

***ST. ANDREW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH***

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*"With freedom to fail they were also free to seek out learning experiences instead of falling back on what they already knew."*

*Amber Chandler*

***Welcome*** first time guests - ***THANK YOU*** for making St. Andrew your place of worship today. May you experience the presence of the Holy Spirit here and as you leave this place. Please join us after the service for coffee and fellowship downstairs in Fellowship Hall. Before you leave ask any usher for a visitor's packet - it has lots of information you'll find helpful.

## **CHURCH FAMILY ACTIVITIES**

**LAST CHANCE CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SURVEY** Worship is at the center of our relationship with God, as well as an integral part of our mission in welcoming all to where Christ is the center, love is the answer, and serving is the mission. In 2019 we will be looking at creatively enhancing our contemporary worship experience. We will be evaluating everything: the worship space, hospitality, technology, music, and preaching. If you attend contemporary worship (AND **ONLY** IF YOU ATTEND CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP) please give us some feedback on contemporary worship by completing our **Contemporary Worship Survey** today!

**PICK UP YOUR PRE-ORDERED SUPER BOWL SUNDAY MEATBALL SUBS TODAY!** **Cost: \$6.00 each** Fellowship Hall after each service. We give you all the ingredients ready to go. All you have to do is assemble it, eat, and enjoy the game.

### **FAMILY PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

**Saturday February 9, 2019**

**8:00 to 11:00am**

**Fellowship Hall**

**Adults \$6.00 Children \$3.00**

Here is a great opportunity for the whole family to start the weekend out right by having breakfast together and helping the UMM support our Scouting Units.

**SAVE THE DATE** The Line Dancing Fundraiser is back! Mark your calendars for this fun event Friday **March 29th** 6:30-10:00PM in Fellowship Hall. All proceeds will go to SAUMC Youth Mission Trip this July.

### **ENDOWMENT FUND**

**SCHOLARSHIPS** The Endowment Fund Committee is again pleased to announce the availability of scholarships to members of St. Andrew for any post high school education. Scholarship criteria information and applications are available through the church office. If you have any questions about the scholarship please contact the Endowment Fund Chairperson, Russ Boucher at: [cfm.russ@comcast.net](mailto:cfm.russ@comcast.net). The deadline for applications is May 1, 2019.

**MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR JOYCE HICKMAN** On Saturday, February 16, there will be a memorial service for Sue Magyar's mom Joyce Hickman. The service will be held in the SAUMC Sanctuary at 12:30pm followed by a repast in Fellowship Hall.

### **BLUECLAWS OUTING**

Save the date!! **Friday July 12th** at 7:00pm. Reserved seats \$10; food voucher plans are \$5, \$6, \$8. Please let Mary VanDeventer know if you intend to go so enough seats can be reserved!

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

## *Missions*

**FEBRUARY MISSION PRAYER** Our Mission prayer focus for February is the Neighborhood Center in Camden, NJ. We pray for God's blessing upon the people who are served by the Neighborhood Center, from the youngest child in day care to the senior adults who participate in the Sage Program. Please also lift up in prayer those who work on staff and those who volunteer at the Neighborhood Center, that God would bless their work and efforts and enlarge their capacity to love abundantly, proclaiming Christ's love through their service.

**FEBRUARY COMMUNION OFFERING** Today's Communion Offering is for the Neighborhood Center in Camden, NJ. Your generous financial support makes it possible for the Neighborhood Center to be a catalyst for change in the lives of children, teenagers, and the community which is being served, breaking the cycle of poverty. Thank you and God bless you for your financial and prayer support of the Neighborhood Center, Inc.! See a nearby article for information about the Neighborhood Center.

**THE NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER, INC.** Begun in 1913 by UM Deaconesses, the Neighborhood Center in Camden is a United Methodist Women National Mission Institution. The mission of The Neighborhood Center is to generously love our neighbor as ourselves with abundant service and hope today and every day. The Neighborhood Center identified the need to break the cycle of poverty for children (which include poor education and poor family structures). Breaking the Cycle of Poverty, so that a child has success in life. The programs serving children are designed to help children and young adults in a 4-fold life: mind, body, spirit, and community. The Neighborhood Center drives sustainable programs that help a child to aspire; to achieve; and to be successful in school - and, along the way, learn about Christ. The Neighborhood Center demonstrates core Christian values - Love the Lord - through programs with children and the community. Programs include: Urban Community Farm; Child Care Learning Center; After School and Teens; Sophisticated Sisters; Camp Kumbaya (Summer Enrichment Program); Sages Program; and the Community Kitchen, daily serving a healthy, bagged take-away lunch to all who come. Information about these programs is available from The Neighborhood Center Facebook page and website.

