

ST. ANDREW
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday Mornings

Worship:
9:15 a.m.

Adult Sunday
School:
10:30 a.m.

Communion:

First Sunday of
the month and
special Sundays
throughout the
year.

* Our children's & youth programs will take
a break for summer and return in
September

From the Pastor's Desk

"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - His good, pleasing and perfect will." - Romans 12:2

A few weeks ago, I had an appointment near Selinsgrove and I was out around lunch time so I decided to grab a bite to eat. I decided I wanted to eat somewhere that I don't often have a chance to, and Dairy Queen was calling my name. As I received my order, I walked to the dining area and sat near the television. The moment I sat down to enjoy my meal, an ad for Wendy's came on the screen and I thought to myself, "You guys are advertising in the wrong place! Or maybe it's the right place, I'm not sure." The juxtaposition of a competitor's advertisement appearing on the screen of the establishment I was eating at struck me as ironic. But then, the more I thought about it, it reminded me how sometimes Christians can become guilty of "advertising for the wrong team," so to speak.

Every day we advertise something. Through our words, attitudes, priorities and actions, we tell others what matters most to us. As followers of Christ, we are called to point people toward Him. But when our conversations are filled with anger, when our priorities mirror the world's values, or when our actions contradict our faith, we send a confusing message about the One we claim to serve. Instead of displaying the grace, truth, and love of Christ, we can unintentionally promote selfishness, pride or division.

Romans 12:2 reminds us that we are not to be shaped by the world's patterns. Rather, we are to be transformed by the renewing of our minds. The word Paul uses here is μεταμορφοῦσθε (*metamorphousthe*). It's the root of the word "metamorphosis". In other words, Christians should be **so different** from the world it's as if we underwent a radical transformation like from a caterpillar to a butterfly. But a caterpillar cannot will itself to instantly become a butterfly. It takes a period of time in which the caterpillar is broken down and reformed inside the chrysalis. In the same way, we must give ourselves grace and time and allow Christ to break down the things in our lives that do not reflect Him and replace them with things that do. The more we allow Christ to change us, the more our lives become a clear and attractive testimony of His goodness.

Sometimes it's helpful for us to receive a "check-up from the neck-up," as my colleague so eloquently puts it. So my challenge for us this month is to use the change of pace that the summer brings as time to run some "spiritual diagnostics." Prayerfully and honestly consider what your life is advertising. Are your words and actions pointing others toward Jesus? What steps of faith might He be asking you to take? Day by day, as we seek to be conformed to Christ, may we be faithful ambassadors who proudly represent the right team; the Kingdom of God.

Your fellow "Christian Chrysalis",
Pastor Ben

JUNE CARE CARDS - JONNIE STAHL

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, give them to the office and we will mail them out for you! Thank you!



JUNE OUTREACH - FAITH COMES BY HEARING

Faith comes by hearing is 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.



OLD IMMANUEL CHURCH SERVICE

The public is invited to attend the Old Immanuel Memorial Service on June 14th at 2:30 p.m. Rev. Amy Shuck from Watsontown will be officiating. Everyone is welcome! Please note that the church does not have running water or electricity.



CHILDREN'S & YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

StFINE Time and youth Sunday School will be taking a break for June-August and will resume in September! This gives our children and youth a chance to experience all of the church service with their families, as well as, providing a time of rejuvenation for our teachers!

FATHER'S DAY LADIES CHOIR!

Attention all ladies, young and not so young! Come out and sing for our men on June 21st. A rehearsal will be held at 9am before the service! Let's fill the choir loft!



2026 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS is scheduled for July 13th - 17th this year, registration is open on our website: www.standrewlutheranmuncie.org, you can scan the QR code here 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

JULY DONATION DRIVE

The Son Light House is looking for donations of school supplies, backpacks, and food supplies; such as snacks, cereal, peanut butter & jelly, and other food items that are non-perishable or have a long shelf-life.



RISE & DINE BREAKFAST



Sunday, July 12th at 8:00 a.m. Please consider joining us for this time of food and fellowship before our Sunday service. If interested in attending, please sign up in the Narthex or contact the church office. We hope to see you there!

JULY OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT - JULY 10TH, 2026

Keep an eye out for more details about our annual

Summer Outdoor Movie Night



THANK YOU

Thank you one and all for your prayers, food, flowers, cards and concerns during the loss of our son-in-law, Jason Frederick Lewis. Thank you Pastor Ben and Jerry for ALL your help. Yes, it was Holy Week, but we needed a church for his funeral and closure. St. Andrew graciously said yes. Thank you and God Bless.

Lou Ann, Walt & Natalie

Thank
You



CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Kilgore on their wedding! It was such a joy to witness the love you share. May your bond grow stronger and richer with every passing year. May God bless you and keep you all the days of your life!

