

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

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*Hebrews 6:18 says God cannot lie, nor can He break an unconditional promise that He says He will fulfill. Every covenant He made is kept. Every promise or foretelling has or will come true. Testimony after testimony of God's faithfulness is certainly found throughout the Bible and is still given in testimonies by people today.*

***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*

### **2019 CHURCH CONFERENCE**

The Greater New Jersey Annual Church Conference for St. Andrew UMC will be held Sunday, October 27.

Location: St. Andrew (Memorial Hall)

Schedule:

8:30-9:15am DS meeting with SPRC

9:30-10:30am Contemporary Worship

11:00-12:00pm Traditional Worship

12-1:00pm Parsonage walk through

1:00pm Church Conference

Church Leaders and Lay Servants responsible for reports please check your email and the GNJ website. Once on the GNJ website look to the upper right side and click on 2019 Church Conference. There you will find very helpful and important information. **All reports are due to the church office September 11.** If you need assistance please do not hesitate to contact me or Pastor Erik.

Thank you,

Lee Boccuzzi, Admin. Coordinator

### **FOR ALL COUNTING TEAMS**

The location of the Bank will be changing soon. Please contact Melissa Southard for new location and new key.

**TUESDAY MORNING AT THE MOVIES:** **Tuesday, August 6, at 10:00am** in Memorial Hall. *Lars and the Real Girl* Ryan Gosling plays a painfully shy young man, surrounded by love and kindness, emerging from a life of loneliness. It restores your faith in human nature and is an example of "What would Jesus do?" You will laugh, you may cry and you will remember the people who make a difference in the life of *Lars and the Real Girl*. All invited.

**AUGUST ICE CREAM SOCIAL:** All members and friends, young and old, of St. Andrew are invited to come out for an evening of ice cream and music on **Wednesday evening, August 7**, at 6:00pm. Make your sundae of choice and listen to the a cappella singing of the Charlettetones from Greenbriar Woodlands. The evening is sponsored by St. Andrew UMW and is for everyone. No ticket needed for this evening of fellowship.

**CHURCH WIDE BREAKFAST** Our second Church Wide Breakfast this summer, sponsored by the St. Andrew United Methodist Men, will be held on **Saturday August 10**. Breakfast will be served in Fellowship Hall and begins at 9:00 am. Missions has lined up two Guest Speakers to share information with us about some upcoming local events. **Donna Torres will make a brief presentation about "Rock 2 Adopt", a two-day charity music festival in September (September 14 and 15, 2019) on the grounds at the Popcorn Park Zoo and Shelter which will benefit the Shelter's pet adoption program. Our second speaker will be Pastor Hank Lay who will share information about the 2019 Ocean County CROP Hunger Walk on Sunday October 13.** Please mark your calendars now to join us for breakfast and good fellowship on August 10!

## **DONATIONS NEEDED FOR VBS**

We are in the final weeks of our ROAR VBS preparation and are in need of some supplies! If you are able to purchase some items or make a monetary donation we would be greatly appreciative!!!

### **Food Supplies Needed:**

Small pretzels or pretzel sticks, small boxes of raisins, teddy grahams, goldfish (preferably whole grain), peanut butter, juice boxes, lemonade and fruit punch mix, dried banana chips, 7" tortillas, small marshmallows, Nutter Butter cookies, shaved dried coconut, animal crackers, meltable white chocolate discs, and dark chocolate chips.

### **Craft Supplies Needed:**

Hemp Chord and 3/8 Ribbon any colors.

Thank you in advance,

The ROAR VBS Team

## **SCAN SOCIAL COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES NETWORK**

Seniors & Technology: Perfect Together!

**Date: Wednesday August 14**

Time: 10:30am-1:00pm

Location: St. Andrew UMC

Register Now for this FREE Event! Call SCAN: 732-542-1326

**INITIAL BAZAAR KICK OFF MEETING August 25th 10:30am-12:00pm in Memorial Hall.** Details to follow.

**TOMS RIVER AROUND THE WORLD:** a celebration of culture and heritage.

Sponsored by Toms River United an initiative of Police Chief Mitch Little and leaders of faith based communities and civic leaders.

Date: Labor Day Monday, September 2

Time: 12:00 noon- 4:00 pm.

Where: Huddy Park, downtown Toms River

What to expect: a gathering of families and friends enjoying food and fun-filled activities for all ages.

