

ST. ANDREWS LINE -

Epiphany/Baptism of Our Lord (January 12)

ST. ANDREWS LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL LCMS

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WELCOME, AND THANK YOU FOR JOINING US TODAY!



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SCAN HERE TO GIVE TO ST. ANDREWS:



NEWS AND EVENTS:

Putting an estate plan together presents many competing priorities around which to make decisions. Certainly, you wish to care for the family you love. Yet even families can present competing priorities. As you consider gifts to family (inheritance), is their need immediate, or is it in the future for something like college education for children? Would you like to begin figuring out God's design for His gifts? Your Christian Gift Planning Counselor can help. Contact Ray Pagels at raymondpagels1@gmail.com or cell # 1-847-226-2262@gmail.com

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE: 207 households visited the St Paul of the Cross food pantry in December. Most needed items are Cold cereal (no Cheerios please), toothpaste, ketchup and mustard and 1 lb bags or boxes of WHITE rice (no flavored rices please). Thank you for your ongoing support!

MISSION OF THE MONTH: The Pilsen area of Chicago is home to a mostly Latino population. Homelessness and unemployment are rampant in this area. St. Matthew Lutheran Church at 2108 W. 21st Street in Pilsen is working to reach the growing number of homeless and unemployed people in that community. An important part of the St. Matthew outreach is a soup kitchen that provides hot meals to feed hungry people while at the same time sharing inspiring devotions to feed their souls. St. Matthew Lutheran Church and its Comedor San Mateo Soup Kitchen is our January Mission of the Month.

SHARE THE JOY: Europe was home to 70 percent of the world's professing Christians in 1900, but by 2000, it was less than 30 percent. Sadly, Christianity in the United States is on the wane to the point that the number of practicing Christians in China is now approaching the number in the United States. Christianity has experienced a geographical redistribution in the last fifty years larger than in any comparable period in history, with the exception of the very earliest years of church history. Christianity has blossomed in Africa, Asia, and South America even as it has become less influential in Europe and North America. What does this mean for us and for the future of St. Andrews? Will we eagerly and enthusiastically Share the Joy in our community, or will we allow our numbers to shrink and our church to become irrelevant in Park Ridge?

FOURTH FRIDAY FAMILY FELLOWSHIP!: Starting this month on January 24, we will be having a night of family fellowship and fun for ALL AGES every 4th Friday of the month. We will have a fellowship meal and time to let the kids run wild around the gym from 6 - 6:40pm. After that we will have Bible Studies for ALL AGES from 6:40-7:15pm, Adult/High School Bible Study in the Gym, Preschool through K in the Kindergarten Room, 1st - 4th in the Chapel, 5th - Middle in the Youth Room. Hope to see you there!

MITTEN MINISTRY: The Board of Fellowship has put up a smaller Christmas tree in the Narthex for contributions to the MITTEN ministry. Please feel free to add mittens, gloves, hats, scarfs, or any warm outer wear to the tree. We will be collecting through January 20th and bringing the items to St. Paul Lutheran Church in Skokie, Il. Any questions feel free to reach out to Jenny Dougherty, Rachel Holler or Jim Jordan.

GIFTS FROM GOD'S PEOPLE AT ST. ANDREWS

Weekly Giving Report - December 22

<u>Internal Gifts/ Receipts - General Fund</u>		<u>External Gifts/ Receipts</u>	
White Envelope Giving/Plate Offering	25,915.00	Synod/Missions	850.00
Vanco Electronic Giving	<u>5,960.72</u>	Lutheran Church Charities	-----
TOTAL	31,875.72		

Designated Funds:		Other General Funds:
Poinsettias	97.00	
Strengthening Our Future	420.00	

Christmas Giving Report - December 24/25

<u>Internal Gifts/ Receipts - General Fund</u>		<u>External Gifts/ Receipts</u>	
White Envelope Giving/Plate Offering	72,307.00	Synod/Missions	20.00
Vanco Electronic Giving		Lutheran Church Charities	-----
TOTAL	72,307.00		

