

Network



Weekly Newsletter April 16, 2026



Welcome New Staff Members

Although Tom Morel began his position as custodian at Saint Andrew in September 2025, he has been a member of this congregation with his wife Deb and their two sons since 1998. In fact, he even helped lead Troop 453 here when his sons were Scouts and was proud to see them confirmed here as well. Previously, Tom worked in retail management, and at Kolbe & Kolbe until October 2022. For Tom, Wausau and Saint Andrew have felt like his family's home for years, and he and Deb still enjoy the community they find here. Thank you Tom, for being part of our Saint Andrew family and for your excellent work!



Suzanne Martindale began her position as Bookkeeper/Administrative Assistant in March 2026. She has previous bookkeeping experience with a family business, and is also currently finishing her Associate's Degree in Accounting at Northcentral Technical College and is set to graduate in May! She also previously worked as a custodian at St. Paul's United Church of Christ here in Wausau for four years. Suzanne has four children and five grandchildren; two of her children will be starting high school next year. She is very proud of all her kids' accomplishments and talents and is

proud to be finishing her degree soon as an example to them. We are grateful to Deb Yellow Thunder, our previous bookkeeper, and to our Treasurer Terri Fronck, for helping to onboard Suzanne. Welcome to the Saint Andrew staff, Suzanne!

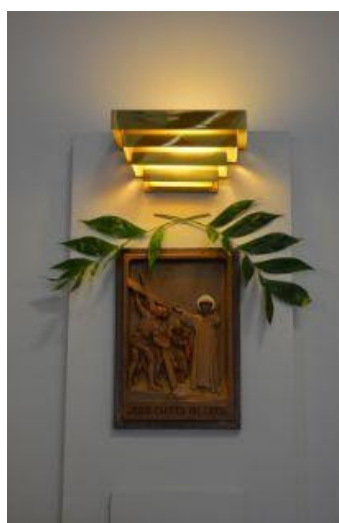


Jonathan to Attend Seminary Remotely

Jonathan, Worship and Music Director for Saint Andrew, will remotely attend Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary part-time to pursue a Master of Arts in Spirituality and Social Change degree on a full-tuition scholarship while remaining employed at Saint Andrew. He is in the third phase of discernment related to Candidacy to potentially become a Deacon, which is a minister of Word and Service. Deacons differ from Pastors as they do not administer the Holy Sacraments of Communion and Baptism.

It is his intention to attend Seminary and possibly become a Deacon to grow spiritually, as a leader, and as a listener to God and neighbor to better serve Saint Andrew and the wider community. He is passionate about climate justice, inclusive and liberative theologies, and working with others to bring about social change in the church and wider world that better reflects God's love for us, our neighbor, and God's creation.

Many of the ways you see and interact with Jonathan will not change. He hopes to grow in his abilities to equip church leaders for service, adaptive leadership, and composing music. Additionally, Diaconal responsibilities such as preaching and pastoral visitation may be added to his position.



Thank You!

Peace and blessings to you this Easter season! Thank you to all who joined us for Holy Week and Easter services at Saint Andrew. We are deeply grateful for

the dedicated volunteers who helped make worship so welcoming and meaningful, and for each person who came to join in worship as we remembered Jesus' journey to the cross and celebrated his resurrection. Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Lenten Soup Meals/Easter Breakfast Thank You!

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all who made our Lenten soup meals and Easter Breakfast at Saint Andrew such meaningful and successful experiences.

To our dedicated volunteers: your time, energy, and kindness brought warmth and fellowship to every gathering. From leading and organizing, preparing and serving meals, to setting up and cleaning up, your generosity truly reflects the spirit of the season.

To everyone who contributed donations: your support made it possible to continue these cherished traditions of sharing simple meals and strengthening our community. Through your generosity we were able to donate \$2,600 to the Wausau- Sleep in Heavenly Peace Organization. We were also able to donate \$900 to the youth service trip in Milwaukee this summer.

The ONE Winter Clothing Drive

The ONE Winter Clothing Drive has come to an end, and the Social Advocacy Ministry would like to thank everyone who made this drive successful! In summary, we collected 2,042 items, which included 1,780 items of clothing (coats, hats, mittens, hoodies, socks, etc.), 21 pairs of boots and 241 pairs of hand/toe warmers.

