

ST. ANDREWS LINE - Pentecost (June 11)

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Serving, Sending and Supporting Families in Christ
WELCOME, AND THANK YOU FOR JOINING US
TODAY!



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**SIGN UP FOR COMMUNION ASSISTANT/SUNDAY READER/COFFEE HOUR HOST @
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NEWS AND EVENTS:

LCMS GIFT PLANNING: QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DEDUCTIONS (QCD)

...still a great source for charitable gifts to St. Andrews and the ministries you care about.

Basically, the same rules as in 2022: A direct transfer of funds from your IRA to a qualified charity.

- Not a taxable event and counts toward Required Minimum Distribution (RMD)
- Donors must be 70.5 or older
- Maximum annual amount that can qualify is \$100,000
- Non-reportable income
- No charitable deduction
- Reduce QCD by post 70.5 deductible contributions to IRA
- **A great way to make a gift to St. Andrews Lutheran Church**

Act fast and talk to your financial advisor. For questions or assistance, contact Ray Pagels, our Christian Gift Planning Counselor at ray.pagels@lfnd.org or at 847-226-2262.

SAVE THE DATE: Please mark your calendar for July 30th as we celebrate with David Christiansen his retirement as the Minister of Music for St. Andrews. David has special music planned for our worship service that begins at 9:30 a.m. Following the service there will be a luncheon and program in the gym. Details will be forthcoming in early June.

BAUER USED JIGSAW PUZZLE SALE:

June 10/11 After Church in the gym

500-1000 piece quality jigsaw puzzles.

Free Will Donation benefiting St. Andrews Comfort Dog Ministry

SHARE THE JOY: When God's people molded and worshipped a golden calf as an idol and God seemed almost ready to cancel His covenant relationship with them, God told Moses to "Go down, for your people have corrupted themselves." Moses then appealed to God for mercy, and the people were spared. We can also play the same role as Moses played. We have received God's grace in abundant measure, and we can pray for those who do not want to participate in the life of grace that God offers. Pray, and pray without ceasing!

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Exodus World Service, our June mission of the month, assists refugees who arrive in Chicago without any belonging and, most often, without any family support systems. **Exodus** works with volunteers to make a difference for these people, and the financial support for this endeavor comes primarily from churches in the area. One of the programs that has been developed is called the Welcome to America Pack. Instead of moving into an empty apartment, refugees are able to move in with basic household items collected and delivered by congregation members who have participated in the Welcome to America program. Often these church members meet the refugee family receiving the pack and sometimes develop gratifying friendships with them.

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE: The Food Pantry has a need for jars of pasta sauce, cereal, and squeeze Strawberry jelly. Please **NO BAKED BEANS**. Thanks to all who faithfully support the Food Pantry.
The Board of Service Ministry

MAKING DONATIONS ELECTRONICALLY: There are two ways to donate to St Andrews electronically - you can use either a smart phone app (VancoMobile) or our website (standrewsparkridge.org). The QR code at the top of the front page will take you directly to the website donation page - no need to enter the URL, and no need to use the "Click HERE to Give" link on that page. Both options allow you to make one time donations or to set up regularly scheduled (weekly or monthly) donations, and to designate the purpose of your donation.

HEARING ASSISTANCE: St Andrews has a system which amplifies the sound of our pastors, musicians and readers. Two types of receivers are available. One type clips to your ear, the second type is a loop that is worn around your neck and feeds the sound directly to your hearing aids (if they have telecoil capability). The receivers are stored on the pulpit, readily available for use. They're very easy to try. If you'd like to check them out, please ask Pastor Matt, Pastor Sam or John Snow for assistance.

What has MYRA been up to? (June 1-7)

"Share the Mercy, Compassion, Presence and Proclamation of Jesus Christ to those who are suffering and in need." This is Lutheran Church Charities Mission Statement. The Comfort Dogs live this mission and are the bridge to opening doors and opportunities for conversation to share compassion and mercy.

Myra, along with 7 other Comfort Dogs came together last Sunday at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Hawthorn Woods for a memorial service to honor the ministry of Malachi Comfort Dog and his team. Malachi recently and unexpectedly crossed the Rainbow Bridge. Myra and Malachi served together at many events during the past few years. Malachi will be greatly missed.

Myra's regular visits this week included Chicago Behavioral Hospital in DesPlaines, Central Baptist Village in Norridge, Amazing Grace Senior Living in Chicago, Arbor Terrace in Glenview, The Summit of Uptown in Park Ridge, and Ascension Living Resurrection Village in Chicago. The residents and staff at these facilities have come to know Myra well and look forward to her monthly visits. She also attended the retirement reception for Mrs. Kloess, a very special teacher, who taught at St. Andrews for 32 years! Other activities this week included a visit to Trinity High School in River Forest to provide a calming presence and distraction between final exams. Now that warmer weather has arrived there are more outdoor events requesting comfort dogs and Myra along with 3 other comfort dogs visited the Prospect Heights Police Department Open House.

If you are interested in joining the Comfort Dog Ministry, contact Sarah Feltes via email at sarahjane1212@hotmail.com.

GIFTS FROM GOD'S PEOPLE AT ST. ANDREWS
Weekly Giving Report - June 4

Internal Gifts/ Receipts - General Fund

White Envelope Giving/Plate Offering	5,817.00
Vanco Electronic Giving	<u>7,055.63</u>
TOTAL	12,872.63

External Gifts/ Receipts

Synod/Missions	5.00
Lutheran Church Charities	20.00

Designated Funds:

Comfort Dog Ministry	30.00
Endowment Fund	100.00
Mission of the Month	20.00
Redeeming Life Ministries	210.00
Refugee Groceries	273.00
Translation Equipment	25.00

Other General Funds:

WORSHIP TOTALS:

	<u>Saturday 05/27</u>	<u>Sunday 05/28</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Attended:	55	325	370
Communed:			333

LOOKING AHEAD
SUMMER SCHEDULE
June 17th and 18th
SATURDAY 5:00PM
SUNDAY 9:30AM

PRAYERS: Please keep the following people in your prayers...Don Schap, Vicki Maher, Kathy Duun, Marina, Merrilee Anhalt, Nora Schiewe, Adrienne Schlake, Debbie Piccoli, Stephanie Kunz, Raymond Frank, Dianna Demke, Katie Albers, Kathleen McGrath, Henry Schmidt, Jean Ungar, Betty Yost

Megan Punches

ANNIVERSARIES:

17 Cathy & Dave Fredriksen

BIRTHDAYS:

- 12 Richard Arnone
- Aidan Fehrmann
- Ronald Hoshizaki
- Brian Steffen
- 13 June Castiglia
- Judy Giovannelli
- Janine May
- 14 Tom Brander
- Nathan Wolf
- 15 Amanda Key
- 16 Julia Buric
- Gary Cupp
- Elizabeth Heller
- Beckett Nash
- 17 Keith Grabske
- 18 Reese Jordan

SPECIAL DAYS/CHANCEL FLOWERS: If your special day is missing, please contact Nichole in the church office at nswandel77@gmail.com

If you would like to sponsor the flowers in the chancel, please place cash or a check (made out to St. Andrews) in an envelope and drop it in the collection plate. Please indicate, "in honor of...in memory of..." and the name, on the envelope. The cost of chancel flowers is \$27.50 per bouquet. (There will be two bouquets on the altar. You may sponsor one or both.)