

St. Andrew Lutheran Church

# Advent at St. Andrew

Sunday, Dec. 18 | 9:00 AM





# ORDER OF LIVE/ONLINE WORSHIP

## PRELUDE

*“Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming” (Johannes Brahms)*

## WELCOME

## LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

*“O Come, O Come Emmanuel” (St. 1)*

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

**Blessed be God's name forever. Amen.**

Beloved, now is the time to wake from sleep. Let us confront our sins, and confess them to the one who is merciful and just.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God of new beginnings,  
we confess that we have not welcomed your holy reign. We have strayed from your paths. We prepare for war instead of peace. We dishonor one another and your creation. Purify us with your refining fire and set us again on your way of love, that we may bear fruit worthy of repentance, and welcome your coming among us. Amen.

People of God, a new thing is growing in our midst, a tender branch, a living sign. By water and the Spirit you are joined to this wonder. You have put on ☩ Christ, and your sins have been washed away. Rejoice in the way of the Lord.

**Amen.**

## PRELUDE

*“Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming” (St. 1-2- ALL, St. 3- Choir, St. 4- ALL)*

**ELW # 272**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that hinders our faith, that eagerly we may receive your promises, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **READING**

Isaiah 7:10–14

Again the LORD spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test. Then Isaiah said: ‘Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## **SERMON**

*“What’s in a Name”*

## **OFFERING**

### **OFFERING OF MUSIC**

*“In the Bleak Midwinter” (arr. Will Todd)*

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## **PRAYERS OF GOD’S PEOPLE**

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## **PREFACE**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



## **HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

### **MUSIC DURING HOLY COMMUNION**

*"The First Noel" (arr. Cathy Moglebust)*

### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Faithful God, in this meal you have remembered your mercy, bringing heaven to earth in the body and blood of Christ. As we wait for the day when all your promises will be fulfilled, sustain us and strengthen us by this holy mystery. Guide us toward your promised future, coming to birth in Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

### **BEFORE YOU GO**

### **BENEDICTION**

The God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing, so that we may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit, through Christ Jesus for whom we wait.

**Amen.**

### **HYMN**

*"People Look East"*

**ELW # 248**

### **SENDING**

Go in peace. Christ is near. Thanks be to God!

### **POSTLUDE**

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**THE PASTORS OF ST. ANDREW:**

Pastor David Lillejord ..... Senior Pastor  
Pastor Gail Bach ..... Pastor of Stewardship & Evangelism  
Pastor Sarah Fike ..... Pastor of Children, Youth, & Family  
Pastor Matthew Ian Fleming .. Pastor of Teaching & Young Adults  
Pastor Peter Johnson ..... Pastor of Service & Small Groups  
Pastor Roger Schindel ..... Visitation Pastor

**THE MUSICIANS FOR TODAY'S WORSHIP:**

Tim Graf ..... Worship & Music Director  
Larry Bach ..... Chamber Choir Director  
Kevin Mills  
Kendra Sampson  
Nick Salisbury  
Bells of Joy  
Chamber Choir



# PRAYERS

As a community of faith we are connected through joy, sorrow, worship, and prayer. Please pray for the people listed below. Your prayers are greatly appreciated!

## **We ask for God's loving embrace to hold all those who mourn, especially:**

- » Cherie Kaivo and family on the death of her mother, Shirley
- » Gordy & JoAnn Tanke on the death of their brother-in-law, Dean
- » Ashley Leary and family on the death of her mother, Holly
- » Joe Armstrong and family on the death of his nephew, Peter
- Gwen Chapman and family on the death of her son, Greg
- Deb & Roger Supalla on the death of Roger's sister, Lola
- The family of Roger Sonstegard
- The family of Robert Greening
- Kirsten Hanninen and family on the death of her brother, Peter
- Dave & Lori Goble and family on the death of Dave's nephew, Marv

## **Prayers of Mourning:**

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord; O Lord, hear my voice. **Psalm 130:1–2**

For I am convinced that neither death nor life... nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Romans 8:38–39**

Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die'. **John 11:25–26**

## **As we are praying for all members of the St. Andrew community, this week we pray especially for God's comfort, healing, protection, and strength to be present with:**

- Carol Bendell
- Pete Gill
- John Sword
- Alaina Johnson's friend, Birgetta and her son