We often think of the Child Care programs and After School programs at the Neighborhood Center. Did you know that the **Teens Program** at The Neighborhood Center is full and very active? With a program director, a male counselor and a female counselor, the teens meet every Tuesday evening for fellowship; opportunities to hear guest speakers who talk on such subjects as career planning and information about applying to college; special events like tours of colleges in the area like Rutgers; and, Open Mic nights once a month when the teens are able to express themselves through singing, poetry, etc. The teens are also offered the opportunity during the summer to work at the Urban Garden on site where they learn about Community Garden food production and mentor the younger children who attend the Summer Enrichment Program known as Camp Kumbaya. Want to know more about The Neighborhood Center or how to get involved? See our Neighborhood Center Liaison Scott Susich or Missions Coordinator Lucy DeBarge.

**BABY SHOWER DONATION DRIVE** The Neighborhood Center in Camden is holding a Baby Shower for expectant mothers in the area on Saturday February 23. You can help support this effort by donating items needed for the Baby Shower. Our collection bin is located in Fellowship Hall Lobby. The insert in today's bulletin announcements contains details. Thank you for your generosity!

**VALENTINE'S DAY GREETING CARDS FOR THE CHELSEA** Everyone is invited to sign Valentine's Greeting Cards for the residents of the Chelsea Assisted Living on Silverton Rd.

Please visit our table in Fellowship Hall following worship services today. Feel free to include your own words of blessing for the individuals who will be receiving the cards that you sign. Thank you as we reach out to our senior neighbors to let them know of God's love for them and that we are thinking of them and wishing them a Valentine's Day filled with happiness and love!

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD PROJECT: 2019 MONTHLY GUIDE** Each month we include in the announcements a monthly guide for you to begin to personally purchase and tuck away items for OCC Shoeboxes 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. **For the month of February, consider purchasing accessories, like sunglasses, watches, bracelets, hair scrunchies, costume jewelry, etc.** For additional information about our Operation Christmas Child project, please reach out to Missions Coordinator, Lucy DeBarge, through the church office. Thank you and God bless you!



**LOVE GOD, LOVE NEIGHBOR**

The Spirit Lake Ministry Center is dedicated to supporting the peoples of the Spirit Lake Nation and is an approved United Methodist Volunteer in Mission destination.

### **SPIRIT LAKE MINISTRY OUTREACH PROJECT**

This project is a special outreach to Native American children through a program sponsored by the Spirit Lake Ministry Center in North Dakota (an approved United Methodist Volunteer in Mission destination). In 2018 we gathered donations and arranged them as gift-filled boxes for 22 individual children. These gift-filled boxes were mailed to the Spirit Lake Ministry Center in ND and were distributed as part of their Christmas outreach program reaching children who live on reservations in ND, SD, and Minnesota. **During January and February, we are collecting donations for Christmas 2019 (new items only, please!): winter hats, mittens and gloves; bars of mild soap; soft toothbrushes; toothpaste (expiration date in 2020); small toys, crayons, and small coloring books or writing pads. The age groups include: 3-5; 6-8; 9-12; 13 and older.** Items may be placed in the marked bin in Fellowship Hall Lobby. For information about Spirit Lake Ministry Center or this outreach project, please contact Lucy DeBarge at (732) 833-9975. Thank you for your generosity!

**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***

**UMW ICE-CREAM SOCIAL DATE CORRECTION: Wednesday, August 7th. Save the Date!** Look for more details in future bulletin announcements.

**WHITE ELEPHANT AUCTION** On **Saturday, February 9, at 10:30am** in Memorial Hall Women and Teens of St. Andrew and Friends are invited to the White Elephant Auction to

benefit Hope Sheds Light of Toms River, a substance abuse support program. This is an opportunity to learn about and support one of the organizations in Toms River that is working to make a difference in a problem which affects so many lives. Please bring one or two gift-wrapped items to be auction off. The items can be of any value, something you want to pass on or perhaps a Christmas gift that you can't use. They can be serious or funny. Use your imagination! There will be a Love Offering for St. Andrew Food Pantry. Free tickets are available after Sunday services in the lobby of Fellowship Hall. Questions? Speak to Betty Stein (732-886-5025).

