

St. Andrew Lutheran Church Encounter

January 2012

The Pastor's Pen

Happy New Year! Even though none of us knows what the coming year will bring, we have the promise that God will be a part of it, and that God's grace will sustain us through whatever lies ahead. It's with confidence in God that we move into 2012 and beyond.



The ending of one year and the beginning of another can be a good opportunity for self-evaluation. Where have we come from and where are we going? In what direction do we want to be moving? Are we on track with where we want to be? That kind of self-evaluation can be good for individuals. And it can also be good for congregations.

This month we will have two opportunities to evaluate the life and ministry of our congregation. One opportunity will be at our annual meeting on January 29. As we did last year, we will have only one worship service on the day of our annual meeting - a traditional service at 9:45 a.m. This will allow us to begin the meeting by 11:15 a.m.

I hope you will plan to participate in this important event in the life of our congregation.

As we gather for our annual meeting we will look back at the year just past, and we will make important decisions regarding the year to come. Through ministry team reports, approval of a 2012 budget, election of council members, actions regarding building improvements and other agenda items, we will be doing some healthy self-evaluation. I hope you will plan to participate in this important event in the life of our congregation. Please pray

that God would continue to guide us as we partner together in the mission of Sharing Christ.

The other opportunity for congregational self-evaluation will be at a half-day retreat on the morning of Saturday, January 21. This retreat is part of the on-going strategic planning process that we began a few years ago using resources from the Transforming Church Institute.

Church council members and others will gather on the 21st from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The focus of the retreat will be the five long-

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Annual Meeting Announced for January 29th



Please Be a Part by Taking Part

The Annual Meeting of St. Andrew Lutheran Church will be held January 29th, 2012.

We must have a Quorum present, which is 50 members, before we can begin the meeting and officially vote on budgets and other business.

If you are completing an end of year report for your committee or activity please send it as soon as possible to dehamm@comcast.net so that it can be included in the annual report.

Child care will be available, coffee and pastries will be served prior to the beginning of the meeting.

Please plan on attending!

Bishop Miller to Preach at St. Andrew



Sunday, January 15.

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term strategic objectives that we set for ourselves in the fall of 2008:

- 1) Baptism to college-age youth ministry;
- 2) Training and mentoring ministry volunteers;
- 3) Community service;
- 4) Adult spiritual growth;
- 5) Inter-generational ministry.

We will be evaluating where we are at with each of these objectives, and working on developing them further.

If you are interested in being a part of this retreat, we would love to have your input and participation! Let me know and I will get you more information. Or you can talk to our church president, Tom Girmscheid, or our parish administrator, Anita Pahlman.

St. Andrew is a wonderful congregation! We have a rich history, there are exciting ministries happening right now, and by trusting in God and working together we can look forward to a strong and productive future. Thank you for the role *you* play in our life together!

New Year's Blessings,

Pastor Selbo

Dramatic Presentation of the Gospel of Mark

Sunday, January 8,

On Sunday, January 8, you are invited to attend a dramatic word-for-word performance of the Gospel of Mark as presented by Max McLean, an award-winning actor and storyteller. Lasting about 90 minutes, this DVD presentation will be shown in the St. Andrew sanctuary beginning at 12:30 p.m. A light lunch will be available prior to the performance, and a short discussion led by Pastor Selbo will follow.

During the coming year, most of our Sunday morning Gospel Readings will come from the Gospel of Mark. Watching McLean's performance will help bring Mark's story alive and will allow us to hear the gospel in its entirety. Don't miss this opportunity to experience an extraordinary performance of "the greatest story ever told."



Quilters' Crossing



A quilt made here at St. Andrew by our quilters is special! It brings warmth on a cold night, shelter from the sun on a hot day. It becomes a bed, a room divider, a backpack to carry belongings, and at times even a home.

