

Week of Jan. 17, 2009



SUNDAY SCHOOL GRADE K-5 PICKUP LOCATION:

Pre-K	Great Hall Room 1 & 2
Kindergarten	Great Hall Room 3
Grade 1	Great Hall Room 5
Grade 2	Great Hall Room 6
Grade 3	Great Hall Room 4
Grade 4-5	Youth Center Room 7

11 a.m. All Grades: Great Hall Room 3

For more events and info, pick up the latest Proclaim in the kiosks or www.saintandrews.org

Vision 2020 Members Needed!

St. Andrew's is putting together a team to lead us through a process called "Vision 2020" which will develop a master plan for our campus and programs of ministry, a plan that will help make this decade the best decade in St. Andrew's history. If you are passionate about St. Andrew's, have gifts in planning, organization, campus design, build and implementation, we invite you let us know of your interest. Contact Lori Goodroad at lgoodroad@saintandrews.org or 651-762-9103.

Men's Ministry

Twins Broadcaster John Gordon to headline January Breakfast
Saturday, Jan. 30, 8-9:30 a.m.

Join us for the next Men's Ministry Breakfast in the Great Hall featuring popular Minnesota Twins radio broadcaster John Gordon.

Gordon will describe how faith in God has guided his personal and professional life. He will also highlight his memories of broadcasting almost a quarter century of Twins games (including two World Series championships) and give his predictions for the Twins 2010 campaign.

Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy delicious (home-cooked) food, music, fellowship and an inspirational message. Share the invitation with sons, fathers, grandfathers and neighbors. Child-care is available during the event in the Great Hall. Breakfast cost: free-will offering at the door.



4-Step Job Hunt Workshop Series

Presented by Catherine Byers Breet. Thursdays, February 11, 18, 25, and March 4; 6-8 p.m. Sanctuary Room 204.

Looking for work? Want a new job? Feel like there's got to be more to your career than what you've got? Then this workshop series is for you! Or for someone you know. Each session covers an exciting new topic! Childcare will be offered. All registrations need to be completed by Feb. 4. Cost is \$30 for one or \$100 for all four sessions. For sign up or scholarship information contact John Keller, 651-762-9107, jkeller@saintandrews.org; or Nancy Clunis, 651-762-9120, nclunis@saintandrews.org. To register on-line www.saintandrews.org. For more information go to www.jobhuntworkshop.com.



A New You

Attend the Saturday, Jan. 23, Membership Class from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon in Sanctuary Room 204. To register call Nancy Clunis at 651-762-9120 or e-mail at nclunis@saintandrews.org.

Newly formed 50+ Singles' Group

The next newly-formed singles' group activity for is bowling at Pinz in Oakdale on Sunday, Jan. 17, at 3 p.m. For more information please contact Joyce Flynn at 651-429-2505.

ELCA DISASTER RESPONSE
HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF

JANUARY 2010

www.elca.org/disaster

On Tuesday, January 12, a magnitude 7.0 earthquake rocked the island country of Haiti, primarily impacting the capital, Port-au-Prince.

Offices, hotels, houses and shops have collapsed. The presidential palace is in ruins and many churches have been destroyed. Hospitals are overflowing and the search for survivors is intense.

The streets of Haiti are filled with people in shock and searching for loved ones among the rubble.

Your help is needed today to bring immediate relief and continued hope for our brothers and sisters in Haiti. About 3 million lives, one-third of Haiti's population, are affected by this earthquake.

Already one of the poorest countries in the world (70 percent of Haiti's population lives in extreme poverty), this catastrophe will exacerbate the suffering felt by many already living with hunger and poverty.

ELCA Disaster Response is already working through long-standing partnerships on the ground to provide emergency food, water, shelter and medical supplies.

Financial gifts are urgently needed. **Your gifts to ELCA International Disaster Response, designated for Haiti Earthquake Relief, will be used entirely—100 percent—for immediate relief and ongoing recovery in Haiti.** Your prayers and generous gifts will make a life-saving difference. Please give today.

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Yes, I want to help!

