



St. Andrew's Net

St. Andrew Lutheran Church

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Rev. Daniel P. Landin

Liturgical Worship, 8:15 a.m. | Blended Worship, 10:45 a.m. | Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Communion, First Sunday of the month

JANUARY 2018

Happy New Year St. Andrew Lutherans!

Isn't it funny how every year, when we get to the beginning of January, we look back on the previous year saying, "Wow! That year flew by so quickly!" but when we're making our way through the year, it can feel like it is taking FOREVER to get over with? I've often found that when I'm feeling like life is moving so slowly and that I'm feeling stuck, it's because I have taken my eye off of the ball and have lost my focus in life. When I'm on top of things, when my devotional life is healthy, when I'm dividing my time properly between family and work, life seems to run so smoothly. However, when I hit a snag or some dip in the road, it really takes me off of my game. When I'm in the midst of those frustrating moments, it's discouraging and I feel hopeless. It's times like those that I need a reminder of what is most important in my life and what I should be focusing on.

I want to take this moment, at the beginning of the year, to remind you that when you find yourself in in a moment like that, it's likely that you too need a reminder of what's most important in life as well. I'm not asking you to make a New Year's resolution, because, if you're like me, we rarely follow through on them. So instead of a resolution, I want to encourage you to remember what's most important in life, which is to focus on Christ and what he has called you to do. Our church's mission statement is a simple, two-part, goal that we can focus on this year. Our mission at St. Andrew Evangelical Lutheran Church is, "To know Jesus Christ and to make Him known." Now that's a simple goal for us this year!

First, get to know Jesus Christ. Make the time (notice I didn't say find since we always seem to find excuses not to find the time) to dig into God's Word, be with him in prayer, and take every opportunity to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Even if it's a verse a day and a short and simple prayer, it's better than nothing at all and helps to strengthen your relationship with God. Second, make Him known. This is where the real work comes in for us. Make Jesus known in the way you live your life. Do what Jesus did. Love on the poor. Find ways to provide for others. Find ways to support those who are going through a difficult time in life. More importantly, make Jesus known in your words. Faith comes by hearing, so it is our duty to verbally share the good news of the Gospel with others. Take every opportunity to do this most important work, since it is how God has chosen to call people into his kingdom.

I want to close with one of my all-time favorite passages of scripture that I hope will be an encouragement for you throughout the new year. "Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight" (Proverbs 3:5-6). I am praying for each and every one of you and ask that you would keep me, my family, and our church in your prayers on a daily basis. God bless and Happy New Year!

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Dan <><



To the Women of St. Andrew,

I would like to personally thank you all for your generous donations of your time and heart.

**Your President,
Nancy Heivly**

To the Congregation of Saint Andrew,

Many thanks to everyone for your thoughtful and kind acts while Harley is recovering from his fall. He is coming along quite well. The flowers were beautiful and we enjoyed them for more than 3 weeks. The cookies Julie and Audrey brought from the women's group were delicious. We enjoyed Dean's visit and all of the many cards. It is wonderful to be a part of a nice Christian Congregation.

God Bless You All!

Fondly,

Carol and Harley Pittenger

**Dear St. Andrew and
Women of St. Andrew,**

Thank you for all your prayers and for the delicious cookie tray.

**Sincerely,
Janet and Calvin Myers**

You should have received your CAPITAL APPEAL campaign package in the mail. If you haven't please notify Dean Barto. Prayers and participation to help make the central air conditioning of our church parsonage a success are welcomed.

JANUARY OUTREACH
St. Andrew Families in need will be our January outreach. Pastor Landin and the Church Council will distribute funds to families of St. Andrew who are in need. Thank you for your generous donations!



Rachel Detweiler	January 1
Catharine Miller	January 4
Isaac Landin	January 5
Gary Dunlap	January 13
Kathryn Poust	January 14
Julie Souter	January 15
Sue Sarginger	January 23
Virgil Marrel	January 25

The 2018 Lent Devotional Sign-up sheet is located on the windowsill. Since last years devotional was such a success please consider writing one this year again.

SPECIAL EPIPHANY SERVICE ON THIS SATURDAY, JAN. 6, 2018 AT 7:00 PM **St. Andrew Evangelical Lutheran Church**

Upcoming Muncy United Methodist Church Activities

Fit For God: Starting January 6, this co-ed exercise class meets Saturdays mornings, 8:30 to 10:00, in the Celebration Center of First United Methodist Church at [602 S. Market St., Muncy](#). A devotional time is included. The coordinator is Matthew McCabe ([570-244-1947](tel:570-244-1947)).

Painting Freedom, Artists on a Mission, will offer a worship opportunity in the Celebration Center of First United Methodist Church at [602 S. Market St., Muncy](#), at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 17. A soup and panini meal is offered from 5:00–7:00 in the church's Living Water Café (lower level entrance). A free will offering will be accepted for both activities. Encounter the truth of God's Word in a fresh way!