The Open Door, Wausau schools and the Marty Bus were the primary recipients of these donations.



Brew Joy, Build Community, Be A Coffee Host

Join the fun while getting to know others—being a coffee host is an easy, relaxed way to connect with fellow members and share in community. Serve approximately 1 hour, every 3 months, after the late service. Please contact

Sandi at 715-581-8876 or ruschsandi@gmail.com.

SALC Dartball Team at WI State Dartball Tournament

Members of the Saint Andrew Mountaineers dartball team along with members of the Mount Olive Oilers and St Paul UCC Hornets competed in the Wisconsin State Dartball Tournament finishing 3rd place in the consolation bracket. The Peace Panthers of the Wausau league finished 4th. Seven teams from the Wausau league competed. Very good showing from our area. The Mountaineers are still looking for more members so if you would like to try contact Duane Zietlow at 715-573-8817 or at dulazietlow@gmail.com.



Building Blocks of Faith Series Modern Service Series

As the joy of Christ's resurrection fills our hearts, you may be wondering, "Jesus is great, but how do I actually follow Jesus?" During the Easter series, Building Blocks of Faith, we will learn about faith, resurrection, Christian community, asking questions, sharing faith with others, and community discernment.

April 12: Becoming a Believer

April 19: Recognizing Jesus

April 26: Living in Community

May 3: Asking Questions

May 10: Sharing Our Faith

May 17: Seeking Guidance Together

Noisy Offering

Thursday and Sunday, April 16 & 19

A Noisy Offering will be received in worship in support of **Fuel For Their Future** campaign which will help pay down outstanding lunch debt in the Wausau School District as well as support Blessings in a Backpack.

Last month we received \$329.81 in support of **Wausau Women's Community**. Thank you for your generosity!

First Communion Instruction

Sundays, April 26 and May 3 at 9:15

Celebration of First Communion

Sunday, May 10; 8:00 and 10:00 am Worship Services

First Communion is another step along the lifelong faith formation journey. Children of all ages are welcome! Recognizing that parents come to the table with different expectations around communion for their children, we seek to honor those expectations as well as open our Lord's table to all who seek to receive the gifts of Jesus offered there.

First Communion instruction is designed to encourage active participation of both students and parents, with the hope that you will find the class to be both informative and a memorable experience as your family learns about the overwhelming welcome of the Lord's Table.

We use the book, "A Place For You" to read the stories of Jesus sharing meals with others; we will explore the altar space and learn how we experience communion in our own worship services at Saint Andrew; and as a group we will bake our own communion bread that will then be shared with the congregation on ***Sunday, May 10.***

Please fill out [this form](#) by ***Sunday, April 19*** to join us for First Communion Instruction.

Fiesta, Food & Fellowship 🌮 🎉

Wednesday, May 6; 10:30 am

Come join the OWLS for a joyful, belated Cinco de Mayo celebration! Enjoy a relaxed morning filled with delicious food, lighthearted activities, and plenty of laughter.

Whether you come for the tacos, the fellowship, or just a good time together, there's something for everyone. It's a perfect chance to gather, connect, and celebrate the spirit of community. Mexican themed potluck follows. Come join the fiesta—we'd love to see you there!

Homeless Shelters In Need of Volunteers to Prepare Meals

Volunteers are needed to prepare meals for various days and times for the local homeless shelters. All costs are covered by an anonymous donor! Please contact Bob or Janet Grady at 414-628-0291 for more details. [Read more here.](#)

Christin Our Home Devotionals

The 2026 second quarter of “Christ In Our Home” devotionals are available in the Narthex. All are welcome to pick up a copy for your family.



“One in Spirit” Yoga

Transforming the mind, body, and spirit

“Where there is peace, God is.”

- George Herbert.



“Sow and Nurture the Seeds of Peace”

March - May 2026

Mat-based Practices: Tuesdays at 8:30 am & 4:30 pm

Chair-based Practices: Wednesdays at 8:30 am

Non-profit donations will benefit NAMI Northwoods in support of their work of free mental health support, education, and advocacy available across Marathon, Lincoln, and Langlade counties.

Practices are drop in, free-will donation. Meet in the Chapel at Saint Andrew.
Props and mats available to support your practice.

All are welcome!

