

Week of Feb. 14, 2010



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

Ash Wednesday is Feb. 17

Please join us every Wednesday beginning Ash Wednesday, Feb. 17, through Wednesday, March 24:

12 noon ... Great Hall

Holy Communion celebrated.

Soup and sandwich luncheon follows service.

5:45 & 7 p.m. ... Sanctuary

Child care available.

Pizza and salad dinner available 5-7 p.m. in the Youth & Sports Center.



LENT BEGINS

Job Hunt Workshop Series

Presented by Catherine Byers Breet. Thursdays, Feb. 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! Cost is \$30 per session or \$25 each for St. Andrew's members. For sign-up information contact Nancy Clunis at 651-762-9120, or nclunis@saintandrews.org. Register online at www.saintandrews.org. For more information go to www.jobhuntworkshop.com.



Hypnotist to headline tonight's Blast Family Night!

Tonight, Sunday, Feb. 14, 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the Great Hall. David Swanson, a local Christian hypnotist from White Bear Lake, MN will entertain us with a comedy hypnotism show. David is hilarious to watch and has performed for countless groups in the Twin Cities area. We will combine this comedy time with a message and a powerful worship experience.

Check out his website: www.davidswansonhypnotist.com. Nursery available with pre-registration, contact Kristy Moosbrugger at 651-762-9113.

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

GOD'S WORD FOR TODAY

Beginning March 21

Join one of the pastors each Sunday morning with an interactive look at the Gospel text of the day. We believe you'll discover the joy, wonder and power of God's Word for every day. We will meet in Room 204 on the second floor of the Sanctuary from: 9:45 to 10:30 a.m.

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, please let us know of your interest. Contact Lori Goodroad at lgoodroad@saintandrews.org or 651-762-9103.

Music Ministry

Sr. High Annual Dessert Theater Friday and Saturday, Feb. 26-27, 7 p.m.

The Sr. High Choir presents their annual Dessert Theater in the Great Hall. Come and enjoy great music, talented soloists and hilarious skits. A variety of delicious desserts will be served during intermission. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under and may be purchased from the St. Andrew's ticket office or on Sunday mornings.



'Let There Be Music'

Vallee de Croix/Great Northern Union Chorus

Saturday, March 6. The Great Northern Union Chorus, Barbershop Harmony Society 2009 3rd Place International Medalists; the BUZZ, Sweet Adelines International 2005 Quartet Champions; Ensemble from the St. Paul Conservatory of Music as guest performers; and the Vallee de Croix Chorus. Tickets are \$20/adults or \$10/student. Groups of 15 or more can purchase the tickets for \$15/adult. For tickets or information contact Betty at bettyandhenry@msn.com or at the door.

A Sense of Belonging

Become a member of St. Andrew's by attending the Membership class on Sunday, Feb. 21, 6 - 8:30 p.m., in Youth & Sports Center Room 7A. To register call Nancy Clunis at 651-762-9120 or email at nclunis@saintandrews.org.

Mugs for Sale

\$5. Available at the reception desks in the Great Hall and Sanctuary.

Blood Pressure Screening

Sunday, Feb. 14, Sanctuary Atrium Lounge, between services; no screenings following 11 a.m. service; screenings in the Great Hall following the 9:45 a.m. service. Screenings also in Great Hall on Saturday, Feb. 13, following the 5 p.m. service. Volunteers needed on a regular basis; contact Dianne Nash at 651-762-9141 if interested.

Women's Ministry

New Crafters' Club

Next meeting Friday, March 6, Sanctuary B01, 5-11 p.m. 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.

Women's Spring Retreat

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



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.

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!

Homes Needed for MN Boychoir

We need host homes for the Minnesota Boychoir on Saturday, Feb. 27. Pick up around 8:35 p.m. on Saturday and return by 7:30 a.m. on Sunday. Please email familyfoss@juno.com or call Scott, Diana or Martina Foss at 651-426-9255.

Local Missions Leaders Wanted

We are currently looking for leaders to help with events and activities for the Blanket Ministry, Rainbow Child Development Center, Thanksgiving Baskets, Food Drives, Backpacks and School Supplies Drive and Share the Warmth Drive. For more information, please contact Kellie Cardinal at 651-762-9124 or kcardinal@saintandrews.org.

Habitat for Humanity

St. Andrew's will be helping Thrivent remodel a house in St. Paul for a Habitat family. Join your St. Andrew's on any of the following dates: Saturday Feb. 27, Thursday March 4, Wednesday March 17,

Ken Medema To Perform

Benefit Concert at St. Andrew's Sunday, March 21, 7 p.m.

