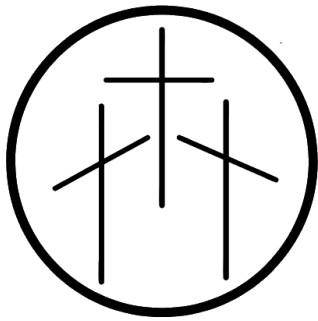


Parish Voice



Special Dates in October:

- October 11—Pastor Appreciation Day
- October 12—Columbus Day
- October 12-16—Speedway Public Schools Fall break
- October 19-23—Wayne Township Schools Fall Break
- October 25—Reformation Sunday
- October 31—Halloween

October Birthdays

Julie Pratt	1
James Patton	2
Jerry Shake	3
Ed Bailey	8
David Butts	13
Gordon Keller	17
Jamie Shake	21
Michael Wolfe	
Jeanine Smith	23
Ashleigh Hermerding	25
Ezekiel Mislan	29
Kurt Wolfe	30

Pastor's Corner

If you live in Indiana, October has to be one of your favorite months. "The Show" as I call it is the bright colors of the changing leaves all around the state. I know many people travel south to the Nashville area to see those colors at Brown County State Park.

I have fun memories with my two younger brothers running and jumping in the pile of leaves that my dad would rake up almost every Saturday! When I was a kid we played sports out on the cul-de-sac and this time of year was "sweatshirt" weath-

er and football, kickball and anything else we could do to suck out the last energy of good weather was so much fun.

I love the colors of God's rainbow in the trees and I want us to always be on the lookout for God in the everyday. The colors can inform us about the spiritual life:

Green-for growth in God's love and grace for all of God's creatures

Yellow-A reminder to shine our lights out into the world



Orange-To fan the flame of the Holy Spirit among us and keep our spiritual life "fresh"

Red-The blood of Christ shed for us

Most of all, in their beautiful October colors, leaves teach us it's okay to let go!

Peace be with you,

Pr. Doug

A Very Special Thank You!

The family of Paul Hermerding would like to thank their St. Andrew's Family for all the love, support and prayers received during his sudden passing. The food delivered through the meal train and the cards and thoughts sent were very much appreciated.

Thank you again,
Jeannie, Matt and Melissa.



ELCA COVID-19 Special Appeals and Lutheran Disaster Response Grant



Dear Lisa,

Thank you for the application that you submitted on behalf of St. Andrew's Lutheran Church for a micro grant. These grants are funded by ELCA Covid-19 Special Appeals and Lutheran Disaster Response. The IK Synod applied for grant money on behalf of our congregations and through this grant process we are grateful that we can support ministry happening on our mission territory. The grant team was delighted by the large number of grant applications and the amazing mission and ministry that these applications represent.



St. Andrew's Lutheran Church has been awarded \$2,000 to support the drive-through food distribution ministry for the families at Wheeler Elementary School. A check will be mailed from the Indiana-Kentucky Synod office the middle of next week.

Bishop Bill and the rest of the synod staff give thanks to God for St. Andrew's Lutheran. We are grateful for your on-going mission and ministry, especially in these wilderness times. Certainly, many people are being blessed through your partnership with Wheeler Elementary and your community. The grant team was impressed that you are expanding this partnership in creative ways.

Thanks be to God for generous people across the ELCA who have donated to the ELCA Covid-19 Special Appeals Fund and Lutheran Disaster response. Their generosity has blessed many, including your congregation.

Blessings and prayers as you continue to share Christ's love within and beyond your community.

Nancy Nyland

SOCIAL MEDIA



Did you know that we have a Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter account for the church?? We do! Be sure to look for St. Andrew's on all of these places.

Don't forget to also be utilizing our website. This is your one-stop-shop for all happen-

ings around St. Andrew's.

Don't forget to also be checking in on the good works of our shared ministry sister congregation, Faith Lutheran!

Share these with your friends and family!

Links:

- ⇒ [Website](#)
- ⇒ [Twitter](#)
- ⇒ [Facebook](#)
- ⇒ [Instagram](#)
- ⇒ [Faith's Website](#)
- ⇒ [Faith's Facebook](#)

HALLOWEEN

Halloween is just around the corner! Normally this means walking door to door with costumes on. This year may look a little different. At the time of publication, many towns/areas in Central Indiana have not confirmed times for trick-or-treating.

The CDC has recommended a variety of precautions you can take to keep you and your family safe. This includes choosing lower risk activities such as carving/decorating pumpkins, decorating

your house, a virtual Halloween costume contest, watching Halloween movies with those you live with, doing a Halloween scavenger hunt with your family, and having your littles hunt for candy much like they would hunt for Easter eggs.

If you choose to still go out and about in your neighborhoods, remember that adult supervision is recommended, dress in bright colors and bring or wear lights, stay home if you feel sick, do not

pass out candy if you feel sick, wear a mask (some recommend a face covering with a costume mask), and use hand sanitizer often.

Read more at the following links:

- * [Indy with Kids](#)
- * [CDC](#)
- * [Free Scavenger Hunt](#)
- * [Spooky Halloween Clue Hunt](#)



BE SURE TO REACH OUT TO PASTOR DOUG!

