

ST. ANDREWS LINE -

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany (February 9)

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:

We can face competing priorities when we think about distributions from our estates someday, even as we consider gifts that will support ministry. In your life, you may have been blessed by, or involved with, multiple ministries striving to share Jesus. Should you try to support them all through your estate or focus on a few that really resonate with your heart? Your St. Andrews Gift Planning Counselor can ask questions to get you aimed at that focus. Contact Ray Pagels, Christian Gift Planning Counselor at his cell 847.226.2262 or Raymondpagels1@gmail.com

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE: 109 households visited the St Paul of the Cross food pantry in January. Most needed items are pancake mix and syrup, and the following CANNED items – chicken, tuna, mixed vegetables, chili, SpaghettiOs and fruit. Thank you for your ongoing support!

MISSION OF THE MONTH: It is easy to take for granted the freedom we have to worship as we please. However, in the past year, thirteen countries recorded extreme persecutions of Christians, and 4,476 people were murdered for their faith. In statistics collected by our Mission of the Month **Open Doors International**, 209,771 Christians were forced to go into hiding in their own countries or else leave their home country, 7,679 Christian churches were either attacked or confiscated, and 380 million Christians suffered high levels of persecution or discrimination because of their Christian faith. **Open Doors International** works in 77 countries, supplying Bibles, training church leaders, providing practical support and emergency relief, and supporting Christians who suffer for their faith. The organization has bases in 25 countries working to raise awareness of global persecution, mobilizing prayer support and action among Christians.

SHARE THE JOY: Abraham Lincoln once said, "The possibility that we may fail in the struggle ought not to deter us from the support of a cause we believe to be just." Is any cause more important than reaching people for Christ? When you tell people about Jesus, you have no idea of how the seed you've sown will develop. However, God does not ask us to tell us to withhold the Gospel if we have are not sure we will be successful. We are told to share the joy, period.

Getting to Know You -St. Andrews Social Group
For Long Standing and New Members

Are you looking to form more of a connection to the people you see at church and just say a pleasant hello to? Then Getting to Know You social group is just for you. You can sign up as a host or if you are just wanting to be on the invite list you can do that as well. We will divide into groups and meet once a month for a three month period and then reorganize groups for the next round. We will be starting a new round in March so now is the perfect time to sign-up. The weekend of February 22/23 we will be front and center at the services and at the pancake breakfast and answering any questions you may have. To sign up please contact Kathleen Heller at klheller21@gmail.com or 847-271-6771. Linda Hunsicker at lhunsicker1120@gmail.com or 773-318-9946. Cheryl Sellke at Csellke@sbcglobal.net or 847-323-9070.

GIFTS FROM GOD'S PEOPLE AT ST. ANDREWS
Weekly Giving Report - February 2

Internal Gifts/ Receipts - General Fund

White Envelope Giving/Plate Offering	7,679.89
Vanco Electronic Giving	<u>5,305.50</u>
TOTAL	12,985.39

External Gifts/ Receipts

Synod/Missions	-----
Lutheran Church Charities	-----

Designated Funds:

Chancel Flowers	55.00
Endowment	27.00
Sunday School	24.00
Youth and Family Cookie	250.00

Other General Funds:

Facility Usage	450.00
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<u>Worship Attendance:</u>	<u>Saturday 02/08</u>	<u>Sunday 02/09</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Attended:	76	96+64=160	236
Communed:			126

LOOKING AHEAD
REGULAR SCHEDULE
February 15th and 16th

SATURDAY
5:00pm with Holy Communion
SUNDAY

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

PRAYERS: Please keep the following people in your prayers... Pam Lendy, Pat Malone, Carol Mraz, Michele Genualdi, Laura Peter, Jeanette Peter

BIRTHDAYS:

- 10 Earlyne Carter
- David Christiansen
- Candace Ladd
- Janet Robinson
- 12 Larry Centracchio
- Alicia Daniel
- 13 Patrick Riordan
- Brooke Wetzal
- 14 Michael Biela
- Owen Reiger
- 15 Stefanie Rowe
- 16 Addison Cholewa
- Giavanna Cholewa

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.

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