The Twin Cities' Vibrant Faith Ministries, formerly The Youth & Family Institute, a faith-based, non-profit organization, will host a benefit concert open to the public featuring renowned musician Ken Medema, at 7 p.m. Sunday, March 21, 2010, in the Sanctuary.

Medema, a singer, keyboard player, and composer, has been blind since birth. His performances have been an inspiration for a wide variety of venues—including local congregations, charity fund-raisers, high school and university campuses, denominational youth gatherings, universally televised religious programs, corporate conventions, and annual assemblies of national organizations.

There will be a free-will offering to benefit Vibrant Faith Ministries and world hunger.

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.

Feed My Starving Children

Please join the St. Andrew's family as we pack meals together for those that hunger in Haiti and other impoverished countries on Friday, Feb. 26 (8:30 - 10:30 p.m.), Saturday, Feb. 27 (7:30 - 9:30 p.m.) and in May 2010. This event has a minimum age of 8 years old. Donations are encouraged, but not required in order to participate. Space is limited. Register today at www.saintandrews.org or by email: kcardinal@saintandrews.org.

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,

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.

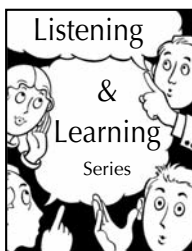
Session 2: How do Lutherans read scripture and how do faithful people use the same scriptures to arrive at differing perspectives in scripture?

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



Serve! – Within Our Walls

Try Out Ushering During Lent

Never ushered before, here is your chance to get training on a short term basis. We need ushers at the 12 noon Great Hall service, 5:30 and 7 p.m. Sanctuary services starting with Ash Wednesday on Feb. 17 and every Wednesday thereafter until Easter. If this is something you would like to try, or if you are fully trained, please call us at 762-9132 or e-mail worshipcoordinators@saintandrews.org. Sign up sheets are also in the ushers stands in both places.

Grand Adults

IMAX, Chocolates & Bleu

Thursday, Feb. 25

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. Registration and payment required. Sign up by completing a registration envelope or calling Dianne Nash at 651-762-9141.

GRAND Forum

Tuesday, March 9; 11:30 a.m.

History of the Bible Through Art. Cindi Beth Johnson, Director of Community Programming in the Arts, Religion and Spirituality at United Theological Seminary, is our featured speaker. Lunch is served at 11:30; health screenings, healing touch and fellowship beginning at 11 a.m. Cost is \$10. Registration/payment by Thursday, March 4. Complete an in-house registration envelope or contact Dianne Nash at 651-762-9141.

Dead Sea Scrolls; Science Museum

Thursday, March 25

We leave St. Andrew's at 11:30 a.m. and have lunch at the Science Museum (on your own). See "Arabia" at the Omnitheater and enjoy the Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit, returning around 3:30 p.m. Cost is \$34. Payment required by Wednesday, March 10. Complete an in-house registration envelope or contact Dianne at 651-762-9141.

Celebrating Baptism

at St. Andrew's

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

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

Monday, April 19; 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Youth and Sports Center Room 7

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.

Jobs Available

Temporary Positions Available

Children's Ministry; salaried thru June 30, 2010.

1 20-hour-per-week position AND

2 10-hour-per-week positions

Contact Linda Powers for complete job description and more information at 651-762-9167 or lpowers@saintandrews.org.

High School

Middle School / Confirmation

Notes...

No Confirmation classes this week instead attend Ash Wednesday service with your family at 5:45 or 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Summer Camp Brochure is now available. Registrations received after March 15, 2010 will incur a \$50 dollar fee. 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 Mary Post at 651-762-9131 or mpost@saintandrews.org

Summer Camp Leaders Wanted

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!

No Dock

No Dock or Youth Group tonight instead join other families at our Family Blast Night, see details on front page.

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

High School READ Bible Study

Tuesdays, 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Youth & Sports Center. We will join the rest of the congregation in this Congregation Wide Bible Study on Tuesday nights. This is for youth who want to dig deeper into the Word and explore the ways God moves through scripture and in your life. We will begin in the Youth Room with snacks and fellowship, then explore how the Bible connects to our lives through activities, movie clips, art, and more. Pastor Straiton will guide us, as we talk more in-depth. You are welcome to join in any Tuesday.

Notes...

Adults wanted to lead small groups and/or to be present at events. Please contact Erin Morris if you are interested in helping out.

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

Sports & Recreation

Men's Softball

Come and join us!!! Wednesday Evenings; 12 weeks beginning May 5 – July 28, 2010. Subs needed for teams. Please include T-shirt size on registration form. 1 hour games between the times of 6 and 9 p.m. at Lakewood Hills fields. Cost is \$50.00 Register before April 15th using an Event Registration Envelope available in each building or online at www.saintandrews.org For more information please contact Terri Johnson at 651-762-9175 or tjohnson@saintandrews.org.