Our quilts are distributed by LWR (Lutheran World Relief) to refugees and other people in need. Quilts were first made by recycling old but good clothes, blankets, and other items. Most of our quilts are still made this way, although fabric samples, remnants, or other new pieces of fabric are also used. Each quilt is one of a kind, with a beauty all its own, made as a gift of hope by caring people.

We invite all to join us – especially, you wonderful contributors of supplies, funds and quilt tops. We would truly love to have you come on Thursday mornings. From now until May we will be going all out for quilts. (We will still collect layette items, but won't assemble them again until next summer.)

Many people ask us how they can help. The best way is to come on Thursday mornings. We have lots of supplies (thanks to the generosity of the congregation and the community), but we need more people to sort them and put them together. The more people who work, the more quilts are made for Lutheran World Relief.

If you have any questions please call or talk to one of us *Questions?? Call Jean at 847-918-0411 or Shirley at 847-548-5540*

Sunday Morning Adult Forum

On Sunday, January 8, Pastor Selbo will present an overview of the Gospel of Mark. This will be a good introduction for the dramatic DVD performance of Mark's gospel that will be shown in the sanctuary later that afternoon.

On Sunday, January 15, Bishop Wayne Miller of our Metropolitan Chicago Synod will be preaching at both of our worship services and will speak with us in the forum about the ministry of our synod and the ELCA.

On Sunday, January 22, we begin a ten-part DVD series entitled "Simply Christian - Why Christianity Makes Sense." Featuring New Testament scholar and Anglican bishop N. T. Wright, the series examines the basics of what Christians believe and makes a persuasive case for the truth of the Christian faith.

The Adult Forum meets Sunday mornings from 9:45 to 10:30 in Nelson Hall. You are most welcome to join us!



In Remembrance of Kathryn Wagemann

March 31, 1920
to Jan 15, 2011

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of

Kathryn (Kay) Wagemann. Kay was a member of St. Andrew since 1954. She was preceded in death by her husband Daniel, and is survived by her children, Janice, Daniel, James and Carol, and by several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



A service commemorating Kay's life and celebrating the hope of the resurrection was held at Winchester House in Libertyville on Sunday, December 18.

We give thanks for Kay's life, and we pray that good news of the Savior's birth at Christmas will bring comfort and hope to all who loved her.

PADS Ministry News

"Providing Advocacy, Dignity, and Shelter"

THANK YOU for your support for PADS. Our team of cooks did another spectacular job of preparing dinner and breakfast for our guests. We are still in need of donations and volunteers.

Please check the Social Ministry table in the Narthex for sign-up sheets or contact Tom Girmscheid at tgirm58@gmail.com, Bill Turner at jimmy48@yahoo.com, or the church office for more details. THANK YOU for your support.

The schedule for the next couple of months:

- December 31st- January 1st: - Set-up to Clean-up Service
- January 21st- Dinner/ Breakfast

Christmas Quilt Winner Announced

Julie Kangas is the winner of St. Andrew Quilter's Christmas quilt.

Proceeds raised go to help in the shipping costs of our completed quilts, maintenance for our sewing machines and material costs used in making new quilts.

Thank you to all that participated in this annual fund-raising event!



Worship Attendance for November

Date	8:30	10:30	Total
11/6	125	108	233
11/13	103	86	189
11/20	96	104	200
11/27	135	140	275

11/23 Thanksgiving Eve 71

Bishop Miller to Preach at St. Andrew

The Rev. Wayne Miller, bishop of the ELCA's Metropolitan Chicago Synod, will be at St. Andrew on Sunday, January 15. Bishop Miller will preach at both worship services, and will also speak at the adult forum between services.

St. Andrew is one of over 200 congregations in the Metropolitan Chicago Synod. We give thanks for the gift of being able to be in partnership with the synod and the larger church!

Who Cares Anyway?

St. Andrew Cares !

St. Andrew Cares is a special assistance fund administered by Pastor Selbo and used to help people in need.