- ELCA Disaster Response: *Haiti Earthquake Relief* \$ _____ IDG0059
- ELCA Disaster Response: *Where Needed Most* \$ _____ IDG0060

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

Email Address _____

Give through your congregation or send your check directly to:
ELCA Disaster Response, PO Box 71764, Chicago, IL 60694-1764
To give by credit card, visit *www.elca.org/disaster* or call 800-638-3522



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
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Serve! Local Missions

Twelve Baskets Full: Dinner and Auction to Feed the Hungry

Our kickoff to hunger awareness month includes a dinner, silent and live auctions and entertainment to help fight hunger, homelessness, loneliness and poverty around the corner and around the world. Mark your calendars for Friday, March 5, 6-9 p.m. in the Great Hall. Child care is possible, with advanced registration by Feb. 15. Join us for an evening of fun, while we work together to raise funds for our local missions and outreach ministries.

The silent auction will feature themed baskets, bowls, household items, electronics, toys, books, music, sporting goods, collectibles, gift cards to restaurants & events, gift certificates for travel, services, artwork and much more! We will have great live auction items like autographed memorabilia, dinner with the pastors, great vacations and more! Check the listings on the website beginning Feb 1.

You can also help by donating new items for the silent auction, tickets, trips, time shares, or a fun and creative "experience" for our live auction! Our goal for this year's auction is \$40,000. Please contact Kellie Cardinal at 651-762-9124 or kcardinal@saintandrews.org to make your tax deductible donation!

This is a free will offering event, however, due to limited seating, please register early to secure your seat by online registration (www.saintandrews.org), via email (kcardinal@saintandrews.org) or by calling 651-762-9124. You won't want to miss this event! The first 50 people to register by Feb. 15 for the auction will receive a special gift upon arrival on auction night. See you there!

Tax Help

VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) is an IRS certified tax program. Trained and certified volunteers prepare and file your personal tax return for free while keeping all your personal information confidential. St. Andrew's provides a home for this service. All tax payers in the community with annual taxable income of \$50,000 or less are eligible. Hours of operation are Thursday evenings and Saturdays in February, March and April. Call 426-3261 for an appointment.

Children's Books

Wanted: new or used children's books and DVDs for all ages. Girl Scout Troop 52762 is working on their bronze award. For their service project we are helping them collect items to donate to a local hospital. There is a drop off box outside the Women's Ministry office in the Great Hall.

Habitat for Humanity

St. Andrew's will be helping Thrivent to remodel a foreclosed house on the east side of St. Paul for a Habitat family. Join your St. Andrew's friends on any of the following dates: Saturday Feb. 27, Thursday March 4, Wednesday March 17, or Saturday March 20. Consider joining the St. Andrew's Tuesday Habitat crew that operates year-around. Must be 16 years old. Contact Dave Engh drengh@comcast.net, 651-482-8642.

Red Box Collection Bins

Now it's convenient for you to bring your general donations of clothing to church and place them in one of the 4 Red Box Collection Bins in the Great Hall and Sanctuary lots, which accept delivery of any wearable, re-usable or recyclable items. Our local missions and outreach ministries are paid by the pound for all items donated – the more we earn the more we can help our neighbors in need! U'SAgain has committed to sorting through all of the donation bins in the region and allocating the items, which are laundered by donor partners, like Quality Cleaners in White Bear. For information or to help with the sorting and delivery, please contact Kellie Cardinal, 651-762-9124, kcardinal@saintandrews.org.

Personal Hygiene Items

Your help is needed in collecting personal hygiene items for women and children living in local shelters and individuals living in homelessness. Personal hygiene kits will be delivered to Hill House, Pierce House, Dorothy Day Center, Trinity Mission and the East Metro Women's Council shelter. Please place your donations of in the bin near the Giving Tree in the Sanctuary or Great Hall. If you would like to help assemble or deliver these kits, join us on Tuesday, Jan. 26, 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Great Hall Fireside Lounge. For information, call Kellie Cardinal, 651-762-9124.

Women's Ministry

Esther

Mondays Jan 25- April 5 6 p.m. Sanctuary Library. Join us to learn about this fascinating woman, how she saved a nation and what this says to us today. Pick up a work book at the front desk at the Sanctuary and complete lesson 1. Contact Sue Samuelson to register at ssamuelson@moundsparkacademy.org.