## **Long Term Prayers:**

- Kathy Hoagland
- Dave & Sherri Anderson's daughter, Sarah Anderson-Jacobson
- Ron Wolfbauer
- Marilyn Boorsma's son, Mark
- Dick Smith
- Paul & Marjean Skoog's sister-in-law, Lois
- Marcia Lund's sister, Jenni Fick
- Seeds of Support Mission in Haiti requests your ongoing prayers for our friends in Haiti. Haiti is experiencing a political and economic crisis that is producing widespread frustration among the population. Fuel shortages, food shortages, and general hopelessness are common. Please pray for Redemption Lutheran Church of Jacmel and all our friends there. Our mission will continue in evolving and vital ways to support their ministry.
- All those in the military serving our country

## **General Prayers:**

Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you. **Psalm 55:22a**

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. **Matthew 11:28**

» New this week; names will remain listed for three weeks unless otherwise requested.  
To add a name to the prayer list, click the 'Prayer Requests' link at the bottom of our website or contact Pastor Peter at [pastorpeter@standrewlu.org](mailto:pastorpeter@standrewlu.org).

Welcome

# New Members

**We'd like to welcome the 11 households who have joined the St. Andrew community this month. We look forward to *Living Out Our Faith In Daily Life* with you!**

Tonsha & Pat Belland

Michelle & Kelly Eagan & Family

Sally Gibbs

Joanne & Gary Hofstad

Kris & Jonathan Jank

Tanya & Alex Juergensen

Morgan & Zack Lehrke

Jillian McKenney & Family

Noreen Reding

Lisa Rolf

Ruth & Ross Underdah

**ST. ANDREW**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH



# Christmas

AT ST. ANDREW

## I Won't Be Home for Christmas

Monday, Dec. 19  
7:00 PM

## Christmas Eve

Saturday, Dec. 24

10:00 AM, 1:00, 2:15,  
3:00–Wiggle & Worship,  
3:30, 4:45, & 10:00 PM

## Christmas Eve Online

3:30\* PM,  
4:00–Wiggle & Worship

## Christmas Day

Sunday, Dec. 25  
10:00 AM

## Lessons & Carols

Sunday, Jan. 1  
9:00\* & 10:30\* AM

\*Livestream Avail.

WE NEED

# Christmas

VOLUNTEERS

Ushers, Greeters, Decorating

**Sign Up Today!**





**PRIME TIMERS POTLUCK &  
WHITE ELEPHANT  
GIFT EXCHANGE**

**MONDAY, DEC. 19, 12:00 PM  
FELLOWSHIP HALL**

CONTACT PASTOR ROGER AT [ROGSCHINDEL@COMCAST.NET](mailto:ROGSCHINDEL@COMCAST.NET)



**CONFIRMATION & MIDDLE SCHOOL  
SERVICE PROJECT**

**FLEECE  
BLANKET TYING**

**THURSDAY, DEC. 29, 11:30 AM  
RSVP ONLINE**

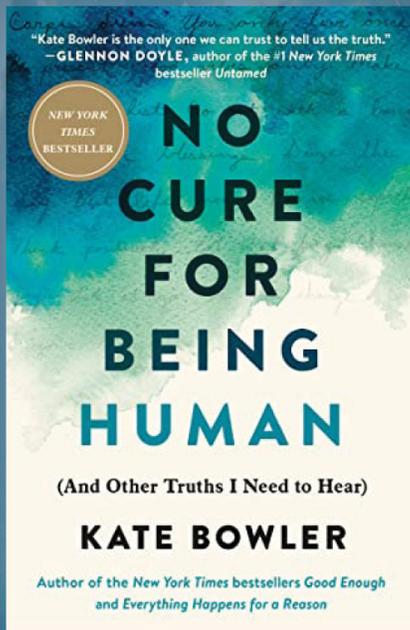


**American  
Red Cross**

# Blood Drive

Tuesday, January 3 from 1:00–7:00 PM

Sign up online at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org)  
St. Andrew's sponsor code: **standrewep**



## Pastors' Book Study

# No Cure for Being Human

Thursdays at 9:00 AM & 6:30 PM  
Starting January 5

More info at [standrewlu.org](http://standrewlu.org)



Hey Parents!  
Does your life include the  
swirls and lulls of teen energy?

# THE CHECK-IN

Every Other Wednesday, 6:00–6:30 PM  
(Starting Jan. 11)  
St. Andrew Chapel

**CALLING ALL 5TH–12TH GRADERS!  
NOW ACCEPTING AUDITIONS FOR:**

# Cafe Concert

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21 | 7:00 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

**AUDITION INSTRUCTIONS ONLINE  
AT [STANDREWLU.ORG](http://STANDREWLU.ORG)**

Winter 2023

# Living & Growing Through Loss

Hosted by Pax Christi

Four Monday Sessions Starting Jan.23

6:30–8:00 PM



**Southwest  
Grief Coalition**

[swgriefcoalition.org/](http://swgriefcoalition.org/)