

ST. ANDREW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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October 21, 2018

*"Do not pray for easy lives. Pray to be stronger men!
Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers.
Pray for powers equal to your tasks."*

Phillips Brooks

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

2018 CHURCH CONFERENCE

The Northern Shore District Church Conference will be held Saturday, November 17, 2018 at Calvary Korean UMC. Location: 572 Ryders Lane East Brunswick, NJ 08816.

1:45-2:00pm Gathering & Refreshments

2:00-2:45pm Church Conference for St. Andrew UMC of Toms River

TRUNK OR TREAT!! This Friday evening **October 26th**, join us at 6:00pm for a light dinner and 6:30pm for trunk or treating in the parking lot. We need volunteers for the parking lot, kitchen and of course to decorate their trunks! We need desserts donated for after dinner. Please see Mary or Dave VanDeventer or email us at mdvandev@aol.com

COMMUNION SCHEDULE OCT-DEC

St. Andrew will be serving communion on Sunday October 28th.

There will be no communion on Sunday, November 4th. Communion will be served on Sunday, November 25th and no communion served in December.

SUPPORT INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK

An evening of fun, food, raffles, and prizes.

Gift Auction Friday November 2nd, 2018 5pm-9pm Eagle Ridge Golf Club Lakewood NJ

Tickets \$40 Contact Pastor Erik 732-773-4915 erikchall@gmail.com

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS STORE Donations needed for our children's Christmas store! If you have new or gently used items that our children can purchase for their parents, grandparents or siblings such as candles, jewelry, knick knacks etc., There will be a box outside Fellowship Hall marked Children's Store! Thanks so much Mary VanDeventer

GRANNY'S CUPBOARD Calling all chefs and want to be chefs! Now is your time to shine! Granny's Cupboard needs your help! Let's start cooking and freezing meals to sell at our upcoming Holiday Bazaar! Make extra each meal and freeze a portion or two! Labels and freezer containers will be available soon. Thank you for your gracious help!

ATTIC TREASURES AT THE HOLIDAY BAZAAR Now is the time to start setting aside those beautiful gift items for Attic Treasures to sell at the upcoming Holiday Bazaar. We're looking for gently used gift items of distinction – better quality household and decorative items, stemware, china, etc. If you have any items to be donated for Attic Treasures, please contact Lucy DeBarge at lucydebarge@yahoo.com or by phone at 732-833-9975 to discuss the details. Thank you!

TEXT GIVING St. Andrew now has the ability to receive donations via text giving. How it works: send a text message with the dollar amount (e.g., "10") to the text number **732-355-8084**. You will then be prompted to fill out a short form with your billing info. After the initial setup, giving is as easy as sending a text message. For explicit detail contact the church office.

CHURCH GROUNDS Volunteers needed to help keep St. Andrew looking trim and welcoming, see Dennis Poane.

ADULT CLASS Anyone interested in facilitating an adult class please see Dennis Poane.

SOCIAL JUSTICE: October is "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" in the United Methodist Church. Pamphlets providing information about this topic can be found in the lobby of Fellowship Hall. Topics tell about: The National Domestic Violence Hotline, the importance of and how to make a personal safety plan, the BIPP (Batterers Intervention and Prevention Program) program for abusers and other related topics. Please take some these materials and share them with others. *Knowledge brings understanding; understanding can bring action.*

ST. ANDREW SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE NEWS

Voter registration & Vote-by-Mail request forms are both available in the lobby. If you are not registered, please REGISTER NOW! Time is running out! If you would rather have a paper ballot or prefer to vote without having to go to the polls on election day, Vote-by-Mail forms are also available. In need of assistance or have any questions please contact Keila Earp at 732-575-4208.

PASTA DINNER CANCELLED Troop 36 Annual Pasta Dinner Sunday October 21st has been cancelled.

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 Carole Spino (10/21), Laura Rodriguez (10/22), Sara Buchko (10/22), Connie Volper (10/24), Audrey Berry (10/25), Ciarra Leonard (10/27), Carol Weickert (10/27).

WOW: St. Andrew Women's Book Club meets every third Saturday at 10:30am at the church. Please feel free to join us. Upcoming book titles:

11/17/2018- The Story of Arthur Truluv by Elizabeth Berg

12/15/2018- The Greatest Gift by Philip Van Dorn Stern.

1/19/2019- The Bus to Corinth by Ladine B. Householder

2/16/2019- The Winter Soldier by Daniel Mason

3/16/2019 The Underground Girls of Kabul by Jenny Nordberg.

