

trendings



September 10, 2025

Growing Together in Christ to Love and Serve All People

Prayer of the Week:

You calm and quiet us, eternal God, as a parent holds their children close; all people have refuge in the shadow of your wings. Spread over us the shelter of your peace. Hold before us the wisdom of your cross, where we are drawn to you not by might or power, but by your boundless love and forgiveness in Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

A prayer for peace, All Creation Sings pg. 48



There will be a memorial service for **Jackie Risdal** on **Wednesday, September 17th** at **2:00 PM**. A reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall.

Upcoming Greeters and Coffee Hosts:.

September 14: *Joyce Arnold and Dan Johnson, Greeters;*

Terri Anderson. Coffee host

September 21: *Christine Koch, Greeter;*

Coffee Host Could be YOU!

Contact Sherry (sherry@salc.church) to be a Sunday greeter or to Host coffee hour,
Sign up to provide flowers on the Flower Chart in the Narthex.

Worship is at 10:00 am on Sundays, both in-person and via livestream.

Livestream: Visit salc.church/media to access the bulletin and livestream link on YouTube. If you have a Google account, we invite you to offer a greeting or comment in the chat window.

Sunday, September 14th at Saint Andrews:

- 9:00 AM Adult Education Hour/Coffee
- 10:00 AM Worship in-person in the Sanctuary and livestreamed
- 11:00 AM **Sunday Brunch (see page 5 for 'food assignments')**
Knit Wits

Readings for September 14:

Genesis 21:1-5; 22:1-14

John 1: 29-34

Tuesday Morning Men: Every Tuesday at 8:30 AM, this group meets for discussion and prayer via ZOOM.



Get ready to SING!! Choir rehearsal begins on **Thursday, September 11 at 7:00 PM.** All are welcome to join in making a 'joyful noise unto the Lord'. Contact Will (will@salc.church) for more information.



Opportunities for You!

Volunteers keep our church operating. *Remember – we offer free training!*

VOLUNTEER

Here's a list of opportunities coming up. To volunteer, talk to Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland at church, via phone at 425-746-2529m or email sherry@salc.church.

Sunday Brunch: Sunday brunch returns this week! **Sherry needs clean up HELPERS for this Sunday and kitchen helpers from 9:00 AM – 9:45 AM.** Shift choices include serving (11 am to noon) and clean-up (noon to 12:30 p.m.) **Contact Sherry to be a helper.**

Coffee Hosts – Set up the coffee service and provide treats. People start looking for coffee by 8:40 AM so this is an 8:15 AM start time. Clean up about 11:15 AM, after worship service. **Dates available: September 21 and 28.**

Help with Sunday Morning Bible Study – As part of our Adult Education/forum program, we will hold a monthly Bible Study at 9 AM the second Sunday of the month. **Leaders needed.** We will supply the materials. **Open dates for the fall include: October 12, November 9 and December 14.**

KnitWits: The September Knit Wits meeting will be Sunday, September 14th (instead of September 21). Grab those knitting needles + crochet hooks and meet after church in the Conference room.



The church staff and Health and Wholeness committee will be undergoing their biennial **CPR and AED class on October 29, 9:00 AM until 12:30.** Church members are invited to join us for the direct cost of \$35 for the class. Please let Facilities Manager Kurt Lutterman (kurt@salc.church) know if you are interested.

FALL *Clean Up*

Saturday, September 13

Come help fix up and clean up the church for fall! The next All Church Work Day will be Saturday, September 13, 9:00 AM until Noon. There will be lots of tasks for all skill levels and interests. It is always a great time of fellowship, and a chance to get to know Saint Andrew's members in a new setting. There will be coffee, hot cocoa, and donuts. Please let Kurt Lutterman (kurt@salc.church) know if you have questions.

9 AM - 12 PM



Wise OWLS Learn Tricks to Save \$\$\$

Join the Older, Wiser Lutheran Saints as they learn new ways to "waste not and want not" on **Tuesday, September 16 at 11:45 AM.**

Sam Wilder will present *"5 Easy Actions for Reducing Waste and Saving Money."* She is a consultant with the City of Bellevue. Sam's fun programs make her a highly recommended speaker.

We gather at **11:45 a.m. and enjoy a potluck lunch at noon.** If able, please pitch in a dish for the potluck lunch.

For more information, contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland at 425-746-2529 or at sherry@salc.church.

September with our next lunch for the ladies at Sophia's Place!

The lunch is scheduled for September 17th, so we will **be collecting items on Tuesday, September 16th** in the back parking lot. Non-perishable / pantry donations could be brought in this Sunday, if that is better for your schedules!

If you would like to contribute to the meal or the Sophia's Place pantry, please contact Joyce Arnold.



Pastor's Bible Study is back! . The group meets in person in the Library or on Zoom at **10:00 AM** each Tuesday. Please contact Pastor Lara for the zoom link (pastor@salc.church)



Sunday Brunch returns!! It's Time to Eat!