If you would like to make a contribution to this fund, you may give it to Pastor Selbo, send it to the church office, or place it in the Sunday morning offering plate.

Giving a gas card or a gift certificate from Jewel or Dominick's is also a great way to help meet the needs of those who occasionally come to the church seeking help. Thank you for your generosity!

Do you like Birthday Cards?

We are offering the opportunity for a member of our congregation to become the team leader of our Birthday Card Ministry.

It can be done at home and almost no training is necessary. Call Anita at the church office at 847-566-8081 for details. Thank you!

Scripture Readings for January

January 1 --

First Sunday of Christmas

Isaiah 61:10—62:3
Psalm 148
Galatians 4:4-7
Luke 2:22-40

January 8 --

Baptism of Our Lord

Genesis 1:1-5
Psalm 29
Acts 19:1-7
Mark 1:4-11

January 15 --

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

1 Samuel 3:1-10 [11-20]
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
1 Corinthians 6:12-20
John 1:43-51

January 22 --

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Jonah 3:1-5, 10
Psalm 62:5-12
1 Corinthians 7:29-31
Mark 1:14-20

January 29 --

4th Sunday after Epiphany

Deuteronomy 18:15-20
Psalm 111
1 Corinthians 8:1-13
Mark 1:21-28

Editor's Notes:

Information to share, thank-yous, articles, notes, stories or pictures, (many photographers needed!) please continue to email them to me.

Please put **ENCOUNTER** in the subject header.
dehamm@comcast.net.

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Monday, Jan. 16th,**

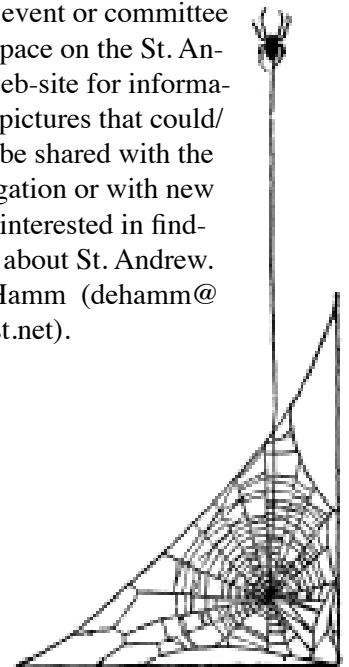
Thank you again, Donn Hamm

Check Us Out on the Web

St. Andrew Web site, anywhere, any place.
Hear the sermons and more!

Look at the St. Andrew web-site (**www.standrewmundelein.com**) and keep in touch!

If your event or committee needs space on the St. Andrew web-site for information or pictures that could/should be shared with the congregation or with new people interested in finding out about St. Andrew. Donn Hamm (dehamm@comcast.net).



