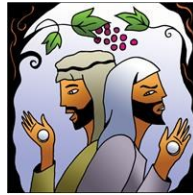




Sunday, September 20, 2026
8:00 am

No Fair! A Fair Wage



Gathering

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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GATHERING HYMN “Great God, Your Love Has Called Us”

No. 358
Vs. 1, 3, & 5

GREETING

CANTICLE OF PRAISE “Now the Feast”

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SALUTATION

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

PEACE

BLESSING OF LWR QUILTS, SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND HYGIENE KITS

Friends in Christ: Today we give thanks to God . . . To the praise and glory of God.
Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, as we dedicate these items to your glory and praise, and bless those who will use them. As they receive warmth from these quilts, may they also feel the warmth of your presence. As they learn and grow with these school bags and supplies, may they learn of your great love for all. As they stay healthy with these hygiene kits, may they be graced by the healing of your Spirit. Grant us faith to know your gracious purpose in all things, give us joy in them, and lead us to the building up of your kingdom; through you Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, on God, now and forever.
Amen.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

3RD GRADE BIBLE BLESSING

Friends in Christ: Today we give thanks to God . . . to the praise and glory of God.
Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, as we dedicate these Bibles to your glory and praise, and bless these young people as they learn your Word. Give them, and all of us, minds to meditate on you, eyes to behold you, ears to listen for your Word, a heart to love you, and a life to proclaim you; through the power of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

READING

A reading from Jonah.

Jonah 3:10-4:11

The scripture is read.

Word of God, Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 145:1-8

I will exalt you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.

Every day will I bless you and praise your name forever and ever.

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised! There is no end to your greatness.

One generation shall praise your works to another and shall declare your power.

I will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty and all your marvelous works.

They shall tell of the might of your wondrous acts, and I will recount your greatness.

They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; they shall sing joyfully of your righteousness.

The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

READING

A reading from Philippians.

Philippians 1:21-30

The scripture is read.

Word of God, Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

P. 8; Sung 2x

GOSPEL

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Matthew 20:1-16

Glory to you, O Lord.

The scripture is read.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

No. 587
Vs. 1-4

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The response is: Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Meal

AS THE GRAINS OF WHEAT

OFFERING PRAYER

COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING & SENDING OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

LAMB OF GOD

COMMUNION HYMNS

"Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether"

"Will You Let Me Be Your Servant"

"Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service"

THANKS BE TO YOU

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN

"Rise Up, O Saints of God"

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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Serving in Worship

Pastor - Rev. Jack Busche

Assisting Minister - Herb Heyne

Children's Message - Jenna Diedrich

Director of Worship & Music - Jonathan Smith

Technical Support

Bob Wiederhoeft

Pam Czerwinski

Connor Blaubach

Alex Millard

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Vs. 1-3

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Vs. 1-5

No. 712
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No. 669
Vs. 1-5

Offerings

We are grateful for a gift of any amount to further support the ministry of Saint Andrew. For the many ways you give, thank you. Offerings will be received during worship or you may give via text by sending a **text message** to 715-800-2369 with the amount you would like to contribute **OR** you may give using the QR code here.



Altar Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God by Tom and Mary Weiland.

T-Coil Hearing Loop

The Sanctuary is equipped with a hearing loop system. Those with hearing devices with a t-coil are encouraged to turn them on.



Worship Bags

Worship Bags are available in the Narthex for kids to use in worship. Each bag contains ribbons to match to the liturgical color of the day, communion ware, stickers to share during the passing of the peace, and a cross to hold while praying along with the congregation.

Busy Bags

Busy Bags including crayons, coloring books, and quiet toys can be found in the Narthex. Feel free to take a bag into worship and hang it back up when you are done.

Nursery

The nursery is located off the Narthex near the Fellowship Hall doors and is available for all families as needed with books, toys, a rocking chair and changing table.

Playground

A playground is located at the front of the Sanctuary for families with small children. There is extra floor space for children that may need to stand or move around and soft and quiet toys for busy hands.

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Announcements

Sunday, September 20

September Noisy Offering

Today's Noisy Offering will be received in worship to help offset shipping costs of LWR (Lutheran World Relief) quilts, school bags and personal care kits. Last month we received \$602.68 to help pay down the Wausau School District current lunch program debt. Thank you for your generosity in supporting local kids and families experiencing food insecurity!

After Worship Today

At 9:00 am we will string the drawstring backpacks as well as assemble both the school and personal hygiene kits. If you would like to help, please join us in the Parish Room!