Saturday: Bible Study Connection

Jan. 23, Feb. 6, 20, March 6, 20, April 10, 24; 10:30 a.m. Great Hall Room 4. Join us to look at Jesus' journey to the cross along with letters written by the Apostle John. Jump in any time!

New Crafters' Club

First Friday of the Month, 5-11 p.m., Youth & Sports Center. SCRAPBOOKERS, knitters, crafty people of all kinds... there is no cost or registration required, just join us as often as your schedule allows. Childcare will be available in the Nursery from 6:45 to 8:45 free of charge. Contact Annette Goeser 651-636-1198 with any questions.

Working Women's Bible Study

Mondays thru April 12, 7-8 p.m., Sanctuary Room 201. *Bad Girls of the Bible* by Liz Curtis Higgs. From Eve to the Woman at the Well, the *Bad Girls of the Bible* will bring you closer than ever to the women of Scripture, their important lessons, and insight to how we live today. \$10 for workbook. Register with a Registration Envelope or e-mail Lisa Konsti, lkonsti@cpmsp.com.

'Wonder Women' Book Study

Wednesdays, thru Feb. 10, 7-8 p.m. Sanctuary Atrium Lounge. Pastor Sarah Breckenridge will facilitate conversation around the book, *Work in Progress: An Unfinished Woman's Guide to Grace*, by Kristin Armstrong. Email: sbreckenridge@saintandrews.org to register.

Kindred Sisters

Fellowship, Dessert, and a Speaker. First Thursday of the month, 6:30-8 p.m. Great Hall Fireside Lounge. \$5 in advance; \$7 at the door. Register online at www.saintandrews.org or with registration envelope. Contact Joan McCormick at

651-653-1716 or joanmccormick@comcast.net for information.

Thursday, Feb. 4: Pastor Michael Carlson will share a story which demonstrates the transformative power of God's amazing love.

Women in the Word

Every Tuesday through April 27, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Great Hall North Link. *Women of the Bible, a Devotional Study of Women in Scripture* by Ann Spangler & Jean E. Syswerda. New study all the time. No registration required. Nursery available free of charge, with pre registration at 651-762-9113. For information contact Deb Henry, debrahenry2002@yahoo.com.

Women's Spring Retreat

Creating Sabbath Space. Friday, April 30, 7 p.m. - Sunday, May 2, 10 a.m. Save the date.

Women on the Edge

Register online www.saintandrews.org or contact Lisa Banning Ender at 651-762-9139 or lender@saintandrews.org.

Fireside Chat

Tuesday, Feb. 2, 7 p.m.

Gather round the fireplace about mountain climbing! Learn more the YWCA half tri-athlon in August, and dragon boat racing. Come be encouraged to go to the EDGE. Please call or sign up online.

Alpine Ski Day

Friday, Feb. 12, 9 a.m.- 3 p.m.

We will meet at St. Andrew's to carpool to Afton Alps. All levels are welcome. Choose what you need from the following options; lift ticket, - \$22, rentals- \$18, you can even add a lesson for \$4, priceless.

Middle School / Confirmation

Notes...

Summer Camp Brochure is now available. Early bird pricing deadline is Jan. 17, 2010. Register today!

Want to get Confirmation updates on facebook? Join the group! "St. Andrew's Lutheran Journey to the Cross Confirmation Program"

Scholarships are always available for any of our camps or events.

For more information on any of the above listed events contact Sally Hanson at 651-762-9130 or shanson@saintandrews.org or Mary Post at 651-762-9131 or mpost@saintandrews.org.

Summer Camp Leaders

August 8-13, 2010- Wood Lake Bible Camp

Are you interested in serving as a cabin leader with our middle school Confirmation camp? We would love to have you! Please fill out an application in the Y&SC. Leaders will be selected in early February and training will begin soon thereafter! Preference will be given to upperclassmen and Peer Ministers. Both youth and adult leaders are needed! Application deadline: Feb 1, 2010

Mission Trip Meeting

Today, Jan. 17, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Youth & Sports Center. A time for all involved with the summer mission trips to gather and discuss various details for the different trips including fundraisers, themes, prayer partners, and trip content. This will also provide an opportunity for our youth and chaperones to get to know one another through team building activities and devotions. Those signed up for the trips should make their best efforts to attend ALL of these meetings.