January 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 New Year's Day 10 am Traditional Only one service	2 10 am H.O.U.S.E. 7 pm Casa Misericordia	3 7 pm Worship & Music Meeting 7:30 pm Troop 198 8:30 pm Mund. AA	4 10 am Bible Study 6 pm Potluck Bible Study 7 pm Sr. Choir	5 9 am Quilters 7 pm Finance Mtg.	6 9 am COCO 7 pm Finance Mtg 7:30 pm Kirk Mtg 9 pm Scout Den 3 Webelos II Lock-In	7 9 am Lithuanian School 10 am Power of Praise Rehearsal (POP) 5 pm Trp 198 Adult Holiday Party
8 8:30 Traditional 9:40 KFC 9:45 Adult Forum 10:45 Contemporary 12:30 Mark's Gospel 5 pm Cub Parents 5:15 H2H M/up #6 6 pm H2H #7	9 10 am H.O.U.S.E. 7 pm Casa Misericordia 7:15 pm Bells	10 7 pm Council Mtg 7:30 pm Troop 198 8:30 pm Mund. AA	11 10 am Bible Study 6 pm Potluck Bible Study 7 pm Sr. Choir	12 9 am Quilters 3:30 pm Brownies Troop #41539 6 pm MOMS 7 pm Women's Fellowship	13 9 am COCO	14 8:30 am Women's Breakfast Bible Study 9 am Lithuanian School 10 am POP Rehearsal
15 8:30 Traditional 9:40 KFC 9:45 Adult Forum 10:45 Contemporary 3 pm Wolf Den 5:30 Cub Scout Pinewood Derby test	16 10 am H.O.U.S.E. Nature's Bounty Food Co-Op 7 pm Casa Misericordia 7:15 pm Bells	17 7:30 pm Troop 198 8:30 pm Mund. AA	18 10 am Bible Study 1 pm HOUSE 6 pm Potluck Bible Study 7 pm Sr. Choir	19 9 am Quilters - Brown Bag Lunch 4 pm Brownie #41539	20 9 am COCO 6 pm Cub Pack 98	21 8:30 am TCI Retreat 9 am Lithuanian School PADS Dinner
22 PADS Breakfast 8:30 Traditional 9:30 Souper Bowl of Caring 9:40 KFC 9:45 Adult Forum 10:45 Contemporary H2H Fellowship	23 10 am H.O.U.S.E. 7 pm Casa Misericordia 7 pm Kirk Auditions 7:15 pm Bells & Brass 7:30 Mund. Coin Club	24 6:30 Scout Den 3 Webelos II 7 pm Kirk Auditions 7:30 pm Troop 198 8:30 pm Mund. AA	25 10 am Bible Study 6 pm Potluck Bible Study 7 pm Sr. Choir	26 9 am Quilters	27 9 am COCO 5:30 H2H Ski Trip to Lutherdale.	28 9 am Lithuanian School 10 am POP Rehearsal
29 10 Worship Service Only one service... Souper Bowl of Caring collection 11 H2H Skiers retrn 11:30 Annual Meeting 3 pm Wolf Den	30 10 am H.O.U.S.E. 7 pm Casa Misericordia 7:15 pm Bells	31 7:30 pm Troop 198 8:30 pm Mund. AA				

Middle School &
Kids for Christ Sunday School Youth

HELP COLLECT FOR SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

How can you help?

St. Andrew's Middle School youth are engaged in the Souper Bowl of Caring again this year. The Souper Bowl of Caring was started in an effort to use Super Bowl weekend, a time when people come together for football and fun, to also unify the nation for a higher good: collecting dollars and canned food for the needy.



Thank you to our very supportive Kids For Christ Sunday School children, parents and teachers for collecting canned goods **January 22, 29 and February 5**. And thank you to our congregation members who provide monetary gifts we collect on Super Bowl Sunday! The Middle School Youth will select a charity to provide the money to purchase food for the needy. Let's celebrate our giving hearts as well as our favorite team's victory this Super Bowl SEASON!

H2H 

**HAPPY NEW YEAR
HEAD TO THE HEART
MIDDLE SCHOOL
FAMILIES!!!**

Please note these important dates on your family calendars:

January 8:

LEARNING EVENT

5:15 – 6:00 p.m.

Make up for Lesson #7

(which was held on Dec. 18)

6:00 – 7:30 p.m. Lesson #8

Jan. 22, 29, and Feb. 5:

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

More information will be coming from your Guides as to which Sunday your class is responsible to collect donations from the Kids For Christ Classrooms

January 27, 29, 29:

**LUTHERDALE SKI
RETREAT!!!**

We will need chaperones and drivers for this activity. Those who attended last year (middle school students and chaperones alike!) had a GREAT time!