Saint Andrew's resumes its monthly Fellowship brunches after worship service on **September 14.**

We start the season off with an old-fashioned potluck.

Drop off your dish to share in the kitchen on your way to the 10 a.m. worship service.

We will set up a buffet of your wonderful contributions to enjoy after church.

If your last name begins with:

- **A to H - bring a main dish.**
- **I to Q - bring a salad or vegetable.**
- **R to Z - folks get to bring the sweet stuff - dessert!**

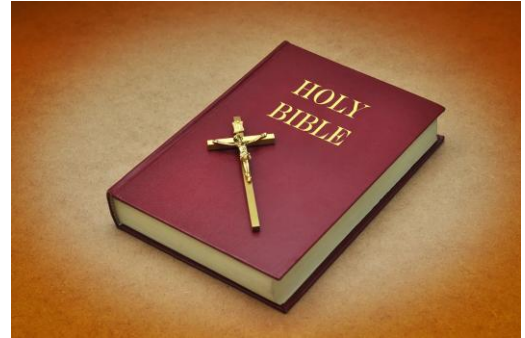
Please prepare enough to service 8-10 people. Church will supply bread, butter and beverages.

Questions? Contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland at 425-746-2529 or sherry@salc.church.

DORCAS NEEDS BOXES!! Dorcas Circle needs extra-large shipping boxes to ship quilts to Lutheran World Relief. We prefer boxes that are approximately **2 feet tall**. Boxes can be broken down and brought to church. If you have any question, please contact Linda Willenberg at willenberglinda@gmail.com.

Bible Study on Sunday, September 14th.

Join us at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall to begin our new Bible Study. We will meet once a month to open our Bibles, share our insights, pray, and fellowship together. We are starting with **1 John** and we will be looking at the first two chapters. Did the apostle John write this to the churches which were struggling? What does this letter from John say to us in the year 2025? What does it mean to know and belong to God? Your leaders will be Cheryl Jurrus and Allen Bolen. Please join us for this week for this new adventure!



By the grace of God and the call of the church

Jill Nichols-Hicks

will be ordained to the

*Ministry of Word and Sacrament
at Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church*

With great joy we invite you to join us for

The Rite of Ordination

Friday, September 12, 2025

6:00 PM - hors d'oeuvres

7:00 PM service begins

Dessert reception following ceremony

Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church

2650 148th Avenue Southeast, Bellevue, WA

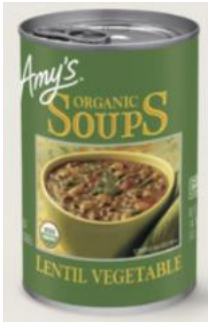
Clergy are invited to vest, the color of the day is red.

*Jill has been called to serve the congregation of
Northlake Lutheran Church in Kenmore, WA.*

Outreach and Servant Ministries

Corner of Blessing - Food of the Month – September

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For the month of September Hopelink has asked us to collect **Hearty Soups!** Non-condensed, High calorie soups are what they need. **Progresso, Amy's and Chunky Campbells** are all great, well-loved brands. Here are some suggested examples: *Italian wedding soup, clam chowder, beef barley, chicken pot pie, lentil and vegetables, tomato bisque, etc.*



God's Work. Our Hands – Food Drive Thank You from Hopelink!!

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Helping people. Changing lives.

Thank you to the Saint Andrew's team of volunteers that collected food at the Crossroads QFC on September 6th. The Saint Andrew's crew collected 21+ crates (880 pounds) of food and \$33 in cash for the Hopelink Food Bank. Thanks to the team of 17 volunteers who helped with the collection: *Cheryl Jurrus, Allen Bolen, Joan Tweten, Katrin Bonnofsky, Erik Johnson, Avegail Johnson, Kellen Johnson, Kayleigh Johnson, Paul Bradley, Sue Bradley, Ann Thorpe, Susan Hegedus, Joyce Nelson, John Andresen, Sandy Andresen, Debbie Szabo and Dick Szabo.* Well done!





🌍 Interfaith for Impact: Uplifting Girls in East Africa

Date: September 13th, 2025

Time: 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Location: Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church

✦ Experience Culture, Connection, and Community!

Join us for a warm and welcoming morning of conversation, culture, and community. We'll share stories as we explore how people of different faiths can come together to support girls and women in East Africa — especially among the Maasai. Through open dialogue and shared values, together we'll learn how we can help young girls build brighter futures through education and freedom from early marriage.

🍵 **Enjoy a Chai & Mandazi Brunch in the morning**, followed by a delicious and free authentic **East African meal for lunch**.

✦ **Meet Author Juliet Cutler** – Julie will be signing copies of her brand new book, *"Lessons in Hope – A New Era for Maasai Women in Tanzania"*.

🎤 **Hear from Discovery Tour alumni** – who will share stories and reflections from their journeys in Tanzania.

🎁 Don't miss our Raffle!

Win beautiful Tanzanian items including **shukas, cloths, statues, and jewelry**.