For the rest of the 2019 list of books please look to the flyers on the tables or contact Amy Hall (908) 278-7076 or Pat Lewis (732) 674-5538 if you have any questions.

Youth Ministries

Please see lobby tables and our website standrewtr.org for detailed information.

Adult Bible Studies

THE WIRED WORD, a weekly study seeking to find the biblical principles at work in newsworthy events, offers 2 unique features. Each week the class is based on a different significant happening somewhere in the world, with scripture that looks to give biblical perspective to the events, motives and outcomes in that story. This leads to discussions of how these principles can play out in our lives. Because of one-time nature of each study, ***The Wired Word*** study is perfect for those who can only attend occasionally. We meet each Sunday at 9:30AM classroom 9.

CHRISTIAN COFFEES Our current study is the Gospel of John. Our small group is using the John MacArthur study guide *John: Jesus - The Word, the Messiah, the Son of God*. This study will occupy our small group through March 2019. For additional information about this study, please reach out to Lucy DeBarge at lucydebarge@yahoo.com or by phone at 732-833-9975.

Christian Coffees is the name of our small group. We meet each Sunday morning at 9:30am in the Shared Ministry Office (upstairs next to the Narthex). We encourage you to grab a cup of coffee or tea from Fellowship Hall and join us for an hour of study and discussion.

Missions

OCTOBER MISSION PRAYER This month we lift up in prayer all those around the world and in the United States who have been affected by natural disasters this year: Flooding from Hurricane Florence in North Carolina and South Carolina; Flooding and Mudslides from Super Typhoon Mangkhut in the Philippines; Earthquake and Tsunami in Indonesia; Wildfires in California are a partial list. We pray for God's grace, comfort, and blessing upon all who have lost so much - loved ones, homes, and possessions. We pray for God's blessing and protection upon the emergency responders and relief and recovery workers and volunteers, and for their families. We pray also for resources to meet the needs at all levels of assistance and recovery, and we thank God that it is through His gracious provisions that help is able to reach those affected by these natural disasters.

"AUTUMN BLESSINGS" GREETING CARDS Today Sunday October 21, everyone is invited to sign "Autumn Blessings" greeting cards for the residents at The Chelsea Assisted Living. Look for our table in Fellowship Hall following worship services. The cards feature colorful graphics depicting seasonal pumpkins and leaves, and includes a Scripture verse from the Psalms: *For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor. No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly. Psalm 84:11*

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD PRAYER MEETING AND DINNER St. Andrew is hosting a Prayer Meeting and Dinner on **Sunday November 4 beginning at 3:00pm**. Our focus is to lift up prayers for God's blessings upon this year's Operation Christmas Child National Collection Week which is Monday November 12 through Monday November 19. This event is open to everyone who is interested in the ministry of Operation Christmas Child. For additional information please contact Lucy DeBarge at lucydebarge@yahoo.com or by phone at 732-833-9975.

PROJECT THANKSGIVING 2018 Our annual Thanksgiving Baskets Project is underway! Flyers are available which explain our process of gathering donations of non-perishable food items and frozen turkeys which are assembled into food sets and distributed to those in our local community who are in need of help this Thanksgiving. Volunteers are needed to help with assembling the food sets on Saturday November 17 at 9:00am, and distributing the food sets to preregistered families at 3:00pm to 5:00pm also on Saturday November 17. Visit our display in Fellowship Hall Lobby with specific information about donating and volunteering. In a nutshell, here is what is needed: Your prayers for the people who are helped by this project and for our outreach through this project; non-perishable food; frozen turkeys; financial donations; volunteers. Let us know if you can help! Please contact Project Thanksgiving Coordinator Lucy DeBarge at lucydebarge@yahoo.com or by phone at 732-833-9975. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity! *"The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor." Proverbs 22:9*

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!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD "GOOD NEWS. GREAT JOY." Our 2018 Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Project is well underway! Be encouraged to pick up empty shoeboxes (Preprinted decorated Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes are available in our St. Andrew Fellowship Hall Lobby - **we have plenty of empty shoeboxes waiting for you to fill!**), then decide for each shoebox if you will pack for a girl or for a boy, and the age category: 2-4; 5-9; 10-14. Please pray for the child who will receive your shoebox gift. More information about our OCC Shoebox Project can be found on our St. Andrew website at <http://standrewtr.org/missions/operation-christmas-child/>
Contact Lucy DeBarge at lucydebarge@yahoo.com or by phone at 732-833-9975 with any questions concerning our OCC Shoebox Project at St. Andrew. Thank you and God bless you for your kindness and generosity!