Women's Golf

Come and join us!!! 10 week session playing Wednesday's at Gem Lake Golf Course in White Bear Lake beginning May 5 – July 7, 2010. Please meet at Gem Lake Golf Course at 10:00 a.m. and tee times will start at 10:15 a.m. Cost is \$120/per player. Register before April 15th using an Event Registration Envelope or online at www.saintandrews.org. For more information, please contact Terri Johnson, 651-762-9175 or tjohnson@saintandrews.org.

Youth Junior Golf League (Age 10-15)

Seven-week session begins June 16. Meet at 10:45 a.m. at Gem Lake Golf Course and tee times will start at 11 a.m. Cost is \$125. Register before April 15 using an Event Registration Envelope available in each building or online at www.saintandrews.org. For more information please contact Terri Johnson at 651-762-9175 or tjohnson@saintandrews.org.

Vision Slovakia

Teachers Still Needed This Summer

There is still space for you in both the Vacation Bible School and Conversational English teaching programs this summer in Martin, Slovakia. Children and adult students eagerly await your presence with them as you impact their lives educationally and their growth in the Christian faith. Call or e-mail Paul Berge, director of Vision Slovakia, for more information: 651-762-9143, pberge@saintandrews.org

Open Adult Basketball

Tuesdays 8:30-10 p.m. beginning in November. Pick up style basketball for those 16 or older in the Youth & Sports Center Gym. Cost is FREE! For more information please contact: Terri Johnson 651-762-9175 or tjohnson@saintandrews.org.

Yogadevotion

Six-week session beginning Monday, March 1; Level I: 6:15-7:15 p.m.; Level II: 7:30-8:30 p.m. Must have 10 pre-registered for Level II to hold class. Cost \$40. Classes held in the Great Hall. Register through in-house registration form, attention Dianne Nash, or call 651-762-9141.

Monday Morning Yoga

Six-week session beginning Monday, March 1. Multi-level; 9 a.m., Youth & Sports Center Room 7. Cost \$40. Register through in-house registration form, attention Dianne Nash, or call 651-762-9141. Need 10 pre-registered to hold the class.

Gentle Yoga

Six-week session beginning Monday, March 1, 11:15 a.m., Youth & Sports Center Room 7. Cost \$40. Register through in-house registration form, attention Dianne Nash, or call 651-762-9141. Must have 10 pre-registered to hold the class.

Men's Ministry

Next Breakfast: Darby McDonald

Join us for the next Men's Ministry Breakfast on Saturday, **Feb. 20, 8-9:30 a.m.** in the Great Hall featuring Phil "Darby" McDonald, executive director of Youth Forum.

McDonald graduated with a master of theology degree from Dallas Seminary. He was executive director in Young Life for the Midwest Region for 20 years. McDonald currently leads Youth Forum which was started in 1979 by former Minnesota Governor Al Quie. Youth Forum is a non-profit, private Christian organization that is a spiritual advocate for teenagers in Minnesota and Wisconsin. McDonald has been life-long friend of Pastor John Straiton and is an engaging, funny and moving speaker.

PROCLAIM JESUS CHRIST, LIVE IN CHRIST, SERVE!

Event Sign-Up Dec. Feb. 13 & 14, 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)*

Cookies

are given this week by **Jimmie and Shirley Rabuse** in honor of **Rollie Johnson** for his kind curb service from car to church; and by **John & Rieta Kopas** in honor of their grandson **Erick Martin's** 13th birthday on Valentine's Day.

By the Numbers

Attendance

Saturday & Sunday, Feb. 7 & 8.....2,088
 Sunday School.....314
 Total.....2,402

Name

Address

City, State, Zip

Daytime Phone

Evening Phone

Fee/deposit (specify amount)

Event/Program

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

Proclaim 500! Stories of Faith

God is touching and changing the lives of many people here at St. Andrew's. Experiences of faith are meant to be shared, to help others in their faith life. You can share your own experience of faith by writing a simple story about it. Your story can help us become a congregation that proclaims Jesus Christ in multiple ways. St. Andrew's has a goal of celebrating 500 faith stories by June 1.

Resources to aid you in writing your faith story can be found on our web site www.saintandrews.org. The best way to submit your story is through faithstories@saintandrews.org. Some possible topic questions to start you thinking:

- 1. Describe a time when you experienced God's grace or love.*
- 2. Tell of a time when God's people came through for you.*
- 3. Remember how and when God came alive in your life.*
- 4. Describe a time when God felt present.*



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