Ski/Snowboard Bums & Bunnies

Monday, Jan. 18, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Cost: \$40 (includes lift ticket, lunch and transportation) Gear: \$20. Come help us carve Wild Mountain! Show off your best tricks or learn how to ride for the first time. All levels are welcome! Friends are invited too, for some snowy memory making. We will meet at the Youth & Sports Center.

High School

Dock

Tonight, Sunday, Jan. 17, 6 to 6:30 p.m. in the Great Hall. Come with your friends and family to hear moving music by a live youth band and meaningful messages from powerful speakers during this Sunday night worship. All are welcome to attend, participate and plan!

Youth Group

Tonight, Sunday, Jan. 17, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Y&SC. Bring your friends for snacks, meet new people, check-in, and explore our relationships with God and one another as children of God. We will play games, watch videos, do service projects and more. Each week is something new.

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Peer Ministry Retreat

Jan. 22 thru 24. Cost: \$125. Peer Ministry is a national recognized training for High School students and teaches them skills in listening, handling conflict, confidence in leading and walking into a group and introducing themselves. This training is good for a multiple of reasons, and is being utilized here for youth who what to be camp counselors, small group leaders, be in leadership in the church and in their schools. Numbers are limited for this opportunity to keep the training personal, interactive and transformational. Register as early as possible.

Boys & Girls Club

Tuesdays from 3:15 to 5:45 p.m., meet at the Y&SC. Come and join other high school youth after school to serve younger kids in our greater community. Help the kids at the West Side Boys & Girls Club by reading books with them, playing games, and just having a great time! Contact must be made with Mary Post by Monday noon so we can arrange transportation at 651-762-9131 or mpost@saintandrews.org



OPEN HOUSE

Half Day Preschool for 3-5 year olds

Thursday, January 21, 2010 • 5:30-7:00 p.m.

THE
Preschools
OF ST. ANDREW'S

Give your child a great start by enrolling in our Christian Preschool. The goal of the Preschools is to provide a nurturing environment structured to enable children to become confident, inquisitive and independent learners. Our outstanding faith based curriculum fosters spiritual growth for the entire family. We offer a wonderful intergenerational component as part of the senior living community of St. Andrew's Village. Call today for a tour of our facility.

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and more!



College / Young Adults

Facebook Group

If you are a young adult, please join the Facebook group "Astern." This group will let you know about upcoming events and connect you to other young adults of the St. Andrew's community even while you are away at college!

For more information contact Nate Crary at 651-762-9168 or ncrary@saintandrews.org or Marcia Evenson at 651-762-9169 or mevenson@saintandrews.org

Serve! – Within Our Walls

Holes in Hospitality

Some of our volunteers have had to leave for health reasons or have moved on to other opportunities. So, we are looking for people to make coffee in the morning, and to clean up after the 11 a.m. service in the Sanctuary. A big plus, seeing the sun rise on a Sunday morning for anyone willing to make coffee. Contact us at 762-9132 or worshipcoordinator@saintandrews.org.

Communion Preparation

We are in need of people to fill communion cups before the 8:30 service in the Sanctuary, or to serve communion at any of the services both in the Sanctuary and the Great Hall. If you are interested in this important ministry, please let us know at 651-762-9132 or at worshipcoordinator@saintandrews.com.

PROCLAIM JESUS CHRIST, LIVE IN CHRIST, SERVE!

Event Sign-Up Dec. Jan. 16 & 17, 2010

Please use this form to sign up for activities/events at St. Andrew's. Fill out the form, include the fee or deposit amount, if any, and return the form to the church office or drop it in the offering plate. If you are interested in any event or activity that is not listed, write it in the space provided and a staff member will contact you.

I would like to sponsor the **Sunday Cookie Fellowship**. Participants donate \$50 (or more) to help cover cookie costs:

Given by [your name(s)]:

Given for [name(s) and/or memorial/special occasion]:

Sunday Date:

Our Volunteer Teams usher, greet, serve communion, make coffee or serve cookies once every 5 weeks.