Treasurer's Report For November 2011

Income	Sep-11	Budget	YTD '11	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
REGULAR GIVING	\$19,853	\$19,983	\$217,407	\$239,012	\$267,100
SEASONAL GIVING	\$495	\$1,100	\$5,671	\$7,450	\$11,100
DESIGNATED GIVING	\$351	\$329	\$6,212	\$5,665	\$5,880
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME#	\$(1,018)	\$2,107	\$9,991	\$8,469	\$12,000
Total Operating Income	\$19,681	\$23,519	\$239,282	\$260,596	\$296,080
Total Expenses	\$22,185	\$23,466	\$255,585	\$272,512	\$295,261
Benevolence Giving *	\$1,673	\$1,994	\$16,360	\$23,318	\$25,315

* (Must Be Designated on Envelope)

Note #: Miscellaneous Income would have been \$2,872, but Council authorized the shift of Thrivent Choice \$3,890 to go into Building Fund 50% and Memorial Youth Fund 50%

PEOPLE POWER – 8:30 am – JANUARY 2012

Sunday, January 1	10:00 a.m.	New Year's Day - Only One Service Today
Assisting Minister:	Stan Sanderson	Lay Reader: Diane Sanderson
Acolytes:	Nadine Dziekanski & Danny Waltenburg	
Ushers:	Jess Porres, Andrew Laedtke, Lew Boyd, Steve Jacobson	
Greeters:	Bill & Laurie Turner	
Welcome Team:	John & Rose Felde	
Nursery Attendant:	Jake Bacci	
Phone Receptionist:	Ruth Duran	
Altar Guild:	Janet Shanahan	
Counters:	Andrea Ammons & Linda Porres	
Sunday, January 8	8:30 a.m.	
Assisting Minister:	Dave Bender	Lay Reader: Teresa Maki
Acolytes:	Danny Maki & Nick Pearl	
Ushers:	Jean Fagerstrom, Gary Schuessler, Lew Boyd	
Greeters:	George & Laurel Caldara	
Welcomer:	Judy Rehberger	
Nursery Attendant:	Nancy Milne (if needed)	
Phone Receptionist:	Anita Pahlman	
Altar Guild:	Janet Shanahan	
Counters:	Judy Boyd & Julie Kangas	
Sunday, January 15	8:30 a.m.	
Assisting Minister:	Judy Boyd	Lay Reader: Kris Bacci
Acolytes:	Samantha Slaughter & Gabby Potillo	
Ushers:	Dave Bender, Tom Girmscheid, Donn Hamm, Vern Potillo	
Greeter:	Anne Kisha	
Welcome Team:	John & Rose Felde	
Nursery:	Jake Bacci	
Phone Receptionist:	Ruth Duran	
Altar Guild:	Janet Shanahan	
Counters:	Andrea Ammons & Leslie Parriott	
Sunday, January 22	8:30 a.m.	
Assisting Minister:	Stan Sanderson	Lay Reader: Bruce Dir
Acolytes:	Charley & Ian Dir	
Ushers:	Laurie Ann Bender, Laurel Caldara, Lois Laedtke, Debbie Jacobson	
Greeters:	Bruce & Molly Dir	
Welcome Team:	George & Laurel Caldara	
Nursery:	Jake Bacci	
Altar Guild:	Janet Shanahan	
Phone Receptionist:	Karen Wiesner	
Counters:	Laurie Nielsen & Nancy Hundley	
Sunday, January 29	9:45 a.m.	Annual Meeting Day -- Only One Service
Assisting Minister:	Al Hitzke	Lay Reader: Debbie Jacobson
Acolytes:	Savanah Kolar & Zack Kostner	
Ushers:	Kris Bacci, Samantha Martinez, Ellen Van Zeeland, Myrna Wells	
Greeters:	Jean Fagerstrom & Diane Sanderson	
Welcome Team:	John & Rose Felde	
Nursery:	Tyler Payne	
Altar Guild:	Janet Shanahan	
Phone Receptionist:	Linda Beyer	
Counters:	Andrea Ammons & Kathy Mac Dougall	

If you have a schedule problem, or can volunteer, please contact the following:

Acolytes:	Jenn Waltenburg	949-5683
Assisting Ministers/Lay Reader/Greeters/Phone Receptionist:	Anita Pahlman	566-8081
Nursery Attendants (Both Services)	Jessica Beyer	566-0474
Ushers:	Jess Porres	362-7692
Counters:	Andrea Ammons	548-8092

PEOPLE POWER – 10:45 am – JANUARY 2012

Sunday, January 1 **10:00 a.m.** **New Year's Day -- Only one service this day.**
 Assisting Minister: Stan Sanderson Lay Reader: Diane Sanderson
 Acolytes: Nadine Dziekanski & Danny Waltenburg
 Ushers: Jess Porres, Andrew Laedtke, Lew Boyd, Steve Jacobson
 Greeters: Bill & Laurie Turner
 Welcome Team: John & Rose Felde
 Nursery Attendant: Jake Bacci
 Phone Receptionist: Ruth Duran
 Altar Guild: Janet Shanahan
 Counters: Andrea Ammons & Linda Porres

Sunday, January 8 **10:45 a.m.**
 Worship Leader: Jenny Prescia
 Greeter: Rich & Karen Rieck & Family
 Welcome Team: Bruce and Molly Dir & Family
 Phone Receptionist: Anita Pahlman
 Nursery Attendants: Tom and Rachael Girmscheid
 Ushers: Tom Beyer, Dustin Brown, Tyler Payne
 Altar Guild: Janet Shanahan
 Counters: Judy Boyd & Julie Kangas

Sunday, January 15 **10:45 a.m.**
 Worship Leader: Jenny Prescia
 Greeters: God Squad
 Phone Receptionist: Ruth Duran
 Nursery Attendant: Jessika Dalluge
 Ushers: Tom Beyer, Samantha Hamil, Tim Willems, Tyler Payne
 Altar Guild: Janet Shanahan
 Counters: Andrea Ammons & Leslie Parriott

Sunday, January 22 **10:45 a.m.**
 Worship Leader: Al Hitzke
 Greeter: Barb Binversie
 Phone Receptionist: Karen Wiesner
 Nursery Attendant: Tyler Payne
 Ushers: Tom Beyer, Bob Adams, Scott Wiesner
 Altar Guild: Janet Shanahan
 Counters: Laurie Nielsen & Nancy Hundley

Sunday, January 29 **9:45 a.m. Only one service today because of Annual Meeting at 11:15 a.m.**
 Assisting Minister: Al Hitzke Lay Reader:
 Acolytes: Eric Nielsen & Karlie Payne
 Ushers: Kris Bacci, Samantha Martinez, Ellen Van Zeeland, Myrna Wells
 Greeters: Jean Fagerstrom & Diane Sanderson
 Welcome Team: John & Rose Felde
 Nursery: Tyler Payne
 Altar Guild: Janet Shanahan
 Phone Receptionist: Linda Beyer
 Counters: Andrea Ammons & Kathy Mac Dougall

If you have a schedule problem or can volunteer please contact the following:

Worship Leaders/Lay Reader/Greeters/Phone Receptionist:	Anita Pahlman	566-8081
Nursery Attendants:	Jessica Beyer	566-0474
Ushers:	Tom Beyer	566-0474
Counters:	Andrea Ammons	548-8092

For our young readers



He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke

***"Do not withhold good from those who deserve it,
when it is in your power to act."
Proverbs 3: 27***

HOW CAN WE HELP ? SURVEY

We know there are members in our congregation who can use an occasional helping hand. If you or someone you know has a need for help, or if you are able to provide help in one or more of these services, please mark which item would be of service.