For further information contact

Michael M. Mazer

**OUR VETERANS & TROOPS NEED YOUR HELP! Please join our Veterans Ministry. You don't need to be a Veteran to join!**

Our New Veterans Ministry would like you to join our mission in supporting our Veterans & Troops around the world. You don't need to be a Veteran to join us! We would like to meet bi-weekly in order to setup this new ministry. Please visit our church website at [standrewtr.org](http://standrewtr.org), under ministry, tab down to Veterans and click onto our page. You will see our brochure and why we are so proud to support our veterans and troops. Our mission is simply, we just want to help. We do this by supporting non-profit organizations like Operations Jersey Cares, US War Dogs and Community of Hope. Please join us and we will continue our mission and help these troops on the front line and at home. You can contact me (Sgt. David Nordt), on facebook; St. Andrew UMC Toms River, NJ 08755 on twitter and at our email address,

[veteransatstandrewumc2019@gmail.com](mailto:veteransatstandrewumc2019@gmail.com) God Bless our Veterans and our Troops around the world. Remember, Freedom isn't Free. God Bless St. Andrew UMC and our Veterans Ministry. Thank You,  
Sgt. David Nordt, Veterans Leader

**OUR FRIEND PHYLLIS VOGEL HAS MOVED AND SHE WOULD LOVE HEARING FROM YOU!**

You can get her contact information through the church office

***St. Andrew Library***

**BOOK IDEA:** Children's Book (ages 4-11) *Red* by Jan De Kinder A great book to encourage a discussion about bullying – how it starts, how it grows and how it can be resolved

*A reading people will always be a knowing people.* John Wesley

***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 Alice Powers (8/5), Thelma Tremblay (8/6).

***Missions***

**AUGUST COMMUNION OFFERING** Today's Communion Offering will go towards our Back-To-School donation drive for families in need in our local community. Thank you for your generosity!

**AUGUST MISSION PRAYER** As we turn our thoughts to "back to school", please lift up in prayer all of our students, at all scholastic levels, who will be returning to school the end of August and beginning of September. Pray for God's blessings on them throughout this upcoming academic year, that they will realize His great love for them, and that they will seek His guidance and feel secure and optimistic about their futures. We also ask prayers for two of Rev. Mutwale's sons who are studying here in the United States. Please lift up in prayer Jean-Marc Mutwale, who is at Drew University in Madison, NJ pursuing his Masters of Divinity; and, Nathan Mutwale, who is at Kurtztown University in Kurtztown, PA pursuing a Bachelors' Degree in Social Work.

**A GARDEN WITH A MISSION** Our Mission Garden Site Project is moving forward with vegetables and herbs planted! At this time, we are putting together a team of volunteers who would be on a schedule to tend the garden with typical garden-type chores like weeding and later harvesting. Please reach out to Missions Coordinator Lucy DeBarge if you would like to join our volunteer team. Contact information is by email: [lucydebarge@yahoo.com](mailto:lucydebarge@yahoo.com) or by phone at 732-833-9975. Thank you to everyone who has donated plants, and expressed interest and well wishes! Please continue to lift up the garden in prayer so that it would be a blessing to those who will receive benefit!

**GRASS CLIPPINGS NEEDED**

For those of you who mow and have grass clippings to throw, please throw them our way as our garden is in need. Please leave them by the garden in back. Thank you!

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD "GOOD NEWS. GREAT JOY."** Visit our display in Fellowship Hall Lobby to learn how you can participate. At the display are empty shoeboxes for you to take and fill with fun gifts for girls and boys in desperate situations around the world, as well as details about this project. The display will continue to be available through August, however, shoebox gifts may be returned any time before the middle of November. Please remember in your shoeboxes to include a personal note, a photo of yourself or your family who packed the shoebox, and a donation of \$9.00 per shoebox (checks payable to Samaritan's Purse) to cover shipping costs plus the cost for *The Greatest Gift*, the booklet included with every shoebox by Operation Christmas Child, printed in the child's language which tells the story of Jesus and His great love for the people of the world. Contact Lucy DeBarge through the church office for additional information about this project. Thank you and God bless you for your kindness and generosity!

**"BACK TO SCHOOL" DONATION DRIVE** Missions is sponsoring a "Back To School" Donation Drive during the months of July and August. We are collecting school supplies and sturdy backpacks for school-aged children. Items will be donated to Interfaith Hospitality Network for distribution to families who are affiliated with IHN, either in the active program or have been through the active program and are now in their homes but struggling financially. **Final Sunday to donate is August 18, 2019.** Look for our collection bin in Fellowship Hall Lobby behind the marked cabinet door. Thank you for your generous support!

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Help sort "Back To School" supplies and stuff backpacks. We plan this activity during the week of August 19. The exact date/time will depend upon our volunteers. Please reach out to Missions Coordinator, Lucy DeBarge, through the church office if you would like to be part of this team. Thank you!