Volunteer Training: Communion Servers, Ushers, and Stream Team

Sunday, September 20; 9:15-9:45 am

If you volunteer with one of the teams above or would like to learn more or join a team, please attend this volunteer training today after worship. Meeting Locations
Communion Servers: Sanctuary in front of Altar
Stream Team: Stream Booth in the Narthex
Ushers: Chapel (entrance off of Narthex to the right of Fellowship Hall)

Sunday School Starts September 20

Sundays 9:10-9:50 am; Activity Room

Saint Andrew offers Sunday school for students in preschool (ages 2-3) through 5th grade. Spark Bibles will be presented in worship to children starting 3rd grade. Parents will be invited forward to share in fulfilling the baptismal promise, "place in their hands the holy scripture."

Join Our Sunday School Team!

We are always looking to add to our teaching team. If you feel called to serve as a lead teacher or an assistant, please reach out to Jenna at jenna@salc-wausau.org. You do not need to be available every week. Teach as often as you can. *All volunteers working directly with children will be required to complete a background check.*

New Member Dinner and Orientation

A letter has gone out to those who have expressed an interest in joining Saint Andrew regarding orientation in October. If you did not receive a letter and are interested in joining, please contact Joy by ***Monday, September 21*** at 715-842-3333.

Roofing Repairs To Begin

The week of September 28.

During the project, you may hear construction noise and see contractors, equipment, materials, and disposal containers around the property. Work will generally take place during daytime hours. For your safety: Stay clear of marked work areas, equipment, and roofing materials. Follow any temporary parking, entry, or walkway restrictions posted on the property. Some entrances will be closed at various times. We appreciate your patience and cooperation. If you have any questions, contact: Patrick, Facility Coordinator, at 715-842-3333 or patrick@salc-wausau.org.

Dartball Begins

Monday, September 28

Practice night; Monday September 21 at 6:30 pm

We are open to having new members! All skill levels and ages are welcome - we throw darts for fun! Schedules and game locations will be handed out that night. If you have any questions please contact Duane Zietlow at 715-573-8817

High School Gatherings

Wednesday, September 30; 5:30-7:30 pm

Gatherings for high school age students will be held at Saint Andrew one Wednesday a month. Dinner will be provided at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall with confirmation students; high school youth group time will be 6:00–7:30 pm in the Youth Room. If you have questions, please contact Jenna at jenna@salc-wausau.org.

An Invitation To Join the 2027 Civil Rights Tour

June 9–15, 2027

The ECSW (Synod) is excited to invite you to join them for a transformative journey as they along with the Northern Great Lakes Synod partner together for a Civil Rights Tour. You can find more details at ecsw.org/news/civil-rights-tour-2027. Registration is now open!

Saint Andrew Is Getting A New Supplemental Hymnal

Hand in hand with the ELW (our current hymnal), the new supplemental hymnal, *All Creation Sings* invites us to expand our prayer and song, joining our voices with the praise of the whole creation God so marvelously made. To help support the purchase of 350 ACS hymnals, you are invited to purchase and dedicate a hymnal for \$20. Order and dedication forms are available in the Narthex.

Christ in Our Home Devotionals

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

ELCA Youth Gathering Information Meeting

Sunday, October 4; 5:00 pm - Fellowship Hall

Every three years, thousands of high schoolers and their adult leaders from across the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) come together for the ELCA Youth Gathering. Interested youth, grades 8th - 12th grade, and parents can learn more about it in the Network newsletter.

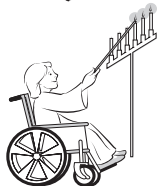
Cookie Decorating

Wednesday, October 14; 6:00-8:00 pm

Join us for a creative culinary class where you will learn professional cookie decorating using royal icing including outlining flooding, piping, and wet-on-wet designs. You will create a beautiful fall-themed set of cookies to take home. Sign up in the Narthex. Cost is \$10.

Jobs for Everyone

Lots of people help make church happen every Sunday. Match the church workers with what they need to do their job. In the space below, draw the job that you would like to do.



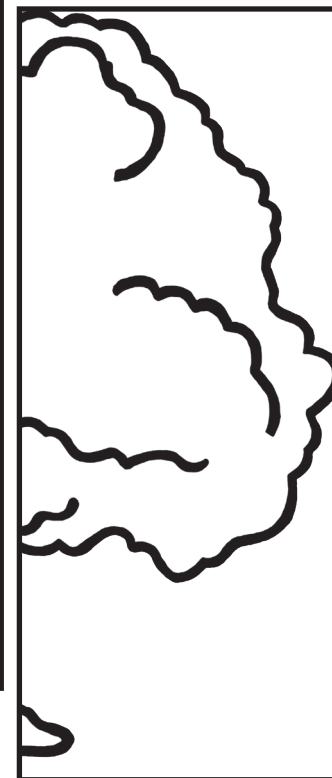
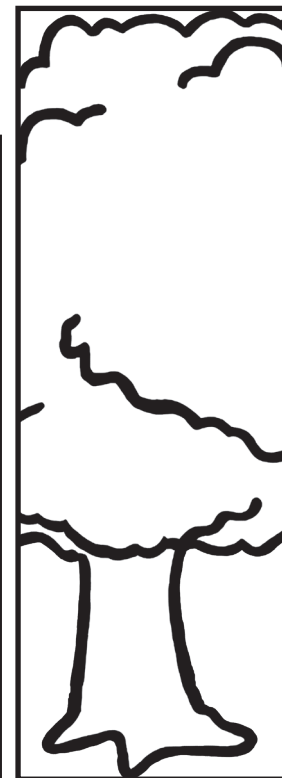
READER

