

**ST. ANDREW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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***September 1, 2019***

*"Each new day is another chapter in the unfolding  
promise of deliverance and life."*

*Elizabeth George*

***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

12:30-1:00pm Parsonage walkthrough

1:00pm Church Conference

**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

**DIAPER COLLECTION** MYF will be collecting diapers for the next three weeks to bring to the Ignite Conference October 4th - 6th for distribution to Makers Place. Maker's Place is a new Hope Center in Trenton committed to creating transformative relationships that help families in poverty be makers of better lives and communities. Right now they're in diapers, metaphorically and literally! The Maker's are collecting and giving away thousands of diapers in order to gather community, grow with families, and celebrate God's abundance in our midst. A collection bin is set up outside Fellowship Hall.

### **FOR ALL COUNTING TEAMS**

The location of the Bank will be changing soon. Melissa Southard will be in the counting room with new keys and the banks address after first service and before second service **Sunday September 1<sup>st</sup>**. If for you are unable to make it to Church one of those days, please contact Melissa through the church office.

### **THANK YOU** from the Hetrick's and LeCompte's

To My St. Andrew Church Family,

My family and I would like to thank you all for lifting us up during my mother, Lillian Hetrick's, illness and as she made her journey into heaven. Your love, cards, prayers and support were greatly appreciated and truly warmed our hearts. I'm sure my mom felt them too! Thank you again from the bottom of our hearts! Thank you, Jan and Erik for making her celebration of life so perfect! My dad was extremely overwhelmed by how much love everyone showed for her at her celebration! It is a true blessing to be surrounded by so many loving and caring people and I am so thankful to be a part of St. Andrew.

Much Love, Tami LeCompte & Family

### **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 through the church office.

**SCAN (Social Community Activities Network) LUNCH & LEARN** September 26th 10:30-1:00pm Fellowship Hall. This is a free event - registration is required by September 19. Call 732-542-1326.

The Benefits of Respiratory Therapy; Fraud Watch Network Basics; Stand Up & Stretch.

**Extra! Extra! "Sing" all about it!**

**Music Ministry News!**

*Ephesians 5:19 tells us to, speak to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord."*

As we gear up for our Fall SAUMC schedule to make music from our hearts, I want to encourage you to **mark** your calendars for our starting **dates!**

We are looking for fellow singers to join our Gospel Choir. Please spread the word and invite a friend to give it a try!

Monday **9/9/19** Son-Shine Bell Choir at 5:45PM

Monday **9/9/19** Gospel Choir practice at 6:45PM

Tuesday **9/10/19** Gospel Choir practice at 1:30PM

Tuesday **9/10/19** Thrive Chorus at 5:00PM (ages 4-5th Grade)

Sunday **9/15/19** Choir Warm-Up at 10:40AM

**St. Andrew Library**

**BOOK IDEA:** Youth Book (Gr. 7-10)

*Step Up to the Plate, Maria Singh* by Uma Krishnaswami The story of one lovable, determined nine-year-old girl's dream to play softball in California during WWII when Indian Immigrants could not become citizens or own land

*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 Carol Cohn (9/2), Marilyn Monaco (9/3), Arlene Mattes (9/5), Jan Phillips (9/7), Paulette Gooden (9/7).

**BRUNCH ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, at 10am in FELLOWSHIP HALL:** Joy in the Harvest Missionaries, Lowell & Claudia Wertz, will be sharing the news of their mission in Western Tanzania. Every so often the Wertzes return to the U.S. to thank their supporters and share the wonderful things that are happening there. Tickets (no charge) for this mission event are available after each of the Sunday services. ( St. Andrew UMW)

Do you ever wonder where the profits from St. Andrew Rummage Sales go or exactly how St. Andrew's support of Christian mission affects the world we live in? With local missions we can often see the results; but when the work is in a place across the globe it is difficult to envision. If you are a worker/supporter of these bi-yearly events or simply interested in mission, come and find out what the fruit of our hands working in Toms River accomplishes on the continent of Africa. (This is just one of the missions these sales support). Listen to the Wertzes talk about their work in Western Tanzania. St. Andrew has been a partner in this work, financially supporting this mission program for over 10 years. Several years ago St. Andrew sent a gift of \$10,000 to Joy in the Harvest when they were building a new community center. Each year our UMW sends a gift to Joy in the Harvest to support this mission as it expands its impact.

We are invested in God's work in this place! The Wertzes welcome St. Andrew as one of their supporters and appreciate our enthusiasm for their dedication to mission!

**CIRCLE OF JOY AND GRACE MEETING** The Circle of Joy and Grace will meet on **Sunday September 22 at 12:30PM** in Memorial Hall at St. Andrew UMC. Each one is encouraged to bring her own lunch as we will enjoy the fellowship of meeting together. As we begin our 2019-2020 season, some of our conversation will focus on setting goals and our schedule for this year. The Circle of Joy and Grace is open to all women who would like to be part of our group as we share and grow together in Christ's love – we invite you to please join us on the 22nd! For additional information, contact Lucy DeBarge through the church office.

