
Network



Weekly Newsletter June 4, 2026

A Devotion by Pr. Jack

Acts 4:32-37

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. There was a Levite from Cyprus, Joseph, to whom the apostles gave the name Barnabas (which means "son of encouragement"). He sold a field that belonged to him, then brought the money and laid it at the apostles' feet.

Did you know that the first name proposed for Saint Andrew was "Saint Barnabas Lutheran Church?" I learned that recently from Pastor John Roseth over lunch, and although that was his first pick to name the church, it was shot down in discussion, due to likely becoming known as "Saint Barney's." All the same, I appreciated the scriptural reference inherent in a name like "Saint Barnabas." Those familiar with

Saint Barnabas would have understood that this church was inspired by someone who led by example, who understood the importance of generosity, and who was a “son of encouragement,” someone who built others up to be the best version of themselves.

Barnabas, like the other followers of Jesus in the infant stages of the church, engaged in these astonishing acts of generosity and mutual support, not because they had to, but because they wanted to, because “great grace was upon them all.” (v. 33) The rich and property-owning among them did not only pray for the poor, but instead they prayed for them **and** shared with them. Today, this is still our example. If we believe that the church is at its best when we support one another in all ways, then it is up to us to be ‘children of encouragement,’ cheering each other on and building each other up. Thanks be to God for Barnabas, and all our siblings in Christ who serve as examples of love and generosity to us all!

ECSW Synod Assembly 2026

The synodical expression of the church will meet in Oshkosh June 4-6 to worship, conduct church business, and learn more about the 2026 theme “To Strive for Justice and Peace for All the Earth”. This year is also the bishop election. Please hold in prayer Bishop Anne Edison-Albright who has indicated her willingness to be considered for re-election to a second term and those candidates who are also open to serving as the bishop of the ECSW (East Central Synod of Wisconsin).

Wisconsin is made up of 6 synods, the ECSW being the largest. Within our synod, there are 6 conferences which currently comprise 111 congregations. Saint Andrew will be sending the following voting members: Pr. Jack, Juli Antonson, Jenna Diedrich, Chester Fischer, Nick Josiger, Patrick Kieper, Joy Mitchell, and Jonathan Smith.

Please note, the church office will be closed on Thursday, June 4. Thursday 12:15 pm worship will still be held.



To the Ends of the Earth: Following the Holy Spirit Through Acts

Acts 1:8: “[Jesus said to the disciples]: But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and ***to the ends of the earth.***”

On the day Jesus ascended, forty days after his resurrection, he gave this instruction to his disciples, telling them that with the coming of the Holy Spirit, they would soon bear the good news of salvation, even to “the ends of the earth.” This is how the Acts

of the Apostles begin, with divine passion and holy purpose. As the narrative of Acts continues, the Holy Spirit would continue to drive the disciples out from behind locked doors and through every human border and boundary; a part of God's great plan of redemption. In this seven-week worship series, we are going to let the Holy Spirit lead us again, following it as it leads to every kind of person and through every kind of human-imposed barrier, and even "to the ends of the earth."

June 7: To Those in Need

June 14: To the Rejected

June 21: To the Enemy

June 28: To Every People

July 5: To the Overlooked

July 12: To All God's Children

To the Ends of the Earth: Liturgical Art Display

For the first half of this summer, as we journey with the Holy Spirit through the book of Acts, we will build an art display behind the altar, symbolizing the growth of Christ's church and spreading the Good News to the ends of the earth.

Each Sunday in the Fellowship Hall you are invited to help make a piece of art to be added to the display. Every project is suitable for all ages and while it will be a small craft, it will have a big impact!

Liturgical Arts Ministry Members and Leaders Needed

Liturgical Arts Ministry is a group of people who are interested in bringing visual art into the church worship services through liturgical elements and creative thinking. In addition to supporting liturgical holidays, creative opportunities to bring in visual art at any time of the year connecting with the scripture and themes of the day will uplift and connect the church to the message God is trying to share.



Join as a member of the team [via this link](#) or the QR code. Liturgical Arts is looking for a leader or co-leaders. If you would consider leading or co-leading Liturgical Arts, email jonathan@salc-wausau.org.

Farewell to John and Darlene Roseth

Sunday, June 14

Please join us for a special farewell reception honoring Saint Andrew's founding pastor, John Roseth, and his wife, Darlene.

Forty-five years ago, Pastor John gathered a group of faithful people to form a new congregation, first meeting in the Rib Mountain Gymnasium and eventually establishing the Saint Andrew church home we know today. As Pastor John and Darlene prepare to leave the Wausau area and begin a new chapter in Duluth, Minnesota, we invite you to help us celebrate their ministry and offer our heartfelt thanks and best wishes.

We will enjoy donuts and bagels during fellowship—a fellowship tradition from the early years at Saint Andrew—and share memories, gratitude, and blessings with Pastor John and Darlene as they embark on this new journey.



Put the Metal to the Petal In Memory of Karen Gleisner

Wednesday, June 17; 1:00-3:00 pm

In memory of Karen Gleisner, join us as we honor her with flowers! We will use fresh flowers and pound their pigments into watercolor paper.

Bring an old cutting board and a regular hammer. All other supplies will be provided; a \$5 donation per person is suggested to help cover the cost of watercolor paper and flowers. Cosmos, marigold, wild geranium, pansy, violets, and lobelia are some of the flowers that work well for pounding. Feel free to bring your own plants; just make sure they are dry.



Maggie's Pop-Up Pantry

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church located at [930 Edgewood Rd., Wausau](#), now hosts Maggie's Pop-Up Pantry, offering a wide range of perishables and non-perishables, including:

- Eggs
- Meat
- Milk
- Bread
- Butter
- All non-perishable pantry staples

No cost. No requirements. No questions asked. Just care, dignity, and daily bread. Over the last three months, more than 89 households each month have come through our doors.