Pentecost 17

- Today is the **17th** Sunday after Pentecost.
- We are in the **middle** of the season after Pentecost.
- During Pentecost we reach out to the world with **Jesus' model of generosity**.

The Longest Season

Pentecost happens during three seasons: spring, summer, and fall. Draw what a Pentecost tree would look like in these seasons.





Look It Up!

Today's Bible story teaches us about what God wants for everyone—enough! Read Matthew 14:13-21. Jesus makes sure everyone gets enough food.

Tsal eb lliw tsrif eht dna tsrif eb lliw tsal eht os.

Matthew 20:16

Can you turn this text around, and demonstrate what Jesus taught us? Flip it around and see!

Memory Verse



Bible Tip!

Have you noticed where the Bible stories come from during the Pentecost season this year? This year, our Bible stories come from the gospel of Matthew. Matthew is the first book in the New Testament.

Time for Generosity

The landowner in the story paid everyone the same amount. Read these story verses to figure out what time to draw on each clock.

EARLY MORNING	
 MATTHEW 20:3	
 MATTHEW 20:5	
 MATTHEW 20:5	
 MATTHEW 20:6	
EVENING	

At church, we take time to share what we have with other people. We put the money in an offering basket or offering plate.

Fill up this offering basket by drawing coins and dollar bills.

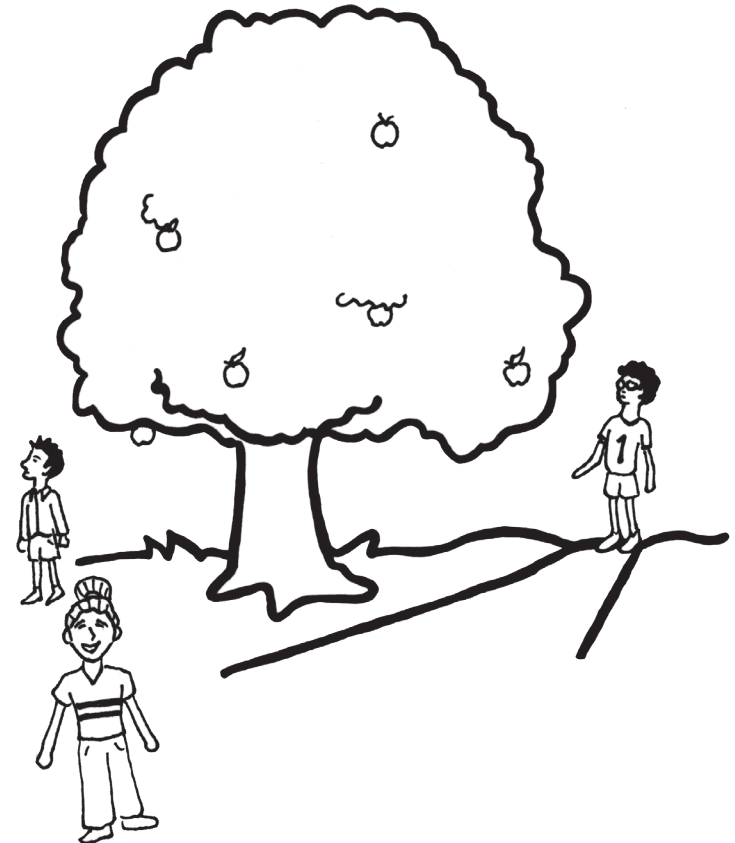


PRE-READER

Pentecost 17

- Today is the **17th Sunday** after Pentecost.
- Pentecost is a season of **growing**.
- During Pentecost, we learn that **God is generous**.

Our sign for Pentecost is a tree. Count the fruit on this tree. How many kids could get a piece of fruit from this tree? God wants everyone to eat!





When they were done, the farmer paid all of the workers the same.

The farmer was like God. God wants everyone to have enough.

Draw coins in the hands. Make sure everyone gets the same number of coins. Then make a rubbing of some coins in the space below.

