

October 7, 2022 Friday Flash

Dear Co-Conspirators in the Work of the Gospel,

WOW, WOW, WOW! Another amazing RenFaire on Sunday!

The “committee work” I want to lift up this week is YOU. Every single person who welcomed, fed, played with, and engaged all who came, *Sharing God’s Love* freely and abundantly. Liturgy is the “work of the people” (in Greek, literally “Working” “People”), and Sunday was a beautiful liturgy!

Liturgy worked through the Outreach and Fellowship Committees who coordinated pre-roasting, warming, and serving more than 100 turkey legs in addition to chicken legs, hot dogs, baked beans, chips, coffee, lemonade, pumpkin juice, hand pies, cookies, and more to nourish our guests’ bodies with good food!

Liturgy worked through Music coordinated through our Worship and Arts volunteers and friends who practiced and performed, coordinated the Ensemble instrumentalists and Vocal singers to lighten our spirits, entertain, and enfold us in harmonious ambiance.

Liturgy worked as Outreach who welcomed all with gifts (St. Andrew’s bag, chip clip, info card, candy and more), chance to enter a drawing, help finding the booths, and a ready smile!

Liturgy worked through collections of donations for drawings and donations of food.

Liturgy worked as Giving Garden volunteers who staffed the Garden tent, giving gourds and mini pumpkins to decorate for fun and fellowship.

Liturgy worked as we passed out free books and read stories aloud at the Raising Readers tent.

Liturgy worked as patient Social Concerns, Stewardship and Finance, and Education volunteers who helped children create beautiful crafts at our Arts and Crafts and Flower Garden tents.

Liturgy worked by Property volunteers who played games with all, both large and small.

Liturgy worked as our Court Jester who incited laughter and raised spirits of all.

Liturgy worked in the planning, preparing, supply gathering, costume making, setup, tear-down and general merry-making!

Liturgy worked and orchestrated through our Mistress of Mayhem, Laurie Hoifeldt, who cast the vision and brought us together to do the “work of the people.”

The work of the people is not about attracting anyone to become a part of St. Andrews but rather extending Radical Hospitality to the world around us ... neighbors, students, families, friends were nourished by that work and in that hospitality and in the feeding and the welcome experienced the Love of God in and through YOU.

The work of Jesus.

Gathering, feeding, loving.

That is God’s mission.

That is our mission.

Well done, working people!

Grace & Peace,

Pastor Sonja

ANNOUNCEMENTS

~THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S~

- Sunday, *Service N Learning*, 9 am, Fellowship Hall
- Sunday, *Worship*, 10:30 am, Sanctuary and [Livestream](#)
 - If you have trouble with this link, go to [St. Andrew's YouTube Page](#)
 - [Last Week's Livestream Recording](#)
- Sunday, *Fellowship*, 11:30 am, Fellowship Hall
- Tuesday, *Pine Ridge Truck Loading*, 6 pm, SALC Parking Lot
- Tuesday, *Book Club*, 6:15 pm, Village Cooperative Community Room
- Wednesday, *Faith Book Study Meeting*, 7 am, Hy-Vee West Market Grille
- Wednesday, *Pine Ridge Truck Departure*, SALC Parking Lot
- Wednesday, *Choir*, 7 pm, Sanctuary
- Thursday, *The Story Zoom*, 11 am, Zoom
- *For a full listing of events, check out the St. Andrew's calendar at standrewsames.org/calendar/*

Help Needed to Clean Out our Space at Colorado Junction

Things are progressing at Colorado Junction, and we need to get our things transferred to St. Andrew's! If you are willing and able, please stick around after Worship to help us bring the rest of our belongings over from Colorado Junction! Many hands make light work, and we would love for this to be a quick and easy task! Please contact the office or Laurie Hoifeldt with any questions!

Funeral Notice for Marjorie Allison

The visitation for Marjorie (Marge) Allison will take place at Grandon Funeral Home on Tuesday, October 18th from 4-6 pm. The funeral will be held at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church at 11 am on October 19th, with a luncheon to follow.

Help Supply Edwards Elementary with Classroom Snacks!

With the programming year and the school year both in full swing, we are again requesting YOUR help in supplying classroom snacks to Edwards Elementary. We are so excited to begin this program again, and request that snacks follow these guidelines: No Nuts, No Perishable Items, Little to No Mess! Some of our favorites include granola bars (chocolate chip, oat and honey, etc.), cheese-based or other crackers (Cheez-its, Keebler Crackers and Cheese Mini Sandwiches, Goldfish, etc.), fruit snacks, and even applesauce (GoGo Squeez is a popular brand at the moment!) Please contact the office or Mary Johnson at jmjohnson36@msn.com with any questions! Drop off donations on the Fellowship Hall donations table.

Affirmation of Baptism Sunday, October 30 in Worship – Also Reformation Sunday, Wear RED!

Join us Sunday, October 30 as our three 9th grade students will affirm the promises of their baptism, surrounded by their community of faith. Please plan to attend to support these students in this next chapter of their faith life. We invite ALL to wear red as we celebrate Confirmation on Reformation Sunday!

Now Hiring: Business Manager

St. Andrew's has relied on the generosity of volunteers to handle the financial management of its business affairs (responsibilities in addition to the work of our accounting firm, Schnurr). To relieve the 20-30 hours per week volunteers are currently giving, Council has approved the Personnel Committee's recommendation to hire a Business Manager to handle these duties. See the full job description at standrewsames.org with instructions to apply, and encourage any qualified applicants to apply! And, please thank Linda Seaverson for her gift of time and dedication in this volunteer role over these many, many years.

