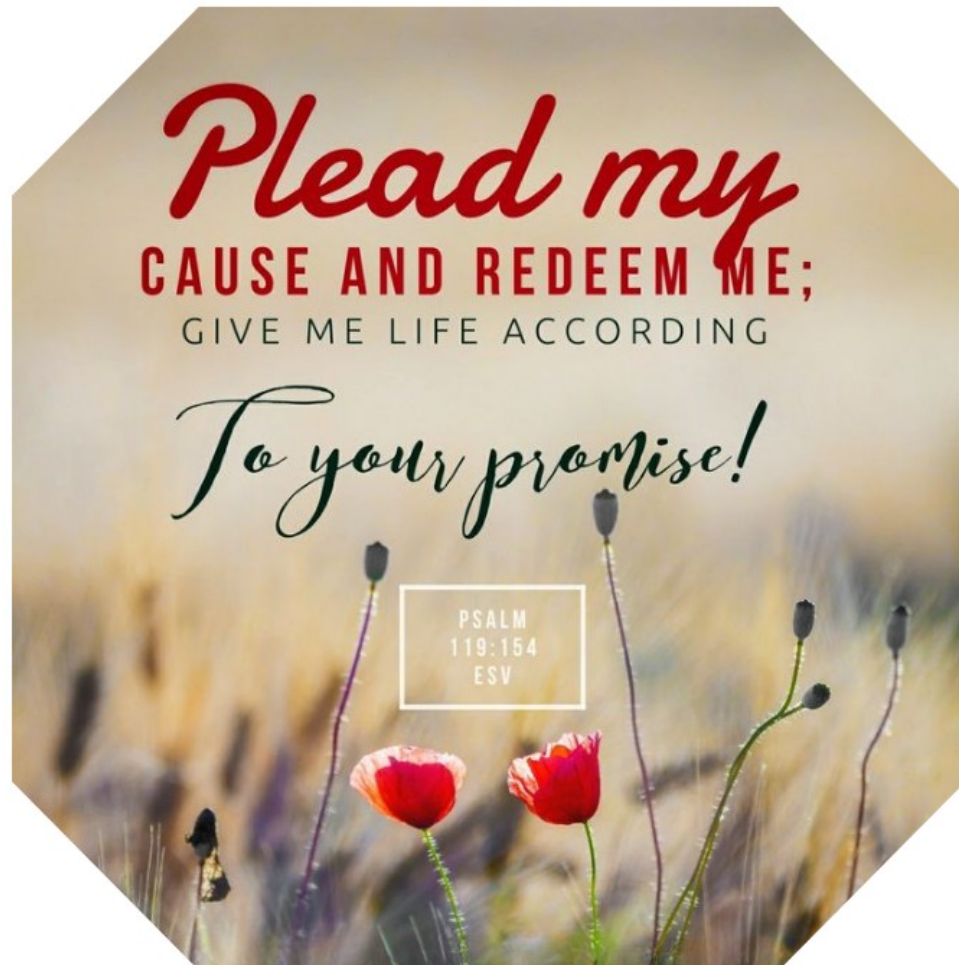




ST. ANDREW EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

~ TO KNOW JESUS CHRIST AND TO MAKE HIM KNOWN ~

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



June 28, 2026

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 28, 2026

WELCOME TO ST. ANDREW!

God is serious about his Word in both law and gospel. It is addressed to us both collectively and individually. This Sunday it is well summed up in the pertinent question: Where are you? In the liturgy of confession may we answer honestly! In the absolution and the gospel may we hear God's response! For faith begins and ends with confession and absolution; They are its constants that are never to be taken for granted.

Please sign our guest registry in the narthex, and fill out a guest info card located in your pew or the narthex, we would love to connect with you. If you could also, take time to introduce yourself to the Greeters and Pastor Ben. A nursery is available, and is located behind the Penn St. entrance. Restrooms are also located there and in the lower level of the church. The greeters will be glad to assist you with any need you may have. May God bless your worship with us this morning.

ST. ANDREW ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUNE OUTREACH – Faith Comes By Hearing - An international non-profit organization that records and freely provides the Bible in languages of the world. By partnering with like-minded ministries, we are able to share God's word and engage the last, least, and forgotten like never before.

JUNE CARE CARDS - Our June care cards will be going to Jonnie Stahl. We have cards available in the Narthex or you can bring your own. Please sign them with an encouraging note or thoughtful message and give them to the office and we will mail them out for you! Thank you!

