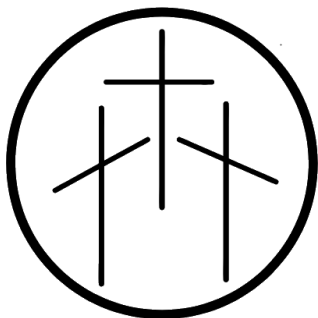


# Parish Voice

St. Andrew's Lutheran Church



## Special Dates in September:

- September 6 begins 9am worship.
- September 7 is Labor Day.
- September 13 is Grandparents Day.
- September 22 Autumn begins.

## September Birthdays

Paula Cardoza-Jones	3
Samantha Mislan	4
Bev Bailey	7
George Schmalz	10
Hunter Smith	14
Janice Patton	19
John Charlesworth	19
Carol Schmalz	20
Blakely Hermerding	23
Jeanne Wall	24
Jan Smith	25
Dale Willman	27
Susan Hahn Johnson	27
Melissa Hermerding-Lim	27
Ron Dillow	28
Bobbie Moore	30
Gage Hunter	30

## Pastor's Corner

Dear Family of Faith:

September arrives hopefully packed with something new, fresh and invigorating as we so desperately need something in our lives. We need, and deserve, more than the national and international news. We need each other and we can't hardly do that in masked, restricted worship.

We cannot have fellowship events, activities, in person meetings, or all of the other things we love. At least we cannot have them now. We tend to forget that "this too shall pass!" We will overcome as one congregation with two locations! We can make it through this, we can

do it. This will be a matter of perspective and insight and thoughts and attitudes.

Abraham Lincoln is quoted as saying: "An Easter monarch charged his wise men to invent a sentence for him, to be ever in view, which would hold true and appropriate in all times and situations. They presented him the words "And this, too, shall pass away." How much it expresses! How consoling in the depth of affliction!" (In an address before the Wisconsin State Agricultural society, Milwaukee, Sept. 30, 1859).

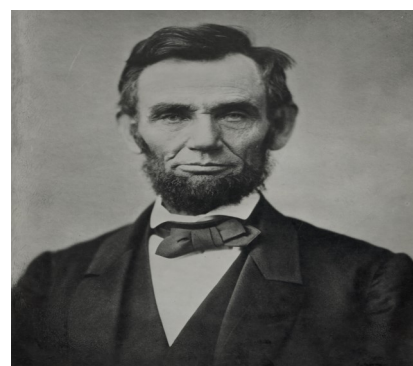


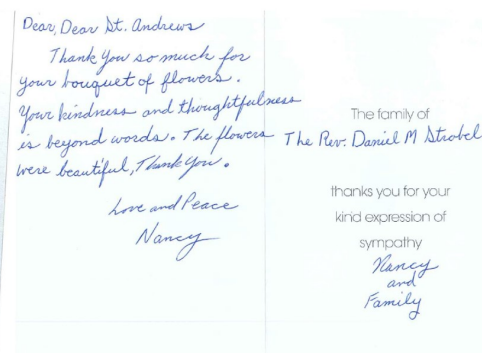
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Remember friends, this too shall pass! We will not always feel this way, and we will not always have

## A Very Special Thank You!

Nancy Strobel expresses her sincere gratitude for all that we did for her after the passing of her husband Rev. Daniel Strobel.

Jeannie Hermerding and family would also like to express their sincere thanksgiving for the food, fellowship, cards, and so much more. They are forever grateful for the love that was expressed after the passing of Paul Hermerding.



## Adventures in Mask-Making

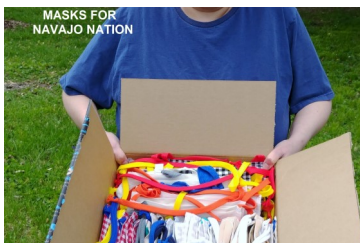
*Written by Paula Cardoza-Joes,  
August 2020*



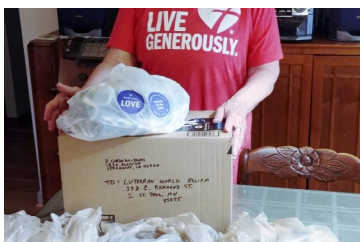
Fabric for the first masks.



1963 4-H Apron found a new mission.



The box full of masks for Navajo Nation.



The box of masks sent to Lutheran World Relief.



These masks are for FBS.



Simone just wanted to lend a paw!

Joanne Fabric once stores started opening.

