

Week of March 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*

Holy Week Prayer Vigil Begins Maundy Thursday, April 1, 8: p.m. and ends Saturday, April 3, 7 a.m. Sanctuary Atrium Lounge

Take 1/2 an hour during Holy Week to watch and pray with Jesus. Families and groups can sign up together (more than one person can be praying during a time slot). Sign up online or at the registration table. Questions: contact Pastor John Keller or Dale Bakken, 651-426-3261.

Why Gender Matters

Understanding the differences in how boys and girls learn so as to help all children excel

**Saturday, April 17 (all day) and
Sunday, April 18 (morning)**

The Institute of Theological and Interdisciplinary Studies and St. Andrew's sponsor this event for parents, educators, and school and church leaders. The presenter is Leonard Sax, M.D., Ph.D, and a graduate of MIT and the University of Pennsylvania. He is a board-certified family practice physician, a Ph.D. psychologist, and the founder of the National Association for Single Sex Public Education. To sign up or for more information about this day at St. Andrew's, contact Pastor Brian Norsman at 651-762-9176 or bnorsman@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.

Wednesday Lenten Worship

*Please join us every Wednesday through
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.

GriefShare

**Thursdays, March 18 through June 10
6:45 to 8:45 p.m. in Sanctuary Building**

GriefShare is a Christ-centered grief recovery support group. Call Ronda at 651-762-9105 to register. The cost is \$15 which covers all materials. For information on GriefShare, check out the website at www.griefshare.org or call Joanne Zehnder at 651-730-9073. We know it hurts, and we want to help.

Career Networking Group

Thursday, March 18, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Sanctuary Room 201. Strengths Articulation Workshop presented by Pastor John Keller. In one evening, the participants in this workshop will begin to identify their dependable strengths and articulate them in a way that can assist them in their career assessment/search. Contact Nancy Clunis for information at 651-762-9120 or nclunis@saintandrews.org.

Blood Pressure Screening

Blood Pressure Screenings, today, March 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, March 13, following The Gathering. Volunteer nurses needed on a regular basis; contact Dianne Nash at 651-762-9141 if interested.

Preschools of St. Andrew's

A visit from a penguin, chapel, color day, music, intergenerational time, helping Haitian children... What do these things have in common? All these and more were happening last month at the Preschools. Curious? Please call 651-762-9121 or 651-762-4103 to tour or enroll your child.

Environmental Workshops

6:30-8 p.m. in Sanctuary Room 201. No cost. Register with Angie Hong at 651-275-1136 ext. 35.

All About Raingardens, Tuesday, March 23. Learn the basics of designing a raingarden.

Planting Your Lake or Wetland Edge Tuesday, April 6. Learn planting techniques to stabilize shorelines and keep wetlands clean.

Book Drive

Youth and Sports Center will be collecting new and used books to be distributed in the community to programs that support reading and focus on improving reading skill.

Courageous Couples

Sundays, April 11-May 16, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Y&SC Youth Room. Childcare available. If you're looking to connect with other couples, have some intentional time with your spouse, enjoy some fun activities and top it off with some Marriage Enrichment, this is the adventure for you! You can sign up online or with an Event Registration Envelope. Contact Pastor Sarah Breckenridge or Lisa Ender, lender@saintandrews.org, 651-762-9139 for more information.

Courageous Couples: Duluth

Saturday, May 22. Come to Duluth for a day of rock climbing and sea kayaking. Cost is \$110 per person. Sign up online or with an Event Registration Envelope. Contact Lisa Ender, lender@saintandrews.org, 651-762-9139.

Grand Adults

Golf

Applewood Hills starting May 4. Cost: \$182 for the season. To register, contact Dianne Nash at 651-762-9141 or complete event registration envelope. Contact Hal Seim at 651-491-8667 or halseim@yahoo.com with any questions.

GRAND Forum

Tuesday, April 13; Experiential Prayer and Art
Carrin Mahmood, Director of Women's Ministries, will be our speaker. Joining her will be Chillon Leach, artist. Chillon will draw/paint as Carrin speaks to us and prays. Lunch is served at 11:30; health screenings, healing touch and fellowship beginning at 11 a.m. Cost is \$12. Pre-registration and payment required. Complete an in-house registration envelope or contact Dianne Nash at 651-762-9141.

Dead Sea Scrolls

Thursday, March 25, 11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Cost is \$39 and includes transportation, Omnitheater and exhibit admission. Registration and payment are required by Wednesday, March 15. Complete a registration envelope or contact Dianne Nash at 651-762-9141.

Don't Hug Me: County Fair

Thursday, April 15, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

See "Don't Hug Me: County Fair" at Fanny Hill Theater in Eau Claire, Wisc., to see "Don't Hug Me: County Fair." Cost is \$60 and includes transportation, lunch and performance. Need 20 pre-registered by April 12 or the event will be cancelled. Complete an in-house registration envelope or contact Dianne Nash at 651-762-9141.

