



St. Andrew Lutheran Church

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Heartbeats Weekly Updates For the Week: 7/17 - 7/23/2022

Weekly Calendar:

Events This Week:

July 17 | 8:30 AM Sunday School
9:30 AM Worship
9:30 AM Youth Group
11:00 AM Adult Education (Zoom)

July 19 | 4:00 PM Executive Committee Mtg (Zoom)

July 20 | 11:00 AM Bible Study (Zoom)
6:00 PM Bible Study (Zoom)

Sunday School: 7/17 at 8:30 AM. We meet every other Sunday. Hope to see you there!

Youth Group: 7/17 at 9:30 AM. Youth group is for all middle school youth. Invite your friends and join us for a great time!

Adult Education: Sunday @11 AM. If you're interested in joining, please email the church office or Marsha Ehlers for the Zoom invitation.

Wednesdays Bible Studies:
11:00 AM and 6:00 PM Bible Study (Zoom)
Contact the church office to be added to the Zoom email updates each week.

Happy Anniversary!

Damon & MaryJo Di Ruscio	July 20
Kevin & Isla Holmes	July 20
Pastor Jeffrey & Sandy Nelson	July 22

Worship Assistants for July 17, 2022

Reader: Isla Holmes
Power Point: Chris Allen
Praise Team: Chris Knight
Organist / Choir Director: Randy Guiaya

Quarters for the homeless – your amazing response

Thanks to everyone who contributed quarters and other monies for the homeless to wash clothes at the laundromat.

This week, we delivered 45 tubes filled with \$5 each of quarters, plus other cash, to Saint Mathias, for a total donation of \$238.75!

Chillin' & Grillin': Bingo & BBQ Potluck Sunday, July 31 4PM-6:30PM

Hamburgers and Drinks Provided
 If your last name begins with:
 A-M please bring a side dish
 N-Z people bring a dessert
 Sign up in the church entry or call the church office.

Monthly

INTERFAITH FOOD CENTER!

July is pasta month!

We are collecting pasta for the Interfaith Food Center (IFC) in July. Please bring your donations to church on Sunday mornings or to the office during the week.



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

Diane Fort Woody
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

Sue Grana
Youth and Family

ELCA Global Farm Challenge Update

Check out our progress!

St. Andrew in participating in the ELCA's Global Farm Challenge to equip communities around the world with livestock, seeds, tools and training to help make a difference to small farmers.

Our goal is to raise \$715, which will give a family farm a fresh start by providing a cow, two goats, two pigs, a dozen chicks, farming tools, seeds and agricultural training and support.

To help make a difference for a family hoping to escape the cycle of poverty for good, please write your check to St. Andrew, with "Global Farm Challenge" in the memo line, and drop it in the offering plate.

We will be collecting donations to reach our goal through August.

We're off and running!

St. Andrew begins new ministry in Peru

Dear St. Andrew members:

As you know, since we ended our ministry in Pachacamac, Peru, a few years ago, we have been looking for a similar effort that we could support. Through several conversations over many months with the ELCA representative for South America, Gustavo Driau, I believe we have found such a church.

San Juan Camino de Esperanza (St. John Road of Hope) is located in Lima, Peru, in what is considered one of the districts with the highest population growth in South America (1,100,000 inhabitants as of 2015). The area is impacted by poverty, lack of basic services (water and sewage), and scarcity of employment (street vendor is a typical job), which has only worsened since the pandemic.

Despite those challenges, San Juan continues to minister to the surrounding community. Typical weekly activities include Sunday - adult worship; Saturday - Saturday school for girls and boys; Tuesday - visits with families; and Wednesday - prayer and Bible study.

Since 2000, the congregation has been working with children and adolescents, the most important of their programs being, "Sowing for the Future." The program currently ministers to about 50 children and adolescents aged 3-16 with homework support, educational and spiritual activities, and a small food reinforcement. They also provide various educational opportunities for parents to help them climb out of poverty.

