## ST. ANDREW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 1528 Church Road, Toms River, NJ 08755

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"The People of God is marked by characteristics that clearly distinguish it from all other religious, ethnic, political, or cultural groups found in history: It is the People *of God*: God is not the property of any one people. But He acquired a people for Himself from those who previously were not a people: "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation."

Anonymous

**Welcome** first time guests - **THANK YOU** for visiting St. Andrew United Methodist Church website. We hope that as you read through the bulletin and activities you will sense our love of Christ and each other.

## **PRAYER CONCERNS**

Please continue to pray for comfort, healing, strength and peace for members and friends of our congregation

## Church Family Activities at St. Andrew

## SAUMC WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:30am-9:00am Chapel Worship

in the Sanctuary. Join us in the Sanctuary for 30 minutes of simple, Christ-centered, faith-inspiring

worship. Blending both traditional and contemporary styles, encounter God in an active, participatory way each week. Prayer practices, special music, communion, old favorite hymns, and other engaging acts of worship.

9:30am-10:30am Contemporary Worship in Fellowship Hall

11:00am-12:00pm Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

### **RED, WHITE and BLUEBERRY SOCIAL**

Coming **July 8th** after services in Fellowship Hall. Homemade cake, fresh picked blueberries and homemade whip cream/\$6.00 a bowl. Sponsored by the United Methodist Men.

**IMANI MILELE CHILDREN'S CHOIR** The Imani Milele Children's Choir from Uganda will be performing at St. Andrew on **Thursday July 19th at 7:00pm**. It will be a fun-filled interactive and inspirational concert which will showcase true Africa. The children's vibrant costumes and enthusiastic energy creates a dynamic performance for all to enjoy!! For more information on who these children are please visit the website at <u>www.imanimilele.com</u> Save the date you'll be glad you did!! This is a *free* event.

**ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE ORNAMENTS** have arrived!! They are brass and beautiful! The sale begins today after both worship services and will run for one month. The cost \$20 each. We have a limited number so stop by our table and take a look! Any questions see or call Mary at 732-255-3704.

**ANNIVERSARY OUTREACH** We will be collecting shirts for Lakewood Middle School through the middle of August. We need NAVY BLUE T-shirts or 3 button Polo's, any size small to XL. The shirts are part of the students uniform and some of the students can only afford one, if any. It has been determined that this is a real for that school. There will be a bin marked "Blue Shirts" in Fellowship Hall foyer for you to put them in. If you cannot shop and would like to make a monetary donation we can shop for you. Please help us in this anniversary outreach! Thank you, Mary VanDeventer.

**CARDBOARD BOX CITY AT ST. ANDREW: #ONENIGHTINABOX2018** Mark your calendars now for an exciting fundraiser to benefit Interfaith Hospitality Network of Ocean County! On **September 21-22, 2018** St. Andrew will be hosting the first "Cardboard Box City" event in Ocean County. Will you spend one night in a box to help raise awareness of homeless families right here in Ocean County? Please help us spread the news about this unique fundraising opportunity! Help us reach out to youth groups, scouting groups, families, individuals, and corporate teams. Information can be found on our St. Andrew website at http://standrewtr.org/missions/cardboard-box-city-fundraiser- Printed Flyers are available at the Missions Table in Fellowship Hall Lobby. Contacts for this event are Sam Jones at 732-849-6153; Vita Hansen at 732-240-5283; and Lucy DeBarge at 732-833-9975.

### SCAN LUNCH & LEARN

The Social Community Activities Network (SCAN) is hosting a FREE Lunch & Learn here at St. Andrew, July 11th, 10:00am–1:00pm. Presentations will include *Understanding the Opioid Crisis in Ocean County* and *Avoid Scams that Target Seniors.* 

This event is open to all Ocean County Seniors and is FREE but advance registration by July 6th is required. To register, call SCAN at 732-542-1326

#### **CHURCH WIDE BREAKFASTS**

Everyone is invited to two Church Wide Breakfast events this summer which are sponsored by St. Andrew UM Men. **Dates:** Saturday July 14 and Saturday August 11. Both are FREE; however we ask that you sign up at the table in Fellowship Hall Lobby to let us know that you plan to attend. Breakfast begins at 9:00am and will include a Missions guest speaker following breakfast. <u>Menu:</u> Apple Juice, coffee and tea; scrambled eggs; scrambled eggs with cheese; pancakes; French toast; smashed potatoes; hash browns; pork roll; sausage; fresh fruit; and yogurt. <u>Guest Speakers</u>: On Saturday July 14 our guest speaker will be Linda Phander who will be sharing information about Caregiver Volunteers of Central Jersey (Love Offering will be taken up for Caregiver Volunteers). On August 11, our guest speaker will be Sam Jones who will be sharing information about our upcoming Cardboard Box City fundraising event to be held here at St. Andrew in September which will benefit Interfaith Hospitality Network of Ocean County (#ONENIGHTINABOX2018).