Name of a person needing a helping hand:

Name: _____

Phone No: _____

Volunteer willing to provide service:

Name: _____

Phone No.: _____

MAY NEED HELP WITH

I CAN PROVIDE HELP WITH

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ Grocery shopping _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Errands: pick up Rx, P.O., library, cleaners, bank, etc. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Companionship: pick up/ visit another friend or shut-in,
play games & cards, read, write letters or Christmas Cards, | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ Time off for caretaker _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ Pet care, yard work _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ Bring or receive communion _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Please return this form to the office, or put in offering plate.

STEWARDSHIP-- A Way Of Life

From Impulse Giving to Generous Living

By Keith Mundy ñ ELCA Asst. Director for Stewardship

“Let them do good works, be generous and be ready to share”

I Timothy 6:18 Paul’s letter to

Timothy talks about the relationship between being rich and being generous. Paul is not talking about a one time act, but a way of living. Giving out of impulse was a common practice in Paul’s world. Think of those who only gave when others were watching.

How does one go from impulse giving to generous living? The first step is to understand impulse giving. It is often spontaneous. It may be with good intent, but it is seldom first fruits or giving from the best. It is giving from what is available at the time. Today this kind of giving is often practiced in stores and with solicitations that go door to door. Are there times when this is practiced as the offering plate goes by?

Generous living can involve being spontaneous, but with a purpose. Generosity begins by recognizing how God has richly blessed people. Generosity involves giving out of grace and gratitude with a feeling of joy. Most often generosity comes from the heart.

In the book *The Generosity Factor* (Zondervan, Grand Rapids, MI; © 2002), authors Ken Blanchard and S. Truett Cathy

suggest generosity is based on five principles:

1. He owns everything. This does not refer to ourselves, but God.
2. God owns everything & always has, always will.
3. Every day is an opportunity. Yes, every day is an opportunity to look for new ways to impact the lives of others.
4. Action is required. It is one thing to think about doing something and another to actually do it.
5. Be willing to take the risk to do something positive for others that will make a difference.

Remember your blessings. If you find it difficult to see or remember how God has blessed you, start making a list. Check your list for both the material or tangible things and the intangibles like faith, hope and love.

Thank God. This is one of the only ways we remember that we are not the center of the universe. We are not self-sufficient beings.

We are interdependent.

How does one go about changing their heart to be generous? It is a matter of strengthening faith



Each one should use whatever gifts he has received to serve others...
1 Peter 4:10

by being open to God’s will. This openness can bring one in sync with God. Is this like synchronizing two computers? Perhaps in some ways it is.

Generosity recognizes that significance comes through relationships, serving and sharing with others. This often contrasts with success which focuses on accumulation, achievement and status. How does one know when they are generous? When their significance is defined by serving others rather than serving one self. And this is the result of a changed HEART.

A Warm Welcome to our New Members!



Marilyn McMahon

Hi! I am very pleased to be a part of the St. Andrew family. My husband and I moved to Grayslake from Mt. Prospect about a year ago. We are both retired and enjoy a very busy life lending our time and energy to caring for two of our four grandchildren. We both love reading, working with our computers and enjoying socializing with old and new friends. We love family and friends. Peace be with you all. *Sponsors are Dee Green and Merv & Bonnie Beyersdorf.*



venting new recipes. For relaxation for my family and friends enjoy eating at a variety of restaurants. Danny is an electrician. Christie is studying Nursing at Northwestern IL Univ. and Nicholas is studying Sociology at Eastern Michigan Univ. Sponsor for Wendy is Lyn Hayes.