**CIRCLE OF JOY AND GRACE MEETING** Our next Circle of Joy and Grace meeting is on **Sunday February 10 at 12:30pm in Memorial Hall at St. Andrew**. Bring your lunch and join our group as we discuss Circle and UMW business and share a time of fellowship. Our Circle meetings are open to all women who would like to join us! For additional information please contact Lucy DeBarge through the church office.

**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS** The United Methodist Women extend warm wishes for a very Happy Birthday and a year filled with God's blessings Georgia Noon (2/5), Audrey Sustmann (2/7), Janet Darcy (2/9).

**NEW WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP FORMING NOW; LIFE BY DESIGN**

Sunday Mornings

8:15 a.m. -9:30 a.m.

January 27 to June 30, 2019

Rather than just let life happen to us, we will live our lives by design! This peer driven group of 5-8 women will be committed to the following ideas: accountability, advice, encouragement, feedback, and results. If you would like more information, contact Amy Hall: call/text: 908-278-7076 or email: [amyhall213@yahoo.com](mailto:amyhall213@yahoo.com)

**SAVE THE DATE!!** St. Andrew Women's Retreat to held March 22 & 23.

**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:

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

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

4/20/2019 The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows

5/18/2019 Radium Girls by Kate Moore

6/15/2019 Britt Marie Was Here by Fredrik Backman

7/20/2019 Traveling with

Pomegranates by Ann Kidd Taylor and Sue Monk Kidd

8/17/2019 Forever by Pete Hamill

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.

**SAVE THE DATE!** **Saturday September 21, 2019 at 10:00 AM** is the date of our local UMW General Meeting. We are pleased to announce that our special guest speakers will be **Rev. Lowell and Claudia Wertz with Joy in the Harvest Ministries**. Rev. Lowell and Claudia will be on Furlough at that time, traveling to meet with the churches which have supported their mission in Kigoma, Tanzania. Both Missions at St. Andrew and the St. Andrew United Methodist Women give financial support to Joy in the Harvest each year. It will be our privilege to have Rev. Lowell and Claudia as our guests! More information will be available closer to the date.

## ***Adult Bible Studies***

**THE WIRED WORD**, a weekly study seeking to find the biblical principles at work in newsworthy events. Because of the 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.

**BIBLE STUDY CLASSES AT ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES** We are bringing weekly Bible Studies into the Chelsea Assisted Living on Silverton Rd. and into Spring Oak on Whitesville Rd. The Bible Study classes are being held during the months of February, March, and through the middle of April. Our dates and times are on Friday mornings 10:30am to 11:30am at the Chelsea, and on Wednesday mornings 10:30am to 11:30am at Spring Oak. This series of Bible Studies are based on the book "*Sharing God's Love and Joy*" by Willa Ruth Garlow. For additional information please contact Lucy DeBarge through the church office.

## ***Weekly Servers***

### **TRADITIONAL WORSHIP USHERS (SANCTUARY)**

Feb. 10 Team #5  
Feb. 17 Team #6  
Feb. 24 Team #1  
March 3 Team #2

### **CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP LEADERS (FELLOWSHIP HALL)**

Feb. 10 Ann Canter  
Feb. 17 Michael Mazer  
Feb. 24 Pat Lewis  
March 3 Scott Susich

### **TRADITIONAL WORSHIP LEADERS (SANCTUARY)**

Feb. 10 Doug Clayton  
Feb. 17 John Phander  
Feb. 24 Linda Phander  
March 3 David Geller

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

Feb. 10 Bill Koch, Joe Herflicker  
Feb. 17 Bill Koch, Jan Phillips  
Feb. 24 Bill Koch, Jan Phillips

### **11:00am SOUNDROOM SCHEDULE (SANCTUARY)**

Feb. 10 Bob DeBarge, Keila Earp  
Feb. 17 Russ Thistle, Jarrod Barrera  
Feb. 24 Keila Earp, D. VanDeventer