In conversation with the leaders of San Juan, Gustavo has identified three immediate needs:

1. To make the lunches that we offer to children and youth on Saturdays. Consisting of oatmeal, milk, butter, sugar, bread, and gas. \$ 350.00
2. We need to make a screen to protect the classroom from the cold where we meet with the children and youth. \$ 180.00
3. In our congregation, four young people (3 ladies and 1 young man) finished high school, but due to a lack of resources, they did not continue their studies. So we are encouraging them to study technical courses offered by the state, and they only need to take an exam and pay the tuition. Some of them have a ticket and the supplies

We are happy to report a great first week's progress toward our goal of raising \$715 to give a family farm a fresh start, by providing a cow, two goats, two pigs, a dozen chicks, farming tools, seeds and agricultural training and support as part of the ELCA's Global Farm Challenge (see thermometer image).

If you'd like to help make a difference for a family hoping to escape the cycle of poverty for good, please write your check to St. Andrew, with "Global Farm Challenge" in the memo line, and drop it in the offering plate.

We will be collecting donations to reach our goal through August, and will keep you apprised of our progress.

Thanks for your support!

GOAL: \$715



San Juan Camino de Esperanza



they will use this year. \$ 300.00

These projects seem very reasonable but can make a difference for the youth of San Juan. We would fund them with the remainder of our Peru team account, money from our Mission and Service projects account, and any money that is donated by our congregation. If you wish to contribute on a one-time and/or ongoing basis, please feel free to write a check to St. Andrew with "Peru projects" in the memo line, and drop it in the offering plate. Any money raised that is beyond the current needs will be reserved for future projects with San Juan.

We will keep you posted on our efforts with San Juan in the coming weeks and months. If you have any questions about this, please feel free to let me know.

Thanks in advance for your support,
Suzanne Thompson
Mission and Service chair

Concerts on the Green at Concordia University

Concerts are from 5-7pm on the big green lawn in between Grimm Hall and the CU Center at Concordia University Irvine (1530 Concordia West Irvine, CA 92612). Admission is free, and attendees are encouraged to bring beach chairs, blankets, and a picnic to enjoy as you soak in the sunshine and sweet sounds of the summer!

Sunday, July 17th | PointMade: Orange County's favorite classic rock cover band is back and performing everyone's favorite hits of the 60s, 70s, and 80s, including popular renditions from The Eagles, Fleetwood Mac, The Beatles, Tom Petty, Elton John, America, Van

Morrison, and more!

Sunday, July 24th | The Nico Trio Band: A fusion of soul, Motown, jazz, and rock! The Nico Trio Band serves up eclectic, soulful twists on iconic melodies with spontaneous improvisation. Featuring your favorite songs by Ray Charles, Otis Redding, Aretha Franklin, Al Green, and more!

Sunday, July 31st | Stone Soul: An 8-piece, horn-blowing, foot-stomping classic soul and Motown tribute band that will have you dancing The Jerk, The Mashed Potatoes, and The Twist to smash hits from Smokey Robinson, The Temptations, The Four Tops, James Brown, and more!



Prayers

In Memoriam – Michelle Vanden

Community Prayers

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

Members

- Eileen Hurley
- Jennifer Oertel

Friends and Family

- Alex Abarca
- Wendy Carrera
- Nancy Clacker
- Robert Craig
- Phyllis Grimaldi
- Paul McInnes
- Annette Navarre
- Victor Palencia
- Mike Shanahan
- Terrie Tengelsen
- Roz Tranberg

Friends and Family – Long Term

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

Members - Long Term

- Leslie Barr
- Lynn Burns
- Anne Christiansen
- Ken Christiansen
- Betty Dagen
- Barbara DuBois
- Grace Gundell
- Marian Humphreys

- Lois Kalla
- Shirley Kellison
- Krystal Martin
- Christine Perez
- Sally Sauer
- Lorraine Tunburg
- Sandy Wicker
- Jeff Woody