Debbie Dani

I have two grown sons living in Iowa. One grandson and one on the way! I am a corporate travel agent and enjoy traveling whenever I can. I am newly widowed and have enjoyed the warmth and hospitality from St. Andrew. *Debbie's sponsor is Karen Kobeck.*



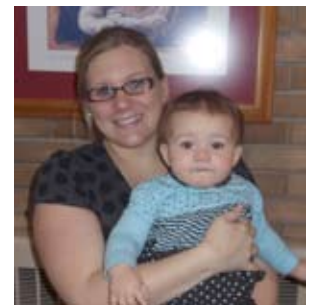
Annie Newlin-Holmes

Annie is from Louisiana. She landed in IL to pursue a career in dance. Her family members are husband, Daniel; son, Mac; and daughter, Caitlin. *Thank you Diane and Miss Polly for sponsoring me!*



Tiffany Martinelli

I am a Kindergarten teacher at Fremont Elementary. My husband, Rocco, and I live in Wauconda with our daughter, Annamarie. We are expecting our second child in mid-January 2012. We are very excited that baby #2 is a boy! We are also very excited to become members of St. Andrew!



Wendy Buthman

I have a loving family. This includes my husband, Danny; our children Nicolas and Christine and 12 year-old black lab named Cocoa. I volunteer for church functions. I experiment with in-



Tiffany's sponsors are Scott, Karen and Levi Wiesner.

Welcome to our New Members

Christiane(Chris) Ihlenburg

Chris was born and raised in Porto Alegre, Brazil where her father was a Lutheran minister. She immigrated to the US in 1959 as a governess in New York, and then later worked for Varig Airlines at JFK Airport.

She married August Ihlenburg in 1962, settled in Columbia County in upstate New York, and became a member of St. John's Lutheran Church. A few years later she had daughter, Caroline. During her working years, Chris enjoyed retail sales.

Chris and her husband retired to Sanford, NC in 1999 and became members of Trinity Lutheran Church.

While in NC, she was active in the hospital auxiliary and volunteered with several local organizations.

In 2010, her loving husband of 47 years passed away, so this past summer she decided to make the big move to IL to be closer to her daughter, son-in-law and three lovely grandchildren.

Chris has appreciated the warm welcome she's received from the congregation and feels fortunate to have found such a wonderful church. She's looking forward to becoming a member of the St. Andrew's family. Stan and Diane Sanderson are sponsors for Chris.



Adam & Dawn Hanson

The Hanson's join us from Wisconsin and currently reside in Mundelein. Their daughter, Halena, was born in September 2010. Adam is a golf course supervisor and he enjoys hunting, jogging and being outdoors. Dawn is a nurse at Children's Hospital in Chicago and she, too, enjoys the outdoors, crafts and singing! Their sponsors are Shawn & Wendy Belletynee and family.

Bill & Erika List

Bill is originally from upstate New York and Erika was raised in Wisconsin. They recently moved to Mundelein after residing in Round Lake.

Bill is an engineer and has "dabbled" in contemporary worship at Shepherd of the Lakes in video and Power-Point. Erika is a veterinarian and works in Lake Zurich. They are expecting their first child in February 2012! Their sponsors are Kelly & Frank Lesniak and their three children.



Jeff & Rita Schleff

Our very talented St. Andrew organist and his lovely bride have joined the family! We are so excited to have Jeff & Rita join St. Andrew.... he's only been playing the organ for our worship services since 1999! Anita Pahlman is their sponsor.



Lisa & Tom Green and Family

The Greens and their sons: Nate, Zach, Tyler and Jacob live in Mundelein and previously attended Holy Cross in Libertyville.

They have already jumped in and are involved in our youth programs! Lisa is a reading specialist at Washington school. Sponsors are Jim & Laurie Nielsen and family.



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***The Sunday Morning
Worship Schedule is:***

Traditional Service:

8:30 a.m.

Contemporary Service:

10:45 a.m.

Educational Hour:

9:40 a.m.

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*This year Lord,
Make me an instrument
of your peace:*

*Where there is hatred,
let me sow love*

Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is doubt, faith;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light;

Where there is sadness, joy.



St. Andrew Lutheran Church, Mundelein, IL
Our mission as a congregation is to *Share Christ*. More specifically, it is to help people come to *know Christ*, to *grow* in their relationship with Christ and his Church, and to be equipped to *serve* and *witness* in Christ's name. We would love to have you join us in this mission.