Men's Ministry

March 27 Breakfast: Pete Larson

Join us for the next Men's Ministry Breakfast on Saturday, March 27, 8 a.m.-9:30 a.m. in the Great Hall featuring Pete Larson, director of Family Fest Ministries. Larson has spent 30 years working with youth, families and married couples. Free-will offering at the door.

Holy Week and Easter Worship Schedule

Maundy Thursday, April 1

12 noon ... Sanctuary

7 p.m. ... Sanctuary

“Do this in remembrance of me.” We commemorate the Last Supper – a Passover meal that Jesus shared with his disciples the night before his death. The service includes beautiful music by New Dimension Singers and Handbells.

Good Friday, April 2

Mid-Day Journey to the Cross

12 noon ... Sanctuary

Family Worship Experience

2 and 4 p.m. ... Great Hall

St. Andrew's hosts an experiential worship journey of the Passion of Christ that begins in the Great Hall. The service is an active journey through Holy Week, from Palm Sunday to the cross, unlike any you have experienced. It shows the passion and death of Jesus in sight, in sound, in taste, and in music. At times you will participate by acting, singing, tasting, being creative, and much more. This service is for families, in language to be understood by people of all ages. Come as a family to journey with us to the cross.

“Requiem” by John Rutter

7 p.m. ... Sanctuary

This service is a part of the tradition of music commemorating the crucifixion of Jesus and its meaning in our lives today. The story is told through the Biblical text and the beautiful music by St. Andrew's Choir, St. Andrew's orchestra, and the 108-rank Cassavant organ.

Easter Sunday, April 4

7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 Noon

In the Sanctuary

Choirs, soloists, organ, and the St. Andrew's Orchestra. Holy Communion celebrated at 7 a.m. and 12 noon. Interpreted for the deaf and hard of hearing at 10 a.m. Nursery provided.

9:15 & 10:15 a.m.

In the Great Hall

Contemporary Worship. Holy Communion celebrated at 10:15 a.m. Nursery provided.

Saturday, April 3, 5 p.m.

In the Great Hall

Contemporary Worship celebrating Christ's rising from the tomb on Easter morning. Holy Communion celebrated. Nursery provided.

(There is no Dock worship service on Easter.)

Serve! Local Missions

Fill the Truck!

Food Drive March 21

Grab a grocery bag and bring it to church on Sunday, March 21, filled with non-perishable food items or other needed items on that day. You may also make cash donations marked "Food Drive". All donated items and cash proceeds will go to the local food shelves of Mahtomedi, White Bear Lake, and Stillwater areas. If you would like to help in the collection or have a van we can fill for delivery to the local food shelf, please contact Kellie Cardinal at 651-762-9124.

Local Missions Leaders Wanted!

We are currently looking for leaders to help with events and activities for the Blanket Ministry, Spa Day, 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.

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: 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.

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. 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 March and April. Call 426-3261 for an appointment.

Financial Planners

Assist church members and friends with estate planning issues on behalf of St. Andrew's Foundation. If you are a financial planner, attorney, tax accountant, or CPA, call Lori Goodroad, 651-762-9103.

Family and Children

Communion Instruction

Children first grade and older are invited to take Communion instruction at St Andrew's. The class will be held March 27, 2010 from 9-11:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary, room 204. Parents are encouraged to register and come with their child to Communion instruction. Celebration will be Maundy Thursday, April 1, 2010 at the 7:00 p.m. service in the Sanctuary. Register online or by filling out an Event Registration Envelope, which is available in all buildings

Vacation Bible School

Pre-School through 5th grade
Join us this summer for a "High Seas Expedition," and experience the deep rolling waters of God's love. Vacation Bible School is open to any child, ages 3 ½ to 5th grade who wants to learn about God, make new friends, and be part of a great adventure. Registration fills fast—sign up now!

When: June 21-25, 2010
Where: Great Hall
Cost: \$35 early bird rate before May 2, \$50 after May 2
Registration: Online or VBS registration form
Questions? Contact Terri Johnson (Registration), 651-762-9175
Or Linda Powers (General inquiry), 651-762-9167

No WAVE Wednesday nights during Lent

Students and their families are invited to attend Wednesday evening Lenten services March 17 through March 31. Wednesday night WAVE will resume regular programming on April 7.

Palm Sunday, March 28

Children will be playing an important role in the Palm Sunday worship. They will be bringing home handouts with details regarding their participation for specific worship hours. Any questions, contact Linda Powers, Director of Family and Children's Ministry, 651-762-9167.

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. 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 charity fund-raisers, high school and university campuses, 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.

A Night On The Street

New Event! Friday, April 16, 5 p.m. thru Saturday, April 17, 8 a.m.