**SAVE THE DATE – 2019 CROP HUNGER WALK** The 2019 CROP Hunger Walk is scheduled for **Sunday October 13**. Last year St. Andrew was well represented with 24 Walkers at the 2018 Walk, and we were the second largest donor in the 2018 Walk! We would love to continue our tradition of expanding our support for the CROP Hunger Walk through increased participation by Walkers and donors. Missions at St. Andrew is actively involved on the planning committee for the local Ocean County 2019 Walk. The global sponsor of the CROP Hunger Walk is Church World Service (CWS), a leader in providing services for those affected by hunger and poverty, disaster, and displacement. CWS is also an UMCOR partner. In addition, **25% of funds raised remain in our local Ocean County community. Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) is the organization which receives the local funds.** Please reach out to Missions Coordinator, Lucy DeBarge, for additional information about the 2019 CROP Hunger Walk, or if you would like to get involved in helping to plan this year's Walk.

**TANZANIA UMC AND TANZANIA WOMEN'S DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS** At St. Andrew we continue to support the Tanzania Hope Center project and the Tanzania Women's Development Project in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. These projects are related to our Covenant Missionary, Kabaka Alphonsine, and her husband, Rev. Mutwale. We are offering our annual fundraising effort, which is an opportunity for you to contribute by buying quick breads. Order blanks are on the display counter in Fellowship Hall Lobby. Options include Zucchini Bread (for delivery August 25); Apple Bread (for delivery September 1 and 8); and Pumpkin Bread (for delivery September 15, 22, and 29). Contact for this fundraiser is Missions Coordinator

Lucy DeBarge through the church office Thank you for your generous support of these efforts benefiting the people of Tanzania and the expansion of God's Kingdom in Tanzania!

**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!**

### ***Adult Bible Studies***

**CHRISTIAN COFFEES** On September 8, our Sunday morning Christian Coffees classes will resume for the program year. We will begin a new study of the *Letter to the Hebrews*. We will be using the John MacArthur Study Guide, *Hebrews: Christ – Perfect Sacrifice, Perfect Priest*. In this Study Guide, we will explore the contrast between the Old and New Covenants and the author's teachings on how Christ is higher than any Old Testament character, priest, ritual, or sacrifice. For those interested in ordering the study guide or for more information, please contact Lucy DeBarge through the church office.

Christian Coffees is the name of our small group. We meet each Sunday morning during our regular program year 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.

### ***Weekly Servers***

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

Aug. 11 Team #1  
Aug. 18 Team #2  
Aug. 25 Team #3  
Sept. 1 Team #4

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

Aug. 11 Scott Susich  
Aug. 18 Jeff Canter  
Aug. 25 Ann Canter  
Sept. 1 Michael Mazer

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

Aug. 11 Doug Clayton  
Aug. 18 Harry Humphreys  
Aug. 25 Barbara Delman  
Sept. 1 Barrington Gooden

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

Aug. 11 Bill Koch, Jan Phillips  
Aug. 18 Bill Koch, Jan Phillips  
Aug. 25 Bill Koch, David Schwartz  
Sept. 1 Bill Koch, Jan Phillips

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

Aug. 11 Bob DeBarge, Joe Herflicker  
Aug. 18 Dave VanDeventer, Keila Earp  
Aug. 25 Russ, Russell Thistle  
Sept. 1 Bill Koch, Dick Green

<b><u>Weekly Calendar</u></b>	<b>8:15-9:30AM</b> <b>9:30AM</b>	Life By Design Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall); Summer SOAR. Coffee Hour
<b>Sun., Aug. 4</b>	<b>10:30AM</b> <b>11:00AM</b> <b>12:00PM</b>	Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) Coffee Hour
<b>Mon., Aug. 5</b>	<b>9:00-1:00PM</b>	Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall)
<b>Tues., Aug. 6</b>	<b>9:00-1:00PM</b> <b>10-12:00PM</b>	Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall) Tuesday Morning at the Movies (Memorial Hall)
<b>Wed., Aug. 7</b>	<b>9:00-1:00PM</b> <b>10-12:00PM</b> <b>6:00PM</b>	Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall) Knit Wits (4, 5) August Ice Cream Social with a cappella group the Charlettetones; Free event for everyone, sponsored by the UMW (Fellowship Hall)
<b>Thurs., Aug. 8</b>	<b>9:00-1:00PM</b> <b>7:00PM</b> <b>7-9:00PM</b>	Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall) The Daniel Plan with Amy Hall GNJ Conference Focus Group (Memorial Hall & Kitchen)
<b>Fri., Aug. 9</b>	<b>9:00-1:00PM</b>	Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall)
<b>Sat., Aug. 10</b>	<b>9-11:00AM</b>  <b>7:00PM</b>	Church Wide Breakfast with Guest Speakers (Fellowship Hall) AA (Memorial Hall & Kitchen)
<b>Sun., Aug. 11</b>	<b>8:15-9:30AM</b> <b>9:30AM</b>	Life By Design Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall); Summer SOAR. Coffee Hour
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