Perishable pantry days are advertised each month – look on Good Shepherd Facebook page for select days each month. Non-perishable food items are available: Monday through Friday, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm.

How You Can Help: Monetary donations, sent directly to Good Shepherd, are deeply appreciated, allowing them to restock essential perishables.

Noisy Offering

Thursday and Sunday, June 18 & 21

A Noisy Offering will be received in worship in support of Maggie's Pop-Up Pantry at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church to help keep the food shelves stocked.

Last month we received \$421.92 in support of the Neighbor's Place current project to update the safety gate and to update the Babies' Place Store providing better service to the community. Thank you for your generosity!

Crossways Workday at Waypost camp!

Saturday June 20, 8:00 am

Join us for a day of fellowship, fresh air, and caring for this place we love. We'll gather at 8:00 am and work together throughout the day, accomplishing as much as we can.

Our primary focus will be clearing the remaining downed tree branches around camp and near the house, along with leaf raking and debris removal. For those who would prefer indoor projects, we'll also have opportunities to help clean cabins by vacuuming and other light housekeeping tasks.

Please bring:

- Work gloves
- Plenty of energy
- A leaf blower or weed trimmer (if you have one and are willing to bring it)

Lunch will be provided for all volunteers. If you plan to attend, please email waypost@crosswayscamps.org. Having a headcount will help us prepare enough food and organize projects so we can make the most of our time together. Thank you for helping care for camp. We hope you'll join us!

Camp on Location

Monday-Thursday, June 22-25; 9:00 am – 4:30 pm



Rib Mountain State Park

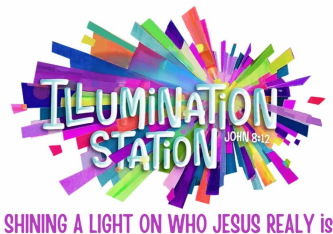
Students entering 1st-6th grades this fall are invited to Camp on Location, a program of Crossways Camping Ministries. This day camp opportunity is hosted right here in Wausau at Rib Mountain State Park. Campers will enjoy authentic, faith-filled experiences alongside a variety of outdoor activities including active games, curious nature exploration, and creative arts and crafts. Integrated into all our activities are opportunities for campers to practice leading and listening, learning about others, and building meaningful relationships.

Saint Andrew is excited for families to experience camp so close to home! Use code **STANDYOUTH26** at registration for a \$100 discount.

For more information and to register, visit the [Crossways website](#).

ATTENTION THRIVENT MEMBERS

Thrivent Action Team grants are available to support the upcoming ***Crossways Camp on Location at Rib Mountain***. If you are interested in applying for a grant to help with this upcoming ministry, contact Ben Koehler at ben@crosswayscamps.org.



Saint Andrew VBS 2026 ***Illumination Station***

Monday-Thursday, August 10-13; 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
\$10/child (\$20 max for families)

Children ages 4-11 (pre-K-6th grade) are invited to ***Illumination Station VBS*** for the brightest week of the year! While many people in the world claim to know about Jesus, many are in the dark about who He really is. During VBS (Vacation Bible School), kids will explore all the ways light brightens, illuminates, and reveals the world around them through music, stories, games, crafts and more!

Register [here](#)!

Saint Andrew Spending Plan Monthly Update

Looking back at April:

	Current Month	Year-to-Date	Annual Plan
Our Weekly Offerings	\$68,036	\$265,238	\$660,000
Costs to do Our Ministry	\$51,167	\$199,762	\$691,000
Extra or (Shortage)	\$16,869	\$65,476	(\$31,000)

Average weekly attendance: 280 In Person; 68 Online

For more information, please see the Finance and Stewardship bulletin board just outside the office.

Worship Service with Installation for Rev. Phyllis Smoot

Sunday, June 28; 1:30 pm - Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Bethlehem Lutheran Church of Kronenwetter, Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church of Rothschild, and St. John Lutheran Church of Mosinee have recently joined together to create the River of Hope Ministries with Rev. Phyllis Smoot as the pastor.

All are welcome to come and celebrate her installation at this worship service.



"One in Spirit" Yoga

Transforming the mind, body, and spirit

"Where there is peace, God is."

- George Herbert.

Nourishing and Blossoming the Divine Within

June 9 - August 5, 2026



**** No Yoga Practices on Tuesday or Wednesday, June 2 or 3****

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

Chair-based Practices: Wednesdays at 8:30 am

Non-profit donations will benefit The Hagar House of Wausau as they continue important work with single mothers and families, focusing on spiritual, emotional, and physical well-being.

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

Allan	Heidi	Nikki
Allen	Janine	Paulette
Amy	Jean	Pyxie
Amy	Jean	Renee
Annie	Jen	Riley
Ashley	Jermaine	Robert
Bonnie	Jesse	Robert
Brent	Jill	Rosemary
Carol	Jim	Sharon & Sally
Cheryl	John	Shirley
Chuck	Josh & Family	Steve

Dan
Darold
Dave
Dennis
Diane
Doris
Doug
Ed
Frank
Gary
Gary
Heidi

Julie
Julie
June
Kathy
Katie
Kay
Kaye
Kim
Linda
Linda
Mary
Monica

Steve
Steve & Janice
Therese
Thomas
Tim
Tim
Tom
Tom
Virjean



Adult Studies

Adult Bible Study

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

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

10:00 am - Modern Worship

(The Sanctuary is

T-Coil Hearing Loop Enabled)

Thursday

12:15 pm - Chapel



Recorded Worship on Spectrum

Sunday worship is livestreamed on the 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

~Please note the office will be closed

Thursday, June 4~

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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