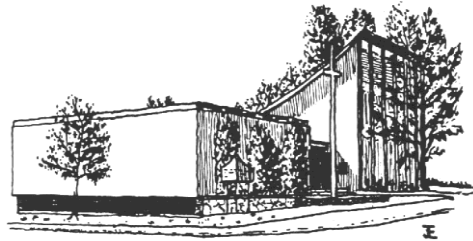


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Our Mission Statement

We believe we are called to be Christ-centered people, committed to His Church, concerned for His World, seeking to build a biblical Community through...

Worship

Our Response to the Cross – to love Him

Discipleship

Our Relationship to Christ – to Know Him

Fellowship

Our Relationship to His Church – to Know and be Known

Stewardship

Our Responsibility in His Church – to use Our Gifts

Mission

Our Relationship to His World – to make Him Known

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

AT ST. ANSGAR'S :

Family Worship - 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School - during Family Worship

Note: Communion Services on three Sundays of the month and on special feast Sundays.
Coffee & Fellowship hour every Sunday after worship service.

Ministries within this Congregation:

DLA (Danish Ladies' Aid): a group in existence for over 80 years. They meet on the first Monday of each month. Fellowship, enrichment and fund raising are important activities for this group.

Reading Circle: meets on one Friday a month. Newcomers always welcome. Check *The Messenger* for dates.

Seniors' Fellowship – Meet on the third Wednesday for devotion, fellowship and delicious hot lunch at 11:30 a.m.

Adult Bible Study – Every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. (except during summer months).

The Purpose of this Congregation is:

...To proclaim the saving works of God in Jesus Christ through worship, praise, evangelism, mission, education and service to the end that people will put their trust in the person of Jesus Christ and Saviour.

...To pray and praise God Almighty, to nurture believers through the Word and the means of Grace and share our common faith, to grow in our commitment to Jesus Christ.

...To grow in our commitment to the work of Christ in the world as a voice of conscience in areas of spiritual and social concerns.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Saint Ansgar's Lutheran Church offers Christian Education through various Bible Studies and Sunday School. Sunday School runs each Sunday from September to June at 11:00 a.m. for ALL AGES. Sunday School is a means by which parents can nurture their children in the Christian faith.

Adults are encouraged to continue study of the Word. At the present, we have one Bible Study on every Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. The study of God's Word is desirable for the healthy completion of one's life here on earth.

WORSHIP

Saint Ansgar's Lutheran Church is "A Worshipping Church." Our worship service is a "Glorious and Joyous Celebration" response to God's magnificent grace, love and kindness. The victorious power of God's Word is the central focus of our preaching. Enthusiastic singing of God's marvelous works involves the congregation. Purposeful variety and unity of content add to the outpouring of the Holy Spirit as He touches lives in personal, creative ways. Our gathering for worship is to renew our commitment to: God the Father, Creator of all things; Jesus Christ, Redeemer of the World; and the Holy Spirit, the Sanctifier.

We meet to encourage one another and be nurtured in God's Word.

THE TRIUNE GOD

We believe, teach and confess that the concept of the Trinity is a mystery that the limited reasoning of humanity cannot comprehend. Its acceptance is by faith. Yet Scripture clearly identifies each person of the Trinity of God. Matt. 28:19, Father as God, Son as God, and Holy Spirit as God. Not three Gods, but only one, yet three distinct beings. They are not phases or aspects of God, but one God.

The work of the Father is creation and the sustaining of that creation (Gen. 1).

The work of the Son is redemption and the saving of humanity (John 3:16).

The work of the Holy Spirit is to bring to us the blessing of God in Word and Sacraments, to help us live that Christian life and to bring us whole before God (John 14:17).

HOLY COMMUNION (Lord's Supper)

We believe, teach and confess that through Holy Communion the Lord our God is giving to us the forgiveness of sin. For this reason it is called a Sacrament (means of Grace). Holy Communion is a *Banquet of Celebration* of God's love toward us. It is a banquet of remembering that God loves us so much that He gave his only Son to die for us (John 3:16).

We teach that in Holy Communion all four elements exist ---- Bread & Wine; Body & Blood. We receive communion to strengthen our lives as Christians.

Benefits of Holy Communion:

- ◆ It is thanksgiving.
- ◆ Celebration of Christ's victory.
- ◆ Receive healing - emotional, physical and Spiritual.
- ◆ Forgiveness of Sins.
- ◆ Strengthened to lead a Christian life.
- ◆ Commitment to God and His service.
- ◆ Dedication or re-dedication to the Lord our God.
- ◆ Fellowship with other Christians.
- ◆ Faith is nurtured.
- ◆ In Holy Communion - the presence of God with the Bread & Wine.