 *Join a Worship Volunteer Team
The Current (9:45 in Great Hall)*

 *Join a Worship Volunteer Team
The Sanctuary (8:30, 9:45 & 11:00)*

 *Join a Worship Volunteer Team
The Gathering (Saturdays 5:00)*

*If you would like to donate **Altar Flowers or Cookies** for worship to honor or memorialize people or events, please call the church office at 651-426-3261 or fill out the Cookie Signup on this page. Donations are \$50 for each.*

Name

Address

City, State, Zip

Daytime Phone

Evening Phone

Fee/deposit (specify amount)

Event/Program

By the Numbers

Attendance

Saturday & Sunday, Jan. 9 & 10.....	2,499
Sunday School.....	315
Total.....	2,814

Please tear off and place in offering basket or hospitality desk.

Homosexuality, Scripture, and the Church

Session 1: Sunday, Feb. 14, 2-4:30 p.m. Great Hall *OR*
Thursday, Feb. 18, 6-8:30 p.m. Sanctuary

Session 2: Sunday, Feb. 28, 2-4:30 p.m. Great Hall *OR*
Thursday, March 4, 6-8:30 p.m. Great Hall

Session 3: Sunday, March 21, 2-4:30 p.m. Great Hall *OR*
Thursday, March 25, 6-8:30 p.m. Great Hall

Since the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America's National Assembly in August, some in our congregation have asked important questions regarding the policies and procedures regarding three questions:

1. Will the church be doing same sex blessings?
2. Will the church be hiring a gay clergy?
3. What is our relationship with the ELCA?

We believe that it is possible for a community to live and listen to each other and disagree and STILL be loving and in community together.

As a church we believe that we are healthy enough to trust each other in a process of listening and learning. Starting in February and ending in March, we will be hosting three sessions on this issue (see box above for dates and times):

Session 1: How communities disagree and still treat each other with respect. In addition, we will look at the history of the sexuality conversation in the ELCA and how it could impact the life of St. Andrew's.

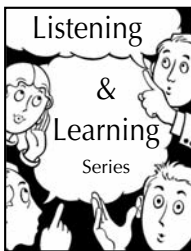
Session 2: How do Lutherans read scripture and how do faithful people use the same scriptures to arrive at differing perspectives in scripture?

Session 3: We will hear the multiple perspectives of humans who have struggled with these issues.

Registration for the sessions is not necessary.

Finally, we ask that people who attend these sessions commit to attending all three sessions. In this manner, we will each gain a full perspective and grow together.

In Christ, Pastor Mike Carlson



Children, Youth & Family

Celebrating Baptism Class

Everyone is invited to celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Baptism at St. Andrew's.

Saturday, Jan. 23; 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Youth and Sports Center Room 7

Tuesday, March 2; 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Building - Room 201

No charge; pre-register by one week prior. Call Terri at 651-762-9175 to make reservations for the class and to schedule a baptism.

Grand Adults

AARP Driver Safety Class

NEXT SESSION: Monday, Jan. 25

The four-hour refresher courses are held on Mondays from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. in Sanctuary Room 205. The class dates are Jan. 25, March 15 and May 17, 2010. Dick Murray will be the instructor. Pre-registration and payment is required. Cost is \$18. Register through in-house registration form, attention Dianne Nash, or call 651-762-9141.

IMAX, Abdallah's Chocolates &

Lunch at Le Courdon Bleu

Thursday, Feb. 25 - NOTE DATE CHANGE

Visit Abdallah's Chocolates and experience animation IMAX Theatre production of "Mysteries of Egypt" on a seven-story screen. Have lunch in the Minnesota Room at the Le Courdon Bleu Culinary College. Depart from St. Andrew's Great Hall at 8:30 a.m. and return at 3:30 p.m. Cost is \$53 and includes transportation, IMAX Theater admission and lunch. Pre-registration and payment required by Monday, Feb. 8. Sign up by completing a registration envelope or calling Dianne Nash at 651-762-9141. We must have 30 people registered by Feb. 8 or the event will be cancelled.