

# ST. ANDREWS LINE - Pentecost (August 31)

**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 planning our estates. Am I giving things away or am I trying to control how things will be used? Control would indicate our absolute ownership of things. Our faith instructs us that everything belongs to God and He calls us to manage His things well. The reluctance we might face toward giving away everything stems from that awkward sense of control what we think we own. A Christian estate plan acknowledges that "Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows." (James 1). In Christ, everything is a gift. Your Gift Planning Counselor can help you get started on your plan. Your Gift Planning Counselor can help you get started on your plan. Contact Ray Pagels at his cell: 847-226-2262 or email [raymondpagels1@gmail.com](mailto:raymondpagels1@gmail.com)

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**FOOD PANTRY UPDATE:** 168 households visited the food pantry at St Paul of the Cross in June. Most needed items are pasta sauce, canned fruit, pancake syrup, ketchup and cooking oils (vegetable, canola, or olive). Thank you for your continuing support! **FOOD PANTRY SPECIAL NOTE – Best By Dates:** Please be sure to check the "best by" date on your donations. Items that are beyond their dates cannot be donated and are discarded.

**SPECIAL NOTE - 3 VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** to assist with the distribution at the pantry on Saturday, December 20. Please contact Wendy Stoeven at [wstoeven@gmail.com](mailto:wstoeven@gmail.com) if you're able to help.

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**CHURCH CENTER UPDATES:** We have officially changed over to Church Center for many of our church functions. You can update your profile and join the directory, make your financial contributions and join groups right now. More functionality will be coming soon in the next few weeks/months. Starting September 6/7, we will have assistants at the welcome desk (before Saturday and in between Sunday services) to help get you logged in, answer questions or report issues back to the church office. Instructions are for getting started are in the weekly email and giving can be done through the QR codes included in all printed materials.

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**MISSION OF THE MONTH:** Over the years, our Mission of the Month **Feed My Starving Children** has opened food-packing sites around the country, including one in nearby Schaumburg, and St. Andrews members have been able to participate in packing MANNA PACK RICE meals. Between 2008 and 2010, **FMSC** collaborated with leading nutritionists to develop MANNA PACK POTATO-D, the world's first food to treat diarrhea, a leading cause of infant and child death worldwide. Please consider contributing to this important organization in our weekend offering; use a plain envelope marked **FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN**. Also, prayerfully consider helping to pack meals if the opportunity arises.

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**SHARE THE JOY:** According to recent population projections, the United States will become a non-white country by 2045. How does this make you feel? According to a 2018 survey by the Public Research Institute, 54% of white evangelical Protestants say that becoming a majority non-white nation will be mostly negative. The study concludes, "When the family of God prefers that its composition remains largely mono-ethnic, a reduced witness is inevitable." How this square with Christ's command to bring the Gospel to all people?

**GIFTS FROM GOD'S PEOPLE AT ST. ANDREWS**  
**Weekly Giving Report - August 24**

Internal Gifts/ Receipts - General Fund

White Envelope Giving/Plate Offering	5,864.00
Electronic Giving	<u>7,481.77</u>
TOTAL	13,345.77

External Gifts/ Receipts

Synod/Missions	125.00
Lutheran Church Charities	-----

Designated Funds:

Chancel Flowers	110.00
St. Andrews School	30.00
Strategic Planning	600.00

Other General Funds:

Facility Usage	150.00
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<b><u>Worship Attendance:</u></b>	<b><u>Saturday 08/23</u></b>	<b><u>Sunday 08/24</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>
Attended:	77	152	229
Communed:			206

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**LOOKING AHEAD**  
**RETURN TO TWO SERVICES**  
**September 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>**

**SATURDAY**

**5:00PM**

**SUNDAY**

**8:30am and 11:00am (Holy Communion)**

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**PRAYERS:** Please keep the following people in your prayers...Bunny Hughes, Gigi Breitzman, Livia Grace Gallo, Michael Piccoli, Daniel Avila, Sr., Richard Claybaker, Eleanor Claybaker, Richard Avila, Carol Mraz, Laura Peter, Jeanette Peter

**BIRTHDAYS:**

1	Chloe Fredriksen
2	Alexandra Buric Chelsea Petersen
3	Dominic Caputo Bill Kinell Bill Robinson
4	Caitlyn Kim Justin Ramos Bethany Turk
5	Doug Hanson
7	Stephen Cook Tom Garcea Jr.

**ANNIVERSARIES:**

3	Beverly & Art Steinke
5	Arlene & Ken Kendzy Rita & Dan Weyland
6	Kim & Tim Raetzman
7	Farrah & Tyson Aper

## **WHAT HAS MYRA BEEN UP TO IN AUGUST**

Where has the summer gone? It's hard to believe that August is coming to an end, the children are back in school, and most vacations have come and gone. The month was like all others for Myra who maintained a busy schedule.

One of the facilities Myra visits regularly is Synapse House in Downers Grove. Synapse House offers a variety of programs for those affected by brain injury, stroke and other neurological conditions. The day program provides employment services support, a gym with adaptive exercise classes and a clubhouse like environment for socializing. When we visit, Myra gets a lot of attention and, of course, petting from the program participants while the handler and ministry partner engage in meaningful and friendly conversation with those participants.

Regularly scheduled visits included New Perspectives in Long Grove, Ascension Life Center in Chicago, Sheridan in Park Ridge, Humboldt Park Behavioral Health in Chicago, Central Baptist Village in Norridge, Amazing Grace in Chicago, Garlands in Barrington, Arden Courts in Elk Grove Village, Pearl of Montclare in Chicago, Trinity Services in DesPlaines, White Crane in Chicago, Warren Barr Lieberman Center in Skokie, House of Welcome in Northfield, Summit in Park Ridge, Avantara in Park Ridge, St. Benedict in Niles, Avantara in Long Grove, and Alden North Shore in Skokie. Myra also visited the inpatient units and outpatient clinic at Chicago Behavioral Hospital in DesPlaines. Ascension Living in Chicago, Carrington in Lincolnwood and the Immanuel Food Pantry in DesPlaines were all a part of this month's agenda.

One of the highlights for Myra this month was the first day of school where Myra was assisted by Honey Comfort Dog in Training. The dogs were thrilled to greet the children welcoming them back to school. And the children were just as happy to see the tail wagging pups!

Bella Terra in Morton Grove was visited for the first time and will now be on Myra's monthly agenda. The residents were delighted to meet Myra and appreciated the furry distraction she brought to their day. Myra also had an opportunity to visit with one of our church friends at the Glenview Terrace who was so happy that she was able to visit and spend some one-on-one time with her. We also made a visit to Story Point in Naperville where it was difficult to determine who enjoyed her more – the residents or the staff. She also stopped by the Advocate Outpatient Rehab staff meeting in Niles; such a fun way to start a meeting.

Attending the church services is an important part of Myra's schedule and she has faithfully attended the Saturday and Sunday services. Myra is looking forward to next month when she will start attending the Wednesday chapel services with the students.

If you have friends or family in any of the facilities Myra visits regularly and would like to have her visit with them, let one of the Comfort Dog Ministry team members know. Myra and her team are always happy to stop by and help make someone's day a little brighter.

If you would like to know more about any of the Team roles and responsibilities or are interested in joining the Comfort Dog Ministry, contact Joanne August via email at [hsmom1@comcast.net](mailto:hsmom1@comcast.net)