A NOTE FROM DIANE

Dear Barbara, Thinking of you in this blessed season. Hope you are well and Sara Jane as well. All is well here. I'm enjoying the fellowship of Cherry Avenue Christian Church but do love to receive the monthly newsletter from St. Andrews and seeing you are all active and doing well. I am very happy that Dpring has come after a hard winter and I can be back to playing in the dirt and taking part in the miracle of new growth. Much love to you and my friends at St. Andrews.

Love, Dianne Campbell

Thank You, Lord, that You are near to all who call upon You, and You will fulfill the desire of those who fear You. Thank You that You hear my cries and will save me from any weakness that could lead me away from all You have for me.

(Psalm 145:18-19)

KIDS KORNER

RECYCLED PLASTIC BOTTLE WIND SPINNER



SUPPLIES:

- 1 Liter Plastic Bottle
- Colored Duck Tape or Electrical Tape
- Bob Cutter or Craft Knife
- Scissors
- Snap Swivel
- Coated Paper Clip
- Fishing Line

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Start by washing out your bottle and removing any labels. Cover the middle section of the bottle with tape. You can cut different colored tape into strips to create a stripe life effect like we have.
2. Starting from the top of the tape and ending at the bottom of the tape, cut vertical slits in the bottle, about 3/4" apart.
3. Push the top of the bottle toward the bottom of the bottle. This will cause the slits to collapse. Hold it in place and fold each slit in the center, creating a crease.
4. Next angle the slits by making folds at the top and bottom of each slit. This allows the wind to catch them and make it spin. At the top of each slit make a 45-degree fold to the right. At the bottom of each slit make a 45-degree fold to the left.
5. Cut a small hole in the top of the bottle cap.
6. Unfold and stretch the paper clip out and thread it through the looped end of the swivel. Twist the paper clip together then insert it into the hole in the top of the bottle cap. Bend the ends of the paper clip so that it can't come back out the hole.

EXPERT TIPS & FAQs

A snap swivel is a piece of fishing tackle available at all discount department stores. Look for them in packages in the fishing aisle of the sporting goods section. They are inexpensive, a couple dollars for a package. The swivel is used so that the fishing line that your wind spinner is hanging from does not tangle around itself.

QUIZ ZONE

Answers to Mary's Quiz

1. Grasshoppers (Numbers 13:33)
2. Terah (Genesis 11:31)
3. Rams (Exodus 25:3-5)
4. He claimed to be the Son of God (John 19:7)
5. In a dream (Matthew 2:13)
6. Corinthians (2 Corinthians 8:17-18)
7. They cast lots (Jonah 1:7)
8. A Pharisee and a publican (tax collector) (Luke 18:10)
9. His feet (1 Kings 15:23)
10. Malchus (John 18:10)
11. Abib (Deuteronomy 16:1)
12. Philippi (Acts 16:12)
13. the doors of the gate of the city. (Judges 16:3)
14. Zadok (1 Kings 1:39)
15. The Ancient of days (Daniel 7:9)
16. Seventy (Judges 8:30)
17. Obadiah
18. Philip's (Acts 21:8)
19. Treasurer (Acts 8:27)
20. "Blessed are the poor in spirit : for theirs is the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 5:3)

QUIZ ZONE

Questions

1. Who saw a creature resembling a lion near the throne of God?
 - a. Moses
 - b. Jonathan
 - c. John
 - d. Samuel
2. Who envisioned a lion with eagle's wings?
 - a. Jeremiah
 - b. Amos
 - c. Haggai
 - d. Daniel
3. Who claimed to have grabbed a lion by the throat and pummeled him to death?
 - a. King Hiram
 - b. King Nebuchadnezzar
 - c. King David
 - d. King Zimri
4. Who is like a ravenous lion, according to 1 Peter
 - a. The devil
 - b. Judas
 - c. Herod
 - d. Elzmas
5. Who ripped a lion apart with his bare hands?
 - a. Joshua
 - b. Samson
 - c. Jacob
 - d. Ethan
6. What two men did David say were stronger than lions?
 - a. Jacob & Joseph
 - b. Saul & Jonathan
 - c. Noah & Ham
 - d. Abraham & Isaac
7. What prophet had a vision of a creature with a lion's face as one of its four sides?
 - a. Isaiah
 - b. Jeremiah
 - c. Ezekiel
 - d. Micah
8. What soldier in David's army killed a lion in a pit on a snowy day?
 - a. Joab
 - b. Uriah
 - c. Shimei
 - d. Benaiah