Depart/Return from the Youth & Sports Center First Meeting Today! 11 a.m. to 12 noon in the Youth & Sports Center

Join nearly 400 teens from 30 congregations and spend the night sleeping in cardboard boxes to raise awareness about teen homelessness. Open to 7th thru 12th grade students, fundraising involved.

This event will provide service hours previously fulfilled by the 30 Hour Famine

Middle School / Confirmation

Confirmation

We continue with not having Confirmation classes during Lent. Confirmation students must attend 4 out of 5 Lenten Worship (5:45 & 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary) with their families. Please pick up Attendance/Worship Note cards at the Front Desk.

Middle School Leadership Team

Today, Sunday, March 14, 11 a.m. in the Youth & Sports Center We are back! We will meet and discuss look at our summer plans. What events do you want to help plan, be a part of, and enjoy. We will be done at 12:30 and lunch is provided.

30 Hour Famine Cancelled

Due to staffing changes, this event has been cancelled. Youth who are looking for another service-hour opportunity, check out A Night on the Street.

Notes...

Summer Camp regular registration deadline is Monday, March 15, 2010. Register today!

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

High School

The Dock

Tonight, Sunday, March 14 from 6 to 6:30 p.m. in the Great Hall

Join in for Sunday night worship created and led by youth where we will focus on the question "Who Am I?" Offering collected this month goes to Second Harvest Food Bank. Those who are interested in speaking, reading, or practicing their musical skills with the DOCK band, please contact Marcia Evenson.

Youth Group

Tonight, Sunday, March 7, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Youth & Sports Center. Each night will connect with the scripture and message shared at DOCK, through small groups, activities, or service projects. All are welcome.

Boys & Girls Club

Tuesdays from 3:15 to 5:45 p.m., meet at the Y&SC. Help the kids at the West Side Boys & Girls Club by reading books with them, playing games, and just having a great time! Please RSVP to Mary Post by Monday noon so we can arrange transportation at 651-762-9131 or mpost@saintandrews.org

Women's Ministry

Kindred Sisters

Fellowship, Dessert, and a Speaker

The Next Generation with Erin Morris on Thursday, April 8, 6:30-8 p.m. Great Hall Fireside Lounge

Erin Morris, Diaconal Minister and Youth & Family Ministry Team Lead, will describe the crucial role all women play in raising up the next generation in faith and how to pass on the spirit of power, love and self-discipline. Register online at www.saintandrews.org or with a registration envelope available in all kiosks. \$5 in advance; \$7 at the door. Questions? Contact Joan McCormick at 651-653-1716 or joanmccormick@comcast.net.

Catch Your Breath

Wednesdays, April 7 – May 19, 7-8 p.m.
Sanctuary Atrium Lounge. Pastor Sarah Breckenridge will facilitate this weekly time. Using the book, "Catch Your Breath: God's Invitation to Sabbath Rest" by Don Postema, we hope to become more aware of the presence of God, be spiritually refreshed and refocused to face our wonder-filled lives. Email sbreckenridge@saintandrews.org for information or to register. Nursery available with registration, 651-762-9113.

Creating Sabbath Space

A Spring Retreat for Women

Friday, April 30, 7 p.m.- Sunday May 2, 10 a.m.

Stay in the beautiful Eagle Lodge, in Clearwater Forest, near Deerwood Minnesota. \$79 early bird rate through April 1. \$99 rate through April 28. (\$125 Women's Ministry sponsorship option also available) Register at saintandrews.org or with a registration envelope. Call Carrin Mahmood at 651-762-9119.

Pillowcase Dress Sew-a-thon

Imagine a world where every little girl owned at least one dress.

Saturday, April 10, 9 a.m.-noon, Great Hall

Join people from all over the United States and sew pillowcase dresses. Dresses will go to Mission Jamaica and girls who need them around the world. Check the April Proclaim newsletter for details about what is needed. Call Carrin Mahmood with questions and register with an envelope or with Janet Knoll at janetknoll@comcast.net.

Crafters Club

First Fridays, 5-10 p.m. Sanctuary Room B01

Scrapbookers, knitters, crafty people of all kinds... No cost or registration required. Free childcare available from 6:45 to 8:45 p.m. with pre-registration at 651-762-9113. Contact Annette Goeser 651-636-1198 with any questions.

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.

PROCLAIM JESUS CHRIST, LIVE IN CHRIST, SERVE!

Event Sign-Up Dec. March 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)

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

Cookies

are given this week by Sage Kruse in celebration of the birth of Lila Joy Kruse.

*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, March 6 & 7.....	1,877
Sunday School.....	332
Wednesday, March 3.....	858
Total.....	3,067

Name

Address

City, State, Zip

Daytime Phone

Evening Phone

Fee/deposit (specify amount)

Event/Program

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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