👉 Let's grow together

This is an **opportunity for global connection, cultural understanding, and spiritual enrichment**. If you're not yet involved – **now is the perfect time to join us!**

Please follow this link to RSVP to the event:

<https://secure.qgiv.com/for/operationbootstrap-africa/event/interfaithforimpact/>

This event is hosted by OBA, a trusted nonprofit with over 60 years of experience partnering with East African communities to empower girls and women through education and opportunity. To learn more about us, check out our website: <https://bootstrapafrica.org/>



Lutherfest Tickets on Sale

Get your tickets now for the Oct. 5th Lutherfest.

This German style fall event features a bratwurst dinner, and appropriate beverages.

Gerdy Mende will lead the program which includes music, trivia about German Octoberfests and a look our Lutheran roots.

The Lutherfest raffle and auction proceeds will help underwrite an intergenerational mission trip to Lantern Hill in 2026.

Yes, volunteers are needed to pull off this party. (Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland - sherry@salc.church)

Tickets are \$20 person.

Raffle/Auction Items are coming in:

- *A beautiful handmade wooden jewelry box, made by Ron Ryan.*
- *A "Bible Story" wall-hanging quilt completed by Dianne Chong w/ Bible story books.*
- *A Paella Party; July 25, 2026 at the Getzingers. First 12 to sign up @ \$100. Pp*
- *Wine ! (6 bottles of red from Linda W.'s wine cellar to yours)*
- *Half day of Tech assistance (computer/smart phone/internet) from Johannes G*
- *A "Readers" package - handmade afghan, tea+cups, a couple of good reads.*
- *A Wine Tasting Party Gift basket*
- *"You might be Lutheran..." items from Old Lutheran*
- *A Lantern Hill/Mexico gift basket*
- *A 3-night stay in Hood Canal (Brinnon, WA).*
- *Penzey's Spices gift basket.*
- *Two (2) tickets to Pacific NW Ballet "In the Upper Room" - November date. Includes access to the donor lounge, which allow the winner to join us in the Allen Room one hour before the show and at all intermissions for complimentary hors d'oeuvres, dessert, wine, coffee, and water.*
- *Two tickets to the Seattle Symphony (choice of dates).*
- *Framed original watercolor painting of 2 waterfowl. By Lowell Stime (former LBI professor)*

What can you procure or donate - sports/theater tickets, restaurant gift cards, a themed gift basket??? Kathy can send the procurement form or grab a couple in the Narthex!!

For more information or to volunteer check with Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland at 425-746-2529 or sherry@salc.church.



ELCC (Eastside Lutheran Church Community) churches, the Synod and the ELCA:

The Eastside Lutheran Church Community (ELCC) has created a new logo and the website has been updated with events throughout the summer to mark on your calendars!

Be sure to check out the website [HERE](#).



Two events happening at Saint Andrew's!

NORDWELL & MOSS: NATURE, THE GENTLEST MOTHER




September 14, 2025
3-4:30pm
In Person at St. Andrews Lutheran, Bellevue
(2650 148TH Ave NE, Bellevue, WA)
Reception to follow

Interfaith for Impact: Uplifting Girls in East Africa



"Interfaith for Impact: Uplifting Girls in East Africa"
is an opportunity to come together, share stories, and learn how we can all support girls and women in East Africa—especially within the Maasai community—through education and empowerment.

Event Details:
Date: September 13th, 2025
Time: 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM
Location: Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church: 2650 148th Ave SE, Bellevue, WA



Weekly Calendar – You can access our full calendar [HERE](#).

Wednesday, September 10

1:00 PM Congregation Care Team Meeting
4:00 PM Adult Education Planning Team

Thursday, September 11

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Friday, September 12

Office is closed.

7:00 PM Ordination of Jill Nichols-Hicks

Saturday, September 13

9:00 AM All Church Work Party
9:30 AM Operation Bootstrap Africa event

Sunday, September 14

9:00 AM Education Hour
10:00 AM Worship
11:00 AM Sunday Brunch
Knit Wits
3:00 PM Hillary Nordwell Concert

Monday, September 15

1:00 PM Staff meeting
6:30 PM Worship & Music Committee

Tuesday, September 16

8:30 AM Tuesday Morning Men
10:00 AM Pastor's Bible Study
11:45 AM O.W.L.S. Lunch
2:00 PM Sophia Way Lunch Drop Off

Wednesday, September 17

2:00 PM Jackie Risdal Memorial Service

Thursday, September 18

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Friday, September 19

Office is closed.

Saturday, September 20

Sunday, September 21

9:00 AM Education Hour
10:00 AM Worship

Monday, September 22

1:00 PM Staff meeting
7:00 PM Outreach Committee meeting

Tuesday, September 23

8:30 AM Tuesday Morning Men
10:00 AM Pastor's Bible Study
7:00 PM Building & Property Committee

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SALC Family Social Media Accounts:



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Congregation**



**Do you have an item for "Trendings"? Please send it
to Kathy by 12 Noon on Tuesday (kathy@salc.church)**