Special Request: When you come to each breakfast, please bring a donation of nonperishable food for our St. Andrew Food Pantry. Thank you!

## Missions

**JULY MISSION PRAYER** This month we lift up in prayer our St. Andrew Youth Summer Mission Trip (July 15-21). Please pray for our St. Andrew Youth and their leaders who are participating in a construction Mission Trip to Blue Knob, PA to help those who are economically disadvantaged. Please pray for the people they are serving. Pray also for the Mission Teams' safety in travel, at work sites and with all of their activities. Ask God to bless their hearts and minds and to bring them closer to Him and to each other while on their Mission Trip, and that He would continue to bless them when they return as they reflect upon their experiences.

### JULY COMMUNION OFFERING

Today's Communion Offering is for Community Services, Inc./Meals on Wheels of Ocean County. Special Offering envelopes are provided in today's bulletin. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity!

**COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC/MEALS ON WHEELS** Many people don't realize that our local Meals on Wheels in Ocean County is *not* an entitlement program. The entire Ocean County Meals on Wheels program is run by Community Services Inc., a private, non-profit charity created by **St. Andrew United Methodist Church** in 1973. Thousands of Ocean County seniors benefit from Meals on Wheels. Every day, Meals on Wheels of Ocean County prepares about 1,200 meals for seniors in Ocean County, NJ. Meals on Wheels allows elderly home bound seniors to continue living in the environment of their choice – at home. Visit their website at www.csimow.org to learn more about the history of CSI; their programs which include senior nutrition sites and senior support services (i.e., medical transportation, nutritional counseling, education, social recreation, etc.); and their need for private donations in order to fund their good work and to continue to feed and assist homebound elderly in Ocean County.

**CHRISTMAS IN JULY: OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD "GOOD NEWS. GREAT JOY."** What better time than now to start building gift-filled shoeboxes for needy children around the world! Visit our display in Fellowship Hall Lobby for empty shoeboxes and brochures with information and suggestions for packing shoeboxes. The display will be set up during the months of July and August. Pick up empty shoeboxes (preprinted decorated shoeboxes), then decide for each shoebox if you will pack for a girl or for a boy, and the age category. Gifts should include age appropriate toys, dolls, stuffed animals, hygiene items, school supplies, etc. **Important Reminders:** No candy and No Toothpaste (due to customs regulations). No liquids of any kind and No war related toys, please! Return your gift filled shoeboxes to St. Andrew at your convenience before November 12. At the display you will find handouts with additional information about Operation Christmas Child, or visit our St. Andrew website Mission Page for details. Contact for this project is Lucy DeBarge at lucydebarge@yahoo.com or by phone 732-833-9975.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD PROJECT: 2018 MONTHLY GUIDE** Each month we are including a monthly guide for you to personally purchase and tuck away shoebox items throughout the year. Savvy shoppers know that they can impact more children around the world for eternity by looking for shoebox items throughout the year. At St. Andrew, we are kicking off our Operation Christmas Child project this month under the "Christmas in July" banner and distributing empty shoeboxes and OCC labels. For the month of July, consider purchasing <u>School Supplies</u> to include in your OCC Shoeboxes: Examples might be Pencils, Sharpeners, Pens, Writing Paper Pads, Crayons, Coloring Books, Pencil Pouches, Calculators (solar or include batteries). We hope you will also pray for the children who will receive your 2018 Operation Christmas Child project, please reach out to Missions Coordinator, Lucy DeBarge. Thank you and God bless you!

**COORDINATOR HELP NEEDED** We are just now entering the summer season with all of its fun; however, in the background we are planning upcoming Missions projects for the latter half of the year. One of those projects this fall is the annual drive to support our Thanksgiving Baskets Project. This year we are looking for a lead Coordinator to head up this project. Our St. Andrew Thanksgiving Baskets Project helps many families in our local Ocean County community. During 2017 we provided a Thanksgiving feast plus a week of nonperishable food to more than 70 families. The most important qualification for this volunteer position is a heart for Mission – the compassion and grace to work well with those who will benefit from this outreach as well as working well with our volunteers who assist with this project. In addition, organizational skills are helpful and the availability to work on this Project during the months of October and November. If you feel a heart tug, please prayerfully consider if you might be our next Thanksgiving Baskets Project Coordinator. Please contact Missions Coordinator Lucy DeBarge at lucydebarge@yahoo.com or by phone at 732-833-9975.

