

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR
SAMMAMISH HILLS AND SAINT ANDREW'S LUTHRAN CHURCHES



May Youth Weekend

Youth and adults from Mt. Si Lutheran Church, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Sammamish Hills Lutheran Church, and Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church caravanned to Holden Village for the annual high school retreat.

Tiny House

Middle school and high school youth and adults are invited to participate.

Dates: June 23-28, 29, and June 30-July 3

Cost: \$50 per participant (youth and adults)

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REMINDER



Sign-up by June 3 to get
a shirt!

Sign-up between 6/3
and 6/15 to join in the
fun!



Youth Retreat

Rising 6th grade youth through graduating 12th grade youth are invited to attend the Youth Summer Retreat.

Theme: Your People, Our People - Ruth 1:16

Dates: August 11-14

Location: Lake Coeur d'Alene, ID

Cost: \$150 per youth (contact Doug if you need scholarship information)

Payment information will be sent via email.

Come for a weekend full of fun on the water as we explore the theme of community. Space is limited.

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Only a handful of spots
remaining!



Tiny House Commissioning

Date: June 22 at 10am

Location: Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church, Bellevue, WA

All Tiny House participants and their families are invited for a commissioning of the Tiny House Build at Saint Andrew's during worship. Participants will be prayed for and commissioned to complete the build.



There is still time to register for VBS or to sign-up to volunteer.

Go to www.elfpnw.org/events for more information

Graduate Sunday Celebrations

Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church will be celebrating its graduates on Sunday, June 8th, during worship with reception to follow in Fellowship Hall.

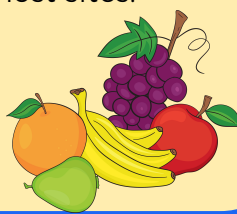
Sammamish Hills Lutheran Church will be celebrating its graduates on Sunday June 15th during worship.

A huge congrats to all graduates! See more information about our graduates in the following pages.



VBS Food Donations

Keep an eye out on communications from both Saint Andrew's and Sammamish Hills about specific food donation needs for VBS. These food donations will be shared between Mt. Si Lutheran Church, St. Luke's Lutheran Church, and Sammamish Hills Lutheran Church, our three VBS host sites.



2025 Graduates!

Adam Camrud (SALC)

High School/College: Graduating from Newport High School
Plans for Next Year: Attend St. Olaf College in Northfield, MN - pursuing engineering studies, piano composition, and Mandarin Chinese

Any honors or accomplishments you want highlighted: Knight Valor Award - 140 hours of community service; Washington State Seal of Biliteracy in Chinese

Favorite memory of Saint Andrew's: The many retreats I got to enjoy with the youth group and playing original piano compositions for the congregation on Sunday

What are you most excited about in this next chapter of life? Why? I'm excited for a new adventure in another state and more independence. I'm excited to grow and develop as a person and meet new people. And I'm looking forward to being at a college that emphasizes music and the power of a global perspective, including many study abroad opportunities.



Chase Dooley (SALC)

High School/College: Sammamish High School.

Plans for Next Year: Attend the University of British Columbia for linguistics.

Favorite memory of Saint Andrew's: Volunteering for Sunday School, I'm pretty sure the kids taught me more than I could teach them.

What are you most excited about in this next chapter of life? Why? I am most excited to spend my time learning what it is that I genuinely enjoy; I can figure out what I can do with what I love, and how to make a living from it.

Andrew Gustafson (SALC)

High School: Eastlake High School

Plans for Next Year: studying computer science at Oregon State University

Any honors or accomplishments you want highlighted: Co-captain varsity wrestling team, National Honor Society

Favorite memory of Saint Andrew's: Tiny House build

What are you most excited about in this next chapter of life? Why? I'm looking forward to trying new things and experiencing dorm living.



Quinlan Kasper (SALC)

I currently attend Skyline High School
 Next year I will be attending Central
 Washington University in Ellensburg
 My favorite memory during my time at Saint
 Andrews was attending youth events like "sock
 samurai"
 I am excited to find out what it is like living
 independently in a new environment!

**Alex Lynn (SALC)**

High School: Newport High School
 Plans for Next Year: Western Washington University
 Favorite memory of Saint Andrew's: Trips to Holden
 Village and Lutherhaven. Helping build Tiny Houses.

Vincent Storlie (SALC)

High School/College: Newport HS
 Plans for Next Year: Washington State
 University
 Any honors or accomplishments you want
 highlighted: Graduate of International Spanish
 Academy
 Favorite memory of Saint Andrew's: Building a
 tiny house
 What are you most excited about in this next
 chapter of life? Why? Making new memories
 and meeting new people who will help me
 grow in faith and life

Sonja Wetmore (SALC)

High school: Lake Washington High School
 Awards: Multiple department honors from
 LWHS, and a Performing Arts Scholarship from
 the University of Hartford.
 College/plans for next year: I will be pursuing a
 Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) in Acting at The
 Hartt School at the University of Hartford in
 Connecticut
 Favorite memory of Saint Andrews: VBS and
 Easter egg hunts!
 What am I excited about for the next chapter:
 I'm so excited to study my passion in college
 and explore a whole new part of the world!

Maia Womack (SALC)

High School/College: The Overlake School
 Plans for Next Year: Attending the University of Washington with a major in Computer Science.
 Favorite memory of Saint Andrew's: Attending Wednesday soup suppers with my mom and
 brother.
 What are you most excited about in this next chapter of life? Why?: I'm excited to step into the
 unknown and see who I become in a completely new environment. I'm looking forward to trying
 things I've never done before, whether that's joining a club I know nothing about or studying a
 subject outside my comfort zone. I can't wait to meet people with different experiences and
 perspectives, to hear how they think and see the world, and to learn from them in ways that go far
 beyond the classroom. I know I'll change a lot over the next few years, and I'm most excited for the
 chance to grow into a version of myself I haven't met yet.

Erika Yaple (SHLC)

Plans for Next Year: Oregon State University - Honors College

Honors: apart of national honors society, 4 years of choir with 2 years of jazz, made honor roll

Favorite memory of SHLC: getting to serve in Belize last spring, and I always love singing at church!

I'm excited to meet new people and explore opportunities away from home especially since I'll be an adult, and I can't wait to start making memories that will last forever!

**Caden Feldman (SALC)****Lizzy Johanson (SALC)****Kylee Seibel (SALC)**

2025 College Graduates!

Jakob McInerney (SALC) – College Grad

Entering the Army

ROTC Graduate with honors

Favorite St. Andrew's Memory - Mission Trip to Lantern Hill

Looking forward to getting married in June!

Jillian Nielsen (SALC) – College Grad

Graduating from WSU



class of
2025

Photos from the May Youth Weekend



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Photos from the End of the Year Party



June Event Calendar

- Bunco and Burrito Fundraiser - 6/1 - 4pm-6:30pm - Saint Andrew's
- SALC Grad Sunday - Sun. 6/8 - 10am - Saint Andrew's
- SHLC Grad Sunday - Sun. 6/15 - Sammamish Hills
- Tiny House Commissioning - Sun. 6/22 - 10am - Saint Andrew's
- Tiny House Build begins - Monday 6/23 @ 9am - Mt. Si Lutheran Church

Doug's Sunday Schedule

- June 1 - Sammamish Hills
- June 8 - Saint Andrew's
- June 15 - Sammamish Hills
- June 22 - Saint Andrew's
- June 29 - OFF