



St. Andrew Lutheran Church

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Heartbeats Weekly Updates For the Week: 2/13-2/19/2022

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Weekly Calendar:

Events This Week:

- Feb 13 | 8:30 AM** Choir Practice
8:30 AM Sunday School
9:30 AM Worship Service
9:30 AM Youth Group
12:00 PM Worship & Music Commission
- Feb 15 | 4:00 PM** Executive Committee Mtg (Zoom)
- Feb 16 | 11:00 AM** Bible Study (Zoom)
6:00 PM Bible Study (Zoom)

Sunday

Worship Assistants for Feb. 13, 2022

Reader: Evelyn Dickerson
Power Point: Betty Dagen
Praise Team: Chris Knight
Organist / Choir Director: Randy Guiaya

Sunday School: 2/13 @8:30 AM



Hope to see you there!

The Flower Chart 2022

The Flower Chart for 2022 is now available for you to sign up for donating flowers for Sunday mornings. The cost is \$40 per bouquet. Please indicate 'flowers' in the memo line of your check. **There are many blanks to be filled in—Please prayerfully consider how you can help.** Thank you for your generosity.

Youth Group: 2/13 @9:30 AM Youth group is for all 5th – 8th grade youth. Invite your friends and join us for a great time! Please contact the church office if you are interested in joining! (562) 944-1148



Flowers: Flowers are given by: Art and Barbara Revueltas in loving memory of his mother, Osvelia.

Adult Education: no meeting this week. If you're interested in joining, please email the church office or Marsha Ehlers for the Zoom invitation (marshaehlers@gmail.com)

On Sunday, Feb 27 we will begin a new class topic for Lent!

"The Passion Play- Living the Story of Christ's Last Days"

You are invited to join us as we take a look at Christ's last days seen through the production of the Oberammergau Passion Play. The play has been produced every 10 years since 1633 in the small city of Oberammergau, Germany. We will discuss how the themes of commitment, ritual, and discipleship impact our Lenten journey. Ultimately, the play can be used to show us again the amazing power of the Resurrection in our lives. Hope you can join us!

Rev. Jeffrey Nelson
Pastor

Elissa Mitzen
Director of Youth & Family Ministries

Randy Guiaya
Organist/Choir Director

Matthew James
Praise Team Director

Art Revueltas
President

Chris Allen
Vice President

Barbara Revueltas
Council Secretary

Betty Dagen
Treasurer

Damon DiRuscio
Stewardship

Suzanne Thompson
Mission and Service

Isla Holmes
Hospitality

Vicki Linta
Worship and Music

Len Bobier
Evangelism Leader

Marie Jorgensen
Congregational Care

Jon Woody
Property

Kathy Mitzen
Adult

Daniell Crocker
Youth and Family



Wednesday

Wednesdays Bible Studies: 11 AM and 6 PM via Zoom

We are studying the Letter to the Romans by Paul. Classes are offered at 11:00am and 6:00pm through Zoom. Contact the church office to be added to the Zoom email updates each week.

Other

Update on St. Andrew Lutheran Church Mission Endowment Fund

As of September 30, 2022, our Mission Endowment Fund has a balance of \$47,499.11.

The purpose of the fund is to provide for mission work beyond our operational budget. The fund comprises financial gifts to St. Andrew such as memorial gifts, will bequests, charitable trusts, and others. The funds are kept separate from other St. Andrew funds, and cannot be borrowed or used for regularly budgeted operating expenses.

Our recent interest gain on the Endowment Fund is \$5,968.65, which is available to spend on the following mission activities: Youth and Family; Education Scholarships; Local and Global Mission; Hunger and Justice Advocacy; and Capital Improvements.

The Mission Fund Endowment Committee recently submitted three recommendations to the Church Council for using some of the funds available. Following are the recommendations that the Council approved:

La Colima student vegetable garden - \$400

St. Andrew will be teaming with Whittier's "It's Garden Thyme" garden club (of which several members are from St. Andrew) to work with La Colima to create a garden that will be maintained by the students. The garden will foster educational opportunities for the students, as well as responsibility and teamwork. The costs will go toward all materials including plants, soil, and food, as well as ongoing maintenance. Due to COVID, this project will begin when it is safe for all to do so.

