

Week of Feb. 7, 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

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.



Thinking About Joining St. Andrew's?

Attend the Sunday, Feb. 7 Orientation class at 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary Atrium Lounge. If you've been attending, come and see what membership means at the Membership class on Sunday, Feb 21, 6 - 8:30 p.m. in Youth & Sports Center Room 7A. For information call Nancy Clunis at 651-762-9120 or e-mail at nclunis@saintandrews.org.

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.

St. Andrew's 50+ Singles Group

Calling all those 50+ and single, to join us for fun and fellowship. This group is actively meeting and enjoying numerous activities. Are upcoming activities are:

Feb. 9th, Swing and Salsa dance lessons at the Dug-out in Willernie/Mahtomedi, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. The lessons are free!

Feb. 11, Planning Meeting 7-8:30 p.m.

For information call Joyce Flynn at 651-429-2505.

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.

Women's Ministry

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.

Saturday: Bible Study Connection

Feb. 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!

Sr. High Choir Dessert Theater

The Sr. High Choir presents their annual Dessert Theater on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 26 and 27 at 7 p.m. 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. This is a great family event. Come and see these wonderful kids sing and dance!



Community Campout

Save the date: July 23-24

St. Andrew's Foundation

Plant a seed. Help our church and its ministries grow. The Foundation of St. Andrew's Lutheran Church can help! Please call Lori Goodroad at 651-762-9103.

Women on the Edge

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

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.

Jobs Available

Temporary Postitions Available

Children's Ministy; 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.

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!

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.

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. This is a great way to make an impact on our local community. For more information, please contact Kellie Cardinal at 651-762-9124 or kcardinal@saintandrews.org.

Ken Medema To Perform Benefit Concert at St. Andrew's

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. Saturday, 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.

Homes Needed for MN Boychoir

We need host homes for the Minnesota Boychoir on Saturday, Feb. 27. Minimum of two boys/home; all are high school students. Each boy requires a bed or couch for sleeping (not on the floor, please); they will bring their own sleeping bags and pillows. Pick up around 8:35 p.m. on Saturday and return by 7:30 a.m. on Sunday. Provide breakfast. If you would be willing to host, please email familyfoss@juno.com or call Scott, Diana or Martina Foss at 651-426-9255.

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.

Heart for Haiti Benefit Concert

Feb. 12, 7:30 p.m. Ordway McKnight Theatre. For information go to www.ordway.org/performances/0910/heart-for-haiti.asp.

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.

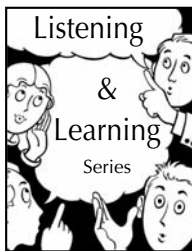
Session 2: How do Lutherans read scripture and how do faithful people use the same scriptures to arrive at differing perspectives in scripture?

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 12:00 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

GRAND Forum

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

Mello Fellows: This men's choral group of retired 3Mer's have shared their gifted voices through the Twin Cities. Lunch is served at 11:30; health screenings, healing touch and fellowship beginning at 11 a.m. in the Narthex. Cost is \$12. Pre-registration and payment required by Thursday, Feb. 4. Complete an in-house registration envelope or contact Dianne Nash at 651-762-9141.

IMAX, Chocolates & Bleu

Thursday, Feb. 25

Visit Abdallah's Chocolates and IMAX Theatre production of "Mysteries of Egypt." 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 registered by Feb. 8 or the event will be cancelled.

Dead Sea Scrolls; Science Museum

Thursday, March 25

We will 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.

Middle School / Confirmation

Sally Hanson Celebration Today

We are sorry to announce that Sally Hanson, a member of the youth team, has accepted another position as Youth and Family Minister in North Branch, Minn. We want to celebrate all her wonderful ministry over the past five years and wish her luck on her new call. Today, Feb. 7, at 11 a.m. in the Youth and Sports Center we will have a reception for her. Please stop by and share your thanks and blessings with her.

Blast Family Night

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.

Confirmation Leader Training

Today, Feb 7, 11 a.m. in Sanctuary room 202AB
A time for 7th and 8th grade Confirmation Guides to check in, talk about what is going on in their groups, and hear information about what will be happening in the future.

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? Please fill out an application in the Y&SC. Preference will be given to upperclassmen and Peer Ministers. Both youth and adult leaders are needed!

Middle/High School Spikes for Hunger

Saturday, Feb. 20, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Youth & Sports Center. Cost: Free with canned food items, otherwise \$25 team/\$5 individual. Registration deadline, this Wednesday, Feb. 10. Help stock up our local food shelf and spike with a middle/high school volleyball tournament. Register on your own and join a team competition day!

High School

Plunge Sign-up Deadline

\$20 due by this Wednesday, Feb. 10. Experience and unravel the unique struggles of people living without. Learn to put a face on the homeless and discover just how young that face can be. St. A's is teaming up with the Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches to not only understand poverty in our community but to do something about it. Event runs from Friday, March 12 thru Sunday, March 14 in Minneapolis.

No Dock Tonight

Dock & Youth Group are cancelled tonight and next week. We will be back on Feb 21.

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. at 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.

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!

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.

Adult Floor Hockey

Thursday, Through April 1, 8-10 p.m.
Pick up style in the Gym. 16 years of age and older. No cost. To register, please fill out a registration envelope available in each building. Call Bill Bakken at 651-231-1325 for more information.

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.

Futsal

The next session begins Saturday, February 22, 1-5:15 p.m. in the Youth and Sports Center. Advance registration required; use registration envelopes or go online. Contact: Terri – 651-762-9175, or tjohnson@saintandrews.org.

Men's Ministry

February 20 Breakfast to Feature 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. 6 & 7, 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

Troop 89 in recognition of **Scout Sunday**.

*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.*

By the Numbers

Attendance

Saturday & Sunday, Jan. 30 & 31.....1,893
 Sunday School.....286
 Total.....2,179

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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