Answers

1. C (Revelation 1:1-2; 4:6-7)
2. D (Daniel 7:2-4)
3. C (1 Samuel 17:34-35)
4. A (1 Peter 5:8)
5. B (Judges 14:5-6)
6. B (2 Samuel 1:23)
7. C (Ezekiel 1:1-10)
8. D (2 Samuel 23:20)

THE FIRST COMMANDMENT:

*You shall have no other gods before Me.
what is this or what does this mean?*

We are to fear, love, and trust God above all things

One

THE SECOND COMMANDMENT:

*You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
what is this or what does this mean?*

*We are to fear and love God, so that we do not curse, swear, practice magic,
lie or deceive using God's name, but instead use that very name in every
time of need to call on, pray to, praise, and give thanks to God.*

Two

THE THIRD COMMANDMENT:

*Remember the sabbath day to keep it holy.
what is this or what does this mean?*

*We are to fear and love God, so that we do not despise preaching
or God's word, but instead keep that word holy and gladly hear
and learn it.*

Three

THE FOURTH COMMANDMENT:

*Honor your father and mother.
what is this or what does this mean?*

*We are to fear and love God, so that we neither despise nor
anger our parents and others in authority, but instead honor,
serve, obey, love, and respect them.*

Four

THE FIFTH COMMANDMENT:

*You shall not murder.
what is this or what does this mean?*

*We are to fear and love God, so that we neither endanger nor harm the
lives of our neighbors, but instead help and support them in all of life's
needs.*

Five

THE SIXTH COMMANDMENT:

*You shall not commit adultery.
what is this or what does this mean?*

*We are to fear and love God, so that we lead pure and decent lives in
word and deed, and each of us loves and honors his or her spouse.*

Six

Seven

THE SEVENTH COMMANDMENT:

You shall not steal.

What is this or what does this mean?

We are to fear and love God, so that we neither take our neighbors' money or property nor acquire them by using shoddy merchandise or crooked deals, but instead help them to improve and protect their property and income.

THE EIGHTH COMMANDMENT:

You shall not bring false witness against your neighbor.

What is this or what does this mean?

We are to fear and love God, so that we do not tell lies about our neighbors, betray or slander them, or destroy their reputations. Instead, we are to come to their defense, speak well of them, and interpret everything they do in the best possible light.

Eight

THE NINTH COMMANDMENT:

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

What is this or what does this mean?

We are to fear and love God, so that we do not try to trick our neighbors out of their inheritance or property or try to get it for ourselves by claiming to have a legal right to it and the like, but instead be of help and service to them in keeping what is theirs.

Nine

THE TENTH COMMANDMENT:

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or manservant or maidservant, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

We are to fear and love God, so that we will not release his cattle, take his employees from him or seduce his wife, but urge them to stay and do what they ought to do.

Ten

WHAT THEN DOES GOD SAY ABOUT ALL THESE COMMANDMENTS?

God says the following: "I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who love Me and keep My commandments."

What is this or what does this mean?

God threatens to punish all who break these commandments. Therefore, we are to fear His wrath and not disobey these commandments. However, God promises grace and every good thing to all those who keep these commandments.

Therefore, we also are to love and trust Him and gladly act according to His commands.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- June 04 - Dick Gruver
June 04 - Michael Hogan
June 04 - Seth Roller
June 05 - Pretta Rose
June 11 - Christopher Johnson
June 14 - Barron Zimmers
June 20 - Martha Miller
June 21 - Adam Hogan
June 23 - Addison Detweiler
June 25 - Jonnie Stahl
June 26 - Doris Poust
June 27 - Janet Dougherty
June 29 - Darlene Waldron
June 30 - Tom Knight

HAPPY
Birthday



JUNE 21, 2026



HAPPY
Anniversary!

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- June 04, 2011 - Jared & Terri Stermole
June 07, 1980 - Larry & Sharon Barnard
June 14, 1980 - Rick & Sue Sarginger
June 16, 1973 - Dick & Ginny Gruver
June 25, 2011 - Pastor Ben & Katie Lander

ACOLYTE

June 07 - Levi Lander

June 14 - Teagan Brinser

June 21 - Gina Styer

June 28 - Lila Styer

COMMUNION ASSISTANT

June 07 - Dick Gruver

ALTAR GUILD

Katie Lander

LECTOR

June 07 - Shiela Morehart

June 14 - Michele Styer

June 21 - John Houser & Erik Houser

June 28 - Sheila Morehart

ALTAR FLOWER DELIVERY

Julie Souter & Amy Brinser

GREETER

June 07 - Rick & Sue Sarginger

June 14 - Larry & Sharon Barnard

June 21 - Need Greeter

June 28 - Need Greeter

If you are unable to serve on your Sunday, please try to find a replacement. If you are unable to, please let the office know and we will take care of it.

Thank you!

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