Saint Andrew Prayer List

Do you know of someone who is in need of prayer? (*Please ask first*). Call the church office at 842-3333 to have names added to the list at the Prayer Center. You can also visit the Prayer Center in the back of the Sanctuary, light a candle and write your prayer request in the prayer book. The list will be updated on a regular basis. The first names of those needing prayer will be recognized in worship weekly. As you review the day to day list of events that take place at Saint Andrew, please also give consideration to those who have requested prayers.

For these we pray...

Thank you, Lord, for always answering prayer, but not indulging my every petty, private request. Thank you for winnowing and refining, vetoing and delaying, refusing and revising. Thank you for being God and never less, for freeing me for wide horizons, for protecting me from my limited vision and wayward will. Thank you for foiling my every effort to unseat you and make myself king. Thank you for keeping it safe for me to pray.

—Gerhard E. Frost

Amy	Jean	Pyxie
Annie	Jen	Renee
Ashley	Jenny	Riley
Bonnie	Jermaine	Robert
Brent	Jesse	Robin
Bruce	Jill	Ron
Carol	Jim	Rosemary
Cindy	Joan	Sandy
Dan	Josh & Family	Sharon & Sally
Darcy	Judy	Shirley
Darnell	June	Steve
Darold	Katie	Steve & Janice
Dave	Kathy	Therese
Dennis	Kay	Tim
Diane	Kaye	Tom
Don	Kim	Virjean
Doris	Linda	Zak & Kathy
Doug	Melinda	Frank
Ed	Monica	Danielle
Gary	Nikki	Greg
Heidi	Paulette	

Adult Studies

Adult Bible Study

Sundays, 9:15 am - Garden Room (Sign up [here](#))

Please note this study will be joining the John Bible Study in the Parish Room - January 18 & 25 and February 1 & 15

Men's Bible Study

1st Wednesday of the month, 7:00 am - Fellowship Hall for breakfast and bible study (Sign up [here](#))

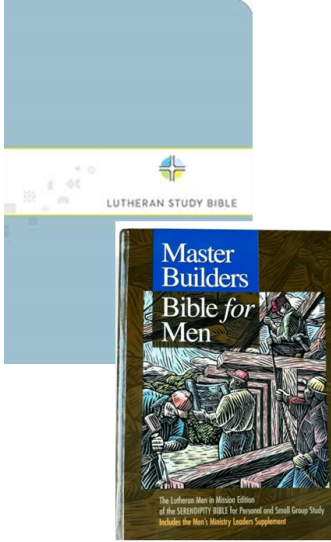
2nd-5th Wednesdays, 7:15 am - [Zoom](#)

Wonder? Women's Bible Study

Wednesdays, 9:30 am - Parish Room (Sign up [here](#))

Men's Discussion Group

Thursdays, 7:00 am - Garden Room



Connect With the Wider Church

Saint Andrew is a part of the East Central Synod of Wisconsin or ECSW. The ECSW is one of 12 synods that make up Region 5 of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church of America) in the United States. Visit the [ECSW website](#) and read their weekly newsletter, The Wave. To stay up to date on synod news and for resources, visit the [ECSW website](#) and to stay connected to the ELCA churchwide, visit the [ELCA website](#).

Network Newsletter

Printed copies of the weekly Network newsletter are available on the table in the Narthex. If you would like to receive the newsletter via email, please call the church office at 715-842-3333 or email joy@salc-wausau.org to let us know.

Saint Andrew Sunday Worship Livestream

8:00 am Traditional

[Click here for YouTube-Traditional](#)

[Click here for Facebook-Traditional](#)

10:00 am Modern

[Click here for YouTube-Modern](#)

[Click here for Facebook-Modern](#)

Weekly Worship

Sunday

8:00 am - Traditional Worship

Recorded Worship

on Spectrum

Sunday worship is livestreamed on the

10:00 am - Modern Worship
(The Sanctuary is
T-Coil Hearing Loop Enabled)

Thursday
12:15 pm - Chapel



SALC Facebook page and on Youtube each week. The recorded service can then be found on Spectrum channel 980 on the following days and times:

Tuesday - 2:00 pm
Thursday - 10:30 am
Friday - 6:00 pm
Sunday - 7:00 am

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday
8:30 am-4:30 pm

Network and Bulletin Weekly Deadline

Send submissions electronically for the Network and/or bulletin to
joy@salc-wausau.org by
Monday at 3:00 pm

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