Create a more welcoming/beautified appearance in the area in front of the sanctuary facing Miller Rd. - \$3,540

This project will renovate the area in front of the flower bed from the planter to the sidewalk, and left to right, the width of the building and a little more. The costs will include installing plants/trees, decomposed granite/rocks, and drip irrigation; removing current sod/dirt, grading the area, capping/flagging irrigation lines, and hauling away debris. See accompanying photo of the work that has already begun and watch our future progress.

Sarge's Resource Center for Veterans financial donation - \$250

Based in La Habra, the center provides veterans with work-related services, provisions (food and other items), and VA claims and benefits support. Founder/ CEO Robert "Sarge" Perez served 12 years in the US Army, with two tours in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He is well known throughout Southern California for his dedication to veterans. The hope is that this will be the beginning of a veteran's/armed forces ministry at St. Andrew, and a relationship with this organization.

The total for these three efforts is \$4,130, which leaves \$1,835.65 in the Fund.

We are grateful for all of the precious gifts that have been contributed to the Mission Endowment Fund, and for the opportunity to be good stewards in using these gifts to help those in need in our community and beyond.

St. Andrew Lutheran Church Endowment Fund Committee



Monthly

INTERFAITH FOOD CENTER!



February is soup month! We are collecting soup for the Interfaith Food Center (IFC) in February. Please bring your donations to church on Sunday mornings or to the office during the week.

Donations of other non-perishable food is also accepted as well as financial donations to the IFC (checks can be made out to St. Andrew with IFC in the memo line).

If you have any questions, please call Suzanne Thompson at 562-943-5161, or email her at italia4me2@gmail.com.

Other

Substitute teachers needed!

Due to COVID, many school districts are currently experiencing a shortage of teachers, so there is a great need for substitute teachers to cover their classrooms. The principal of La Colima recently shared with us that her school is facing this challenge, as well as the East Whittier City School District overall.

Generally speaking, potential substitutes for East Whittier must have completed a four-year degree from a regionally-accredited college or university, as well as some basic skills requirements. For details, please visit <https://www.edjoin.org/Home/DistrictJobPosting/1452026> or call (562) 907-5900. The salary for East Whittier substitutes is \$160 per day.

Looking ahead, please see the food collection calendar for the remainder of the year. We will include reminders in the weekly updates.

Month	Food
March	Jelly
April	Macaroni & cheese
May	Canned fruit
June	Rice
July	Pasta
August	Tomato sauce
September	Cereal
October	Peanut butter
November	Dried beans
December	Canned meat

Community Prayers

Pastor Tim at River of Hope Mission, Habitat for Humanity, our brothers and sisters in Pachacamac, Peru, family and friends who are serving in the military, ELCA Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, Pacifica Synod Bishop Andy Taylor, and our Pastor Jeffrey Nelson

St. Andrew is a community of prayer and we encourage you to join in praying for those on the prayer list. Names are kept on for 3 months for non long-term requests.

Members - Long Term

- Leslie Barr
- Anne Christiansen
- Ken Christiansen
- Betty Dagen
- Barbara DuBois
- Grace Gundell
- Marian Humphreys
- Lois Kalla
- Shirley

Kellison

- Krystal Martin (and family)
- Bob McKinney
- Lorel Morgan
- Christine Perez
- Sally Sauer
- Orma Lee Stiltz
- Lorraine Tunburg
- Sandy Wicker
- Jeff Woody

Friends and Family

- John & Kris Andrews
- Paul D'Arcy
- George & Michelle Foyt
- Bob Gaumer
- Maria Guadalupe
- Donna Hanson
- Sandy Layton
- Joe Lipps
- Jan Montes

- Gail Nance
- Rebekah Nelson
- Jim O'Connell
- Pastor Mary Rowe
- Maricruz Soto
- Eloise
- Fran
- Gene & Carol
- Kristin
- Monica
- Phyliss
- Renee
- Ruth
- Sosa Family

Members

- Selma Bergen
- Don Fosberg
- Nicholas Isais
- Jennifer Oertel
- Earl Ruschmeier

Friends and Family - Long Term

- Jeralyn Ehlers
- Chiari Eliazarras
- Grant Eyles
- Christine Fantz
- Matt Fantz
- Marcus Glidden
- Shirley Loveless
- Matthew Muldown

Prayers