

# ST. ANDREWS LINE - Pentecost (June 29)

**ST. ANDREWS LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL LCMS**  
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WELCOME, AND THANK YOU FOR JOINING US TODAY!



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## **NEWS AND EVENTS:**

We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. Will my plans preserve what I have gathered or give it away? Estate planning can be a bit unsettling as it punctuates the finite number of days here in this life. Yet our life in Jesus is eternal, without end. How will decisions in your estate plan keep the focus on things that matter eternally? Our Christian Gift Planning Counselor can help you find that eternal focus. Our Christian Gift Planning Counselor can help you plan those blessings. Contact: [raymondpagels1@gmail.com](mailto:raymondpagels1@gmail.com) or his cell at 847.226.2262

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**FOOD PANTRY UPDATE:** 153 households visited the food pantry at St Paul of the Cross in May. Most needed items this month are pancake mix and syrup, canned corn, and toothpaste. Thank you for your continuing support!

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**MISSION OF THE MONTH:** Our Mission of the Month. **Feed My Starving Children**, has aided millions of starving children worldwide through a feeding program that produces specially-developed food packs. For example, in 2017, more than one million volunteers packed more than 535 million food packs., and this process continues into the present. Recently, the organization developed a special infant formula using potatoes to treat infants suffering from diarrhea, a leading cause of death among children in poverty-stricken areas. This development shows how the organization is able to adapt to current needs. We invite your participation with **FMSC**. First of all, pray for the continued success of this feeding program. We also encourage money donations and volunteer participation at area packing sites in Aurora, Libertyville, and Schaumburg. May God bless the work of **Feed My Starving Children**.

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**SHARE THE JOY:** A recent study by the Pew Research Center called "The Religious Landscape Study" follows the rapid rise of the so-called "nones," those who are religiously unaffiliated and make up approximately 29% of all those included in this study. Among the nones, are those who identify as atheist (5%), agnostic (6%), and "nothing in particular" (almost 19%). The question that faces those of us who feel deeply about our Christian faith is: how concerned are we by these statistics?

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**NIGHT GOLF SCRAMBLE:** Night Golf at Weber Golf Course in Skokie, July 24th. The event is sponsored by the Skokie Park District, and is intended as a fun evening of fellowship, and members of the congregation are invited to attend. Friends are more than welcome to join! Everyone must sign up via the QR code on the flyer by July 20th.

<https://www.standrewsparkridge.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/Weber-Park-Night-Scramble-July-24-1-232x300.jpg>

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

Central Baptist Village in Norridge is another of the facilities that Myra visits monthly. They offer Independent Living, Assisted Living, and Memory Care. Myra and her team have come to know many of the residents and staff. Some residents are visited in their individual rooms but the majority of residents can be found gathered in one of the social areas participating in various activities – exercises, games, singing or just relaxing and watching television. They will always take a break from the activity to interact with Myra, her handler and ministry partner. There are a couple residents who often wait in the lobby to greet Myra when she arrives. While Myra is thrilled to see and visit all of staff and residents, there is one staff member that Myra is always overjoyed to see – her tail just can't wag enough.

In addition to Myra's regularly scheduled monthly visits, of which there were 30 in June, she participated in several other events. The month began joining 11 other LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs at Lord of Glory in Grayslake for the commissioning of Gethsemane Comfort Dog. Lord of Glory now has two Comfort Dog teams as Gethsemane joined Tobias Comfort Dog in the ministry. It was such a wonderful service and so rewarding to participate and be a part of the meet and greet line of Comfort Dogs before and after the service. Another new event was attending an Outdoor Prayer Service at Immanuel in DesPlaines, where Myra was present for those who stopped for a prayer; she was particularly loving to a postal worker who took a few moments from his very busy day. The Niles Senior Center had a Neil Diamond impersonator and Myra was there to greet participants as they arrived for lunch and the entertainment.

Camps are a big part of summer and Myra, along with Kare 9 Nigel Comfort Dog visited with about 200 children at the Tri-Town YMCA summer camp in Villa Park. The kids were very excited to see the dogs and thrilled to have a few minutes with each of them. Myra also had the opportunity to visit the Gardner School summer camp in Schaumburg where there 12 classes with children from 6 months old through kindergarten. While some of the littlest ones were hesitant to pet Myra, the teachers helped them or simply sat with them as they observed Myra and the activity around her.

Early in the month Myra attended chapel with the students on their final day. It was such a pleasure to congratulate all those receiving recognition and to wish everyone a happy, safe summer. And Myra will end this month with a second visit to Parkland Preparatory Academy in Morton Grove for their last day of classes; and a visit to Miss MaryAnn, a hospice patient in Northfield.

Attending the church services is an important part of Myra's schedule and she has faithfully attended the Saturday and Sunday services. She is always very relaxed and quiet during the service and looks forward to greeting many of the congregants following the service.

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

**GIFTS FROM GOD'S PEOPLE AT ST. ANDREWS**  
**Weekly Giving Report - June 22**

Internal Gifts/ Receipts - General Fund  
 White Envelope Giving/Plate Offering 6,948.00  
 Vanco Electronic Giving 6,199.63  
 TOTAL 13,147.63

External Gifts/ Receipts  
 Synod/Missions -----  
 Lutheran Church Charities -----

Designated Funds:  
 Endowment Fund 35.00

Other General Funds:

In memory of † **TOM SNIDER** † a gift has been given to St. Andrews by Rev. Lee Joesten.

<b><u>Worship Attendance:</u></b>	<b><u>Saturday 06/21</u></b>	<b><u>Sunday 06/22</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>
Attended:	45	162	207
Communed:			186

**LOOKING AHEAD**  
**SUMMER SCHEDULE - ONE SUNDAY SERVICE ONLY**  
 July 5<sup>th</sup> and July 6<sup>th</sup>  
**SATURDAY**  
**5:00PM**  
**SUNDAY**  
**9:30AM with Holy Communion**

**PRAYERS:** Please keep the following people in your prayers... Richard Claybaker, Eleanor Claybaker, Richard Avila, Pam Lendy, Carol Mraz, Laura Peter, Jeanette Peter

**ANNIVERSARIES:**  
 1 Amy & Lee Lidik  
 3 Nancy & Richard Bergman  
 4 Pastor Lee & Carolynn Joesten

**BIRTHDAYS:**  
 29 Mary Ann DeWitt  
 Kathy Kraatz  
 30 Marilyn Cook  
 Ryan Holler  
 Connor Nash  
 Becca Weisheit  
 1 John Rouse  
 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