I continue to urge contact between you and me!

- Call 317-698-8472, I have a cell phone at bedside
- Email at doug-givan@yahoo.com or

pastor@standrews-elca.org

Leave a message at either church office.

- St. Andrew's 317-243-6684

- Faith Lutheran's 317-272-1022

I will receive and promptly reply.

"The Lord is my shepherd" Ps. 23



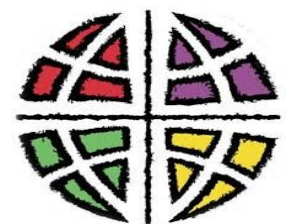
WORSHIP COMPANIONS

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 link below to download the resources.

- [October and November 2020](#)

If you are unable to download and print these resources, please reach out to MJ or Kelli for assistance.





Tithe.ly Giving

Tithe.ly is up and going! Be sure to check it out. This is our online giving platform. You can easily give anywhere, anytime, from any device. How do you access Tithe.ly Giving?

- ♦ [Our personal link](#)
- ♦ [On our website's Give tab](#)
- ♦ By downloading the app in your phone's app store

Remember you can set up recurring giving to automatically have gifts sent to the church. You are able to designate where your gift goes: weekly offering, Lutheran World Relief, Lutheran World Hunger, etc. If you choose "Other", you can designate a special account or fund you would like your donation to go to.

"Choose some wise, understanding and respected men from each of your tribes, and I will set them over you."
Deuteronomy 1:13

Have you registered to vote?

Election time is quickly approaching. If you have not registered, click [HERE](#) to get started. The [Outreach Library](#) also has a plethora of information for voters including a handbook and information guide. Want to learn about absentee voting? Just click [HERE!](#) This is where you find the form if you plan to mail in your ballot. Mail in ballots are currently being accepted. In person absentee/early voting begins Tuesday, October 6. Curious about where you can go to vote? Click [HERE!](#) You will type in your address to find the 12 closest voting locations.

Disaster Alert

Hurricane Laura recently made landfall in Louisiana as a Category 4 storm, bringing dangerous winds and storm surge. Now a Category 2 hurricane, it will continue to move northeast. We are in communication with Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response (Upbring) and the three ELCA synods that cover Texas and Louisiana as they assess the damage.

May God's comforting presence be those in Louisiana, Texas, and all the states in the path of Hurricane Laura. May God ease the fears of all and grant healing to the affected communities.
elca.org/LDR



Hurricane Laura and US Wildfires

FOOD INSECURITY HAS BECOME A REALITY FOR MANY AFFECTED BY THE RECENT #HURRICANELARA. AS WE CONTINUE TO ASSESS THE DAMAGE OF THE STORM, AND WHAT OUR NEXT

STEPS AS A CHURCH WILL LOOK LIKE, CONSIDER CONTRIBUTING THROUGH @ELCALDR BY VISITING [HTTPS://T.CO/UNZGAJFBXN](https://t.co/UNZGAJFBXN) WE ARE ALSO WORKING TO SUPPORT THOSE AFFECTED BY THE

WILDFIRES IN WESTERN US. READ MORE [HERE](#).

Bulletin Blurbs from Seeds Monthly (By the ELCA)

Living Lutheran on Instagram

Did you know that Living Lutheran now has an Instagram page? Follow us [here](#) at @livinglutheran for exclusive content and more ways to learn the stories of the ELCA.

All Creation Sings

A digital preview of All Creation Sings, the forthcoming liturgy-and-song supplement to Evangelical Lutheran Worship, is available on the [All Creation Sings website](#). New on the ELCA Worship blog is a post entitled "[All Creation Sings: Scriptural Images for God](#)." A list of the hymns is now available for viewing at augsborgfortress.org/allcreationsings.

2020 Hein-Fry Book of Faith Challenge

The Hein-Fry Book of Faith Challenge (HFBFC) seeks to enliven the biblical engagement of the whole church by encouraging the development of faithful, innovative and effective ways of teaching and learning Scripture. Each year, one student from each ELCA-affiliated seminary is invited to create an innovative class, encounter or series for people steeped in biblical texts, as well as those unfamiliar with them, and then report their learnings. The 2020 HFBFC centers on the theme "The Bible — Word Not Weapon." You are invited to join the conversation in this [year's four online events](#).



*"Be the reason
someone believes in
the goodness of
people."*
-Unknown

COMMUNICATIONS CORNER

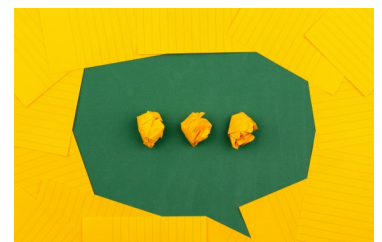
September has brought about live streaming using Facebook and our website. Check them out each Sunday at 9am! We have also been utilizing our "newsletter" function on our website to send out announcements, prayers, sermons, and faith formation materi-

als. If you are not receiving these emails each week please reach out to Kelli at sta.communicationsdirector@gmail.com.