Designated Funds:		Other General Funds:
Endowment	850.00	

Weekly Giving Report - December 28

<u>Internal Gifts/ Receipts - General Fund</u>		<u>External Gifts/ Receipts</u>	
White Envelope Giving/Plate Offering	4,450.00	Synod/Missions	-----
Vanco Electronic Giving	<u>7,256.10</u>	Lutheran Church Charities	-----
TOTAL	11,706.10		

Designated Funds:		Other General Funds:
Endowment	23.00	

Weekly Giving Report - January 5

<u>Internal Gifts/ Receipts - General Fund</u>		<u>External Gifts/ Receipts</u>	
White Envelope Giving/Plate Offering	12,773.00	Synod/Missions	-----
Vanco Electronic Giving	<u>12,768.56</u>	Lutheran Church Charities	-----
TOTAL	25,451.56		

Designated Funds:		Other General Funds:
Comfort Dog	101.00	
Endowment	105.00	
Strengthening Our Future	500.00	
Sunday School	72.40	

<u>Worship Attendance:</u>	<u>Tuesday 12/24</u>	<u>Wednesday 12/25</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Attended:	253+151=404	105	509
Communed:			458

<u>Worship Attendance:</u>	<u>Saturday 12/27</u>	<u>Sunday 12/28</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Attended:	48	115	163
Communed:			147

<u>Worship Attendance:</u>	<u>Saturday 01/04</u>	<u>Sunday 01/05</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Attended:	40	86+83=169	209
Communed:			101

LOOKING AHEAD
REGULAR SCHEDULE
January 18TH and 19TH

SATURDAY

5:00pm with Holy Communion

SUNDAY

8:30am with Holy Communion and 11:00am

PRAYERS: Please keep the following people in your prayers... Pat Malone, Jenny Dougherty, Paul Claybaker, Carol Mraz, Michele Genualdi, Laura Peter, Jeanette Peter

BIRTHDAYS:

6 Terri Arnone
Willow Lanum
7 Hannah Flaherty
Audrey Gross
Lynn Trapp
Grace Zoellick
8 Natalie Campise
9 Charles Stanton
10 Donald E. Hacke
Rev. Lee Joesten
Sean Kendrigan
Rae Koenig
Danny Suwinski (Jr.)
11 Camille Grau
12 Melissa Ellsworth
13 Bill Sirvio
14 Killian Hoffmann
Jacob Lendy
Stephen Lendy
15 David Gillaspie
John Rizzo
16 Megan Ellsworth
17 Skyler Schur
Ryan Cholewa
18 Claire Hurley
Rick Nelson
Daniel Tobias
19 Otto Demke

HEARING ASSISTANCE: St. Andrews has upgraded the assisted listening system in the church (including the chapel and balcony) that now allows us to stream audio directly to your hearing aids. If your hearing aids already have their "T-Coil" feature enabled, you should be able to easily switch over to the church's audio channels. If you don't have hearing aids but want more clarity for the spoken word, we have handheld receivers with headphones that you can use to listen directly to our audio channels. Please ask Pastor Matt or an usher to get you one and show you how it works.

ANNIVERSARIES:

7 Ray & Jill Benson



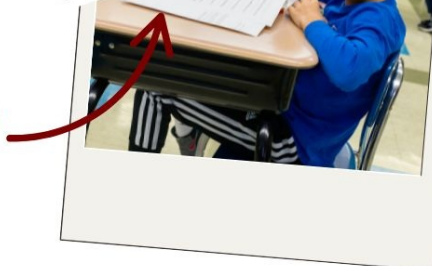
SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH 12 - 2 **ST. ANDREWS LUTHERAN SCHOOL** **OPEN HOUSE**

Join us at St. Andrews Lutheran School's Open House to discover a welcoming, faith-centered community where academic excellence and spiritual growth go hand in hand. Explore our enriching curriculum, meet our dedicated staff, and experience firsthand the safe, nurturing environment we provide for students from early childhood through middle school. Whether you're looking for a strong foundation in academics, athletics, or the arts, St. Andrews offers a balanced approach that helps students thrive both in the classroom and in life. Don't miss this opportunity to see why St. Andrews Lutheran School is the right choice for your child's future!

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- ✓ Tour Classrooms
- ✓ Meet Current Parents
- ✓ Family Fun Activities

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