### ***Missions***

**SEPTEMBER COMMUNION OFFERING** This morning's Communion Offering will go towards the UMC Tanzania Hope Center Project and the Tanzania Women's Development Project. These projects are related to our Covenant Missionary, Kabaka Alphonsine, and her husband, Rev. Mutwale. Thank you for your kindness and generosity!

**SEPTEMBER MISSION PRAYER** September is **National Hunger Action Month**, which puts the spotlight on the problem of hunger in America. During September please pray for those in America and in our local community who daily face hunger and food insecurity. Pray God's blessings upon them so that, through God's gracious provision, their physical and spiritual needs would be met. Ask God for His guidance and wisdom to discover what more we can do to help those who are hungry. To learn more about Hunger Action Month and the specific **actions** that our St. Andrew church family is being encouraged to participate in as we respond to hunger in our local community, please see the "September Is Hunger Action Month" insert in today's bulletin announcements.

**"HAPPY GRANDPARENTS DAY" GREETING CARDS** Today in Fellowship Hall following worship services, be encouraged to sign "Happy Grandparents Day" Greeting Cards for residents of the Chelsea Assisted Living. The cards have colorful graphics, a cheery wish for a Happy Grandparents Day, and a Scripture verse from God's word, Psalm 36:7. Now the greeting cards need your signature and personal greeting to make them complete! *How precious is your steadfast love, O God! Psalm 36:7*

**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!

**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 contact her 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!

**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. **To join our St. Andrew Team (Team Name: SAUMC) or to make an on-line donation, please use the following website link to access our Team Page:**

**<https://www.crophungerwalk.org/oceancnj/Team/View/114069/SAUMC>**

**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.

**THE WIRED WORD** Sunday, September 8 The Wired Word is back! Join the 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.

**BIBLE STUDIES AT ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES** Weekly Bible Studies are offered by St. Andrew UMC at two Assisted Living Facilities in our local Toms River community. We meet during the whole month of September and through the first week of October. On Wednesday mornings from 10:30 am to 11:30 am, we bring in Bible Studies at Spring Oak, located 2145 Whitesville Rd. On Friday mornings from 10:30 am to 11:30 am, we bring in Bible Studies at The Chelsea, located 1657 Silverton Rd. Each of these Bible Studies stands on its own; they are devotional style sessions based on Willa Ruth Garlow's book, *Sharing God's Love and Joy*. For more information or to join our Bible Study team, please contact Lucy DeBarge through the church office.

### *Weekly Servers*

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

Sept. 8 Team #5  
Sept. 15 Team #6  
Sept. 22 Team #1  
Sept. 29 Team #2

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

Sept. 8 Pat Lewis  
Sept. 15 Scott Susich  
Sept. 22 Jeff Canter  
Sept. 29 Dave Richardson

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

Sept. 8 Linda Phander  
Sept. 15 David Geller  
Sept. 22 Doug Clayton  
Sept. 29 Vita Hansen

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

Sept. 8 Bill Koch, Jan Phillips  
Sept. 15 Bill Koch, Jan Phillips  
Sept. 22 Bill Koch, Joe Herflicker  
Sept. 29 Bill Koch, Jan Phillips

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

Sept. 8 Bob DeBarge, Keila Earp  
Sept 15. Dick Green, Joe Herflicker  
Sept. 22 Russ & Russ Thistle  
Sept. 29 Bob DeBarge, D. VanDeventer

<p><b><u>Weekly Calendar</u></b></p> <p><b>Sun., Sept. 1</b></p>	<p><b>8:15-9:30AM</b> <b>9:30AM</b></p> <p><b>10:30AM</b> <b>11:00AM</b> <b>12:00PM</b></p>	<p>Life By Design Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall); Summer SOAR. Coffee Hour Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) Coffee Hour</p>
<p><b>Mon., Sept. 2</b> <b><i>Labor Day</i></b></p>	<p><b>9-1:00PM</b></p>	<p>Church Office Closed. Senior Nutrition Site (Closed)</p>
<p><b>Tues., Sept. 3</b></p>	<p><b>9-1:00PM</b></p>	<p>Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall)</p>
<p><b>Wed., Sept. 4</b></p>	<p><b>9-1:00PM</b> <b>10-12:00PM</b></p>	<p>Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall) Knit Wits (rm. 6)</p>
<p><b>Thurs., Sept. 5</b></p>	<p><b>9-1:00PM</b> <b>10:30AM</b></p>	<p>Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall) Naomi Circle (rm. 4-6)</p>
<p><b>Fri., Sept. 6</b></p>	<p><b>9-1:00PM</b></p>	<p>Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall)</p>
<p><b>Sat., Sept. 7</b></p>	<p><b>7:00PM</b></p>	<p>AA (Memorial Hall &amp; Kitchen)</p>
<p><b>Sun., Sept. 8</b></p>	<p><b>8:15-9:30AM</b> <b>9:30AM</b></p> <p><b>10:30AM</b> <b>11:00AM</b></p> <p><b>12:00PM</b> <b>7-8:00PM</b></p>	<p>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 Traditional Worship (Sanctuary); RISE! Christian Education Pre K - 5th grade. Coffee Hour Pastor Erik's Class "When Christians Get It Wrong" Memorial Hall</p>