### WEEKLY CALENDAR

<b>Sun., Feb. 3</b>	<b>8:15-9:30AM</b> <b>9:30AM</b>  <b>10:30AM</b> <b>10:40AM</b> <b>11:00AM</b>  <b>12:00PM</b> <b>6:30-7:30PM</b>	Life By Design 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/Pick up pre-ordered sub sandwich Choir Warm Up Traditional Worship (Sanctuary); RISE! Christian Education Pre K - 5th grade. Coffee Hour/Pick up pre-ordered sub sandwich Love Does with Pastor Erik (rm. 4, 5)
<b>Mon., Feb. 4</b>	<b>1:00PM on</b> <b>5:30PM</b> <b>6:15-6:45PM</b> <b>6:45PM</b> <b>6:30-8:30PM</b> <b>7-8:30PM</b> <b>8:30PM on</b>	Memorial Hall, Rms. 4-9 Reserved Bell Choir Rehearsal Shared Ministry Office Reserved Gospel Choir Rehearsal Room 9 Reserved GNJUMC Meeting Troop Meeting (Fellowship Hall) Fellowship Hall Reserved
<b>Tues., Feb. 5</b>	<b>10:00AM</b>  <b>All Day</b>	Women's Bible Study ( <b>Sanctuary; please enter building through narthex lobby or church office ramp only.</b> ) Downstairs & Shared Ministry Office Reserved for GNJUMC. <b>All St. Andrew church business enter upstairs only; through narthex lobby or church office ramp.</b>
<b>Wed., Feb. 6</b>	<b>5:30PM</b>  <b>All Day</b>	YES CLUB ( <b>Sanctuary; please enter building through narthex lobby only.</b> ) Downstairs & Shared Ministry Office Reserved for GNJUMC. <b>All St. Andrew church business enter upstairs only; through narthex lobby or church office ramp.</b>
<b>Thurs., Feb. 7</b>	<b>All Day</b>	Downstairs & Shared Ministry Office Reserved for GNJUMC. <b>All St. Andrew church business enter upstairs only; through narthex lobby or church office ramp.</b>
<b>Fri., Feb. 8</b>		Call church office for space availability if needed today.
<b>Sat., Feb. 9</b>	<b>8-11:00AM</b> <b>10:30AM</b> <b>7:00PM</b>	Family Pancake Breakfast (Fellowship Hall) UMW White Elephant Auction (Memorial Hall) AA (Memorial Hall & Kitchen)
<b>Sun., Feb. 10</b> <b>Scout Sunday</b>	<b>8:15-9:30AM</b> <b>9:30AM</b>  <b>10:30AM</b> <b>10:40AM</b> <b>11:00AM</b>  <b>12:00PM</b> <b>12:30-2:00PM</b> <b>12:15PM</b> <b>6:30-7:30PM</b>	Life By Design 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 Choir Warm Up Traditional Worship (Sanctuary); RISE! Christian Education Pre K - 5th grade. Coffee Hour Circle of Joy & Grace (Memorial Hall & Kitchen) Alpha Praise Band Practice (Fellowship Hall) Love Does with Pastor Erik (rm. 4, 5)



**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 23, 2019  
1:00 pm to 3:00 pm**

The Neighborhood Center in Camden, NJ is showering expectant mothers in the neighborhood with much needed items for their babies. St. Andrew wants to be a part of this event! Here are the ways you can help:

**DONATE THESE ITEMS (Collection Bin is in Fellowship Hall Lobby):**

Diapers	Sleep Sacks	
Baby Bath Care		
Diaper Rash Cream	Pacifiers	Baby
Bottles		
Blankets	Board Books	Baby
Wipes		
Bottles	Socks	Infant
Toys		
Onsies	Wash Cloths	
Nursing Covers		
Teething Rings	Baby Safety Items	
Nursing Pads		
Burp Cloths	Bibs	Receiving
Blankets		

*(See Reverse Side for Ways To Volunteer)*



**Baby Shower at the Neighborhood Center**

**Saturday February 23, 2019**

**VOLUNTEER HELP IS NEEDED:**

Indicate how you can help and speak with Lucy DeBarge or Mary VanDeventer.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Drive Donations to the Neighborhood Center in Camden** (On or Before Tuesday February 19 at 4:00 PM)

**On Saturday February 23 at the Neighborhood Center:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Set Up at 9:00 AM (This is when most help is needed.)

\_\_\_\_\_ Shoppers: 1:00 – 3:00 PM

\_\_\_\_\_ Breakdown: 3:00 PM

**Volunteer Name and Contact:**