First United Methodist Church in Williamsport is hosting a livestream gathering, and all women from the area are invited to attend on Friday, February 9 (6:30 p.m.–10:30 p.m.) and Saturday, February 10 (9:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m.) as part of an international event. Their Christian Life Center is at [604 Market Street, Williamsport](#). Registration is open at <https://register.ifgathering.com/event/ifycoming-county>. Contact person is Melissa Lundy (lundy515@comcast.net). The annual IF:Gathering event provides the opportunity for women to wrestle with essential questions of faith, to dream, and to connect during the two days. It exists to gather, equip, and unleash women to live out their calling for the glory of God and the good of others.

Mothers of Preschoolers--Better Moms make a better world. MOPS meets first and third Sundays through May, 4:00–6:00, in the Living Water Café (lower level entrance) of First United Methodist Church at [602 S. Market St., Muncy](#). Child care is provided along with an educational Christian curriculum for the kids. At the January 7 meeting, they will discuss "Becoming The Beloved: A Conversation About Discovering Who We Really Are." They will focus on embracing their not-so-perfect stories and how people allow their identities to be anchored in labels that are ultimately destructive. At the second meeting, on January 21, the topic is "Permission To Be Who You Are--focusing on What's Right With You." They will discuss how having a healthy relationship with all of ones' emotions leads to understanding how they drive decisions and parenting. For the month of January the service project will be making bath and body gift baskets for YWCA Wise Options in Williamsport (which supports those surviving domestic violence, sexual assault and other violent crimes) . Diana Zeisloff, MOPS Coordinator, dzeisloff@me.com

The Widow's Mite eats at Fern Park on Thursday, January 18, at 12:00. Make reservations by January 10 with Anne Knox ([570-546-2012](tel:570-546-2012)). A carpool leaves the upper parking lot of First United Methodist Church at [602 S. Market St., Muncy](#), at 11:30. Widows from the community are welcome. The women also meet at 11:30 on second Wednesdays at Orlando's Ristorante, Muncy, for lunch and to play dominoes. No reservation is needed for those days.

Keenagers is a ministry to older adults; however, anyone is welcome to attend. They do not meet in January. The lunch on Wednesday, February 28, in the Living Water Café of First United Methodist Church at [602 S. Market St., Muncy](#), will be soup and sandwiches catered by the Station House Restaurant for \$7.00 per person. The entertainment will be provided by KJ Reimensnyder-Wagner, singer/songwriter, motivational speaker and educator.

JANUARY | FEBRUARY 2018 USHER SCHEDULE

8:15

Jan. 7 Steve & Hiliary Haddon
 Jan. 14 Lynn & Doris Poust 546-5106
 Jan. 21 Leonard & Sheila Morehart 546-3969
 Jan. 28 Jim & Jonnie Stahl 546-5767
 Feb. 4 John & Cam Myers 584-5411
 Feb. 11 Barbara Dunn | Karen Myers
 Feb. 18 Dick & Jo Langer 546-6418
 Feb. 25 Don & Cheryl Miller 546-6922

10:45

Tom & Dee Knight 649-5600
 Bill Agnone | Bill Ritter 546-7943
 Rick & Sue Sarginger 546-5404
 James & Karen Krum
 Pete & Darlene Waldron 546-2445
 Philip & Kay Myers
 Julie Roller | Becky Hibschan
 Dick & Ginny Gruver 546-6984

JANUARY NURSERY SCHEDULE

Jan. 7 Susan Logan
 Jan. 14 Hiliary & Faith Haddon
 Jan. 21 Kay Myers & Anna Styer
 Jan. 28 Ellen & Rachel Detweiler

Thank you for being a nursery volunteer! If you cannot serve please call one of these subs: Stephanie Landin: 570-757-7186, Darlene Waldron: 570-971-1498, or Wendy Griggs: 570-546-6243

ALTAR FLOWER DELIVERY

January Julie Roller
 February Jo Langer

*Thank you to our **many** volunteers
 for all that you do.*

*Special thanks to these members
 who serve as Sunday School Teachers:*

*Darlene Waldron, Stephanie Landin
 Amanda Hogan, Steve Haddon
 Luanne Libbey, John Dougherty
 Pastor Daniel Landin, Dean Barto*

Kathy Heilman, and Pastor Janet Dougherty.



JANUARY LECTOR SCHEDULE

8:15

Jan. 7 Sheila Morehart
 Jan. 14 Sheila Morehart
 Jan. 21 Sheila Morehart
 Jan. 28 Sheila Morehart

10:45

Michelle Styer
 Hiliary Haddon
 Dee Knight
 Amanda Hogan

JANUARY ALCOLYTE SCHEDULE

Jan. 7 Faith Haddon
 Jan. 14 Atira McArdle
 Jan. 21 Daulton Myers
 Jan. 28 Emilie Detweiler

Sara Styer
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