We welcome all believers in Jesus Christ to the Lord's Table without requiring membership here. However, we lovingly hold to what is known as the "REAL PRESENCE." In that, we are SPIRITUALLY receiving Christ's Body & Blood

(Matt. 26:26-28). ("This is my body...this is my blood).

JESUS CHRIST, SON OF GOD

We believe, teach and confess that Jesus Christ is true God and true Man, born of the Virgin Mary. We teach that he is God incarnate (God-Man) and as the Son of God, He is the only means by which God reconciled us to Him (Acts 4:12, John 3:16, John 14:6). Jesus Christ lived a sinless life, thus was able to offer his death to God the Father as the payment for our sins.

Thus, we can truly be the children of God to receive his full blessings. The mission of the Christian church is to make these blessings (forgiveness of sins) available to the whole world. This is done by BELIEVING what Jesus Christ has done for us. (John 6:47).

This free gift of Salvation is offered to all people.

HOLY SCRIPTURES

We believe, teach and confess that the Words of God which were handed down to us from the Prophets and Apostles, to be the only true Word of God. This is collectively known as the Bible, also known as both the Old & New Testaments.

These words are the Word of God, as opposed to some who claim the Bible "contains" the Word of God. The Bible is God speaking to his creatures in human language. The words contained in these 66 books are the will of God expressed for our benefit. It is inspired, authentic and reliable for faith and practice. The words teach us what we are to do as well as what we are not to do. This is called the **LAW**. It also tells us of God's plan to regain or save us to **Himself** so that we might spend eternity in heaven with him. This is called the **GOSPEL**. Namely that Jesus Christ was a child, died & rose again in order to accomplish those requirements for God that we ourselves could not do (John 6:44; Eph. 2:8-9; Phil. 1:29).

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends in Christ:

We gather at Saint Ansgar's for fellowship and for Spiritual strength for our work as a congregation. Our programs here at Saint Ansgar's Lutheran Church are geared to provide fellowship, discovery of your Spiritual gifts, growth into the person of Jesus Christ, service opportunities and Spiritual food for people of all ages.

As a church, we seek to be molded by God into the image of Christ Jesus and His teaching. This is an ongoing process and we invite you to join us as people being formed as disciples of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

As you read through this information package and worship with us, it is our prayer that you will come to know a little more about the congregational life of Saint Ansgar's Lutheran Church. I believe that God is doing a mighty work at Saint Ansgar's.

If we can be of any pastoral help to you, or if you would like to talk with someone about our ministry and the new life in Christ Jesus, please call us

Samuel King-Kabu, Pastor



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Susan King-Kabu.

PEOPLE OF THE CONGREGATION

The gathering of believers in Christ constitutes the basis of the congregation and the local church. The church here consists of those who believe in God and the wonderful promises of Jesus Christ. We believe that all the members are of that special priesthood of believers. The local church exists because Jesus Christ is behind it. While there are many known and unknown benefits, there are also some joys known as responsibilities of living according to the will of God; despite what the world would have you do.

We share the love of Christ freely with others in words, actions and deeds. We worship God regularly and our purpose is to glorify God, edify the body of Christ (the local congregation) and reach out to others with the message of the saving Word of God. We have the responsibility to educate all those we can of Christ's love and the joy of loving one another with forbearance. After all, we are all sinners saved by God's grace. Each one of us needs God's love, acceptance and forgiveness.

PASTORAL MINISTRIES

The Pastor (ie. shepherd) is called to minister in these areas and others: Counselling, teaching, preaching, evangelism, visitation, marriage, baptism, confirmation, Holy Communion (also for shut-ins), discipleship, funerals, Pastoral care.

MARTIN LUTHER

Dr. Martin Luther was born November 10, 1483 at Eisleben, Germany. Martin Luther was led by God to recognize the abuses of the church in his day, namely the appearance of one paying for the forgiveness of their own or someone else's sin. Luther stood on God's Word, that "***the just shall be saved by faith.***"

Luther, (by means of scripture) stated what he saw and refused to be moved unless Scripture proved him wrong. He defied both the Pope and the Emperor to stand by the truth. The term "***Lutheran***" was first used by Luther's enemies to label his followers. In 1522, Luther attacked this use of his name, desiring that all followers of Christ should simply be called "***CHRISTIANS***". But the name stuck, so we, who are part of the movement he began, are called "***Lutherans***". In Europe, the Lutheran Church is known as "THE EVANGELICAL CHURCH". Martin Luther died February 18, 1546.