Join in to Help and Connect: Fun and Fold Fridays

We are looking for a group of volunteers to meet on Fridays to help fold bulletins, stuff envelopes when needed, and have fellowship with coffee and friendly conversation! Individuals interested in an opportunity to serve and connect with other members should contact the office to participate in Fun and Fold Fridays!

Seeking Detail-Oriented Volunteer to Review Membership Records

We are looking for an individual or two to review our current Member Information Spreadsheet and compare these entries to our current directory. We are wanting these two resources to be compared line-for-line in order to be able to continue to provide the most up-to-date information to our current and new members. Please contact the office if you are interested in this analytical task!

Service N Learning October 9, *The Story* - Chapter 3 "Joseph: From Slave to Deputy Pharaoh"

We continue our chronological overview of God's great Biblical story this week. If you would like a copy of *The Story*, books are now available in the office during office hours or on Sundays at Service N Learning or at the table in the narthex after worship. All are welcome to attend weekly sessions Thursdays on Zoom at 11 am or Sundays at 9:30 am; no need to register in advance. The following readings will be discussed on the Thursday/Sunday of each listed week.

- Week 5 (October 10-16): Chapter 4 "Deliverance"
- Week 6 (October 17-23): Chapter 5 "New Commands and a New Covenant"

Service N Learning Sunday Breakfast 9 am (All breakfasts provide juice, milk, and coffee!)

Please contact Miriam Moreno at miriam@standrewsames.org with any questions regarding the breakfast or with any allergies/food sensitivities if you plan to eat breakfast! We can accommodate most allergies or sensitivities if given a heads-up by Friday evening!

- October 16: Homemade Cinnamon Rolls
- October 23: Breakfast Pizza

Central Iowa Symphony Concert: A World of Voices, October 8

This concert will take place at the Ames City Auditorium at 7:30 pm. Tickets are available for purchase [here](#). "Our season begins in glorious style with a smorgasbord of music from around the world by composers whose voices are rich with the influences of their homelands. From the colorful Cambodian folk tunes of Chinary Ung's Water Rings Overture to the sensuous rhythms of Piazzolla's Milonga del Angel, this is a program that celebrates diversity music. To top it all off, we welcome soloists Julie Fox Henson and Jonathan Sturm for a performance of one of Mozart's most beautiful works for soloists and orchestra."

~NOTABLES~

Worship Assistants This Week (10/9/2022)

Assisting Minister –
Reader – **Dave Sprau**
Greeter – **Rollie Link**
Ushers –
Communion Setup – **Paul and Cheryl White**
Communion Servers – **Lynn Miller, Mary Johnson**
Tech – **Brent Anderson**
Fellowship – **Property**

Worship Assistants Next Week (10/16/2022)

Assisting Minister – **Jennie LeGates**
Reader – **Mary Johnson**
Greeter – **Nora Nelson**
Ushers – **John and Carol Moran**
Communion Setup – **John and Carol Moran**
Communion Servers – **Margaret Sherve, Carol Putz**
Tech – **Kris Parsons**
Fellowship – **Outreach**

Happy October Anniversary

Sam and Linda Houk (3), Jennie LeGates and Fritz Wehrenberg (10), Don and Monica Behning (15), Kris and Dan Parsons (25), Jon and Janeen Christy (26), Shirley and Philip Parsons (27)

Happy September Birthday

Molly Putz (7), Dan Anderson (8), Philip Dixon (8), Helen Gjerde (8), Harold Dorr (9), Lori Paulson (9), Sheryl Drury (9), Dean Janssen (10), Solveig Rice (13), Spencer Geisinger (14), Lowell Elwick (18), Sharon Prochnow (28), Richard Engen (30)

~PRAYERS~

Phil Parsons, Alice Thompson, Lowell Elwick, John Sherve (brother of Margaret Sherve, battling cancer), **Janet Bentley** (mother of Janet Dixon), **Annette (Thompson) Bodnar** (niece of Alice Thompson), **Anita Whitaker** (Mother of Sheri Krumm), **Troy Eagen** (Sharon Anderson's son-in-law), **John Litzel, Libby Litzel Gull, Mark Ekeren** (brother of Sarah Buck), **Jane Ellis, Wayne Thompson** (brain tumor), **Marilyn Saunders** (Gene Pollmann's sister), **Alice Becher** (Stephen Loucks' mother), **Marjorie Allison, Gene Takle, Lou Jordan** (Dagmar Frank's cousin), **Nancy Owen** (Carol Putz's cousin, battling cancer), **Roxanne Labandz** (niece of Alice Thompson), **Pat Fawcett, Kolleen Tweed Sogard** (daughter of Violet & Maynard Tweed), **Robert Pollmann** (Gene Pollmann's brother), **Mike & Kayla Endorf** (cousins of Dagmar Frank), **Joan Dubberke, Diane** (Carol Putz's sister w/long COVID), **Lester & Alycia Carlsborg, Ben Buck, Stu Endorf** (Dagmar Frank's cousin), **James Loritz** (nephew of Alice Thompson), **Karen Hardy** (Rita Peterson's sister), **Susan Teas, Douglas John Putz** (brother of Dave Putz), the family of **Dick Whitaker** (father of Sheri Krumm), the family of **Jim Bacino** (grandfather of Kyra Meyer), the family of **Marjorie Allison, Don Ekstrom** (brother of Mary Johnson).

For all those suffering from loneliness and grief, addiction and illness-both mental and physical, poverty and need, war and strife; we pray to the Lord to bless them and give them peace. We continue to pray for the health and needs of the people in the Ames Community, the Pine Ridge Reservation, the Hedaru and Agape Parishes in Tanzania, and all communities throughout the world.