancy & Gary Lynn  
4 Pastor Lee &  
Carolynn Joesten  
6 Beth & Luke Cutler  
12 Jocelyn & David  
Gillaspie  
16 Karen & Glenn Buric  
20 Laura & John Rouse  
25 Nancy & Ray Frank  
29 Cathy & Gary Cupp  
Carla & Wayne Staniec

Please call Nichole  
in the church office  
(847.823.6656, X100)  
if your special day is  
not listed.

Thanks.

**“And God said, ‘My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.’” – Exodus 33:14**

**I don't know about you, but I don't like to admit that I need to rest.** So much of my time is spent being busy and being busy feels GREAT! So many items to check off the list, and it is just so satisfying to scratch that pencil across that box on the paper. But as we find our way into July, I need to you to tell you that I need some rest. It didn't dawn on me how “empty my tank” was until we got through the school year and were firmly established in our summer schedule. I know I am not alone in this, but making so many changes, and decisions, and following metrics and data so closely took its toll on me. So, for the rest of this summer, I'm really going to try and rest. (Doesn't that sound funny, Try to Rest?!?) But it is something that takes effort, after all, it IS one of the 10 Commandments! I am going to enjoy preaching, and visiting those in need, and baptisms, and all of it. However, I am also going to take some time to try and reconnect with my family and let the hamster in the wheel in my mind take a little break.

**I'm tired but in no way disheartened.** This pandemic was thrust upon us all, and we all felt its impact. We had no choice in the matter. HOWEVER, as we come out of it, I realize how blessed I am to have weathered this storm with all of you! I can't thank you all enough for your support, your generosity, your encouragement, and your fellowship in Christ. As I sat in the Voter's Meeting (which I had to leave briefly to do a BAPTISM! How cool is THAT?!) I couldn't help but celebrate all that God did at St. Andrews during these times. Our School thrived, our church membership actually grew, we pushed ourselves to reach more people online, GOD BROUGHT PASTOR SAM TO US, God still did his work through us! NONE of this would have been possible had not the faithful people in the St. Andrews family been so supportive and willing to take some risks for the sake of the Gospel. I don't know what else to say, but “thank you,” over and over again.

**There is still a lot going on this Summer!** We are in the process of adding a Kindergarten classroom and finishing the new youth room, and now with the voter's approval, we are going to be replacing the gym floor and redoing the back parking lot! WOW, St. Andrews is an active place! I am so thankful for our Buildings and Grounds board as they are taking on SO MUCH right now. Lastly, I want to say a big thanks to Keith Grabske, who has been our Congregation President for the last 6 years. We have made so many changes in these years for the better, and he has been a rock and great leader. Thanks so much Keith!

Your Brother in Christ,

Pastor Matt Hoffmann



## **BOARD OF SERVICE MINISTRY**



The Harbour is a local Park Ridge agency that provides emergency housing and services to young women between the ages of 12 and 22 who are experiencing homelessness in north and northwest suburban Cook County. The Harbour empowers young people to be self sufficient through providing safe housing, counseling, and other support services. St. Andrews members can support this worthy program by donating basic necessities for setting up an apartment when these youth move into their own apartment. To see a complete list of items and to sign up to donate, please go to the St. Andrews website. You will be able to drop off your donated item(s) on Saturday, July 10 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at the rear parking lot entrance. Someone from the Board of Service Ministry will be there to receive your donation. Thank you for your participation.

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## **POLICE SURVIVORS FUND RAISER:**



Help Officer Jenny Bulinski raise money to support families and co-workers who lost loved ones in the line of duty. Through a non-profit organization called Concerns of Police Survivors, she will be walking, running, biking, and swimming for 491 minutes in the month of July. 491 is the number of police officers who lost their lives in the line of duty in 2020 and 2021 so far. All prayers and donations are appreciated. Thank you. You can go to the St. Andrews website to click on the link below to make donations:

[Concerns of Police Survivors](#)