My first masks went to an assisted living facility and to a Covid recovery facility for people without homes. The Navajo Nation, hard-hit by the virus, was in need of masks. I set to work with my friend from Friendship Bible Study, Teresa Minor, whose mother was Lakota Sioux, and we sent 60 masks to them.

Then Lutheran World Relief announced a 75,000 mask challenge so it can include face masks in international shipments of personal care kits to communities in need already scheduled for summer and fall. Challenge accepted! With \$250 of seed money from Thrivent Financial, the St. Andrew's team consisting of me, Teresa Minor, and Grace Musko sent 400 masks to LWR. Even better news: the challenge has garnered over 123,000 masks, and counting!

Area mask-makers have now started to donate masks to local schools as they prepare to re-open. So far, I've given 150 to the Speedway schools, many in

SHS school colors of brown and gold. Go Spark Plugs!

Sadly, the pandemic prevented the St. Andrew's Friendship Bible Study from offering our usual spring and summer activities and will most likely delay in-person classes this fall. To help keep in touch with our friends with disabilities, we are putting together gift bags which will include both fun and useful items, such as hand sanitizer and face masks, which are works-in-progress on my sewing table.

When 2020 began, I'm sure none of us could foresee what we would be doing as the year unfolded. I certainly didn't anticipate making more than 1000 face masks to help slow the spread of Covid-19 in our community and in far corners of the world. It's been gratifying to be a small part in the effort, but I'm looking forward to the day when such precautions are no longer needed. Until then, let's support one another, and may God bless and keep us all!

## SPEEDWAY ANIMAL RESCUE

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who supported us today, whether by letting us wash your dog or car, by driving by and giving us donations, or by sending money via PayPal. Our favorite story of the day may have been the two beagles who donated their allowance (\$30 each) to help 2 dogs in need get saved from the street department ☺

Thank you to our volunteers who worked all day in the hot sun.

Thank you St. Andrew's Lutheran Church for always allowing us to host events on their lovely property.

Finally, thank you Speedway for all of your support this week. We have felt the love.

Today we raised \$805 at our

event and another \$700 via PayPal. That money will go directly to Andy's vet bills. We couldn't do what we do without you and your donations!

*\*This event was held on Saturday, August 15 in our parking lot. This is a press release SAR sent out that evening. It was a successful event that we were so blessed to be a part of!*

To learn more about them visit their website: <https://speedwayanimalrescue.org/>



## HURRICANE LAURA: AN INVITATION TO PRAY

This past week Hurricane Laura made landfall in Louisiana. It has been labeled as a Category 4 hurricane leaving behind an immense amount of destruction.

You can read more about the effects and aftermath by following these links:

- [NYTimes Live Updates](#)

- [Forbes article about Lake Charles](#)
- [CNN Updates](#)
- [Washington Post Updates](#)

As you may know, Lutheran World Relief assists when a natural disaster such as Hurricane Laura strikes. They work hand in hand with the communities hit

the hardest to meet the people's immediate needs.

We are asking that you please pause to pray for those who have been affected personally or how know someone who has been affected but to also pray about donating to Lutheran World Relief. To donate, please visit their website: [lwr.org](http://lwr.org).

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*"When a disaster hits—whether it's a drought, tsunami or civil war—Lutheran World Relief works over months and years to help people recover and adjust to new realities."*

## WORSHIP COMPANIONS

The IK Synod has Worship Companions available for download on their website. It is a collection of voices and resources to guide homebound worship amidst the global pandemic. Even though this is geared towards those who are homebound, you are still encouraged to use this throughout the week as part of

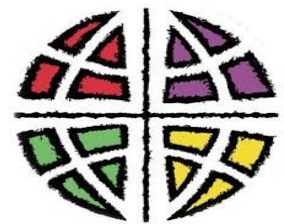
your daily devotions. Follow the links below to download the resources.

- [August and September 2020](#)
- [October and November 2020](#)

If you are unable to download and print these resources, please

reach out to MJ or Kelli for assistance.

While you are on the IK Synod's website, be sure to scroll down to the bottom to join their weekly email list. This email comes once a week and will keep you up to date on all things happening around our Synod area!





Courtesy BuildingFaith.org

## Blessing of Devices and Back to School Resources

School is in full swing for many children. Most are experiencing quite a few challenges and new routines that come with being amidst a global pandemic.

Resource UMC recently post a virtual sort of blessing of devices that you and/or your children can participate in. Their article will guide you through a blessing, how use stickers to remind yourself of the importance of doing God's work each time you use the device, and a variety of other resources that you can use for this back-to-school season.