Weekly Servers

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP USHERS (SANCTUARY)

Oct. 28 Team #2
Nov. 4 Team #3
Nov. 11 Team #4
Nov. 18 Team #5

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP LEADERS (FELLOWSHIP HALL)

Oct. 28 Jeff Canter
Nov. 4 Dave Richardson
Nov. 11 Heather Sabey
Nov. 18 Ann Canter

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP LEADERS (SANCTUARY)

Oct. 28 Doug Clayton
Nov. 4 David Geller
Nov. 11 Barrington Gooden
Nov. 18 Vita Hansen

9:30am SOUNDROOM SCHEDULE (FELLOWSHIP HALL)

Oct. 28 Bill Koch, Jan Phillips
Nov. 4 Keila Earp, Valerie Earp
Nov. 11 Jan Phillips

11:00am SOUNDROOM SCHEDULE (SANCTUARY)

Oct. 28 Keila Earp, Joe Herflicker
Nov. 4 Russ & Russ Thistle
Nov. 11 Bob DeBarge, Joe Herflicker

WEEKLY CALENDAR

<p>Sun., Oct. 21</p>	<p>9:30AM</p> <p>10:30AM</p> <p>10:40AM</p> <p>11:00AM</p> <p>12:00PM</p>	<p>Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall); SOAR Christian Education Pre K - 5th grade; Adult Bible Study: Christian Coffees, Shared Ministry Office; The Wired Word, rm. 9 Coffee Hour</p> <p>Choir Warm Up</p> <p>Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) RISE! Christian Education Pre K - 5th grade Coffee Hour</p>
<p>Mon., Oct. 22</p>	<p>10:30-12:00PM</p> <p>5:30PM</p> <p>6:15-6:45PM</p> <p>6:30PM</p> <p>7:45PM</p> <p>7:00PM</p> <p>7:45PM</p>	<p>FP Distribution Appt. Only (Memorial Hall & Kitchen)</p> <p>Bell Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>Shared Ministry Office Reserved</p> <p>Cardboard Box City Meeting (Memorial Hall)</p> <p>Gospel Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>Troop Meeting (Fellowship Hall)</p> <p>Cantata Rehearsal (Choir Room)</p>
<p>Tues., Oct. 23</p>	<p>10:00AM</p> <p>1:00PM</p> <p>1:45PM</p> <p>5:00PM</p> <p>5:30-6:30PM</p>	<p>Women's Bible Study (Memorial Hall)</p> <p>Gospel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)</p> <p>Cantata Rehearsal (Choir Room)</p> <p>Thrive Chorus; elementary-school age music ministry (Choir Room)</p> <p>Thrive; elementary-school aged youth group (Memorial Hall)</p>
<p>Wed., Oct. 24</p>	<p>9:30AM</p> <p>5-6:00PM</p> <p>5:30-7:30PM</p> <p>6:30PM</p>	<p>Little Blessings (Memorial Hall)</p> <p>FP Distribution Appt. Only (Memorial Hall & Kitchen)</p> <p>MYF & YES Club (Fellowship Hall, Memorial Hall)</p> <p>UMW Executive Meeting (rm. 4)</p>
<p>Thurs., Oct .25</p>	<p>10-12:00PM</p> <p>3-4:00PM</p> <p>7-8:00PM</p>	<p>Knit Wits (rm. 4, 5, 6)</p> <p>Operation Christmas Child Volunteer Training (Memorial Hall)</p> <p>Operation Christmas Child Volunteer Training (Memorial Hall)</p>
<p>Fri., Oct. 26</p>	<p>12:30-1:30PM</p> <p>4-6:00PM</p> <p>6:00PM</p> <p>6:30PM</p>	<p>FP Distribution Appt. Only (Memorial Hall & Kitchen)</p> <p>Fellowship Hall Reserved</p> <p>Light Dinner (Fellowship Hall)</p> <p>Trunk or Treating in back parking lot</p>
<p>Sat., Oct. 27</p>	<p>7:00PM</p>	<p>AA (Memorial Hall & Kitchen)</p>
<p>Sun., Oct. 28</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Communion Sunday</p>	<p>9:30AM</p> <p>10:30AM</p> <p>10:40AM</p> <p>11:00AM</p> <p>12:00PM</p> <p>12:30-2:30PM</p>	<p>Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall); SOAR Christian Education Pre K - 5th grade; Adult Bible Study: Christian Coffees, Shared Ministry Office; The Wired Word, rm. 9 Coffee Hour</p> <p>Bell Choir Warm Up</p> <p>Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) RISE! Christian Education Pre K - 5th grade Coffee Hour</p> <p>Circle of Joy & Grace (Memorial Hall & Kitchen)</p>