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ST. ANDREWS LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

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Official Acts - JUNE

Deaths:

Adrienne Schlake

Born: January 2, 1938

Died: June 29, 2025

Baptisms:

Madison Ember Jersey

Daughter of Michael and Catherine Jersey

Born: August 3, 2015

Baptized: June 7, 2025

**AUGUST
BIRTHDAYS**

1 Veda Grau
Kiley Krug
2 Catherine Jersey
Chase Krug
Caleb Lendy
Connor McCarty
John P. McCarty
Carmela Ori
Sullivan Stotts
Angelica Tobias
3 Kyle Campise
Marion Hemler
Madison Jersey
Elijah Lendy
4 Makenzie McKeon
Heather Owens
5 Annika Aper
Tyson Aper
Bruce Mikulski
Jean Ungar
6 Christina Caputo
Ryne Krug
Diane Petersen
Bonnie Peyer
Christine Schap
7 Brianna Kim
Brian Kinell
Kenneth Stoppa
8 Krista Porterfield
Caryn Valadez
9 Emma Oseguera
Casey Polmanski
10 Will Krug
Jonathan Michaels
11 Veronica Garcea
Sadie Grau
Trevor Stotts
12 Lindsey Wolf
13 George Foster
14 Matthew Anderson
Mary Christiansen
Brooks Parilla
Bob Weisheit
16 Joshua Baraglia
Josie Herrnreiter
Scott Rybowicz
17 Adeline Andrews

18 Donna Lawrence
Jennifer Lazzara
19 Lexi McCarty
20 Rosario Lazzara
Nora Rosenau
21 Kathleen Heller
Alyssa Matej
Roland Szkwarek
23 Ken Kendzy
24 Nancy Olson
MiKayla Skylar
25 Tim Christiansen
David Ganir
Charles Tiberi
Gregory Ungarait
26 Kelly Snow
Elijah Tarasievich
27 Sharon Clextton
Donald Jordan
Arlene Kendzy
Brenda Penney
28 Eric Arneson
Andrew Knapp
Elizabeth Porterfield
29 Richard Bergman
30 Julianna Brown
Wayne Staniec
Matalynne Wandel
31 Julie Hock
Rita Klevenow
Barb Sebastian
Tyler Tizura

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Jim Brander
Tom Brander
Elvis Gonzalez
Kate Gonzalez
Eily Nelson
Colton Ungarait
Erin Ungarait
1 Merrilee Anhalt
Andrew Weisheit
2 Sean Kendrigan
3 Timothy Michaels
6 Julia Buric

7 Christopher Polmanski
Eric Wandel
8 Kenneth Stoppa
15 Matthew Bulinski
Shirley Malone
Art Steinke
16 Lynn Trapp
18 Caroline Tully
19 Ross Castiglia
Paul Claybaker
26 Margaretha Grabske
27 Dawn Steffen

**WEDDING
ANNIVERSARIES**

6 Lucie & Pat Guzik
8 Judy & Charlie
Giovannelli
12 Sue & Al
Schattschneider
13 Shirley & Pat Malone
16 Doris & Jim Jordan
17 Karen & Joe Rybowicz
18 Lynn & Gary Trapp
20 Karen & Eric Arneson
21 Kim & Jerry Jenrich
25 Catherine & Oscar
Marquis
28 Donna & Eric Bonatz
30 Jane & Jim Fizzell
31 Nelly & Gary
Somerman



Dear St. Andrews Family,

NEW PASTOR

It has been a wonderful July! We welcomed Pastor Ethan on the 20th and we are so excited to have him, along with Wren and their daughter Isla joining our St. Andrews family! Ethan has hit the ground running and is busy making plans for Confirmation, and Middle and High School youth groups, all of which will start around the time school starts up again!

WHY DOES ST. ANDREWS EXIST?

Thank you to all who have responded to the request for a response to this important question – Why does St. Andrews Exist. I have asked that you spend at least 30 minutes studying a short Scripture before responding, and I appreciate that we have about 50 responses so far! The study and then limiting a response to one sentence is no small feat! I am going to compile all of these answers and use them as a guide as we take a hard look at our structure, our goals, our plans, and our direction for the next few years! Pray for St. Andrews and your leadership here often as we seek God's guidance.

FALL ACTIVITIES

I always joke that you know summer is ending when the announcements before the service get longer! This is true again this year! We are gearing up for the fall, which marks the return of 2 Sunday services, Sunday School, Adult Bible class, Fourth Friday Family Fellowship nights, Confirmation, Choir Practices, not to mention the start of SCHOOL! I am grateful for a time of rest for a few weeks, but I am always excited to get "back into the groove" at the end of August! Let's Goooo!

In Christ,
Pastor Matt Hoffmann



SCHOOL NEWS
St. Andrews Lutheran School
August 2025

Welcome to the 2025-2026 School Year!

The start of a new school year always brings a sense of energy, hope, and possibility—and this year is no exception. On behalf of the entire staff at St. Andrews Lutheran School, I extend a heartfelt welcome to all.

Our Bible Verse for the 2025–2026 School Year
"Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises!"
Psalm 98:4

At St. Andrews, we are ready to fill our classrooms, hallways, and hearts with joyful noise through learning, laughter, worship, and school activities.

Our dedicated team of educators has been working hard this summer to prepare for an exciting year ahead. In just a short time, they'll be putting the finishing touches on their classrooms to welcome students back.

Thanks to the efforts of Mr. James Trapp and Mr. Gary Trapp, our hardworking cleaning crew, and many generous volunteers, the school building is looking better than ever. Behind the scenes, Miss O'Connor has been organizing everything to ensure a smooth and successful start to the school year.

Our school year begins on Sunday, August 17 with our Teacher Dedication and school supply drop off.

Sunday, August 17, 2025

- Teacher Dedication Service 9:30 am
- Meet your teacher and drop off your school supplies from 10:45 am-11:45 am
- Join us for our Ice Cream Social

Our first day of school is Thursday, August 21st.

Please keep St. Andrews students and families in your prayers as we begin the new school year.

Blessings,

Laura Boggs
Principal