**CALLING OUR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD VOLUNTEERS** We have an awesome opportunity this summer to learn more about the amazing journey of an OCC shoebox! Connie Zinn with the OCC Regional Office in Maryland is coming to NJ to share highlights of her shoebox distribution trip to Ukraine. You'll be able to see firsthand what happens on the other side of the shoebox - after they leave the Processing Center and arrive at their destination! Connie will be making this presentation at one of our OCC South-Central NJ Area Team churches: Jackson UM Church, 68 Bennetts Mills Rd., Jackson, NJ. Date and Time: Tuesday July 31 at 7:00 PM. We plan carpooling from St. Andrew. This opportunity is open to anyone who is interested and/or wants to learn more about Operation Christmas

Child. For more information, contact Lucy DeBarge at lucydebarge@yahoo.com or by phone at 732-833-9975.

**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS** Thank you for your ongoing support of our St. Andrew Food Pantry! Below is the list of nonperishable food items needed to keep our pantry well stocked. Donations of food may be dropped off at the Food Pantry located next to Memorial Hall Kitchen or they may be placed in the receptacle in Fellowship Hall Lobby. Financial donations may be given at any time; special offering envelopes are located at the Missions Table in Fellowship Hall Lobby.

Juice; Cans of Soup; Chili; Beef Stew; Canned Vegetables; Canned Fruit; Parmalat Milk (shelf-stable boxed milk); Cereal; Oatmeal; Pancake Mix (complete); Syrup; Ravioli; Peanut Butter; Jelly or Jam; Pork and Beans; Tuna in cans; Pasta; Spaghetti Sauce; Rice (2 lb. bags); Potatoes (mashed or other boxed mixes); Saltine Crackers. Also helpful are coffee, tea bags, cookies, shelf-stable puddings, etc. THANK YOU!

## Women of St. Andrew

**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS** The United Methodist Women extend warm wishes for a very Happy Birthday and a year filled with God's blessings Diana Giuliano (7/2), Irene Brown (7/2), Mary VanDeventer (7/4), Mackayla Kern (7/7).

**TUESDAY MORNING AT THE MOVIES:** The Women's Summer Study Group will be "going" to the movies. On the following dates in Memorial Hall, we will offer films related to social issues, mission, influential voices in theology and people of the Bible. <u>Everyone</u> is invited. \*Tuesdays, July 10, 10:00 – 12:30 Iron-*Jawed Angels* (The true story of how suffrage activists Alice Paul and Lucy Burns put their lives at risk to help American women win the right to vote.) \*July 24, 10:00-10:30 *The Life of John Wesley* \*July 31, 10:00-11:00 *Dietrich Bonhoeffer: a documentary* \*August 7, 10:00-10:30 a double feature, *Mission Appalachia*, also *C. S. Lewis: The Most Reluctant Convert* \*August 21, 10:00-12:15 The Story of the 12 Apostles.

## *Weekly Servers* <u>TRADITIONAL WORSHIP USHERS</u> (SANCTUARY)

July 8 Team #4 July 15 Team #5 July 22 Team #6

### CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP LEADERS (FELLOWSHIP HALL)

July 8 Jeff Canter July 15 Dave Richardson July 22 Ann Canter

## TRADITIONAL WORSHIP LEADERS (SANCTUARY)

July 8 Barrington Gooden July 15 Vita Hansen July 22 Barbara Delman

## 9:30am SOUNDROOM SCHEDULE (FELLOWSHIP HALL)

July 8 Bob DeBarge, Joe Herflicker July 15 Robin Susich, Bob DeBarge July 22 Bill Koch, Bob DeBarge

## 11:00am SOUNDROOM SCHEDULE (SANCTUARY)

July 8 Keila and Valerie Earp July 15 Dick Green, D. VanDeventer

**TRADITIONAL USHERS NEEDED** If you are interested in becoming an usher at the 11:00am worship service, please contact Shirley Stone at 732-286-9508.

WEEKLY CALENDAR		
Sun., July 1	8:30-9:00AM 9:30AM 10:30AM 10:40AM	Chapel Worship (Sanctuary) Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall); SOAR Summer Time Coffee Hour/Blood Pressure Screening Summer Singers Warm Up (Choir Room)
	11:00AM 12:00PM	Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) Coffee Hour
Mon., July 2	10:30-12:00PM 6:30PM	FP Distribution Appt. Only (Memorial Hall & Kitchen) Summer Singers Rehearsal
Tues., July 3		
Wed., July 4	happy 2 4th JULY 1/	(Church Office Closed)
Thurs., July 5		
Fri., July 6	12:30-1:30PM	FP Distribution Appt. Only (Memorial Hall & Kitchen)
Sat., July 7	7:00PM	AA (Memorial Hall & Kitchen)
Sun., July 8	8:30-9:00AM 9:30AM	Chapel Worship (Sanctuary) Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall); SOAR Summer Time
	10:30AM 10:40AM 11:00AM 12:00PM	Coffee Hour/Red, White & Blueberry Social Summer Singers Warm Up (Choir Room) Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) Coffee Hour/Red White & Blueberry Social