VBS - VBS is scheduled for July 13th - 17th this year, registration is open on our website: www.standrewlutheranmuncy.org or you can use a physical form found in the Narthex. It is always a rewarding and fun time for everyone! Extra volunteers are always welcome! If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Heilman at (570)-546-2126 or kiheilman@comcast.net

SAVE THE DATES - Outdoor Movie Night - **July 10th**, Rise & Dine Breakfast - **July 12th**
Annual Church Picnic - **August 9th**

THE PRELUDE

WELCOME - Announcements

** (Indicates The Congregation To Stand)*

*** INVOCATION**

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*** THE CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SINS** (YOU ARE WELCOME TO KNEEL IF ABLE)

PRAISE AND PRAYER

*** Opening Hymn**

“Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus”

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*** The Apostolic Greeting and Response**

SCREEN

*** The Kyrie**

*** The Hymn of Praise**

SCREEN

*** PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Lord of all power and might, you are the author and giver of all good things. Graft into our hearts a love of your name. Increase in us true faith, nourish us with what is good, and watch over all who are in your care. Grant this, we pray, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON - JEREMIAH 28:5-9

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to Hananiah the prophet in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD, and the prophet Jeremiah said, “Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD make the words that you have prophesied come true, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD,

and all the exiles. Yet hear now this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes to pass, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet.”

THE PSALMODY - PSALM 119:153-160

L: Behold my affliction and deliver me, for I do not forget your law.

C: Plead my cause and redeem me; according to your promise, give me life.

L: Deliverance is far from the wicked, for they do not study your statutes.

C: Great is your compassion, O LORD; preserve my life, according to your judgments.

L: There are many who persecute and oppress me, yet I have not swerved from your decrees.

C: I look with loathing at the faithless, for they have not kept your word.

L: See how I love your commandments! O LORD, in your mercy, preserve me.

C: The heart of your word is truth; all your righteous judgments endure forevermore.

SECOND LESSON - ROMANS 7:1-13

Do you not know, brothers — for I am speaking to those who know the law — that the law is binding on a person only as long as he lives? For a married woman is bound by law to her husband while he lives, but if her husband dies she is released from the law of marriage. Accordingly, she will be called an adulteress if she lives with another man while her husband is alive. But if her husband dies, she is free from that law, and if she marries another man she is not an adulteress. Likewise, my brothers, you also have died to the law

through the body of Christ, so that you may belong to another, to him who has been raised from the dead, in order that we may bear fruit for God. For while we were living in the flesh, our sinful passions, aroused by the law, were at work in our members to bear fruit for death. But now we are released from the law, having died to that which held us captive, so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit and not in the old way of the written code. What then shall we say? That the law is sin? By no means! Yet if it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. For I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, "You shall not covet." But sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of covetousness. For apart from the law, sin lies dead. I was once alive apart from the law, but when the commandment came, sin came alive and I died. The very commandment that promised life proved to be death to me. For sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, deceived me and through it killed me. So the law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good. Did that which is good, then, bring death to me? By no means! It was sin, producing death in me through what is good, in order that sin might be shown to be sin, and through the commandment might become sinful beyond measure.

L: Here ends the reading.

* **THE RESPONSE (Alleluia)**

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P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 10th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

THE GOSPEL - MATTHEW 10:34-42

Jesus said to the disciples, "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. And a person's enemies will be those of his own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than

me is not worthy of me. And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me. The one who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and the one who receives a righteous person because he is a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward. And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

Hymn

"Just as I Am, without One Plea"

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THE SERMON

Pastor Janet Dougherty

* **Apostles Creed**

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GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The Offertory Response

SCREEN

Offertory Prayer

OFFERING: *Offering plates are located at the entrances to the church for you to leave your gift. There's also an online giving option available on our website. One way the members of St Andrew show their love for their Savior is by sharing with him a generous portion of the blessings they have received. However, our guests should not feel obligated to give. We want everyone to give out of love for Jesus and what he has done for us, and not "reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7).*

* **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

* **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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GO IN PEACE, SERVE THE LORD

* **BENEDICTION**

* **CLOSING HYMN**

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

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Postlude

ST. ANDREW PRAYER LIST

NAMES WILL BE KEPT ON PRAYER LIST FOR FOUR WEEKS UNLESS OFFICE IS OTHERWISE NOTIFIED.

MEMBERS

Bill Ritter
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Martha Miller
Arlene Kiess
Jim & Jonnie Stahl
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Teresa Edwartowski Paul Cohen
Jane Baker
Brenda Miller
Jeremy Hauch
Pastor Carol Butler

ACTIVITIES OF ST. ANDREW

Sunday, June 28 Worship Service 9:15 a.m.

After Service Adult Sunday School w/ Kathy H. Upstairs Chapel

Thursday, July 2 Chapel Prayer Group 1:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 5 Worship Service 9:15 a.m.

GREETER Jerry Watson

LECTOR Sheila Morehart

ACOLYTE Lila Styer

VIDEO | SOUND John Dougherty | Jerry Watson

FLOWER DELIVERY Julie Souter & Amy Brinser

The Bulletin is sponsored by Shirley Watson

Our Organist/Pianist is Mr. Larry Barnard

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*The Altar Flowers are given
to the Glory of God
&
in memory of
Nola Myer's July 1st Birthday!
By: Walt & Lou Ann*