Be sure to scroll to the bottom of the article to see a video, prayers, blessing for backpacks, and more!

Simply click [HERE](#) to be taken there!

*In the  
beginning...darkness  
covered the face of  
the deep (Genesis  
1:1-2)*

## Living Lutheran: God's Beautiful Dark Works

Presiding Bishop Eaton wrote an article at the end of July for Living Lutheran. It focuses on the contrast between light and dark. "The redemption of all creation was a beautiful dark work of God." Take some time this month to read her article and reflect on this contrast.

- How does God find you in the darkness?
- When have you been in the darkness and seen the light of Jesus?

Read the article [HERE](#).

## Laundry and Friends Begins Again!



What first-time

ROSE JONES AND HAPPY HILL ARE BEGINNING TO BUILD RELATIONSHIPS WITH THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY AS THEY DO THEIR LAUNDRY. THIS MINISTRY IS CALLED LAUNDRY AND FRIENDS AND TAKES PLACE THE **1ST AND 3RD WEDNESDAYS** OF EACH MONTH.

YOU CAN FIND THEM AT THE **25TH STREET COIN LAUNDRY FROM 4:30-6:30 PM**. WHILE THERE, RELATION-

SHIPS ARE BUILT DURING THE WASH AND DRYING OF CLOTHES FOR THESE FAMILIES.

THE FAMILIES ARE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE THEIR LAUNDRY PAID FOR BY OUR CHURCH WITH NO STRINGS ATTACHED.

IT IS PART OF EACH VOLUNTEERS MISSION TO MAKE EVERYONE WHO ENTERS THE BUILDING DURING THIS TIME FEEL LIKE A PART OF OUR

FAMILY AND THAT THEY ARE CARED FOR.

IF YOU'D LIKE TO LEARN MORE OR VOLUNTEER, PLEASE REACH OUT TO MARY LEE LONG.



## FBS Special Invite and Update

We are sad that the virus makes it impossible for us to meet face to face with our special friends from FBS. But all is not lost, we are planning a drive thru, in our parking lot, to pass out goodie bags (we call them love bags) while they remain in their cars. We are hoping that many of our members will join us on September 8th, 7-7:30 with homemade signs (if you can do that) and/or just come and wave and yell and let them know you care! Pretty easy right? Having lots of smiling faces (covered with masks of course) and many hands waving will make them feel loved and missed. Many of them have been confined during this virus time. Please join us!



From the FBS Christmas program.

### ***The Details:***

**Where:** Church Parking Lot

**Date:** September 8, 2020

**Time:** 7-7:30pm

**Masks required!**

Just to let you know, we are also going to do our class on Zoom, beginning October 6th.

Please reach out Suzy or Paula if you have any questions or are interested in helping with this ministry this fall.



*“A kind gesture  
can reach a wound  
that only  
compassion can  
heal.”*

*-Steve Maraboli*

## COMMUNICATIONS CORNER

September is bringing about all sorts of new processes for St. Andrew's! And boy are they all so exciting!

If you didn't know, we are in the beta stages of live streaming. What does that mean? Well...that means we testing out our equipment and working out the kinks to make it a flawless experience for everyone

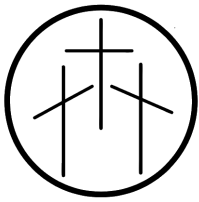
involved. Be sure to tune in to watch services either on Facebook or our website on Sunday mornings. If you follow our page on Facebook, you should receive a notification when we go live. On our website, you will see a banner across the top of the homepage that you will click.

Another big item to keep in mind

is being sure have subscribed to our newsletter. This is how emails will be sent from the church. You may have noticed that the MailChimp generated emails have been decreasing. By using the website features, we are working to streamline the process for everyone. Please take the time to subscribe today! Reach out to Kelli with questions.



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**Guided by the Spirit, we share the love  
of Jesus and walk with our  
community.**

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# SEPTEMBER 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Laundry and Friends 4:30-6:30pm	3 Council 6pm	4	5
6 Worship 9am FF 7pm	7 Labor Day	8	9	10	11	12
13 Worship Outside 9am FF 7pm Grandparents Day	14 Staff 10am	15	16 Laundry and Friends 4:30-6:30pm	17 Council 6pm	18	19
20 Worship 9am FF 7pm	21 Staff 10am	22	23	24	25	25
27 Worship 9am FF 7pm	28 Staff 10am	29	30			

**Special Note:** Communion begins  
in worship September 6.