You are also encouraged to reach out to Pastor Doug by calling his cell 317-698-8472, emailing

douggivan@yahoo.com or pastor@standrewselca.org, or leaving a message at church: St. Andrew's 317-243-6684 or Faith Lutheran's 317-2721022.

Please let us know what else we can do or how we can help!



NAVIGATING OUR WEBSITE

Making your experience seamless



OUR WEBSITE IS FULL OF INFORMATION!

You will notice a banner across the top of the homepage (www.standrews-elca.org) that has all of the really important links such as Home, About, Events, News, and so much more! Each one of those is linked to a page within our site that gives you even more information.



1 THE HOMEPAGE

On the homepage you will find some crucial information such as our re-gathering procedures, links to faith formation and sermons as well as links to the ELCA and IK Synod (those are the images of their logos!). You can also find our worship time and contact information here.



2 ABOUT AND SERMONS

If you click on About, you will find information describing our church, the Council, and information to help visitors. Sermons includes just that - sermons! This is where you find the videos and printable services since March 2020.



3 NEWS AND EVENTS

Each announcement that you see in the printed worship is found under News. All of our events are under...you guessed it - Events!



4 MEMBER RESOURCES AND MINISTRIES

Member Resources is where you can find information about Zoom and recording for services. Ministries is where you can find information about Laundry and Friends as well as Faith Formation.



5 NEWSLETTER AND BLOG

Newsletter and Blog includes just that - our newsletters and blogs. Blog posts include all items found in Faith Formation as well as Pastor's Top 3 and the most current newsletters.



6 GIVE AND CONTACT

If you click on Give you will be taken to a page where you can give monetarily online. The Contact link gives you contact information.

Curious about how to navigate our website?

Check out the infographic to the left! This details each tab on our the top banner of the homepage.

To watch the live stream, simply click on the banner that will be found across the top of the homepage.

Please reach out to Kelli Steurer if you need access to Mem-

ber Resources.

At the bottom of any of those pages mentioned in the graphic, you can sign up for our newsletter. Please reach out if you have further questions.

ELCA's Advent Calendar

Have you checked out ELCA World Hunger's 2020 Advent calendar? Access online & order today!

Click [HERE](#).

Interchange and Intercambio now

The fall issue of Interchange and Intercambio (this is the Spanish version of Interchange) are available for download. The Thankoffering service is included. You can also find them at <https://t.co/KE52zNO5Ng> under the Publications tab.



Lutheran Outdoor Ministry Indiana Kentucky Challenge Grant Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Now until Dec 31, 2020

Thanks to The Lutheran Foundation in Ft Wayne, Indiana, donations for LOMIK's camps Lutherwald and Lake Luther will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$50,000 per site. Gifts specific to LOMIK's Lutheran Hills site are certainly welcome though not eligible for the matching grant due to

regional limits. Thank you for partnering with us in our ministry providing Christ-centered programs for building faith and life-long relationships in a safe, caring and fun environment. To help us reach our goal, please click on the link below. Please specify "I would like to give to specific funds" and

check Lutheran Hills and/or Lutherwald to activate the matching grant.

- Learn more from Pastor Steve [HERE](#).
- [LOMIK Website](#)
- Donate [HERE](#).



Peer Ministry Leadership

Pastor Dan Fugate, Assistant to the Bishop for Discipleship, has been certified to lead Peer Ministry Training online for high school students and adult mentors. Peer Ministry Leadership is about friends helping friends. It is important right now because youth are experi-

encing more anxiety, stress, isolation, loss, disappointment, and fear. Many of these feelings are kept hidden or come out sideways in unexpected ways. Peers and friends are most likely to be the first people to talk about or notice the need for relational connections and

conversations about real faith and life. To learn more about how you or your congregation can be involved in learning these important relationship and leadership skills, contact Pastor Dan Fugate at dfugate@iksynod.org or 317.775.4876.

"I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you."
Psalm 32:8

2020-2021 edition of "Stories of Faith in Action"

This annual publication is put together by the ELCA as a way to share stories. Stories are a foundation of faith. This is one way the ELCA says thank you for your generous gifts—by sharing your stories!

This year's edition includes a special mes-

sage from Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, 2019 financial report, and Bible studies for devotional use.

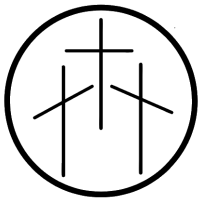
Download your copy today [HERE](#)!

Visit the [ELCA's website](#) for a black and white version!

You can also find 3 videos associated with this publication [HERE](#).

This publication is brought to you by: Victoria Flood, Director, ELCA Mission Support and Nick Kiger, Associate Director, ELCA Mission Support.





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October 2020

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

<i>Remember we will have outdoor worship while the weather permits! You will be emailed Saturday evenings if this changes.</i>				1 Council 6pm	2	3
4 Worship 9am FF 7pm	5 Staff 10am	6 FBS 7-8:30pm	7 Laundry & Friends 4:30-6:30pm	8 Wheeler Food Distribution	9	10
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